

**City of Culver City, California
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Meeting Date: <u>06/13/11</u>		Item Number: <u>C-7</u>	
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM: Approval of a Reauthorization of a Memorandum of Understanding Between the City and the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works for Paratransit Service for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014.			
Contact Person/Dept.: Armando Abrego, Senior & Social Services Manager		Phone Number: (310) 253-6700	
Fiscal Impact: Yes ☒ No ☐		General Fund: Yes ☐ No ☒	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☐ Attachments: ☐	
Commission Action Required: Yes ☐ No ☒		Date: _____	
Public Notification: (E-Mail) Meetings and Agendas – City Council (06/08/11).			
Department Approval Dan Hernandez (06/01/11)		City Attorney Approval: Carol Schwab (by H. Baker) (06/08/11)	
Chief Financial Officer Approval: Jeff Muir (by M. Noller) (06/08/11)		City Manager Approval: John M. Nachbar (06/08/11)	
 <u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> Staff recommends the City Council approve a reauthorization of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City and the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works for Paratransit Service for the unincorporated Los Angeles County areas of Ladera Heights, View Park, and Windsor Hills for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014. <u>BACKGROUND:</u> The Culver City Paratransit Program has been in operation since 1974 and has had a coordinated Paratransit service MOU with the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works since 1995. <u>DISCUSSION:</u> The Culver City Paratransit Program has multiple funding sources. Two of the agencies that fund the program are: (1) the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (METRO), and (2) the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works. METRO has offered Proposition A Discretionary Incentive Program funds to agencies that provide Paratransit services since voters passed Proposition A in 1980. Agencies with an executed MOU with METRO are allowed to receive up to a 10% reimbursement for the net cost of their Paratransit Program. Agencies may elect to offer coordinated Paratransit service between jurisdictional areas to receive			

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up to an additional 15%, increasing the Proposition A Discretionary Incentive Program funds reimbursable amount to 25% of the Program's net cost. Since 1994, the City of Culver City has had an MOU with the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works (LAC-DPW) to offer coordinated Paratransit service to qualified eligible residents of the unincorporated Los Angeles County areas of Ladera Heights, View Park, and Windsor Hills, thus qualifying for the additional 15% reimbursement from METRO.

The MOU with LAC-DPW also benefits both the City of Culver City and Paratransit Program participants in other ways. It allows the City to request compensation of up to \$18,000 per fiscal year from LAC-DPW for Program administration. In addition, LAC-DPW provides the City with taxi coupon booklets through which registered participants may purchase five \$10 discounted taxi coupons booklets (a \$50 value) for \$10. Each booklet contains coupons equivalent to \$10 in taxi fare and up to \$10 of discounted taxi coupons can be used on any one way trip starting or ending in Ladera Heights, View Park, and Windsor Hills. Los Angeles County residents age 60 and older automatically qualify to purchase taxi coupon booklets; those younger than 60 years of age must obtain a signed physician's authorization form and pass a City screening process in order to qualify.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

No General Fund monies are currently used to support this service. The Culver City Paratransit Program's funding sources for fiscal Year 2011-2012 include:

<i>Funding Source FY 2011-12</i>	<i>Account Number</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Proposition A Incentive Funds (see separate staff report)	41434300.346200	\$ 107,815
Funds provided by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works (as detailed above)	41434300.346700	\$ 18,000
Culver City Proposition C Local Return Funds	41434300.391424	\$ 419,925
CNG Excise Tax Credit	41434300.339140	TBD*
Fare Box revenue from the following services:		
City Taxi Coupon Program	41434300.356100	\$ 5,000
Los Angeles County Taxi Coupon Program	41434300.356110	\$ 900
Donations	41434300.386200	\$ 4,000

* The amount of CNG Excise Tax Credits are unknown until notice is received during the year.

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MOTION:

That the City Council:

1. Approve a Reauthorization of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works to provide Paratransit service to residents of View Park, Windsor Hills and Ladera Heights for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014; and,
2. Authorize the City Attorney to review/prepare the necessary documents; and,
3. Authorize the City Manager to execute such documents on behalf of the City.