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Committee: Transit Commission	Date: 8/3/2017
Common Council Item Number: 17-1181	Date: 8/15/2017
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Finance Department Review: Paul Labonte, Assistant Finance Director PL	City Attorney's Office Review: Miles Eastman, Assistant City Attorney ME
Subject: Approval of Amendment to the 2017 Urban Mass Transit Operating Assistance Agreement with the State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation	

Details:
 This item is to approve an amendment to the 2017 Urban Mass Transit Operating Assistance Agreement with the State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT). This agreement provides funding up to 60% of the cost of operating both the City of Waukesha Metro Transit System and Waukesha County Transit System for 2017. After the State received the final notification of the allocation of Federal funds to Tier B Transit Systems in the State of which includes the City and County Systems, more Federal funding was allocated to Tier B systems in the State than anticipated. The contract then with WisDOT requires an amendment. The amendment lowers the State funding for the City and County of Waukesha by \$23,570 but that was offset by the City and County receiving \$76,875 more in direct federal aid than anticipated which the net effect is an increase in funding of \$53,305. The guaranteed rate expense rate of State/Federal funds than increases from slightly less than 54.5% to 54.78% of operating expenses.

Options & Alternatives:
 There are no viable alternatives. The WisDOT funds are critical for the operations of the City and County Transit Systems.

Financial Remarks:
 As stated above, the City and Waukesha County will receive up to 60% funding of their 2017 transit operating costs from WisDOT through the Mass Transit Operating Assistance agreement which includes federal funds received. The maximum dollar amount of the amendment of WisDOT funds is now \$3,987,199 based upon total audited expenses. Although the amended total is \$23,570 less, the City and County received \$76,875 more in federal funds than anticipated which is a net increase of \$53,305. When the original operating agreement was presented for approval in April, it was forecasted that the City would receive roughly \$16,000 less in State/Federal funds than anticipated but now with the higher Federal Fund total, the City will receive roughly \$15,000 more in State/Federal funds.



Executive Recommendation:
Recommend approval.