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**IMPERIAL CITY COUNCIL
 AGENDA ITEM**

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: Authorize the City Council to submit a letter of support for the Imperial County 1. Transportation Commission's (ICTC) application to the Federal Transit Administration's FY 2025 Low or No Emission Grant Program.	
DEPARTMENT INVOLVED:	
BACKGROUND/SUMMARY: ICTC requests the City's support to apply for the Federal Transit Administration's FY 2025 Low or No Emission Grant Program and the Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program. The funding will support the development of a new Administration, Operations, and Maintenance Center for ICTC/Imperial Valley Transit (IVT), a critical project that advances zero-emission transportation goals, supports fleet expansion, and improves the efficiency and reliability of transit services across Imperial County.	
FISCAL IMPACT: No fiscal impact.	FINANCE INITIALS <u>JMS</u>
STAFF RECOMMENDATION:	DEPT. INITIALS _____
MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION: <u>Approve</u>	CITY MANAGER'S INITIALS <u>JAM</u>
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SECONDED: AYES: NAYES: ABSENT:	APPROVED (<input type="checkbox"/>) REJECTED (<input type="checkbox"/>) DISAPPROVED (<input type="checkbox"/>) DEFERRED (<input type="checkbox"/>) REFERRED TO:

Dennis H. Morita

From: Marlene Flores <marleneflores@imperialctc.org>
Sent: Thursday, June 26, 2025 12:53 PM
To: Dennis H. Morita; Thomas Garcia
Subject: Fw: Request for Letter of Support – ICTC FY 2025 Low or No Emission and Bus & Bus Facilities Grant Application
Attachments: Sample Letter of Support_IVT Center.docx

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Dear City of Imperial,

The Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) is submitting a federal grant application under the FY 2025 Low or No Emission and Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program. This application supports the development of the ICTC/Imperial Valley Transit (IVT) Administration, Operations, and Maintenance Center an essential project to improve transit operations, reduce emissions, and meet the growing mobility needs of our region.

As part of the application process, we are respectfully requesting a letter of support from the City of Imperial. For your convenience, a draft letter is attached for your consideration.

Given the upcoming submission deadline, we kindly ask that the signed letter be returned by **Monday, July 7, 2025**. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you for your time and continued support of transportation initiatives in Imperial County.

Best regards,

Marlene Flores | Regional Senior Transportation Planner

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July 2, 2025

The Honorable Sean Duffy
Secretary of the United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: Support of Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) FY 2025 Low or No Emission Grant Program and Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program grant applications for the ICTC/Imperial Valley Transit (IVT) Administration, Operations and Maintenance Center

Dear Secretary Duffy:

On behalf of the City of Imperial, I am writing in support of the application of the Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) to the Federal Transit Administration's *FY 2025 Low or No Emission Grant Program and Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program* grant applications for the ICTC/Imperial Valley Transit (IVT) Administration, Operations and Maintenance Center project.

ICTC/IVT's existing administration, operations, and maintenance facilities are significantly undersized to accommodate its existing fleet, in addition to the proposed expanded future fleet and the transition to zero-emission buses. The existing operations and maintenance facility is also currently leased by the transit contract operator, is privately owned, and cannot be expanded. The existing operations and maintenance facility needs significant improvement to meet the needs of ICTC's existing services.

The project will fund the construction of a new IVT/ICTC Administration, Operations, and Maintenance Center, including electric charging infrastructure and the hydrogen fueling facility and equipment to allow ICTC to transition to a 100 percent zero-emission fleet by 2035. The new facility will be centrally located within the county and support better integration of transit services in the region by allowing all transit vehicles (fixed route, demand responsive, and microtransit) to be housed, maintained, and operated in one facility. The project supports the reduction in transit vehicle emissions to improve air quality and the future expansion of transit service.

We appreciate your consideration of this important project.

Sincerely,

James Tucker
Mayor, City of Imperial