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City of Pflugerville

Legislation Text

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Discuss and consider proposed pilot for implementation of the transit development plan (TDP).

The City of Pflugerville FY 20 budget allocated \$237,000 for Public Transportation Services. This includes \$177,000 for the implementation of a transit pilot. The balance of funds is attributed to an annual contribution (paid quarterly) to Senior Access, which provides on demand rides to qualified residents over 65, and to Capital Metro Transit Authority (CMTA) to offset expenses associated with legacy customers for paratransit services.

Staff has been working with CMTA representatives to design pilot that could reasonably gauge the viability of continued transit investment in Pflugerville in the future. The availability of local funds to leverage federal resources results in a pilot service of 3.5 square miles for a six (6) month period.

The City is not obligated to engage CMTA in this pilot, and may contract with other agencies but has engaged with CMTA as a continuation of the Transit Development Plan (TDP) efforts. Other options to extend the functionality of CMTA service areas could be accomplished by other means such as utilizing rideshare programs to address last mile / first mile challenges. This arrangement can also generate local employment opportunities for drivers.

Prior City Council Action

In conjunction with the vetting of the FY 20 budget, a total of \$336,810 was requested to support a larger pilot consisting of on demand service and park and ride.

August 14, 2018, City Council approved the TDP Addendum.

Deadline for City Council Action

There is no deadline for action.

Funding Expected: Revenue Expenditure _x_ N/A	
Budgeted Item: Yes _x_ No N/A	
Amount: _\$177,000 is available for this project	
1295 Form Required? Yes No _x_	
Legal Review Required : N/A x Required Date Completed:	

Supporting documents attached:

Transit Development Plan Senior Access Quarterly Reports

Recommended Action

Take action to cancel the proposed pilot program and direct staff to investigate and develop a proposal for furthering transit opportunities via rideshare options.

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