



STAFF REPORT

Report To: Regional Transportation Commission **Meeting Date:** August 12, 2026

Staff Contact: Darren Schulz, Public Works Director

Agenda Title: For Discussion Only – Discussion and presentation regarding intercity bus service between Carson City and Washoe County operated by the Regional Transportation Commission of Washoe County (“Washoe RTC”) and funded in part by the Carson City Regional Transportation Commission (“RTC”), including a presentation summarizing current routes, ridership, fares, cost, and other aspects associated with service operations as well as possible recommendations related to the service. (Chris Martinovich, Transportation Manager)

Agenda Action: Other / Presentation **Time Requested:** 10 minutes

Proposed Motion

N/A

Board's Strategic Goal

N/A

Previous Action

July 8, 2009 (Item F.5) – The RTC approved a resolution approving an interlocal agreement (“Agreement”) with the Washoe RTC to provide intercity bus service between Carson City and Washoe County.

Background/Issues & Analysis

Intercity transit service between Carson City and Washoe County began in 2009. Currently branded as the Regional Connector (Carson Express), the service operates 6 times each weekday, year-round. Representatives from the Washoe RTC will present information on routes, ridership, fares, costs, and other aspects of service operations, and will discuss possible recommendations for the service.

As part of the Agreement, Carson City is responsible for operation costs within Carson City. In FY 2026, the total cost is estimated to be \$98,000, with 50 percent reimbursable by the Federal Transit Administration and 50 percent required as a local match.

Applicable Statute, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation

N/A

Financial Information

Is there a fiscal impact? No

If yes, account name/number:

Is it currently budgeted? No

Explanation of Fiscal Impact:

Alternatives

N/A

Attachment(s):

[5A_RTC_Exhibit 1 - RTC INTERCITY Presentation.pdf](#)

[5A_RTC_Exhibit 2 - RTC INTERCITY Interlocal Agreement.pdf](#)

Motion: _____

1) _____

2) _____

Aye/Nay

(Vote Recorded By)