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TO: Jim Scholl, City Manager

FROM: Rod Delostrinos, Director of Transportation

VIA: Greg Veliz, Assistant City Manager

DATE: September 5, 2018

SUBJECT: Public Transportation Grant Agreement – Service Development

Grant: Duval Loop

ACTION STATEMENT:

Request approval and authorization to execute the Public Transportation Grant Agreement from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) in the amount of \$1,500,000.00 to provide up to 50% reimbursement of operating costs for the Duval Loop fixed route circulator in the City of Key West.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Key West Department of Transportation is responsibility for identifying and securing grant funding assistance each year to subsidize the cost of providing a public transit system. The year-old Duval Loop fixed route circulator is currently funded by the Transportation Alternative Fund (111). The Service Development Grant Program is designed to provide start-up funding for new public transit projects that provide new or innovative techniques to improve system efficiencies, ridership, or revenues. Under this program the City of Key West can request 50% reimbursement of the Duval Loop operating costs. The program provides this assistance for a maximum of three years; however, the City of Key West must apply each of the three years. After that period, the City of Key West would apply for other grant programs.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The FDOT and the City of Key West would share operating costs on a 50%-50% split. This cost sharing would reduce the financial burden on the Transportation Alternative Fund (111).

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the resolution to accept, authorize and execute the Public Transportation Grant Agreement – Service Development Grant: Duval Loop.

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