

Agenda Report

August 16, 2010

TO: City Council
FROM: Department of Transportation
SUBJECT: AGREEMENT WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR DIAL-A-RIDE SERVICES

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that the AGREEMENT is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b) (3);
2. Authorize the City Manager to enter into an Agreement with Los Angeles County for Dial-A-Ride services for the period covering July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2013 in an amount not to exceed \$900,000 (\$300,000 annually).

BACKGROUND:

In 1989 the City of Pasadena entered into an agreement with Los Angeles County for the provision of Dial-A-Ride service to area residents. This agreement enabled the two agencies to qualify for participation in the Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (Metro) Incentive Program. Under this program Metro provides funds to be used to offset operating and administrative costs for the dial-a-ride program; the City anticipates receiving \$245,400 in Fiscal Year 2011.

The current contract agreement with Los Angeles County expired June 30, 2010. The proposed contract agreement will enable the City to continue to provide services from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2013 to County residents who live in the unincorporated areas of Altadena, Kinneloa, Chapman Woods and East San Gabriel. The City will retain responsibility for all program activities and be compensated by the County for the actual net cost of each ride after Metro's incentive program revenues and the cash fares collected are applied. It is anticipated that the net costs for the services will be less than \$300,000 annually. Execution of the Agreement will enable the City to invoice the County for all services rendered during the contract period.

Under the three year contract the County will reimburse the City for the cost of service to County residents up to a maximum of \$300,000 annually for a total cost of \$900,000. The FY2011 budget for the Dial-A-Ride Program is \$1,607,010; the anticipated revenue from the Metro Incentive Program is \$245,400 and the anticipated revenue from fares is

\$40,000 for a net program cost of \$1,321,610. In Fiscal Year 2011 the \$300,000 from the County will pay for 22 percent of the net cost for the Dial-A-Ride program. The County's share of ridership for the past few years has averaged 21 percent of the total ridership.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

The proposed action is consistent with the following goals of the Strategic Plan: Maintain Fiscal Responsibility and Stability – the proposed Agreement will enable the City to receive funds for the Dial-A-Ride program from Metro under the Incentive Program.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

The project has been reviewed for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and is exempt per Section 15061 (b) (3). The project is covered by the general rule that CEQA only applies to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. The proposed project is the continuation of an existing agreement for Dial-A-Ride services and will not result in a significant effect on the environment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Dial-A-Ride program is funded through Proposition A Sales Tax, Fund 208. The program's Fiscal Year 2011 budget includes the \$300,000 in anticipated revenue (Fund 208, Revenue Account 7021/6546) that this Agreement will generate.

Respectfully submitted,



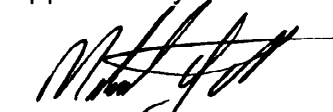
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