



RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

KUYLER CROCKER District One

PETE VANDER POEL District Two

> AMY SHUKLIAN District Three

EDDIE VALERO District Four

DENNIS TOWNSEND District Five

AGENDA DATE: April 28, 2020 - REVISED

| Public Hearing Required Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk Published Notice Required Advertised Published Notice Meet & Confer Required Electronic file(s) has been sent Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached | Yes | N/A |
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| Personnel Resolution attached Agreements are attached and signature line tab(s)/flag(s) | Yes ∐ for Chairman is Yes ⊠ | N/A ⊠ marked with N/A □ |
| CONTACT PERSON: Celeste Perez PHONE: (559) 624-7010 | | |

SUBJECT: 2019/2020 Transit Agreement with the City of Visalia

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Approve a 2019/2020 Transit Agreement with the City of Visalia, in the amount of \$501,692 for the City to provide transit service to County of Tulare residents, retroactive from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. This agreement is retroactive because of ongoing negotiations with the City and the need to obtain authorized signatures from the City. It was impractical for the Board to take action before July 1, 2019 due to the time needed to process and prepare the agreement, including negotiation and cost determination; and
- 2. Find that the Board had authority to enter into the proposed agreement as of July 1, 2019, and that it was in the County's best interest to enter into the agreement on that date: and
- 3. Authorize the Chair to sign the Agreement.

SUMMARY:

This is an annual agreement with the City of Visalia for the City to provide transit service for citizens of local unincorporated areas in the Visalia service area. These County residents can be best served by the City of Visalia transit service. As a result, the County has agreed to reimburse the City of Visalia for extending service to include unincorporated areas adjacent to the City and provide public transit to County residents in those areas.

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In fiscal year 2019/2020 an estimated 35% of fixed route trips (Visalia Transit Routes 6, 9, 12) will serve County residents in the adjacent unincorporated areas. This represents approximately 70,000 riders. The County share of the City of Visalia cost for the service in fiscal year 2019/2020 has been calculated to be \$501,692. In 2018/2019, the County's contribution for this service was \$353,009

| Demand/Route Service | \$258,478 |
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| Fixed Route | \$235,694 |
| Bus Shelter Expense | \$ 7,520 |
| Total Payment | \$501,692 |

The change in cost from the City of Visalia in 2018/2019, was due to mostly to the increased cost of subcontracted transit service incurred by the City as a result of a new transit contract that incorporates higher labor costs. The County experienced a similar increase in its new contract for the same reason.

The only changes from the 2018/2019 contract are changing the term of the agreement from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020, changing the dollar amount provided from the City of Visalia under this agreement to \$501,692.

Execution of this agreement was delayed beyond July 1, 2019, because of ongoing contract negotiations with the City of Visalia.

Please note this agreement has been approved as to form by County Counsel. The following terms deviate substantively from the standard County boilerplate:

Mutual Indemnification - Both parties to the agreement agree to indemnify the other.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There is No Net County costs to the General Fund.

The County's share of the net operating cost of the transit service under this agreement will be \$501,692. This agreement allows Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) to redistribute a portion of the County's Local Transportation Fund (LTF) and/or State Transit Assistance Funds (STA) to the City of Visalia for this service.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

This coordinated transit system provides quality service to County and City residents in the Visalia Area. The Strategic Business Plan Initiatives, under the Safety and Security section, calls for improvement and maintenance of transportation infrastructure. This service addresses that initiative.

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ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

Sherman Dix

Assistant Director - Fiscal

Reed Schenke, P.E.

Director

Cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s) Attachment A - Agreement

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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| MEETING HELD ON <u>APRIL 28, 2020,</u> BY THE |
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| JASON T. BRITT COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/ |
| CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS |
| Deputy Clerk |
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