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Resolution for Joint Participation Agreement (JPA) - Service Development Grant Funds for Regional Transit System (RTS) Routes 37, 40, and Bus Stop Amenities (B)

This item is a request for a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute Joint Participation Agreements between the City of Gainesville and the Florida Department of Transportation to receive Service Development Grant Funds for the operation of Route 37, Route 40, and for Bus Stop Amenities.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) allocates service development funds to transit agencies each year. The allocations are given at FDOT discretion on a competitive basis for agency projects that meet FDOT Service Development Grant (SDG) criteria.

Fixed-route 37 provides service between the University of Florida (UF) Reitz Union and Butler Plaza (via SW 35th Place). RTS and FDOT will each provide \$142,493 (50/50 match) in operating costs for a total of \$284,986.

Fixed-route 40 provides service between the University of Florida (UF) HUB, the Magnolia Park commercial area, and the Hunter's Crossing neighborhood activity center. RTS and FDOT will each provide \$106,500 (50/50 match) in operating costs for a total of \$213,000.

The purpose of the SDG for Bus Stop Amenities is to provide funding in support of the design, construction, and installation of pedestrian amenities to improve existing bus stop accessibility on transit corridors. RTS and FDOT will each provide \$150,000 (50/50 match) in funding for a total of \$300,000.

FDOT requires the governing board of each public transit system to adopt a Resolution authorizing the acceptance of these funds.

The Joint Participation Agreements require the City of Gainesville to match funding totaling \$398,993. Matching funds for each JPA is allocated in the RTS FY15-16 operating budget.

The City Commission adopt the Resolution.