

City Council Meeting Date: March 16, 2021

TO: Jim Throop, City Manager

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SUBJECT: Authorize the City Manager to Extend the Transit Operations Contract with

RATP Dev for Two Additional Years

Recommendation:

Staff recommends the City Council authorize the City Manager to extend the Transit Operations Contract with RATP Dev USA, Inc. (RATP) for two additional years as provided in the contract.

Background:

At its meeting on May 17, 2016, the City Council awarded a contract to RoadRunner Management Services, Inc. (RMS) for Transit System Operation Services. Since that time, RATP acquired RMS and RATP has provided transit system operation services to the City under the RMS contract (Contract) since April 29, 2018. The contract was authorized for an initial period of five years, and included language to allow for two additional years at rates included in RMS' 2016 proposal, if mutually agreeable by both the City and RMS. The initial five-year contract period ends June 30, 2021.

Discussion:

Staff reviewed RATP's performance data and responsiveness to the City's needs, and is pleased with RATP's performance and responsiveness. Staff reviewed the rates included in RMS' 2016 proposal, and staff believes those rates for service are reasonable. Staff met and coordinated with RATP management and RATP has agreed to continue service in accordance with the contract for two additional years at the rates included in RMS' 2016 proposal. RATP has provided quality service to the City since they acquired RMS and staff looks forward to RATP's continued positive performance.

Fiscal Impact:

The rates for each subsequent year of service included in RMS' 2016 proposal are 2.5% higher than the rates charged for the previous year. Accordingly, the proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 rate of \$57.16 per Revenue Service Hour is 2.5% higher than the current contract rate during FY 2020-21. Similarly, the proposed FY 2022-23 rate of \$58.59 per Revenue Service Hour is 2.5% higher than the proposed FY 2021-22 rate.

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The City's Transit service is funded primarily from State Transportation Development Act, Federal Transit Administration 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program, contributions from local partnering agencies, various funding grants, and if necessary a small portion of Measure A funds. No City General Fund is used for City transit services.

Conclusion:

Extending the current contract with RATP allows the City to know what our costs will be for the next two years and to continue to operate at reasonable costs with a dependable contractor who also provides service to Santa Maria and Santa Ynez Valley Transit.

Respectfully submitted,
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