



City of Gainesville Agenda Item Report

File Number: 2024-773

Agenda Date: October 17, 2024

Department: Transportation Department

Title: 2024-773 Resolution for Public Transit Grant Agreement with Florida Department of Transportation (B)

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Description: Request for the City Commission to adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Public Transportation Grant Agreement between the City of Gainesville and Florida Department of Transportation to accept the allocation to the Regional Transit System of \$2,065,764 from the Public Transit Block Grant Program for FY 2025 Operating Assistance.

Fiscal Note: The Florida Department of Transportation allocates state block grant funds to eligible public transit systems each year. The allocations are based on a three-part formula that includes population, ridership, and vehicle miles operated. For FY 2025, the allocation for the Regional Transit System is \$2,065,764, providing a 50% reimbursement for eligible operating costs associated with operating, maintaining, and managing a transportation system. The Florida Department of Transportation requires the governing board of each public transit system to adopt a resolution authorizing the acceptance of these funds.

Explanation: The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) allocates state block grant funds to eligible public transit systems each year. The allocations are based on a three-part formula that includes population, ridership, and vehicle miles operated. For FY 2025, the allocation for the Regional Transit System is \$2,065,764, providing a 50% reimbursement for eligible operating costs associated with operating, maintaining, and managing a transportation system. FDOT requires the governing board of each public transit system to adopt a resolution authorizing the acceptance of these funds.

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 1) adopt the required Resolution; 2) authorize the City Manager or designee to execute related Public Transportation Grant Agreement(s) with the Florida Department of Transportation, subject to approval as to form and legality by the City Attorney.