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Subject:

Waukesha County Transit Business-Approval of Purchase Service Agreement with Milwaukee Transport Services, Inc. to Operate the Gold Line in 2017

Details:

This is a Waukesha County Transit Business item. It is to approve the annual purchase service agreement with Milwaukee Transport Services, Inc.(MTS) to operate the Gold Line for 2017. Typically, this would come for approval in December of the previous year but there was ongoing negotiations between Waukesha County and Milwaukee County regarding the costs that was recently settled. The portion of the Gold Line that Waukesha County pays for operates on Bluemound Rd. from 124th to the Brookfield Square Mall. Service operates seven days a week and links up with the Waukesha Metro Route 1 at the Mall.

Options & Alternatives:

No other viable alternatives. This is an extension of an existing Milwaukee County Transit route and is extremely cost effective vs. having another vendor operate the route. It would be impractical and cost prohibitive to extend Waukesha Metro to 124th St. because the Gold Line service hours far exceed Metro's hours seven days a week and also operates on holidays. Waukesha Metro does not. To properly operate this route, Metro would need to extend support staff (Maintenance and Supervisory staff) well beyond their current service hours which would make the service cost prohibitive for Metro to operate at this time. Also, the layover/transit points at Brookfield Square and Executive Drive are much better connection points for passengers vs. 124th St.

Financial Remarks:

This agreement has no financial impact on the City of Waukesha and is paid for locally by Waukesha County. Note, Waukesha County has been paying for the service in 2017 to date. The per revenue hour rate proposed for 2017 is \$115.48 which is a 0.66% increase over the 2016 rate.

Executive Recommendation:

Recommend approval.

