

Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 201LA TRINITY METRO TRANSIT MOBILE PHONE APP

SUBJECT

Authorize Execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the Fort Worth Transportation Authority (Trinity Metro) in the Amount of \$200,000.00, with City Participation in the Amount up to \$100,000.00 to Fund a Portion of Costs for Implementation of a Transit Mobile Phone App (ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize execution of an Interlocal Agreement with the Fort Worth Transportation Authority (Trinity Metro) in the amount of \$200,000.00, with City Participation in the amount up to \$100,000.00 to fund a portion of costs for implementation of a Transit Mobile Phone App (City Project No. 102311)

DISCUSSION:

On August 7, 2018, City Council approved M&C G-19335 authorizing funding for a Transit Master Plan Implementation Study to further assist in developing the City's vision for transit and transportation investment within Tarrant County and the region.

The City's Transit Master plan (Transit Moves Fort Worth) developed early priorities that maximize the return on transit investments, identify land use and capital investment strategies to support the success of transit, provide advice on funding from potential partner agencies within Tarrant County, NCTCOG, State and Federal sources, and provide a better understanding of emerging technology applications and private sector partnering.

The Transit Moves Fort Worth Plan identified an initiative for implementation of a Transit Mobile Phone App that will provide real time public data to help residents and visitors save time and navigate Trinity Metro's transit system with confidence. The Transit Mobile Phone App will simplify the entire trip planning, fare payment and real time tracking of the ride by bringing all these components into one app. The app is used by other transit agencies within the region. Therefore, the app will help riders seamlessly transfer to other transit systems under a single app.

The City will be providing funds in the amount up to \$100,000.00 for the Transit Mobile Phone App project to be matched with equal funds up to \$100,000.00 provided by Trinity Metro for an amount up to \$200,000.00 towards the project. Any amount over \$200,000.00 is the responsibility of Trinity Metro. City funds are already appropriated in the City's adopted budget.

The transit services provided under this Interlocal Agreement are citywide.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This contract will be with a governmental entity, state agency or public institution of higher education: Fort Worth Transportation Authority - Trinity Metro

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current capital budget, as appropriated, in the General Capital Projects Fund Transit Mobile Phone App project . Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Transportation & Public Works Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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