

ORDINANCE NO. 004-15

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING  
EXECUTION WITH THE FEDERAL  
TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION OF A  
FULL FUNDING GRANT AGREEMENT  
FOR THE CAPACITY EXPANSION OF  
THE BROWN LINE

WHEREAS, The Authority has determined that the capacity expansion of the Brown Line ("Project") will effectively and efficiently serve the transportation needs of the Chicago Metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, The Authority has developed a proposed plan for the Project and, in accordance with its plan, seeks federal financial assistance for the Project as a new start pursuant to 49 USC sec. 5309; and

WHEREAS, Full Funding Grant Agreements are authorized by the Federal Transit Act and are designed to provide a commitment of federal financial funding through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for major capital investment transit projects; and

WHEREAS, A Full Funding Grant Agreement establishes the terms and conditions of federal financial assistance for the Project, covers the time period to complete the Project, and facilitates timely and efficient management of the Project in accordance with Federal law; and

WHEREAS, A Full Funding Grant Agreement will also provide assurance and predictability to the Authority of Federal financial support for the Project; and

WHEREAS, The Authority seeks \$423 million in federal financial assistance for the capacity expansion of the Brown Line; and

WHEREAS, On February 7, 2000, via Ordinance 000-24, the Chicago Transit Board authorized the President, with assistance of the General Counsel, to negotiate the terms of the Full Funding Grant Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Negotiations between FTA and CTA have been completed;  
and

WHEREAS, Staff recommends that the Full Funding Grant Agreement negotiated between the FTA and the Authority be executed; now, therefore:

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

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SECTION 1. The Chicago Transit Board hereby authorizes the President or his designee to execute the Full Funding Grant Agreement for the capacity expansion of the Brown Line, substantially in conformance with Exhibit A attached hereto.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage.

APPROVED:

PASSED:

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Chairman

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Assistant Secretary

January 28, 2004

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