Legislation Text

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Ordinance Amending in the Amount of \$126,490 GTA Grant Fund Budget for the Federal Fiscal Year 2014 Section 5307 Transit Security and Routine Capital Assistance Grant

Department: Transportation Council District: Citywide

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### **PURPOSE**:

The City of Greensboro has received funding from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to support eligible expenses for the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2014 FTA Section 5307 Transit Security and Routine Capital Assistance Program. A budget ordinance must be approved to allow the expenditure of funds.

# **BACKGROUND:**

FTA's Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula program funds transit capital and operating assistance in urbanized areas and transportation related planning. These funds will support two (2) projects under the category of routine capital assistance and one (1) project under the category of transit security enhancements.

Routine Capital Assistance

- Funds in the amount of \$27,500 will be used to purchase five (5) talking bus/destination sign/operator control units on five (5) fixed route buses. These units will serve as upgraded replacements for outdated units.
- Funds in the amount of \$37,500 will be used to purchase a Point of Sale (POS) system with hardware and operating software for four (4) customer service terminals. The POS system will replace outdated cash registers at the J. Douglas Galyon Depot and the GTA Administrative/Operations facility and allow for more efficient and streamlined customer service.

Transit Security Enhancements

Funds in the amount of \$61,490 will be used to support the purchase of seven (7) sets of mobile surveillance camera systems to be installed on seven (7) paratransit vehicles. Each set consists of five (5) cameras and a recording monitor. These systems will serve as upgraded replacements for outdated units.

At their March 25, 2014 meeting, the GTA Board approved the project.

## **BUDGET IMPACT**:

The City has been awarded federal funds in the amount of \$101,192. The City will be required to provide local matching funds in the amount of \$25,298. These funds are budgeted in the Transit Operations Account 564-4531-01-6567. The total project funding is as follows:

 \$101,192
 Federal (80%)

 \$25,298
 Local (20%)

 \$126,490

# **RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:**

The Department of Transportation recommends and requests that City Council approve the attached budget ordinance in the amount of \$126,490 to support eligible project expenses.