(ITEM) From the Director, Department of Transportation, requesting modifications of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program funded express bus routes and changes in local routes 10, 14, 30, and 61, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in June 2013, Milwaukee County submitted two applications for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program funded projects to introduce three new express bus routes to the transit network; and

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County was awarded a total of \$17,161,150 for these services, of which \$5.7 million has been included in the 2015 transit operating budget; and

WHEREAS, the corridors in which these routes will operate serve major trip generators and have been identified as in need of higher speed transit in the Milwaukee County Transit Development Plan prepared by the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, implementation of the new express bus services necessitates changes to local bus routes to ensure that all transit corridors currently being served can continue to receive similar, if not improved, levels of local or express transit bus service; and

WHEREAS, if approved, the Milwaukee County Transit System will implement these changes in January 2015, and maps of recommended changes were included with the Committee report; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program funded express bus routes, and changes in local routes 10, 14, 30, and 61 to facilitate the efficient and effective delivery of transit services to passengers in heavily-traveled transit corridors is approved.

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