

Legislation Text

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Transit Services Agreement with Alachua County Board of County Commissioners (B)

This item is a request to authorize the City Manager to execute the Transit Services Agreement for FY20 between the City of Gainesville Regional Transit System (RTS) and the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC).

The Agreement between the Regional Transit System (RTS) and the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) for RTS to provide transit services to residents and visitors in the surrounding urbanized area expires on September 30, 2019. The City and County have negotiated a new Agreement for the period of October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020, for transit services, subject to funding and written consent of both parties.

In FY17, the County expanded service on several routes including Saturday service on Routes 1, 75, and 711; Holiday service on Routes 10, 43, and 75; and Sunday service for Route 75. These services were continued in the FY18 and FY19 agreements, and will be continued in the FY20 agreement with minor modifications to extend the hours on the Route 75 until 10:00 PM on weekdays. The negotiated service rate was \$66.82 per hour in FY19 and will be \$67.25 per hour in FY20, with the exception of the Holiday Service which will remain at \$139.40 per hour.

The annual amount of the FY19 Transit Services Agreements totaled \$1,024,116 in revenue from the County. Due annexation activities, the County percentage of the route 75 costs decreased slightly in FY20 and the BoCC opted to extend the evening hours with the budgeted funds in an effort to remain cost neutral.

For the FY20 Transit Services Agreement RTS will receive \$1,022,772 of revenue from the BoCC made in quarterly payments.

The City Commission authorize the City Manager or her designee to execute the Transit Services Agreement with Alachua County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) for the period of October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.