

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: August 16, 2021

Re: Appropriating Federal Transit Administration Grant Funds for the Purchase of City of

Columbia Buses and Para-Transit Vans.

Executive Summary

Staff has prepared for Council consideration an ordinance appropriating Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant funds in the amount of \$3,392,728 for the purchase of three (3) 35 foot low floor buses, four (4) cutaway para transit vans and two (2) 35 foot heavy duty buses. The City's local match is \$1,021,119 for a total grant award of \$4,415,847.

Discussion

In 2020, the City of Columbia applied for and received two (2) federal grants to replace para-transit vans and buses. The total grant award for the first grant is \$2,840,750 which includes the City's local match of \$812,621. This grant will allow for the purchase of three (3) 35 foot low floor buses. The total grant award for the second grant is \$1,575,097 which includes the City's local match of \$210,498. This grant will allow for the purchase of four (4) cutaway paratransit vans and two (2) 35-foot heavy-duty buses.

All vehicles being purchased will be Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) equipped. These vehicles will be used to provide fixed route and ADA para-transit service within the city limits of Columbia.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: \$3,392,728 is being appropriated from the Federal Revenue account. The local match of \$1,021,119 is being appropriated from the Transportation Sales Tax Fund. Long-Term Impact: n/a

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

<u>Strategic Plan Impacts:</u>

Primary Impact: Resilient Economy, Secondary Impact: Inclusive Community, 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
n/a	none	

Suggested Council Action

Approve the ordinance appropriating grant funds for the purchase of three (3) 35 foot low floor buses, four (4) cutaway para transit vans and two (2) 35 foot heavy duty buses.