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3 Request from the Interim Executive Director of the Department on Aging for
4 authorization to amend the 2020 specialized elderly transportation purchase of service
5 contract, by recommending adoption of the following:
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7 **A RESOLUTION**

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9 WHEREAS, the Department on Aging (Aging) administers specialized elderly
10 transportation services in order to address lack of access to necessary services for
11 mobility challenged residents over 60 in Milwaukee County (the County), and
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13 WHEREAS, the Department on Aging works with Able Access Transportation
14 Inc., a non-emergency transportation service with expertise working with vulnerable
15 individuals, in particular, people with physical and cognitive disabilities to transport
16 mobility challenged seniors to necessary appointments, and
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18 WHEREAS, Able Access Transportation, Inc. has taken on the additional role of
19 delivering thousands of meals monthly from the Senior Dining Programs to diners who
20 were unable to access congregate meals after the County closed Senior Centers and
21 meal sites in March 2020 in order to protect senior citizens; and
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23 WHEREAS, Aging has identified \$360,000 of the funds allocated to the County
24 from the Older Americans Act, and Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act
25 for a one-time funding increase in response to the real-time efforts of Able Access
26 Transportation, Inc. to assure that seniors were able to access the County's Senior
27 Meal Program; and
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29 WHEREAS, authorizing an increase to the 2020 purchase of service contract for
30 transportation services by \$360,000 enables the Department on Aging to continue
31 funding senior transportation and meal delivery by Able Access Transportation, Inc.,
32 including the increased meal demand as a result of the Coronavirus disease pandemic;
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35 WHEREAS, the Committee on Transportation, Public Works, and Transit, at its
36 meeting of October 21, 2020, considered File No. 20-755 for informational purposes
37 only; and
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39 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of October 30, 2020,
40 recommended adoption of File No. 20-755 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,
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42 BE IT RESOLVED, the Interim Executive Director, Department on Aging, is
43 hereby authorized to amend the contract with Able Access Transportation, Inc., to
44 provide specialized elderly transportation services in the amount of \$360,000 for the
45 period of January 2020 through December 2020.
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