

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

May 21, 2001

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO EXTEND SERVICE CONTRACTS WITH LAIDLAW
TRANSIT SERVICES FOR THE PROVISION OF FIXED ROUTE (ARTS) AND
DIAL-A-RIDE SERVICES IN THE CITY OF PASADENA

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the City Manager to extend the ARTS contract, 15,375-7 (not to exceed \$460,000), and the Dial-A-Ride contract, 15,986-2 (not to exceed \$280,000), with Laidlaw Transit Services. The contract service extension will be in place until a new service contract can take affect following City Council approval of the Public Works & Transportation Department's operating budget.

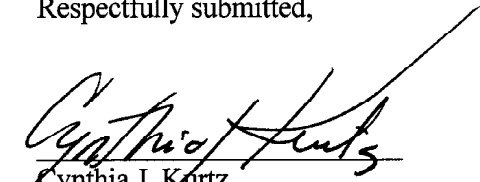
BACKGROUND

The City of Pasadena currently has two contracts with Laidlaw Transit Services, Inc., for the provision of the fixed-route (ARTS) and Dial-A-Ride (DAR) transit services. The ARTS contract ends on May 31, 2001 and the DAR contract ends on June 30, 2001. The contract has been in place with Laidlaw Transit Services for the past seven years (five base years plus two one-year extensions). The Department of Public Works & Transportation, Transportation Division, issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to provide fixed route (ARTS) and dial-a-ride services; this included proposed costs for ARTS service based on expanded service levels. A new contract for transit service will be presented to City Council following budget discussions on expanding ARTS service. Based on this, it is requested that the City Council authorize the City Manager to extend the existing contracts. As it has not been determined if the new contract will be with the existing contractor, Laidlaw Transit Services, or with a new contractor, the extension date for the existing contracts is recommended to be September 30, 2001.


FISCAL IMPACT

The Department of Public Works & Transportation is requesting an extension of existing contracts with Laidlaw Transit Services not to exceed \$280,000 for Dial-A-Ride and not to exceed \$460,000 for ARTS services through September 30, 2001. These services will be funded from the City's Proposition A and C Transportation Sales Tax Funds (Funds 208 and 209).


Respectfully submitted,


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