



THE CITY OF KEY WEST

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Jim Scholl, City Manager

FROM: Rod Delostrinos, Director of Transportation

VIA: Greg Veliz, Assistant City Manager

DATE: August 26, 2019

SUBJECT: Amendment to the Public Transportation Grant Agreement (PTGA) Contract G1346 / FM #415173-6-84-01 / Commuter Assistance Program

ACTION STATEMENT:

Approving the Annual Amendment to the Public Transportation Grant Agreement (PTGA) Contract G1346 / Commuter Assistance Program from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), in the amount not to exceed \$616,340.00 for up to 50% of operating costs of the Lower Keys Shuttle Route.

BACKGROUND:

The FDOT administered commuter assistance program focuses on reducing or eliminating the single occupant commuter trip that is the greatest cause of peak hour highway congestion. A coordinated effort to provide alternatives such as transit bus service to these commuters can be beneficial to the development of public transit statewide and the FDOT's priority efforts to relieve traffic congestion, improve air quality and to assure energy conservation.

Since 2010, the City of Key West has participated in the Commuter Assistance Program and received a cumulative \$3,350,374.00 in grant funding.

PURPOSE AND JUSTIFICATION:

Continued participation in this grant program allows the City of Key West to deliver a quality transit system while maximizing the use of grant programs and reducing financial burden of the citizenry.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The program allows for cost sharing of operating expenses. The allocation is as follows:

Up to 50% of operating cost FDOT

Key to the Caribbean - Average yearly temperature 77° F.

50% - three way split between

- City of Key West (17%)
- City of Marathon (17%)
- Monroe County (17%)

This split is memorialized in an Interlocal Agreement and City of Key West City Commission Resolution 15-101.

RECOMMENDATION:

Key West Transit Staff recommends approval of Amendment PTGA Contract G1346, Commuter Assistance Program for the Lower Keys Shuttle Bus Service, in an amount not to exceed \$616,340.00 for fiscal year 2020.