



City of Maricopa

Legislation Text

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The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and take action to authorize City staff to complete all necessary paperwork for a Federal Fiscal Year 2022-2023 application for the Section 5311 Rural Public Transportation Program grant from the Arizona Department of Transportation, to continue operation of public transit services for the next two years and to authorize the City Manager to sign any documents related to this application.

Discussion and Action.

This agenda item requests Council approval to apply for this two-year grant and requests an increase in local match funding. The total amount of the two year grant application is \$735,582. The total local share for two years is \$201,278. **This agenda item is only for Council approval to apply for the grant, and the depicted budget is contingent upon Council approval during the normal budget cycle.**

Population projections clearly indicate the need for more transit service going forward. Commercial developers expect a city to have a transit system in place when considering locating business in a candidate city. Additionally, an in-place transit system is a scoring factor in Housing Tax Credits, which make Maricopa more attractive to residential housing developers.

This item will be presented by Public Services Director Mike Riggs.

Staff recommends that the Mayor and City Council authorize City staff to complete all necessary paperwork to apply for a Section 5311 Rural Public Transportation two-year grant from the Arizona Department of Transportation for continued operation of public transit services and authorize the City Manager to sign any documents related to this grant application.