



Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

Department or Agency Name(s): Transportation and Public Works

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Vote Requirement: Majority

Supervisorial District(s): All

Title:

Transit Services Agreement - Mendocino Transit Authority

Recommended Action:

Approve and authorize Chair to execute agreement with Mendocino Transit Authority to provide transit services in the northern coastal area of Sonoma County for a not-to-exceed amount of \$177,200 for the period of July 1, 2020 thru June 30, 2021

Executive Summary:

Since the early 1980's the Mendocino Transit Authority has provided transit services on behalf of Sonoma County Transit for the coastal communities of Point Arena, Gualala, The Sea Ranch, Jenner, Bodega Bay and Bodega. Two daily trips are provided. The morning eastbound route begins in Point Arena and connects residents in these remote communities with destinations in Sebastopol and Santa Rosa, returning them home in the afternoon via the westbound route. The requested action provides for continuation of these services in fiscal year 2020-21.

Discussion:

The recommended agreement will provide for continued support for Sonoma Coast transit services provided by Mendocino Transit Authority for FY 2020-21. Mendocino Transit Authority's Route 95 provides daily service that originates in Point Arena and travels Highway 1 thru Gualala, The Sea Ranch, Jenner and Bodega Bay, then continues east to Bodega, Sebastopol and Santa Rosa, serving the Downtown Santa Rosa Transit Mall, Coddington Shopping Center and the Sonoma County Airport. Mendocino Transit Authority's Route 95 primarily serves coast area residents as it travels into Santa Rosa in the morning and returns to the coast in the afternoon.

The agreement allows for reimbursement to Mendocino Transit Authority in a not to exceed amount of \$177,200. Each county (Sonoma and Mendocino), contributes a percentage of the operations deficit for Route 95 based on ridership. The operations deficit represents Mendocino Transit Authority's operating costs less passenger fares. Sonoma County's contribution percentage is 56%. Route 95 is a long established service that has been supported by Sonoma and Mendocino counties since the 1980's. Funding participation by the two counties provides for a cost-effective means of providing daily transit service within one of the most rural areas of Sonoma County.

The proposed FY 2020-21 budget has increased 2.9% over FY 2019-20's budget of \$172,200.

Funding for this agreement is included within the Recommended FY 2020-21 Transit Division Budget and is consistent with Sonoma County Transit's FY 2020-21 Transportation Development Act/State Transit Assistance funding claim to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission.

Prior Board Actions:

05/14/19 No. 21 - Transit Services Agreement - Mendocino Transit Authority. Board approved FY 2019-20 agreement in the amount of \$172,200.

FISCAL SUMMARY

Expenditures	FY 19-20 Adopted	FY20-21 Projected	FY 21-22 Projected
Budgeted Expenses		\$177,200	
Additional Appropriation Requested			
Total Expenditures			
Funding Sources			
General Fund/WA GF			
State/Federal		\$177,200	
Fees/Other			
Use of Fund Balance			
Contingencies			
Total Sources		\$177,200	

Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:

Total contract costs will be \$177,200 under the proposed agreement, and appropriations were included in the Recommended FY 2020-21 Transit Division Budget. Funding for the agreement will be sourced from Transportation Development Act and State Transit Assistance funds as requested in the annual Coordinated Claim.

Staffing Impacts:			
Position Title (Payroll Classification)	Monthly Salary Range (A-I Step)	Additions (Number)	Deletions (Number)

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):

None.

Attachments:

Agreement Between the County of Sonoma and Mendocino Transit Authority

Related Items “On File” with the Clerk of the Board:

None.