



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

Dane County would provide an amount estimated to be not less than \$2,296,406 (approximately 57.62% of costs) of MA Waiver (CIP) funding to the Transit Utility to provide paratransit service to people with developmental disabilities and would also provide State 85.21 funding in the amount of \$134,324 to the transit utility for the transportation of elderly persons and persons with disabilities. The transit utility would provide Dane County with State 85.20 funding not to exceed \$43,000 to support the transportation of eligible disabled persons unable to use Metro's paratransit service. Funding for these programs is included in the Transit Utility's 2008 Operating Budget.

Title

Authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to enter into an agreement with Dane County for the following purposes in the calendar year 2008: (1) providing the Transit Utility with MA waiver Community Integration Program (CIP) funding and State 85.21 funding by Dane County for the provision of paratransit services; (2) providing Dane County with State 85.20 funding by the Transit Utility for the County's provision of accessible transportation for persons unable to use the Transit Utility's paratransit services within its service area.

Body

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation provides State 85.21 funding for Dane County for the operation of transit services for persons who are elderly and/or persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, each year Dane County provides the Transit Utility with a portion of its 85.21 allocation to assist the Transit Utility in the operation of its paratransit services, and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Health and Family Services contracts with Dane County to operate the CIP 1 and other MA waivers for residents of Dane County and receives reimbursement from the DHFS for the Federal share (approximately 57.62%) of the costs of accessible transportation for waiver program participants; and

WHEREAS, Dane County is able to reimburse the Transit Utility for the Federal share of these costs from funds they receive from the DHFS because the Transit Utility is a qualified provider under the MA Waiver program; and

WHEREAS, the Exceptional Rides Program of Dane County is a component of a cooperative reimbursement program by the Transit Utility to make provision for the accessible transportation services for disabled persons unable to use the Transit Utility's paratransit service within its service area; and

WHEREAS, Dane County Department of Human Services will administer the Exceptional Rides Program, determine eligibility, and pay vendors for rides, and

WHEREAS, funding for these programs (State 85.21 and the MA Waiver Program) are a major source of revenue for Metro's ADA Paratransit Program, a service required under federal regulation; and

WHEREAS, this program is an example of a model cooperative funding program to the mutual benefit of both transit and human services;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the City Clerk are authorized to enter into an agreement with Dane County to receive MA Waiver (CIP) and Elderly and Handicapped funding in an amount

not to be less than \$ 2,430,730 (both programs) to offset approximately 57.62% of the cost of eligible paratransit trips provided by the Transit Utility; and to reimburse Dane County in an amount not to exceed \$43,000 for the provision by Dane County of the eligible paratransit program services in the Transit Utility's ADA paratransit service area.