



# City of Greensboro

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## Legislation Text

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Ordinance in the Amount of \$1,738,232 Amending GTA Grant Fund Budget for the Federal Fiscal Year 2017  
FTA Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Grant

Department: Transportation  
Council District: Citywide

Public Hearing: NA  
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### **PURPOSE:**

The City of Greensboro has received funds in the amount of \$1,477,497 from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to support eligible expenses for the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2017 FTA Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Grant. A budget ordinance must be approved to allow the expenditures.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The CMAQ program funds transportation related environmental projects for areas in nonattainment or maintenance for ozone, carbon monoxide, and/or particulate matter. The City of Greensboro received \$1,477,497 in CMAQ funds, to be used to support the purchase of four (4) 40 foot zero emission electric buses that will be used in GTA's fixed route service. These funds will be used to replace four (4) buses that have exceeded FTA's useful life standards, both in years of service and mileage. The useful life standards are 12 years or 500,000 miles for a heavy duty fixed route bus. The City is using these funds for purchase of the buses only. The batteries will be leased from the bus manufacturer with local funds and be paid over time through fuel and maintenance savings. GTA has estimated \$350,000 per bus savings in fuel and maintenance over a ten year period.

At their June 21, 2017 meeting, the Greensboro Urban Area MPO Transportation Advisory Committee approved the project.

### **BUDGET IMPACT:**

The City has been awarded federal funds in the amount of \$1,477,497. The City will be required to provide local matching funds in the amount of \$260,735. These funds are budgeted 2016 Bond Account 481-4531-01. A budget adjustment is required to move the funds into the correct account.

The total project funding is as follows:

\$1,477,497 Federal (85%)  
\$ 260,735 Local (15%)

\$1,738,232

**RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:**

The Department of Transportation recommends and requests that the City Council approve the attached budget ordinance establishing funding in the amount of \$1,738,232 for the FFY2017 FTA Congestion Mitigation Air Quality grant and approve the associated budget adjustment.