

WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: July 9, 2019

DATE: Wednesday, July 03, 2019

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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THROUGH: Kate Thomas, Assistant County Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve an extension to the agreement with the

Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) for a Non-Urbanized Paratransit Program to provide for the transportation of senior citizens and people with disabilities in the amount of [\$29,000], retroactive to July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; and retroactively authorize the County Manager to execute the agreement. (Commission Districts 1 and

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SUMMARY

Recommendation to approve an extension to the agreement with the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) for a Non-Urbanized Paratransit Program to provide for the transportation of senior citizens and people with disabilities in the amount of [\$29,000], retroactive to July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; and retroactively authorize the County Manager to execute the agreement.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe, Secure and Healthy Communities.

PREVIOUS ACTION

On September 25, 2018, Item 6K2, the Board approved an agreement with the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) for a Non-Urbanized Paratransit Program to provide for the transportation of senior citizens and people with disabilities in the following amounts: Gerlach [\$12,000] and Incline Village [\$17,000], retroactive to July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

The department has received funding from RTC for senior and disabled individuals transportation programs for Gerlach since FY2002 and for Incline Village since 2005. The last agreement was approved by the Board on October 13, 2009. The Regional Transportation Commission has exercised the option to extend the agreement each fiscal year since 2014.

BACKGROUND

Retroactive approval is requested due to the timing of the notice of the agreement letter, received June 4, 2019.

RTC provides grant funding to support transportation services for seniors and persons with disabilities in the remote areas of Washoe County. Washoe County Senior Services was originally awarded Non-Urbanized Paratransit Program funding in July 2009 for two transportation programs, one for Gerlach and one for Incline Village.

Incline Village Senior Transportation: Incline transportation funding will be passed through to the Incline Village General Improvement District (IVGID) who utilizes their staff and vehicles to provide transportation to seniors in need. The renewal of an Interlocal Agreement with IVGID for this purpose will be brought to the Board as a separate item. Until the renewal has been approved by the Board, no transfer of funds to IVGID will take place.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: Non-Urbanized Paratransit Program – Gerlach and Incline Village

Scope of the Project: Transportation services are provided in isolated regions of Washoe County, specifically Gerlach and Incline Village, to assist seniors and people with disabilities with accessing services such as grocery shopping and doctors' appointments outside of their city limits.

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: Enhanced access to transportation increases the quality of life for seniors and people with disabilities residing in secluded regions of Washoe County.

On-Going Program Support: The current agreement has been in place since 2009 and has been extended annually.

Award Amount: \$29,000 (\$29,000 direct/\$0 Indirect)

\$12,000 (Gerlach) and **\$17,000** (Incline Village)

Grant Period: July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020

Funding Source: RTC Fuel Tax and RTC Sales Tax

Pass Through Entity: N/A

CFDA Number: N/A

Grant ID Number: N/A

Match Amount and Type: No match is required.

Sub-Awards and Contracts: Any contract will comply with the established Washoe County Procurement Policy, Grants Manual, and State of Nevada NRS.

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the Board approve the agreement no budget amendments will be necessary. Budget authority was approved during the FY20 budget process in Fund 225 in internal orders 10208 RTC - Gerlach and 10440 RTC – Incline Village.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation to approve an extension to the agreement with the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) for a Non-Urbanized Paratransit Program to provide for the transportation of senior citizens and people with disabilities in the amount of [\$29,000], retroactive to July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; and retroactively authorize the County Manager to execute the agreement.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "move to approve an extension to the agreement with the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) for a Non-Urbanized Paratransit Program to provide for the transportation of senior citizens and people with disabilities in the amount of [\$29,000], retroactive to July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; and retroactively authorize the County Manager to execute the agreement."