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Committee: Transit Commission	Date: 7/7/2022
Common Council Item Number: ID#22-4369	Date: 7/19/2022
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Finance Department Review: Denise Vandebush-Kohlman, Interim Finance Director DVK	City Attorney's Office Review: Brian Running, City Attorney BER
Subject: Review and Act on Mass Transit Operating Aid Agreement with Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) for 2022	

Details:
This item is to review and act on the 2022 Urban Mass Transit Operating Assistance Agreement with the State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT). This agreement provides operating funding for both the City of Waukesha Metro Transit System and Waukesha County Transit System for 2022. The maximum funds available are 60% of total operating expenses for 2022 for both systems which is the maximum percentage allowed per State Statute. This is a significant increase in percentage as the reimbursement rate since 2014 has been 55% or less with the exception of 2020. The increase in funding is due to additional federal funds from the Federal Infrastructure Bill. The 2022 Operating Budget was set at a 52.9% reimbursement which will provide nearly \$400,000 more in aid over budget which is very timely as the fuel expenses for 2022 could exceed \$200,000 over budget. The maximum amount of funds available in this agreement is \$4,153,237.

Options & Alternatives:
No viable options. The operating aid is allocated to the City and County and forgoing these funds would increase the local share the City and County would need to provide to operate mass transit services.

Financial Remarks:
The City and Waukesha County will receive a maximum of \$4,153,237 in State funds for mass transit operations for calendar year 2022. The funds plus federal funds will cover 60% of the operating expenses.

Executive Recommendation:
Recommend approval.