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(ITEM) From the Director, Department on Aging, requesting authorization to increase by \$100,000 from \$1,356,745 to \$1,456,745 the contract with Transit Express, Inc., to provide 2013 Specialized Elderly Transportation Services, originally authorized under File No. 13-19, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on December 20, 2012, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors authorized the Director, Department on Aging, to execute contracts to provide programs and services to older adults for the period of January 1, 2013, through December 31, 2013, (File No. 13-19); and

WHEREAS, the Department awards funds to provider agencies based on the availability of federal, state, and local funds; allowable costs; usage by older persons of the programs and services provided; and anticipated changes in service demand; and

WHEREAS, the actual level of services is a function of the number of participants in the program, actual service demand, evolving service needs, weather, and other factors that cannot be precisely known at the time a contract is awarded; and

WHEREAS, when additional funds become available, the Department uses such funds to fully reimburse vendors for actual services provided to eligible participants; and

WHEREAS, the Department's Specialized Elderly Transportation Services program enables eligible older adults to remain independent in the community through rides to medical and dental appointments, grocery shopping, nutrition meal sites, nursing home visits, and general shopping; and

WHEREAS, the service provider for 2013 Specialized Elderly Transportation Services is Transit Express, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, due to changing service demand, the cost of providing Specialized Elderly Transportation Services is greater in 2013 than anticipated, indicating a significant deficit in the program without additional funding; and

WHEREAS, the Department has identified sufficient funds to increase the 2013 award by \$100,000, from \$1,356,745 to \$1,456,745; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Director, Department on Aging, is hereby authorized to increase by \$100,000, from \$1,356,745 to \$1,456,745, the award to Transit Express, Inc., to provide Specialized Elderly Transportation Services in 2013.

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