



City of Gainesville Agenda Item Report

File Number: 2025-46

Agenda Date: January 16, 2025

Department: Transportation Department

Title: 2025-46 6th Amendment to Master Services Agreement with the University of Florida Board of Trustees and the City of Gainesville (B)

Department: Transportation

Description: Request for the City Commission to approve a Sixth Amendment to the Master Services Agreement with the University of Florida Board of Trustees and the City of Gainesville Regional Transit System.

Fiscal Note: During the amendment period, the fees payable by the University will be calculated using the rates in effect under the agreement during the month of December 2024.

Explanation: For the past 30 years, the City of Gainesville's Regional Transit System has worked to provide transit services to the University of Florida through an ongoing partnership. Serving the public transit riders of Gainesville has always included a large, diverse population of university students, faculty, staff and non-University of Florida riders.

The Regional Transit System received funding from Federal and State grants, Alachua County, Santa Fe College and the University of Florida. The service level agreements between these agencies and the City are individually negotiated based on costs to operate the system developed by a cost allocation model reviewed and approved by the Florida Department of Transportation.

The City and the University of Florida have been in negotiations over the last several months to develop a new agreement. Negotiations are continuing and both parties have tentatively agreed to the proposed service levels, but a long term rate has not been agreed upon.

Staff will continue to work with the University of Florida to negotiate a new service agreement.

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 authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the Sixth Amendment to the Master Services Agreement with the University of Florida Board of Trustees and the City of Gainesville for Regional Transit System, subject to approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.