

To: Board of Directors

Date: 2/11/2021

From: Rashida Kamara, Director of ADA

Reviewed By: *WC.*

SUBJECT: One Year Extension of the Paratransit Service Contract with Transdev

Background

The current contract with Transdev to provide ADA Paratransit services and maintenance will expire June 30th 2021. This contract was for only two years but fortunately, it allows for three one-year extensions. If exercised, this would be the first of three potential extensions allowed under the existing contract.

Transdev brought in new technology, innovation, improved service and most importantly invaluable partnerships during the COVID-19 pandemic which has devastated the country. Transdev consistently improved on-time performance, reduced complaints, and improved productivity. In addition, when called upon by the County Emergency Office, Transdev allowed County Connection to be an invaluable participant in transporting COVID positive passengers, and homeless persons. They also provided valuable services for vulnerable seniors who were unable to leave their homes through meals on wheels programs and desperately needed nutritional meals to students who were unable to go to school.

As a result of the aforementioned performance staff feels Transdev has done a very good job.

New Contract Rate Request

Transdev has formally requested a rate increase of 2.65% to the hourly and fixed contract rates. Following several meetings with Transdev, staff felt the rate increase was justified. As per the RFP, this does not include fuel. Fuel will continue to be a pass-through cost. Transdev's rate increase includes, an additional Road Supervisor to monitor services, and an increase in operator wages. It is important to note that Transdev is in negotiations with the ATU Local 1605 and the incremental increase that will go towards better health care coverages that have been asked for by the ATU are included. Since Transdev has managed to keep a working driver force, pivot on different service modes and ramp up safety and training protocols associated with COVID-19, staff believes the cost is reasonable.

Financial Impact

If the rate increase is approved the new hourly rate would be \$50.56 per service hour compared to \$49.53 per service hour today and the new fixed rate will be \$153,094.65 as compared to \$146,515.00 today. Based on a pre-COVID service hour projections, of 111,297 the contract extension will not exceed \$7,464,089. As a reminder, fuel is a pass-through cost and not part of Transdev cost, but is estimated at \$780k. However, since County Connection continues to operate significantly diminished service due to COVID-19, staff does not anticipate that we will even meet these cost projections. We believe the requested rate increase will be within budgetary expectations. In addition, staff will present a Pilot Project that may also present savings to the option year negotiated rate. Such savings will be outlined in the next presentation.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends that County Connection extend the current contract with Transdev for the provision of LINK service with a 2.65% increase to the fixed and hourly rates. Staff further recommends that all of the terms and conditions remain the same, except for where the contract is amended due to Pandemic conditions.

Attachment

Resolution No.2021-016

Actions Requested

The A&F Committee and staff respectfully request the Board of Directors adopt resolution No.2021-016

Options

1. Adopt Resolution No.2021-016 Directors in the form of a Resolution.
2. Decline staff recommendation and go out to bid.
3. Take other action as determined.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2021-016

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
CENTRAL CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT AUTHORITY
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT
WITH TRANSEV SERVICES, INC. TO PROVIDE ADA PARATRANSIT
AND ASSOCIATED SERVICES

WHEREAS, the County of Contra Costa and the Cities of Clayton, Concord, the Town of Danville, Lafayette, Martinez, the Town of Moraga, Orinda, Pleasant Hill, San Ramon and Walnut Creek (hereinafter "Member Jurisdictions") have formed the Central Contra Costa Transit Authority ("County Connection"), a joint exercise of powers agency created under California Government Code Section 6500 et seq., for the joint exercise of certain powers to provide coordinated and integrated public transportation services within the area of its Member Jurisdictions;

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 2019-022, the Central Contra Costa Transit Authority Board of Directors awarded a contract to Transdev Services, Inc. for paratransit and associated services ("Agreement");

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 2020-022, the Central Contra Costa Transit Authority Board of Directors authorized an amendment to Agreement with Transdev Services, Inc., in order to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides for three one-year options to extend the Agreement, and following its review of the contractor's performance for the past two years, Staff recommends that County Connection exercise the first one-year option;

WHEREAS, Transdev Services, Inc. has proposed a rate increase in the hourly and fixed Agreement rates for the first one-year option, resulting in a 2.65% increase in the cost of the Agreement, which Staff finds to be fair and reasonable; and

WHEREAS, the Administration and Finance Committee recommends an amendment to the Agreement with Transdev Services, Inc. to extend the Agreement for the first one-year option at the rates set forth below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Central Contra Costa Transit Authority Board of Directors authorizes an amendment to the Agreement with Transdev Services, Inc., to extend the Agreement for the first one-year option term at an estimated annual cost of \$7,464,089 based upon an hourly rate of \$50.56 and a fixed rate of \$153,094.35, effective July 1, 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Manager is authorized to execute an amendment to the Transdev Services, Inc. Agreement on behalf of CCCTA, subject to approval as to form by Legal Counsel.

Regularly passed and adopted this 18th day of February 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Keith Haydon, Chair, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Lathina Hill, Clerk to the Board