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3 Report from the Interim Executive Director, Department on Aging, requesting
4 authorization to enter into a 2021 purchase of service contract with First Transit Inc.
5 from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 at a cost of \$1,459,071, by
6 recommending adoption of the following:
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8 **A RESOLUTION**
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10 WHEREAS, the Department on Aging (Aging) administers specialized elderly
11 transportation services in order to address lack of access to necessary services for
12 mobility challenged residents over age 60 in Milwaukee County; and
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14 WHEREAS, on October 27, 2020, the current provider of these services
15 communicated to Aging staff that it would not exercise its administrative renewal option
16 in 2021; and
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18 WHEREAS, after consultation with the Procurement Division, Department of
19 Administrative Services (DAS) staff, the Interim Executive Director, Aging, sent a notice
20 on October 28, 2020, to the County Executive, the Milwaukee County Board of
21 Supervisors (County Board), and the Director, DAS, that Aging staff would immediately
22 begin a process to identify a new vendor to provide these services in 2021; and
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24 WHEREAS, after reviewing proposals submitted by six different vendors, Aging
25 staff identified First Transit, Inc., (First Transit) as having submitted the most
26 comprehensive and lowest cost proposal with sufficient existing capacity, to begin
27 services on January 4, 2021; and
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29 WHEREAS, First Transit provides non-emergency transportation service with
30 expertise working with vulnerable individuals, in particular for people with physical and
31 cognitive disabilities, to transport mobility challenged seniors to necessary appointments
32 through the Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) Transit Plus Program; and
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34 WHEREAS, First Transit has submitted a cost proposal that does not exceed the
35 funds allocated by the County Board for this service in the Adopted 2021 Milwaukee
36 County Budget; and
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38 WHEREAS, Aging has existing authority to contract for these services within the
39 2021 Adopted Budget in the amount of \$1,459,071; and
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41 WHEREAS, the Committee on Transportation, Public Works, and Transit, at its
42 meeting of December 2, 2020, considered File No. 20-923 for informational purposes
43 only; and
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45 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of December 10, 2020,
46 recommended adoption of File No. 20-923 (vote 6-0); now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED, the Interim Executive Director, Department on Aging, or his designee, is hereby authorized to enter into a one-year contract with First Transit, Inc., to provide specialized elderly transportation services in the amount of \$1,459,071 for the period beginning January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021.

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