relief (not previously granted for this caboose) from § 215.303, Stenciling of restricted cars, due to the historic nature of the caboose.

Railtown states that this caboose has a maximum load of 30 passengers with a combined weight not to exceed 5,000 pounds. It will be used for excursion train service on 3 miles of privately owned track. Railtown is part of the California State Park System and is owned and operated by the State of California. Trained, paid and volunteer staff of the State of California operate and maintain the caboose. This caboose will not be interchanged with other railroads.

A copy of the petition, as well as any written communications concerning the petition, is available for review online at www.regulations.gov.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested parties desire an opportunity for oral comment and a public hearing, they should notify FRA, in writing, before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number and may be submitted by any of the following methods:

- Website: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- Hand Delivery: 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

Communications received by September 14, 2020 will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered if practicable. Anyone can search the electronic form of any written communications and comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the document, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). Under 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its processes. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to www.regulations.gov, as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL–14 FDMIS), which can be reviewed at https://www.transportation.gov/privacy. See also https://www.regulations.gov/privacyNotice for the privacy notice of regulations.gov.

Issued in Washington, DC.
John Karl Alexy,
Associate Administrator for Railroad Safety Chief Safety Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Transfer of Federally Assisted Facility

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), United States Department of Transportation (USDOT).

ACTION: Notice of Intent (NOI) to Transfer Federally-Assisted Land or facility.

SUMMARY: The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) is issuing this Notice to advise Federal agencies that the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority (Sound Transit) intends to transfer the land portions of 20 parcels (Subject Properties) to the Seattle Office of Housing. Federal public transportation law delegated to the Federal Transit Administrator permits the Administrator of the Federal Transit Administration to authorize a recipient of FTA funds to transfer land or a facility to a public body for any public purpose with no further obligation to the Federal Government (the Government) if, among other things, no Federal agency is interested in acquiring the asset for Federal use.

DATES: Any Federal agency interested in acquiring the facility must notify the FTA Region X office of its interest no later than August 31, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties should notify the Regional Office by writing to Linda Gehrke, Regional Administrator, Federal Transit Administration, 915 Second Ave, Federal Building Suite 3142, Seattle, WA 98174–1002.


Sound Transit requests FTA approval to transfer the Subject Properties to the City of Seattle’s Office of Housing, if no Federal agency is interested in acquiring the asset for Federal use. The City of Seattle’s Office of Housing has dedicated $11 million to work with affordable housing developers to convert the Subject Properties into approximately 200 permanently affordable housing units, as defined by Washington State’s statute RCW 81.112.350. This transfer also would satisfy Sound Transit’s statutory requirement to dispose of surplus property to qualified entities to develop affordable housing.

Background

Federal public transportation law (49 U.S.C. 5334(h)) provides guidance on the transfer of capital assets. Specifically, if a recipient of FTA assistance decides an asset acquired with assistance under 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 is no longer needed for the purpose for which it was acquired, the Secretary of Transportation may authorize the recipient to transfer the asset to a local governmental authority to be used for a public purpose with no further obligation to the Government. 49 U.S.C. 5334(h)(1).

Determinations

The FTA Administrator may authorize a transfer for a public purpose other than mass transportation only if the FTA Administrator decides:

(A) The asset will remain in public use for at least five (5) years after the date the asset is transferred;

(B) There is no purpose eligible for assistance under Chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code, for which the asset should be used;

(C) The overall benefit of allowing the transfer is greater than the interest of the Government in liquidation and return of the financial interest of the Government in the asset, after considering fair market value and other factors; and

(D) Through an appropriate screening or survey process, that there is no interest in acquiring the asset for
Government use if the asset is a facility or land.

The FTA Administrator has determined that the above requirements (A), (B), and (C) have been met; this Notice is issued pursuant to requirement (D).

Federal Interest in Acquiring Land or Facility

This Notice implements the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 5334(h)(1)(D). Accordingly, FTA hereby provides notice of the availability of the Subject Properties further described below. Any Federal agency interested in acquiring the Subject Properties should promptly notify the FTA. If no Federal agency is interested in acquiring the Subject Properties, FTA will transfer the properties.

Additional Description of Land or Facility

The Subject Properties are currently vacant land. The Subject Properties are between 1,400–14,000 square feet, each as follows: 4804 MLK Jr Way S. 4,275 sq ft; 4804 32nd Ave S. 3,556 sq ft; 4810 MLK Jr Way S. 2,961 sq ft; 4851 MLK Jr Way S. 2,184 sq ft; 4853 MLK Jr Way S. 1,744 sq ft; 4859 MLK Jr Way S. 4,631 sq ft; 4736 31st Ave S. 4,655 sq ft; 4742 MLK Jr Way S. 2,036 sq ft; 4733 MLK Jr Way S. 1,815 sq ft; 4735 MLK Jr Way S. 1,428 sq ft; 4741 MLK Jr Way S. 4,522 sq ft; 4203 S. Kenyon St. 4,526 sq ft; 7908 MLK Jr Way S. 5,892 sq ft; 6740 MLK Jr Way S. 8,439 sq ft; 3601 MLK Jr Way S. 13,164 sq ft; 4865 MLK Jr Way S. 3,292 sq ft; 3112 S. Ferdinand St. 1,845 sq ft; 3201 S. Ferdinand St. 3,776 sq ft; 5042 MLK Jr Way S. 2,387 sq ft; 6701 MLK Jr Way S. 8,341 sq ft.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 5334(h).

K. Jane Williams,
Acting Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD–2020–0104]

Requested Administrative Waiver of the Coastwise Trade Laws: Vessel TEJAS (Sailing Catamaran); Invitation for Public Comments

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to grant waivers of the U.S.-build requirements of the coastwise trade laws to allow the carriage of no more than twelve passengers for hire on vessels, which are three years old or more. A request for such a waiver has been received by MARAD. The vessel, and a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below.

DATES: Submit comments on or before August 31, 2020.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by DOT Docket Number MARAD–2020–0104 by any one of the following methods:


• Mail or Hand Delivery: Docket Management Facility is in the West Building, Ground Floor of the U.S. Department of Transportation. The Docket Management Facility location address is: U.S. Department of Transportation, MÁR–2020–0104, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal holidays.

Note: If you mail or hand-deliver your comments, we recommend that you include your name and a mailing address, an email address, or a telephone number in the body of your document so that we can contact you if we have questions regarding your submission.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and specific docket number. All comments received will be posted without change to the docket at www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on submitting comments, see the section entitled Public Participation.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As described by the applicant the intended service of the vessel TEJAS is:

—Intended Commercial Use of Vessel: “Day Charter and Overnight Charters.”

—Geographic Region Including Base of Operations: “Florida, Texas, Georgia, North and South Carolina, Maine, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama.”

—Vessel Length and Type: 40’ sailing catamaran

The complete application is available for review identified in the DOT docket as MARAD–2020–0104 at http://www.regulations.gov. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with 46 U.S.C. 12121 and MARAD’s regulations at 46 CFR part 388, that the issuance of the waiver will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-flag vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, a waiver will not be granted. Comments should refer to the vessel name, state the commenter’s interest in the waiver application, and address the waiver criteria given in section 388.4 of MARAD’s regulations at 46 CFR part 388.

Public Participation

How do I submit comments?

Please submit your comments, including the attachments, following the instructions provided under the above heading entitled ADDRESSES. Be advised that it may take a few hours or even days for your comment to be reflected on the docket. In addition, your comments must be written in English. We encourage you to provide concise comments and you may attach additional documents as necessary. There is no limit on the length of the attachments.

Where do I go to read public comments, and find supporting information?

Go to the docket online at http://www.regulations.gov, keyword search MARAD–2020–0104 or visit the Docket Management Facility (see ADDRESSES for hours of operation). We recommend that you periodically check the Docket for new submissions and supporting material.

Will my comments be made available to the public?

Yes. Be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, will be made publicly available.

May I submit comments confidentially?

If you wish to submit comments under a claim of confidentiality, you should submit three copies of your complete submission, including the information you claim to be confidential business information, to the Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration, Office of Legislation and Regulations, MAR–225, W24–220, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590. Include a cover letter setting forth with specificity the