

Legislation Text

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Paratransit Service Agreement Between the City of Gainesville and MV Transportation, Inc. (B)

This item involves a request for MV Transportation (MV) to provide ADA paratransit service for a period of one year beginning October 1, 2006. This Agreement has a provision for one (1) one-year extension.

The existing service Agreement between the Regional Transit System (RTS) and MV will expire September 30, 2006. RTS is part of the coordinated system in Alachua County and MV has contracts with the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO), Medicaid, Developmental Services, Foster Grandparents and Transportation Disadvantaged (TD). The Agreement with the other agencies in the coordinated system expires in 2008. RTS recommends executing a new agreement with MV until 2008 to avoid breaking up the coordinated system which will adversely affect the other funding sources. If RTS pulls out of the coordinated system, MV would have to charge more per trip to the remaining system members which would mean less trips for the passengers using the other funding sources. Medicaid and TD are capatated funds and a higher per trip cost would reduce the number of trips provided. This would affect ADA clients who are the responsibility of the City of Gainesville when they wanted to travel to a destination outside the city limits. TD or Medicaid clients who reside outside the city limits and need to come into the city for doctor appointments, work or school would also be affected.

Funding for this Agreement in the amount of \$700,000 is available in the RTS FY 07 operating budget.

Recommended Motion: The City Commission: 1) authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement with MV Transportation, Inc., for the period of October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007. This will allow RTS to align the renewal of the Agreement the city holds with MV to the Alachua County coordinated system dates; and 2) authorize the City Manager to execute any and all related documents, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.