



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

The proposed resolution authorizes a data-sharing agreement with the Harvard Kennedy School to study the City of Madison Fleet's vehicle safety. No appropriation is required.

Title

A Resolution authorizing the City of Madison Fleet Service to enter a data sharing agreement with the Harvard Kennedy School to perform a study on vehicle safety metrics.

Body

WHEREAS, City of Madison launched a Vision Zero plan in 2020 with the stated goal of eliminating fatalities and serious injury from Madison's roadways; and

WHEREAS, City of Madison operates the largest unified fleet of on-road vehicles in Madison; and

WHEREAS, accomplishing zero fatality and serious injury incidents with these vehicles is central to the success of Vision Zero; and

WHEREAS, City of Madison Fleet Service and academic staff of Harvard Kennedy School have designed a study plan to research the effects of vehicle bumper stickers and dashboard signage on City driver behavior, with no exchange of funds between the two parties; and

WHEREAS, completion of this research study will require a data sharing agreement between City of Madison and the Harvard Kennedy School regarding interventions and driving behavior; and

WHEREAS, City of Madison has the ability to and will anonymize the data to be shared with Harvard; and

WHEREAS, the results of the City driver safety research study will be published for the benefit of City employees and residents who use Madison's roadways;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fleet Superintendent is authorized to sign on behalf of the City of Madison a data sharing agreement for five (5) years with the Harvard Kennedy School in a form approved by the City Attorney.