

Legislation Text

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Supplemental Joint Participation Agreements (SJPA) for Florida Department of Transportation Service Development Grant Funds for Regional Transit System (RTS) Projects (B)

This item requests that the City Commission authorize the City Manager to execute SJPAs for Department of Transportation Service Development Grant Funds for Regional Transit System (RTS) projects.

This item supports City Commission Strategic Initiative 5.1: Promote an integrated transportation system that is safe and accessible to all users and supportive of the city's economic development and sustainability efforts.

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. These funds require a 50% match from the agency.

FDOT requires the governing board of each public transit system to adopt a Resolution authorizing the agency to enter into a Joint Participation Agreement for the acceptance of these funds. Many projects are eligible to receive additional funding from FDOT in future years, so the Resolution provides authorization for the City to execute any Supplemental Joint Participation Agreements (SJPA) for the purpose of scope changes and/or funding adjustments in support of the project.

On September 20, 2012, the City adopted Resolution #120301 and approved a Joint Participation Agreement authorizing RTS to receive FDOT SDG project funds for the Route 76 in the amount of \$65,000 (Year 1 total of \$130,000). FDOT increased the funding amount by \$56,000 in Year 2 bringing the project total to \$242,000. For Year 3 funding, FDOT increased the funding amount by \$72,000 bringing the project total to \$386,000 in accordance with the SJPA. The Santa Fe College Student Transportation Fee provides the 50% local match funds for this project.

On December 5, 2013, the City adopted Resolution #130423 and approved a Joint Participation Agreement authorizing RTS to receive FDOT SDG project funds for the Route 41 in the amount of \$90,000 (Year 1 total of \$180,000). In Year 2, the project was modified to change the funding from Route 41 to Route 46; the funding amount has remained the same for this project through Year 2. The Year 3 funding for Route 46 will remain the same in accordance with the SJPA. The University of Florida Student Transportation Fee provides the 50% local match funds for this project.

On December 5, 2013, the City adopted Resolution #130422 and approved a Joint Participation Agreement authorizing RTS to receive FDOT SDG project funds for the Routes 2 and 24 in the amount of \$60,000 (Year 1 total of \$120,000). FDOT increased the funding amount by \$60,000 in Year 2 bringing the project total to \$240,000. For Year 3 funding, FDOT increased the funding amount by \$125,880 bringing the project total to \$491,760 in accordance with the SJPA. The University of Florida Student Transportation Fee provides the 50% local match funds for this project.

Matching funds for each JPA and SJPA are identified in the RTS operating budget for FY16 as noted above.

The City Commission authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute SJPAs for the aforementioned projects, subject to review and approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.