



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
County Manager's Office

DATE: November 30, 2015
BOARD MEETING DATE: December 15, 2015
SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING: None
VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors
FROM: John L. Maltbie, County Manager
SUBJECT: Amendment to Agreement with SamTrans to Subsidize Services to Youth, Elderly and Disabled Residents of San Mateo County

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing an Amendment to the October 22, 2013, Agreement with SamTrans to provide \$5 million annually in FYs 2015-16 and 2016-17 to continue to subsidize services to youth, elderly and disabled San Mateo County residents.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans) provides SamTrans bus service, including Redi-Wheels and Redi-Coast paratransit services, and the Caltrain commuter rail service. SamTrans services directly support routes to students commuting to local schools, and to low-income residents to community-based safety net facilities and County government services. Paratransit service is required but not funded by the federal Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). In 2013, SamTrans requested Measure A funds to subsidize this unfunded mandate which was costing \$14.8 million annually.

On October 22, 2013, your Board adopted Resolution 072855 which authorized an agreement to subsidize Samtrans services to youth, elderly and disabled San Mateo County residents in the amount of \$5 million annually for Fiscal Years 2013-14 and 2014-15.

This Amendment continues the \$5 million subsidy for another two fiscal years for a total of \$10 million, for a cumulative total of \$20 million for Fiscal Years 2013-14 through 2016-17.

Performance Measure	FY 2013-14 Actual *	FY 2014-15 Actual *	FY 2015-16 Projected	FY 2016-17 Projected
Total Redi-Wheels ridership	276,637	291,802 +5.4% growth	294,720 +1% growth	297,667 +1% growth
Number of trip denials	0	0	0	0

FISCAL IMPACT:

This Amendment extends the term of the agreement for another two years, for a new termination date of June 30, 2017. There are sufficient Measure A funds budgeted in the Non-Departmental Services FY 2015-17 Budget for this purpose.

ATTACHMENT 1 – FY 2013-14 and FY 2014-15 Performance Data