



City of Huntington Beach

File #: 21-162 MEETING DATE: 3/1/2021

REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

SUBMITTED TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

SUBMITTED BY: Oliver Chi, City Manager

PREPARED BY: Chris Slama, Director of Community & Library Services

Subject:

Approve and authorize execution of Amendment No. 1 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-8-1882 for the Orange County Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Disabled (EMSD) Grant Program between the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and the City of Huntington Beach

Statement of Issue:

The Community & Library Services Department is requesting approval of Amendment No. 1 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-8-1882 (Agreement) for the Orange County Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Disabled (EMSD) Grant Program between the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and the City of Huntington Beach. On April 1, 2019, City Council approved the Agreement with a term of October 1, 2018, through September 30, 2020. Amendment No. 1 will extend the term through September 30, 2023.

Financial Impact:

Not applicable. The City's match obligation of 20% was met in Fiscal Year 2019/20. No additional funds are required to approve the Recommended Action.

Recommended Action:

Approve and authorize the Mayor to execute "Amendment No. 1 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-8-1882 Between the Orange County Transportation Authority and City of Huntington Beach" for a term of May 23, 2019, through September 30, 2023.

Alternative Action(s):

Do not approve Amendment No. 1 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-8-1882 with the Orange County Transportation Authority and direct staff accordingly.

Analysis:

The "Surf City Seniors on the Go!" senior transportation program is a donation-based program that provides curb-to-curb transportation services for Huntington Beach senior citizens ages 60 years and over, transporting riders to medical appointments, shopping centers, and the Senior Center in Central

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Park. There is a recurring need for Community and Library Services to replace vehicles and other equipment in order to meet the increasing demand to transport senior citizens to and from their residences to locations within the community.

In 2019, the OCTA EMSD program offered grant opportunities to non-profit organizations and local public agencies to assist with the purchase of vehicles and other needed equipment. For the "Surf City Seniors on the Go!" program, the EMSD grant funds replaced three vehicles, including one small bus (8 accessible seats and 1 wheelchair) and two medium buses (11 accessible seats and 2 wheelchairs). The grant also paid a portion of transportation software upgrades, which has helped to eliminate the need for costly GPS tracking and push-to-talk radios, while increasing service and routing efficiency. The total OCTA obligation for the vehicles and the transportation software was approximately \$229,000, with the City paying approximately \$64,000 of the combined purchase.

The purpose of the Amendment is to extend the agreement to cover the useful life expectancy of the vehicles purchased through the OCTA EMSD grant. No additional funds or financial obligations are needed.

Environmental Status:

Not applicable.

Strategic Plan Goal:

Community Engagement Infrastructure & Parks

Attachment(s):

- 1) Amendment No. 1 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-8-1882 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the City of Huntington Beach extending the term through September 30, 2023.
- 2) Cooperative Agreement No. C-8-1882 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the City of Huntington Beach for a term of October 1, 2018, through September 30, 2020.