

**PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: February 3, 2026 **Consent** **Regular**

Department: Palm Tran [] Ordinance [] Public Hearing

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to:

A) adopt a Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) of Palm Beach County, Florida, approving Amendment No.1 to a Public Transportation Grant Agreement (PTGA G3A87) in Public Transit Corridor Development Program funding (CSFA 55.013) with the State of Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), providing a grant in the amount of \$800,000 for the Okeechobee Blvd High Frequency Service. This PTGA Amendment will become effective upon FDOT execution with an expiration date of December 31, 2029;

B) approve a Budget Amendment of \$800,000 in Palm Tran's Grant Fund 1341 to recognize the grant award and the corresponding transfer to Palm Tran's Operating Fund 1340;

C) approve a Budget Transfer of \$800,000 to increase transfer to Palm Tran's Operating Fund 1340 from Palm Tran's Grant Fund 1341 and to reduce the transfer from General Fund 0001; and

D) approve a Budget Transfer of \$800,000 to increase the General Fund 0001 Contingency Reserves and to reduce the transfer to Palm Tran's Operating Fund 1340.

Summary: On November 19, 2024, FDOT allocated funding to Palm Tran through the Transit Corridor Development Program (Program) to pilot high frequency service along Okeechobee Boulevard. This pilot program is enhancing the ridership experience with shorter headways during high demand hours. This PTGA amends the total cost of the project to \$2,800,000, **requiring a County match of 50% or \$1,400,000**, and provides a grant in the amount of \$1,400,000. The match is included in Palm Tran's operating budget.

The grant requires broader indemnification by the County than that approved by PPM CW-F-049. The grant requires the County and its officers, agents, or employees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless FDOT and all of its officers, agents, and employees from any claim, loss, damage, cost, charge, or expense arising out of the County's non-compliance or performance of this PTGA. The indemnification obligation must also be passed on to contractors and/or consultants. The Risk Management Department and County Attorney's Office have reviewed the indemnification requirements for this grant and advised staff accordingly. Given that liability is limited to County's non-compliance or performance of this agreement and the statutory caps of Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, staff recommends BCC approval. Countywide (MM)

Background and Justification: (Continued on page 3)

Attachments:

1. Resolution (2)
2. Amendment 1 Public to Transportation Grant Agreement (PTGA) (2)
3. Original PTGA-G3A87
4. Budget Amendment
5. Budget Transfer (2)

Recommended By: Ivan Maldonado Date: 1/15/26

Recommended By: _____ **Executive Director** _____ Date _____
Approved By:  _____ 1/23/26 **Chief Deputy County Administrator** _____ Date _____

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Capital Expenditures					
Operating Costs	\$1,600,000				
External Revenues	(\$800,000)				
Program Income(County)					
In-Kind Match(County)					
NET FISCAL IMPACT	\$800,000				
#ADDITIONAL FTE					
POSITIONS (CUMULATIVE)					

Is Item Included in the current Budget? Yes No
 Does this item include the use of federal funds? Yes No
 Does this item include the use of state funds? Yes No

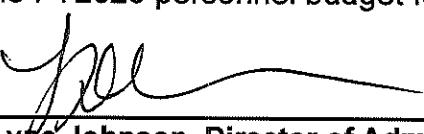
Budget Account No:

Fund	Department	Unit	Object	RSRC
1341	820/542	5047	9063	3449

B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:

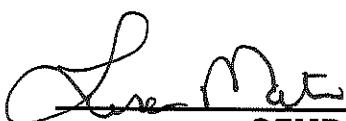
The operating costs are included in the FY2026 personnel budget for unit 1340-540-5110

C. Departmental Fiscal Review:


Lyne Johnson, Director of Admin Services

III. REVIEW COMMENTS:

A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Dev. and Control Comments:


OFMB 1/22/26
OFA 1/18
MRF 1/18
VS 1/18


Contract Dev. & Control 1/21/26
26 1-22-26

B. Legal Sufficiency


1/22/26
Assistant County Attorney

C. Other Department Review

Department Director

(THIS SUMMARY IS NOT TO BE USED AS A BASIS FOR PAYMENT)

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Background & Justification: The Program is authorized in Chapter 341, Florida Statutes and provides funding to eligible public agencies to support new services within specific corridors when the services are designed and expected to help reduce or alleviate congestion or other mobility issues. Transit Corridor funds are discretionary and are distributed based on documented need. Program funds may be used for capital or operating expenses as described under the Block Grant Program. Eligible projects must be identified in a Transit Development Plan, Congestion Management System Plan, or other formal study undertaken by a public agency. Projects are funded at 50% of the non-federal share; projects that alleviate congestion in a region may receive funding at up to 100%.