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(ITEM ) From the Interim Director, Department on Aging, requesting authorization to increase an existing Purchase of Service contract with Transit Express, Inc., by \$38,400, from \$1,381,764 to \$1,420,164, for services provided under the 2015 Specialized Elderly Transportation Services contract, by recommending adoption of the following:

**A RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, on December 18, 2014, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors authorized the Director, Department on Aging (the Department), to execute contracts to provide programs and services to older persons for the period effective January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015 (Adopted File No. 14-934); and

WHEREAS, the Department awards funds to provider agencies based on allowable costs, availability of Federal, State, and local funds, anticipated usage by older persons of programs and services provided, and changing service needs; 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 expand services and/or fully reimburse vendors for services provided to eligible participants; and

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

WHEREAS, the service provider for this program in 2015 was Transit Express, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, due to service demand, the cost of providing Specialized Elderly Transportation Services was greater in 2015 than originally anticipated, resulting in a financial deficit to the program; and

WHEREAS, the Department has identified sufficient funds to increase the award by \$38,400, from \$1,381,764 to \$1,420,164, fully reimbursing the vendor for 2015 services; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, Personnel, and Audit, at its meeting of March 10, 2016, recommended adoption of the Interim Director's request (vote 8-0); now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED, the Interim Director, Department on Aging, is hereby authorized to increase an existing Purchase of Service contract with Transit Express, Inc., by \$38,400, from \$1,381,764 to \$1,420,164, for services provided under the 2015 Specialized Elderly Transportation Services contract.

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