

County of Milwaukee
Interoffice Communication

DATE: 2/1/2017
TO: Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman, County Board of Supervisors
Peggy West, Chair, Finance and Audit Committee, County Board of Supervisors
FROM: Brian Dranzik, Director, Department of Transportation
SUBJECT: Milwaukee County's 2017 Section 85.21 Specialized Transportation Assistance Contract with WisDOT

POLICY

Per Wisconsin Statute 59.52(31) approval of the County Board is required to enter into a contract that exceeds \$300,000.

BACKGROUND

Section 85.21, Wisconsin Statutes authorizes a program of state financial assistance to counties for specialized transportation. Specialized transportation is defined as a system which provides to elderly or disabled persons general or special transportation service on a regular and continuing basis in a designated service area. The Section 85.21 program grants transportation funds to each county based upon the number of elderly and handicapped persons residing in each county compared to the total number of elderly and handicapped persons residing in the state.

In calendar year 2017, Milwaukee County will receive \$2,111,469 for use by Transit Plus (\$1,478,028) and the Department on Aging's Specialized Elderly Transportation Services Program (\$633,441).

Upon approval of the County Board, the Milwaukee County Department of Transportation will forward the 2017 Section 85.21 contract to WisDOT for signature and execution.

FISCAL EFFECT

There is no 2017 budgetary impact as the expenditures and revenue for the Section 85.21 Specialized Transportation Program were included in the operating budgets for both Transit/Paratransit and the Department on Aging. Authorization to execute the contract will simply allow Milwaukee County to realize the \$2,111,469 in budgeted operating revenue as an offset to expenditures in support of the Transit Plus Program and the Department on Aging's Specialized Elderly Transportation Services Program.

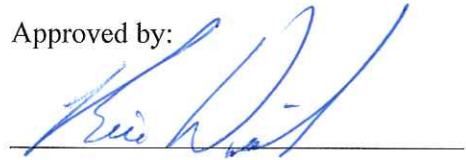
RECOMMENDATION

The Director of the Milwaukee County Department of Transportation recommends entering into a contract with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the 2017 Section 85.21 Specialized Transportation Assistance Program.

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