



Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: July 16, 2018

Re: Setting a Public Hearing to Establish a New Fare for the Paratransit Service

## Executive Summary

Setting a public hearing for August 20, 2018 to establish a new fare for the paratransit public transportation system by increasing the fee from \$2.00 to \$3.00 per ride effective June 1, 2019.

## Discussion

The last time that the Transit Division proposed a comprehensive fare increase was in October of 2011. At that time, staff proposed that all fares would increase; however, Council opted not to increase the Paratransit service fare.

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) regulations will not allow ADA transit fares to exceed twice the cost of a regular fare on the fixed route system, which is currently \$1.50. The current paratransit service fare is \$2.00 thus raising that fare by \$1.00, to the maximum of \$3.00, would recoup approximately \$57,000 in revenue. The proposed fare increase would not enable additional services, but would help defray the rising costs to provide paratransit service. If Council concurs with staff recommendation to increase the paratransit fare by \$1.00, the new rate would go into effect June 1, 2019.

## Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The increase of the paratransit service fare to \$3.00 per ride would result in an annual revenue increase of approximately \$57,000.

Long-Term Impact: Estimated annual revenue increase of approximately \$57,000.

## Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

### [Strategic Plan Impacts:](#)

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

### [Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary



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## Legislative History

Date	Action
09/19/2011	Ord 21073-amending Chapter 22 relating to transportation fare increases on fixed bus routes.
09/15/2008	Ord 20048-amending Chapter 22 relating to transportation fare increases.

## Suggested Council Action

Adopt the resolution setting a hearing for August 20, 2018 to establish a new fare for the paratransit service by increasing the fee from \$2.00 to \$3.00 per ride.