

June 25, 2025 AGENDA ITEM #11

Discuss and adopt the FY 2026 Operating Budget

Strategic Plan Relevance: Stewardship

Department: Finance

Contact: José Hernández, Chief Financial Officer

Associated Costs: N/A

Funding Source: N/A

Action Requested: Consider and act on draft resolution

<u>Project Description/Background</u>: Staff submitted a Preliminary FY 2026 Operating Budget to the Board on June 13, 2025. Staff refined several line-item expenses following discussion during the Budget Presentation held on June 13, 2025. Further adjustments have been finalized and submitted to the Board in preparation for this meeting.

<u>Action Requested/Staff Recommendation</u> – Staff recommends approval of the FY 2026 Operating Budget.

Backup Provided: Draft Resolution

FY 2026 Proposed Operating Budget to be provided at the board

meeting

TCDRS Plan Customizer Summary for Plan Year 2026

GENERAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CENTRAL TEXAS REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION NO. 25-0XX

APPROVING THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority (CTRMA) was created pursuant to the request of Travis and Williamson Counties and in accordance with provisions of the Transportation Code and the petition and approval process established in 43 Tex. Admin. Code § 26.01, et. seq. (the "RMA Rules"); and

WHEREAS, prudent management and fiscal oversight are overriding objectives of the CTRMA Board of Directors ("Board"); and

WHEREAS, during the course of the year, CTRMA may issue one or more series of revenue bonds for the development of additional projects and issue refunding bonds as market opportunities arise; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable to develop and adopt a budget for CTRMA operations for each fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director and staff have developed and recommend that the Board approve the budget for fiscal year 2025-2026 (the "FY 2026 Budget") attached as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2026 Budget includes a one-year retiree cost-of-living adjustment ("COLA") at 100% of the CPI-based COLA established by the Texas County & District Retirement System; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered adopting a COLA for retirees receiving a pension as required by Policy Code § 101.0631(b) and has opted to award the COLA to be effective commencing on January 1, 2026.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the FY 2026 Budget attached as Exhibit A; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the FY 2026 Budget may be amended from time-to-time by approval of the Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or his designee, is hereby authorized to commit funds for non-project related services up to the amounts set forth in the FY 2026 Budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves and adopts a one-year retiree COLA to be effective January 1, 2026, at 100% of the CPI-based COLA established by the Texas County & District Retirement System; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to execute such documents and take all other actions necessary to implement the on-year retiree cost-of living adjustment approved herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director is directed to provide a copy of this resolution with the attached FY 2026 Budget to Commissioners Courts for Williamson and Travis Counties; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, by copy of this resolution, CTRMA hereby provides notice to the Commissioners Courts of Travis County, Texas and Williamson County, Texas of contemplated revenue bond issuances as required by Section 370.261, Texas Transportation Code.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority on the 25th day of June 2025.

Submitted and reviewed by:	Approved:
James M. Bass	Nikelle Meade
Executive Director	Vice Chair, Board of Directors

Exhibit A

FY 2025 Budget to be provided at the board meeting