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Committee: Transit Commission	Date: 7/8/2021
Common Council Item Number: 21-2447	Date: 7/20/2021
Submitted By: Fred Abadi- Public Works	City Administrator Approval: Kevin Lahner, City Administrator KL
Finance Department Review: Bridget Souffrant, Finance Director BS	City Attorney's Office Review: Brian Running, City Attorney BER
Subject: Waukesha County Business-Approval of Amendment 4 to Purchase Service Agreement with Wisconsin Coach Lines, Inc. for Operation of Routes 901, 904, 905	

Details:
 This is a Waukesha County Business item to seek the approval of the fourth amendment to the purchase service agreement with Wisconsin Coach Lines, Inc. for the Operation of County Commuter Routes 901, 904 and 905. The routes serve various points in Waukesha County including downtown Waukesha to downtown Milwaukee via I-94. Ridership on these routes continue to struggle due to downtown Milwaukee businesses still having the majority of their employees working from home due to COVID-19 and Waukesha County has suspended roughly 40 percent of the service last August. The Waukesha County Board has passed two ordinances allowing the County Public Works Director the temporary authority to suspend trips based on current ridership demands through the end of 2021. This amendment would replace Amendment 3 which expired on 5/31/21 and extend to the end of 2021. Wisconsin Coach Lines has requested the increase over the contracted rate due to fixed overhead costs (building expenses, vehicle expenses, and fixed labor costs) being spread across significantly fewer hours. This amendment would allow Wisconsin Coach Lines a tiered increase in the rate based on the percent of service hours suspended through December 31, 2021. The tiered increase tied to service levels is in anticipation of multiple service adjustments over the next 5 months based on the return of workforce to downtown Milwaukee businesses and other factors. Both Waukesha County and Wisconsin Coach Lines have agreed to the tiered structure of increases.

Options & Alternatives:
 No viable alternatives.

Financial Remarks:
 All funds for this service come from the Waukesha County Transit budget and no City funds are used. Both Waukesha County and Wisconsin Coach Lines have agreed to extend the tiered structure of increase in the per revenue rate charged based on service levels throughout the amendment period. Despite the increase in the per hour rate, Waukesha County will not exceed its total budget due to the reduction in total service hours.



Executive Recommendation:
Recommend approval.