



City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: July 1, 2024

Re: Authorizing the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement for Shuttle Bus Service on the University of Missouri Campus

Executive Summary

Staff is requesting Council to authorize the City Manager to execute an intergovernmental cooperation agreement with the Curators of the University of Missouri for integrated shuttle bus service on campus for the academic semester beginning in August of 2024 through December of 2024.

Discussion

The University of Missouri-Columbia is requesting full service for the Tiger Line shuttles beginning in August of 2024 through December of 2024.

The University is undergoing a change in their parking scheme allowing staff discounted parking if they choose a perimeter lot served by the Tiger Line Shuttles. The proposed change is scheduled to begin in January of 2025. The University will be offering staff opportunity to choose the discounted parking in July. They want this abbreviated agreement for the fall semester in order to gather data on how many staff will choose the discounted parking and be better able to determine what level of shuttle service will be required beginning in January of 2025. Based on the collected data, the University desires to negotiate an annual contract beginning in January of 2025 through December of 2025. The annual agreement will be based on GoCOMO's ability to meet any increased demand due to ongoing staffing shortages. The University is aware of GoCOMO's staffing challenges and that any significant staffing gains will be allocated to fixed route service in order to return the combined routes to normal status.

The fixed route combining that began August 1, 2023 will not affect the University shuttle system operation. The intra-campus shuttle system provides funding and reportable ridership that positively affects GoCOMO's ability to operate by increasing annual federal grant funding and operations revenue on a monthly basis. The University has voluntarily decreased the number of service hours for late night service, which will assist with the number of operators available for afternoon/evening fixed route and paratransit service, but will not significantly affect the overall operator shortage to the degree that full fixed route service can resume.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: Revenue of \$422,100 to fund the shuttle service.

Long-Term Impact: Unknown at this time.



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Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Inter-Governmental Cooperation, Tertiary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility

Legislative History

| Date | Action |
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| 06/05/2023 | B128-23 - Authorizing an intergovernmental cooperation agreement with the Curators of the University of Missouri for integrated shuttle bus service on campus for a 1-year period. |
| 06/06/2022 | B152-22 Authorizing an intergovernmental cooperation agreement with The Curators of the University of Missouri for integrated shuttle bus service on campus. |
| 06/07/2021 | B166-21 Authorizing an intergovernmental cooperation agreement with The Curators of the University of Missouri for integrated shuttle bus service on campus. |
| 03/15/2021 | B93-21 Authorizing a second amendment to the intergovernmental cooperation agreement with The Curators of the University of Missouri for integrated shuttle bus service on campus. |
| 11/02/2020 | B295-20 Authorizing a first amendment to the intergovernmental cooperation agreement with The Curators of the University of Missouri for integrated shuttle bus service on campus. |
| 08/17/2020 | B201-20 Authorizing an intergovernmental cooperation agreement with The Curators of the University of Missouri for integrated shuttle bus service on campus. |
| 08/17/2020 | B202-20 Authorizing a refund agreement with The Curators of the University of Missouri due to the partial suspension of the integrated shuttle bus service (Tiger Line) on campus related to the COVID-19 pandemic. |
| 10/07/2019 | B293-19 Authorizing a first amendment to the intergovernmental cooperation agreement with The Curators of the University of Missouri for integrated shuttle bus service on campus. |



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| 05/20/2019 | B118-19 Authorizing an intergovernmental cooperation agreement with The Curators of the University of Missouri for integrated shuttle bus service on campus. |
| 11/04/2013 | Ord 21876 Authorizing an intergovernmental cooperation agreement with The Curators of the University of Missouri for integrated shuttle bus service on campus for a 5-year period. |

Suggested Council Action

Pass the ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute the intergovernmental cooperation agreement with the Curators of the University of Missouri for integrated shuttle bus service on campus for the semester beginning in August of 2024 through December of 2024.