ORDINANCE NO. 003-20

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITYAND CITY OF CHICAGO TO DESIGN EXPRESS TRANSIT OPERATIONS TO MIDWAY (ORANGE LINE) AND O'HARE (BLUE LINE)

WHEREAS, The City of Chicago ("City"), in cooperation with the Authority, plans to undertake a project to design express transit operations to Midway (Orange Line) and O'Hare (Blue Line) airports ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, The City and the Authority have indicated their desire to cooperate in the implementation of said Project; and

WHEREAS, The City shall initiate feasibility studies for improving rail transit service between Midway and downtown Chicago; and

WHEREAS, The Authority and the City shall agree with the conceptual and/or schematic plans for the work defined; and

WHEREAS, The City shall establish a conceptual plan for the express transit service, evaluate the market for such service, identify necessary capital investments, identify potential environmental concerns, develop preliminary cost estimates, and consider the proposed service in a systematic and comprehensive fashion; and

WHEREAS, The City shall coordinate conceptual reviews with the Authority, and all comments made by the Authority must be responded to in writing by the City to the satisfaction of the Authority. The Authority's General Manager of Facilities Planning must approve each stage of work prior to the City advancing to the next stage; and

WHEREAS, The City shall establish a detailed operating plan acceptable to it and the Authority, refine cost estimates and generally develop adequate information for application to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for funding under the Section 5309 New Starts Program, and CTA shall apply for said funding; and

WHEREAS, The AUTHORITY was awarded a grant from the Federal Transit Administration (IL-90-X433) and the Regional Transportation Authority (CTA-2002-9R2) for financial assistance in the implementation of the Project in the amount of \$2,302,200, which staff recommends be used to fund the design element of the Project; and

WHEREAS, Authority staff and the City negotiated an intergovernmental agreement to effectuate the Project; now, therefore:

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. The Authority is authorized to participate financially with the City of Chicago in the design of express transit operations to Midway (Orange Line) and O'Hare (Blue Line) in an amount not to exceed \$708,600 for the Midway Express Plan and \$1,593,600 for the O'Hare Express Plan.

SECTION 2. The Chairman of the Chicago Transit Board, or her designee, is authorized to finalize and execute the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Chicago, substantially in conformance with Exhibit A attached hereto.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

PASSED:

Chairman

Assistant Secretary

February 5, 2003

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