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To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: August 2, 2021

Re: Amending Chapter 22-29 of the City Code to Suspend Transportation Fares for Fiscal Year 2022 for Users of the GoCOMO Public Transit System.

Executive Summary

Staff has prepared for Council consideration an ordinance amending Chapter 22-29 of the City Code to suspend transportation fares for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 for users of the GoCOMO Public Transit System.

Discussion

Since the March 2020 Emergency Declaration, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, GoCOMO has been operating fare free. During the FY 2021 budget preparation meetings, the City Manager was made aware of GoCOMO's ability to manage expenses with current transportation sales tax (TST) funding and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) operating grant and he recommended a pilot project to continue fare free for FY 2021. At the September 21, 2020 City Council meeting, Council approved the ordinance, amending Chapter 22-29 by suspending transportation fares for FY21 for users of the GoCOMO Public Transit System.

GoCOMO has the ability to manage expenses for FY 2022 with American Rescue Plan and Cares Act funding and is therefore requesting to amend Chapter 22-29 to suspend transportation fares for users of the GoCOMO Public Transit System for FY 2022.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None

Long-Term Impact: Unknown

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Resilient Economy, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary



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Legislative History

Date	Action
09/21/2020	B211-20 Amending Chapter 22 of the City Code to eliminate transportation fares in FY 2021 for users of the GoCOMO Public Transit System.

Suggested Council Action

Approve the ordinance amending Chapter 22-29 of the City Code to suspend transportation fares for users of the GoCOMO Public Transit System for FY 2022.