

City of Greensboro

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Legislation Text

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Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Clean Diesel Buses in the Amount of \$1,012,735 from New Flyer, Inc. via the Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation Bus Contract

Department: Transportation Council District: Citywide

Public Hearing: NA

Advertising Date/By: NA

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PURPOSE:

The City of Greensboro is purchasing two (2) replacement 40 foot clean diesel buses from New Flyer, Inc. from the Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation (PART) Bus Contract. A resolution is required to authorize this purchase.

BACKGROUND:

The Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation (PART), in partnership with the Cities of Burlington, Concord, Greensboro, and High Point, solicited bids for the purchase of heavy duty transit buses. A five year contract was awarded to New Flyer, Inc. on October 8, 2014. This contract is due to expire on October 8, 2019. Since that time, the City of Greensboro has purchased fourteen hybrid-electric and clean diesel buses from this contract. The City has recently been able to apply unobligated funds to an existing FY16 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) grant that will allow for the purchase of two (2) additional replacement 40 foot clean diesel buses. In order to utilize this funding, the purchase must conform to the original scope of the grant which necessitates the purchase of clean diesel buses.

The City of Greensboro is proposing to purchase two (2) 40 foot clean diesel low-floor buses for use by the Greensboro Transit Agency (GTA) fixed route service. The purchase of these buses will allow GTA to continue efforts to replace old diesel buses that have exceeded the Federal Transit Administration useful life standard of 12 years/500,000 miles with clean diesel models.

This purchase is included in the FY19 Program of Projects approved by the Greensboro Urban Area MPO on May 8, 2019. A STIP amendment approving this project was adopted by the North Carolina Board of Transportation on March 7, 2019.

BUDGET IMPACT:

Funds for this purchase will come from GTA Grant Fund account 567-4515-01.6051. A separate budget ordinance will be required to appropriate additional revenue in the amount of \$954,913 for this purchase.

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RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

The Department of Transportation recommends and requests that the City Council approve the attached Resolution authorizing the City to purchase Clean Diesel buses from New Flyer, Inc. via the Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation (PART) bus contract.