

Legislation Text

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Resolution for a Public Transportation Grant Agreement - Public Transit Service Development Program Agreement for Autonomous Vehicle Project (B)

On August 17, 2017, the Gainesville City Commission adopted Resolution #170260, which authorized the City Manager to execute an agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to initiate Gainesville's Autonomous Vehicle project. The project has continued despite a number of delays related to the autonomous vehicle industry, and has completed initial testing; the autonomous vehicle project is now providing limited, free transit service and collecting data for the project.

FDOT has indicated its desire to provide additional funding to continue the project, which will include continued provision of limited, free transit service on the existing autonomous vehicle route in the downtown area, as well as additional testing and data collection. FDOT provided 100% of the funding for this project, and the resolution for the attached Public Transportation Grant Agreement (PTGA) provides an additional \$608,172 from FDOT for continuation of the project.

FDOT service development fund allocations are given at FDOT discretion for agency projects that meet FDOT Service Development Grant (SDG) criteria. FDOT requires the governing board of each public transit system to adopt a Resolution authorizing the acceptance of these funds.

The Public Transportation Grant Agreement (PTGA) for this project does not require any matching City funds and provides \$608,172 from FDOT for continuation of the project.

The City Commission adopt the resolution.