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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 Supporting the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) Request to Transfer of Federal Highway Administration Surface Transportation Program Milwaukee Urbanized Area Funds to the Federal Transit Administration on behalf of the City of Waukesha.

Details:

This item is to approve a resolution supporting the WisDOT transfer request of Federal Highway Administration Surface Transportation Program Milwaukee Urbanized Area (STP-M) Funds to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) on behalf of the City Waukesha. This is a formal recognition that the City supports WisDOT's request to transfer STP-M funds to FTA on behalf of the City.

Transit submitted an application earlier this year for STP-M funds that would be used for the 80% matching funds to purchase buses. WisDOT has awarded the City \$392,000 in STP-M funds and now must request a transfer of these funds from Federal highways to transit. The resolution supporting the transfer is a new requirement as of last year. The resolution needs to be made prior to the transfer request. The City approved a similar resolution in 2014. The entire process of transferring funds can take several months so WisDOT has asked that the City approve the Resolution now so that the process can begin. Once the transfer is complete, Transit then needs to receive the funds from FTA through their grant award system. Once the grant is active, the funds are then available for bus purchases.

Options & Alternatives:

No other viable options.

Financial Remarks:

The resolution facilitates the City receiving \$392,000 in federal dollars towards future bus purchases which pay for 80% of the cost of the buses. These funds will help fund the replacement buses approved in the 2015 CIP.

Executive Recommendation:

Recommend approval.

