

# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



**To:** Jim Scholl, City Manager  
**From:** Norman Whitaker, Director / KWDoT  
**Date:** January 21, 2015  
**Subject:** Interlocal Agreement - Renewal of Term of Agreement  
April 6, 2015, through April 5, 2020

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## **Action Statement:**

This summary is a request to approve a resolution accepting the First Amendment to the agreement extending the service via the Interlocal Agreement for the Lower Keys Shuttle Bus Services for a period of five (5) additional years; April 6, 2015, through April 5, 2020.

## **Project History:**

The original agreement term was for a five (5) year period, or from April 6, 2005, through April 5, 2010. Paragraph 2 of the agreement does provide for renewal of the agreement, provided all agencies approve of same.

On March 2, 2010, the City Commission approved the first renewal of the agreement for another five (5) year period or from April 6, 2010 to April 5, 2015.

That is the intent of the request today, which will also be brought before the City of Marathon City Council and the Board of County Commission, Monroe County.

## **Advantages / Disadvantages**

Advantage - would be to approve the recommended term renewal from April 6, 2015, through April 5, 2020, providing for the Lower Keys Shuttle Bus Services.

The advantage of this option is that the City is the designated operating agency and as such is the designated fixed route transit provider in Monroe County, Lower Keys, Florida.

There are numerous advantages and opportunities provided whenever fixed route transportation exists in a community such as a choice or alternate mode of transport, ability to reduce traffic, reduce accidents, reduction of dependency on foreign oils, reduction of carbon emissions and carbon footprint of the communities, etc.

There are no disadvantages to this option with regard to providing a fixed route transit service between Key West and Marathon.

## **Fiscal Impact:**

The fiscal impact is no greater for Key West than for the City of Marathon and the County of Monroe BOCC. We are all equal partners in this venture. Providing the Lower Keys Shuttle Service requires each of the Inter-local partners to contribute approximately \$140,000 per fiscal year. This renewal should allow for the cost to remain at the current level.

## **Recommendation:**

KWDoT staff recommends to approve the renewal of the Interlocal Agreement for a term of five (5) years, from April 6, 2015, through April 5, 2020.