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(4) The architectural integrity of the railroad passenger terminal will be preserved, and this determination is concurred in by the consultants recommended by the Chairman and Council and retained by the Administrator for this purpose;

(5) To the extent practicable, the use of station facilities for transportation purposes may be combined with use for other civic and cultural activities, especially when such use is recommended by the Council or the Chairman, or the consultants retained by the Administrator upon their recommendation;

(6) The applicant has provided the information and documentation required under §256.11(c).

(7) The railroad passenger terminal and the conversion project meet such other criteria as the Administrator may develop and promulgate in consultation with the Chairman and the Council.

(c) Preservation funds. A project is eligible for financial assistance in accordance with subsection 4(i) of the Act if the Administrator determines that:

(1) The applicant is empowered by applicable law, and is qualified, prepared, and committed, on an interim basis pending the formulation of plans for reuse, to maintain and prevent the demolition, dismantling, or further deterioration of, a railroad passenger terminal;

(2) The railroad passenger terminal is threatened with demolition, dismantling, or further deterioration;

(3) There is a reasonable likelihood that the railroad passenger terminal will be converted to or conditioned for reuse as an intermodal passenger terminal. The primary use of the terminal shall be for intermodal purposes, but facilities for the provision of civic or cultural activities may be incorporated to the extent feasible. Such dual use of the terminal is particularly encouraged when it is recommended by the Council or the Chairman.

(4) Planning activity aimed at conversion or reuse has commenced and is proceeding in a competent manner;

(5) The expenditure of funds on such project would be in the manner most likely to maximize the preservation of railroad passenger terminals which are:

(i) Reasonably capable of conversion to intermodal passenger terminals;

(ii) Listed in the National Register;

(iii) Recommended on the basis of architectural integrity and quality by the Chairman or the Council;

(6) The applicant has provided the information and documentation required by §256.11(d).

(d) Planning funds. A project is eligible for financial assistance in accordance with subsection 4(i)(5) of the Act if the Administrator determines that:

(1) The applicant is prepared to develop practicable plans meeting the zoning, land use, and other requirements of the applicable State and local jurisdictions in which the railroad passenger terminal is located;

(2) The applicant incorporates into its plans for the conversion of an historic terminal into an intermodal passenger terminal, features which appear reasonably likely to attract private investors willing to finance the planned conversion and/or its subsequent maintenance and operation. The primary use of the terminal shall be for intermodal purposes, but facilities for the provision of civic or cultural activities may be incorporated to the extent feasible.

(3) The applicant will be able to complete the designs and plans for such conversion within two years following the approval of the application for Federal financial assistance;

(4) The expenditure of funds on such project would be in the manner most likely to maximize the preservation of railroad passenger terminals which are listed in the National Register or recommended on the basis of architectural integrity and quality by the Chairman or the Council;

(5) The applicant has provided the information and documentation required under §256.11(e).

subsection 4(i)(2) of the Act, may be expended for the following project costs incurred after the date of final project approval:

1. Acquisition or long-term lease of real property or other property interests, including air rights, subterranean rights, or easements, where necessary for project implementation;
2. Final architectural and engineering construction documentation, including all necessary plans, specifications, detailed cost estimates, and implementation schedules; and
3. Construction, which may include, but is not limited to:
   - Complete rehabilitation and refurbishment of the interior and exterior of the structure;
   - Provision of necessary public service facilities;
   - Structural modifications and minor additions necessary to permit the development of (A) improved rail passenger facilities, (B) intercity bus terminal and docking facilities, (C) adequate facilities for local mass transit, and (D) parking and access for automobiles and bicycles; and
   - Provisions for accommodating major tenants and concessionaires such as airline ticket offices, rent-a-car offices, and other transportation service facilities.

(b) Preservation funds. Federal financial assistance under subsection 4(i)(3) of the Act, for the preservation of a railroad passenger terminal which has a reasonable likelihood of being converted or otherwise maintained, may be expended for costs incurred after the date of project approval which are necessary to maintain (and prevent the demolition, dismantling, or further deterioration of) a railroad passenger terminal pending the completion of project planning, for a period not to exceed five years.

(c) Planning funds. Federal financial assistance granted under subsection 4(i)(5) of the Act for the development of plans for the conversion of a railroad passenger terminal into an intermodal passenger terminal, which may incorporate civic and cultural activities where feasible, may be expended for the following project costs if incurred within two years after project approval:

1. Cost of a study or studies to:
   - Assess the need for and the feasibility of converting an existing railroad passenger terminal into an intermodal passenger terminal which may incorporate civic and cultural activities where feasible;
   - Develop a fiscal plan and agreements for the plan’s implementation; and
   - (iii)(A) Relate the project to other transportation priorities in the area; and
   - (B) Evaluate alternate means of providing needed intermodal passenger services within the community.

2. Costs of preparation of preliminary architectural and engineering design documents for the project, including:
   - Plans, sections, and sketches illustrating the functional as well as preservation aspects of the recommended development;
   - Assessment of the condition of existing structural and utilities systems and requirements for their improvement;
   - Outline specifications and preliminary estimates of project costs; and
   - Required environmental impact reviews and analyses.

(d) Federal share. The Federal share of any project under this part shall not exceed 80 percent of the total allowable project costs. The non-Federal share may not be augmented by any Federal funds, directly or indirectly, unless the funds are provided through a Federal program which specifically authorizes the augmentation of a non-Federal share of a federally-assisted program with such funds.

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§ 256.11 Applications.

(a) Incorporation by reference in application of previously submitted information or material. Any information or material of any kind which has been submitted by an applicant need not be re-submitted if the prior submission is identified and incorporated by reference in the application. Where the