

Orange County Transportation Authority

Legislation Text

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Amendment to Agreement with First Transit, Inc., for the Provision of Contracted Fixed-Route Service

On March 23, 2015, the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors approved an agreement with First Transit, Inc., for the management and operation of contracted fixed-route service, which was extended through May 31, 2021. On March 23, 2020, as a result of the novel coronavirus pandemic, OC Bus fixed-route service was reduced to Sunday service levels seven days a week. This temporary, emergency action reduced the amount of service provided by First Transit, Inc. under this agreement by more than 50 percent. First Transit, Inc. has requested financial relief to cover expenses incurred related to employees and operations as the result of the novel coronavirus pandemic through June 13, 2020. The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act of 2020, specifically provides for this relief with guidance from the Federal Transit Administration. Staff requests approval of an amendment to the agreement with First Transit, Inc., to provide financial relief for costs related to the coronavirus pandemic through June 13, 2020, in an amount estimated to be \$1,750,555.

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 10 to Agreement No. C-4-1737 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and First Transit, Inc., to allow reimbursement of specific expenses related to the novel coronavirus pandemic on a pass-through basis estimated to be \$1,750,555, for the period March 23 through June 13, 2020.