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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: July 13, 2021
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Trisha Tillotson, Acting Director of Public Works
SUBJECT: Resolution Approving Amendment No. 9 to the Agreement between the County of Nevada and Paratransit Services for the Provision of Specialized Paratransit Services in Western Nevada County

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution

FUNDING: Funding is provided by Transportation Development Act (TDA) revenue and is included in the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Transit Services Division budget. There is no impact on the General Fund.

BACKGROUND:

On May 14, 2013, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 13-168 approving a five-year agreement with Paratransit Services for provision of paratransit services beginning July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2018. The Board approved contract amendments on July 22, 2014, per Resolution No. 14-362, on August 11, 2015, per Resolution No. 15-392, on July 26, 2016, per Resolution No. 16-38, on October 11, 2016, per Resolution No. 16-491, and on August 15, 2017, per Resolution No. 17-438. On July 17, 2018, per Resolution No. 18-375, the Board approved the first of two (2) year contract extensions in Amendment No. 6 and approved the second two (2) year extension as part of Amendment No. 8 on June 23, 2020, per Resolution No. 20-261.

Paratransit Services has provided excellent service throughout the life of the contract, meeting all contractual obligations. The services rendered have exceeded performance expectations in both on-time performance and productivity, measured in passengers per revenue hour. Paratransit Services (now operating our paratransit services marketed to the public as Nevada County Now) has been a true partner to both Transit Services and our Western Nevada County community. They have developed positive relationships with other agencies and organizations, implemented a successful Sunday transportation service through an Area 4 Agency on Aging grant, increased overall productivity, and continually strive for increased operational efficiency.

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Paratransit Services has pivoted operations to provide on-demand senior Dial-A-Ride services not previously offered, provided meal delivery services in conjunction with local partners FREED and Meals-on-Wheels, and assisted the County through the FEMA funded Great Plates program.

FY 21/22 will be the final year of the original contract which contains a provision for an annual increase of the Paratransit Services contract price that includes a fixed vehicle service hourly rate, a fixed monthly rate, and a maximum contract price. The contract sets forth an annual pricing review and escalator wherein the annual price increase will be equivalent to the increase in the CPI (California Consumer Price Index, California Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Labor Research, All Urban Consumers) for the most recent available twelve (12) month period prior to each scheduled increase, in an amount of not less than one (1) percent, with a cap of three (3) percent annually, unless otherwise agreed to by the County and the Contractor per Exhibit B (1) Charges and Payments.

For the 2021-22 service year, Paratransit Services has submitted a price proposal which reflects the current operating climate and a current CPI rate of four (4) percent for the most recent year ending April 2021.

The proposed pricing is as follows.

Paratransit Contract Services	Current 2020-21	Proposed 2021-22	Difference
Hourly Rate	\$44.63	\$45.97	3%
Monthly Rate	\$62,682	\$64,562	3%
Annual Hourly Max	\$821,192	\$845,848	3%
Annual Fixed Max	\$752,184	\$774,744	3%
Maximum Contract amount	\$1,573,376	\$1,620,592	3%

As indicated in the table above, the proposed pricing held to the contractual not to exceed three (3) percent for the most recent 12-month period from April 2020 to April 2021, which indicated a four (4) percent CPI increase.

Staff recommends the Board approve Contract Amendment No. 9 as proposed.

Item Initiated by: Robin Van Valkenburgh, Transit Services Manager
Approved by: Trisha Tillotson, Acting Director of Public Works

Submittal Date: June 16, 2021
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