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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: July 20, 2021

DATE: June 29, 2021

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, 2021 through June 30, 2022; and authorize the County Manager to execute the agreement. (Commission Districts 1 and 5)

SUMMARY

The Washoe County Board of County Commissioners must approve contracts and extensions. WCHSA is requesting the Board 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, 2021 through June 30, 2022; and authorize the County Manager to execute the agreement.

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

PREVIOUS ACTION

On July 28, 2020, the Board approved item 9E1, 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, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

On July 9, 2019, Item 5G2, 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, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

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

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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

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 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 Gerlach transportation funding is used to contract with a driver who utilizes a county vehicle.

The request to approve this extension to the agreement is retroactive due to the extension being received on June 22, 2021.

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, 2021 through June 30, 2022

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: For FY22 a contract for transportation services to/from Gerlach will be renewed with Cindy Carter, and IVGID will submit invoices for services provided to/from the Incline Village region.

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the Board approve the agreement no budget amendments will be necessary. Budget authority was approved during the FY22 budget process in Fund 225 in internal orders 10208 RTC - Gerlach and 10440 RTC – Incline Village.

Indirect costs are not allowable on this grant award as no salary or wages are included in the grant budget.

No match is required for this grant award.

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, 2021 through June 30, 2022; and 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, 2021 through June 30, 2022; and authorize the County Manager to execute the agreement."