



City of Maricopa

Legislation Text

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The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action to approve an Award of Contract to Total Transit/ValuTrans for operation of transit services, beginning October 1, 2014 and ending September 30, 2015. This contract, in an amount not to exceed \$160,950, will be funded from the following line items: Not to exceed 58% (\$93,351) from Grants Fund, Transportation Technical, Section 5311 (22044146-53340-15401); and not to exceed 42% (\$67,599) from General Fund, Transportation, Technical, Section 5311 (10044146-53340-15401). This Award of Contract is in compliance with City of Maricopa Purchasing Code Article IV, Sec. 3-215. Discussion and Action.

This contract will provide for continuation of current Demand Response service, and the introduction of local Demand Response service on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Currently, there is no local Demand Response service on those days because the Demand Response bus is on the regional route to Chandler or Casa Grande. This contract will also provide for the introduction of limited local Deviated Fixed Route service, two hours in the morning and two hours in the evening, Monday through Friday. The Deviated Fixed Route service will enable us to serve the morning and evening commuter markets within Maricopa. Central Arizona College students show a high propensity to use such a service, as confirmed by recently completed surveys. Job commuters in Maricopa will also be targeted for this service, in addition to patients traveling to and from the Pinal County Public Health Clinic in Maricopa. This contract is an increase in scope from last year and coincides with the acquisition of three minivans which have already been awarded by the Federal Transit Administration, through Arizona Department of Transportation. The new minivans will make it possible to efficiently provide the expanded service while maintaining the current Demand Response service. Overall, the service expansions will better serve the Maricopa community by providing more affordable transportation options for residents. Validated data reflects that sufficient transit demand currently exists in Maricopa to support the additional services. The additional new services will all be offered with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)-accessible vehicles. The contract will have an option to renew for another year.

This item will be presented by Development Services Director Robert J. Goodhue and Transportation/Transit Planner David R. Maestas

Staff recommends that the Mayor and City Council approve an Award of Contract to Total Transit/ValuTrans for operation of transit services, beginning October 1, 2014 and ending September 30, 2015. This contract, in an amount not to exceed \$160,950, will be funded from the following line items: Not to exceed 58% (\$93,351) from Grants Fund, Transportation Technical, Section 5311 (22044146-53340-15401); and not to exceed 42% (\$67,599) from General Fund, Transportation, Technical, Section 5311 (10044146-53340-15401). This Award of Contract is in compliance with City of Maricopa Purchasing Code Article IV, Sec. 3-215.