



City of Gainesville Agenda Item Report

File Number: 2025-45

Agenda Date: January 16, 2025

Department: Transportation Department

Title: 2025-45 Regional Transit System Zero Emission Transition Plan
Presentation (B)

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Description: Request for the City Commission to hear a presentation by 1898 & Co., a part of Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company Inc., on the Zero Emission Transition Plan for Regional Transit System (RTS) and approve the plan.

Fiscal Note: This plan was funded with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds in the amount of \$154,900.00 and approved by City Commission on April 4, 2024 under Agenda Item 2024-274.

Explanation: The Regional Transit System (RTS) is responsible for providing transit service to the City of Gainesville and is executing a Zero Emission Transition Plan to: reduce greenhouse gas emissions, diversify required fuels, and increase the transit fleet efficiency to better serve the citizens of the City of Gainesville. The plan focuses on the various available fuel sources and technology, infrastructure, personnel, and land use.

The aim of the plan is to not only promote sustainable practices and increase energy efficiency through specific actions and policies, including the diversification of utilized fuel sources by the transit fleet, but also to be eligible to apply and receive Federal Transit administration (FTA) Low or No Emission grants.

Strategic Connection:

- ☒ Goal 1: Equitable Community
- ☒ Goal 2: More Sustainable Community
- ☒ Goal 3: A Great Place to Live and Experience
- ☐ Goal 4: Resilient Local Economy
- ☒ Goal 5: "Best in Class" Neighbor Services

Recommendation: The City Commission approve the Regional Transit System Zero Emission Transition Plan and authorize Regional Transit System Staff to continue identifying funds to implement the plan.