

Hyattsville City Council Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: March 2, 2020 Submitted by: Laura Reams Submitting Department: City Clerk Item Type: Resolution Agenda Section:

SUBJECT

Hyattsville Resolution 2020-03: Enhanced Mobility Grant Program

HCC-242-FY20

Recommendation:

I move that the Mayor and Council adopt Hyattsville Resolution 2020-03, a Resolution of the City Council of Hyattsville, Maryland, whereby the City Authorizes the Submission of a Grant Application to the Federal Transit Administration's Enhanced Mobility Program (INTRODUCTION & ADOPTION).

Sponsor(s):

At the Request of the City Administrator

Co-Sponsor(s):

N/A

ATTACHMENTS Resolution 2020-03 COG Mobility Grant.docx

Summary Background:

In January of 2020, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) approved funding for the City of Hyattsville's Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities grant application, and TPB recommended that the City be awarded the total requested funding amount of \$339,543.

The grant, administered by the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG), presents an opportunity for the City of Hyattsville to secure funding to enhance mobility options for seniors and individuals with disabilities by addressing barriers to transportation services and expanding available mobility services. The program provides matching grants to incentivize coordination of services. The grant provides residents with an augmented mix of transportation options that are accessible, affordable and safe. The availability of such mobility services can fill current gaps, enhance the well-being, independence, community engagement, and sense of dignity of our residents.

The grant will enable the City to purchase two 19-passenger, wheelchair accessible buses, hire a FT bus driver, and initiate other steps to enhance transportation services for our community members. The primary target population for the Mobility Options Initiative is older adults (persons 60 and older) and persons with disabilities who reside in the City of Hyattsville.

Next Steps:

Required Documentation

In order to receive the recommended funding, the City of Hyattsville must complete and submit two documents that require City Council's review and approval. These documents include:

Authorizing Resolution - Hyattsville Resolution 2020-03 (Draft Attached)

This document provides a brief description of the purpose of the City of Hyattsville's Enhanced Mobility Options Initiative, and authorizes the City to enter into a contract with COG for a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant, approve the local match funding, and agree to comply with Federal requirements.

Action Requested: review, approve and authorize draft resolution

TITLE VI Requirements

FTA requires all recipients to comply with Title VI civil rights requirements to ensure nondiscrimination in all services and programs. As the City does not have an existing Title VI Plan, a plan has been drafted with consultation from Legal Counsel.

Action Requested: review, approve and authorize draft plan

Grant Application Request:			\$339,543.
FY 2022	FY 2023	TOTAL	
\$236,308.	\$103,235.	\$339,543.	
Capital (requires 20% match from applicant) Operational (requires 50% match from applicant)			\$164,743 x 20% = \$032,949. \$174,800 x 50% = \$087.400.

Fiscal Impact:

Capital - \$32,949, Operational - \$87,400 (over a period of three years)

City Administrator Comments:

Recommend Support

Community Engagement:

Staff will conduct outreach as described in the grant documentation

Strategic Goals:

Goal 3 – Promote a Safe and Vibrant Community

Legal Review Required? Complete