Legislation Text

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<u>TITLE</u> PUBLIC HEARING ON 5310 - ENHANCED MOBILITY FOR SENIORS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES, 5311 - COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE AND 5307 - URBAN AREA GRANT FUNDING FOR FY 2020-21

SPONSOR

Irma Zimmerman, Transportation & Mobility Services Director

BACKGROUND

The Guilford County Transportation Department has prepared the 5310 - Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities, the 5311 - Community Transportation Program (CTP) and the 5307 Urban Area grant applications for FY 2020-21 to be submitted to the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) no later than October 4, 2019. The total amount of the 5310 Grant request for FY 2020-21 is \$202,000 with a County match of \$101,000 and the total amount of the 5311 Grant request for FY2021 is \$187,385 with a County match of \$28,108. The total amount of the 5307 Grant request for FY 2020-21 is \$70,000 with a County match of \$35,000.

The grant application for the 5310 program provides funding for salaries and vehicle maintenance expenses for the Guilford County Transportation Department. The FY 2018-19 grant provided over 15,731 trips for the elderly and disabled citizens of Guilford County. The 5311-CTP grant is used for administrative and capital assistance.

A public hearing is required to assess the value and need for a community transportation system and assistance to the elderly and disabled citizens of Guilford County.

RESOLUTION

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM RESOLUTION

FY 2021 RESOLUTION

Section 5311 (including ADTAP), 5310, 5339, 5307 and applicable State funding, or combination thereof.

WHEREAS, Article 2B of Chapter 136 of the North Carolina General Statutes and the Governor of North Carolina have designated the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) as the agency responsible for administering federal

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and state public transportation funds; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation will apply for a grant from the US Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration and receives funds from the North Carolina General Assembly to provide assistance for rural public transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of these transportation funds is to provide grant monies to local agencies for the provision of rural, small urban, and urban public transportation services consistent with the policy requirements of each funding source for planning, community and agency involvement, service design, service alternatives, training and conference participation, reporting and other requirements (drug and alcohol testing policy and program, disadvantaged business enterprise program, and fully allocated costs analysis); and

WHEREAS, the funds applied for may be Administrative, Operating, Planning, or Capital funds and will have different percentages of federal, state, and local funds.

WHEREAS, non-Community Transportation applicants may apply for funding for "purchase-of-service" projects under the Capital budget Section 5310 program.

WHEREAS, <u>Guilford County</u> hereby assures and certifies that it will provide the required local matching funds; that its staff has the technical capacity to implement and manage the project(s), prepare required reports, obtain required training, attend meetings and conferences; and agrees to comply with the federal and state statutes, regulations, executive orders, Section 5333 (b) Warranty, and all administrative requirements related to the applications made to and grants received from the Federal Transit Administration, as well as the provisions of Section 1001 of Title 18, U. S. C.

WHEREAS, the applicant has or will provide all annual certifications and assurances to the State of North Carolina required for the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the <u>County Manager</u> for the <u>Guilford County Board of Commissioners</u> is hereby authorized to submit grant application(s) for federal and state funding in response to NCDOT's calls for projects, make the necessary assurances and certifications and be empowered to enter into an agreement with the NCDOT to provide rural, small urban, and urban public transportation services.

<u>BUDGET IMPACT</u> FY 2020-21 Grant Totals and County Match:

5310 Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Grant Request: \$202,000 County Match: \$101,000 (will be included in the FY 2020-21 budget)

5311 Community Transportation Program

Grant Request: \$187,385 County Match: \$28,108 (will be included in FY 2020-21 budget)

5307 Urbanize Area Funding

Grant Request: \$70,000 County Match: \$35,000 (will be included in FY 2020-21 budget)

For FY 2020-21, the total grant request will be \$459,385 which will require a total County match of \$164,108 to be included in the FY 2020-21 budget.

NO FY 2019-20 BUDGET IMPACT

REQUESTED ACTION

Conduct required public hearing to assess the value and need for a community transportation system, and upon conclusion, approve submission of the 5307, 5310 and 5311 program grant applications and adopt the accompanying resolution.