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Submitted By: Fred Abadi- Public Works	**City Administrator Approval:** Kevin Lahner, City Administrator KL
Finance Department Review: Rich Abbott, Finance Director RA	**City Attorney's Office Review:** Brian Running, City Attorney BER
Subject: Approval of Resolution Authorizing the Filing of the 2019 Federal Grant	

Details:

This item is to approve the resolution authorizing the Transit Manager to file the Transit Commission's Federal 2019 Grant with the Federal Transit Administration. This grant includes funds from the 5307, 5337 and 5339 funding programs. The grant filing will be used to partially fund the operations of the City and County transit systems for 2019 and provide 80% of the capital funds to upgrade the credit/debit card processing equipment for the Ticket Vending Machines (TVMs) at the Transit Center.   The 5307 funds and 5337 funds total $1,668,169 and will be used for operations. This is about $580,000 more federal funds than previous years as 5337 funds are being used for the first time for operations to fill the potential gap in WisDOT funds in 2019 that occurred in 2018.   The federal funds are split 50% between the City and County.

The $14,400 of 5339 funds will be used for 80% of the funding of credit/debit card processing equipment upgrade with a total cost of $18,000.

Options & Alternatives:

There are no viable alternatives. The federal funds are critical to the operation of the City and County Transit Systems and capital projects.

Financial Remarks:

Total 5307 and 5337 funds for Operations for 2019 is $1,668,169 for the City and County.   This equates to $834,084.50 per system. The $14,400 of 5339 funds will fund 80% of the cost of the credit/debit card processing equipment upgrade for the TVMs at the Transit Center.

Executive Recommendation:

Recommend approval.