

STRATEGIC PRIORITY:	Government Performance and Financial Management
AGENDA DATE:	February 24, 2021
COUNCIL DISTRICT(S):	All
DEPARTMENT:	Department of Human Resources
EXECUTIVE:	Kimberly Bizor Tolbert

SUBJECT

Authorize a contract with Dallas Area Rapid Transit for the purchase of 143 annual passes in support of the City's clean air initiative - Not to exceed \$51,480.00 - Financing: General Fund (30,000.00) (see Fiscal Information) and Cost Consideration to Others (\$21,480.00)

BACKGROUND

The Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) Annual Pass Program is designed to increase DART ridership through a reduced fare to program participants. Passes allow unlimited transportation for a full calendar year (7 days per week) on DART bus, rail and commuter rail routes. It is expected to increase the use of public transportation by City employees, thereby decreasing automobile emissions.

Increasing City employees' use of mass transportation is part of the City's clean air strategies. The 2021 DART Pass Program will be effective February 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

The DART Pass Program is open to permanent civilian and uniformed Dallas Fire-Rescue employees. Uniformed Police employees are eligible to ride free of charge on DART transportation routes. The City will purchase approximately 143 annual bus passes which will be partially reimbursed by participating employees through payroll deductions beginning February 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. The City's subsidy will not exceed \$30,000.00.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (COUNCIL, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS)

On November 10, 2015, City Council authorized a contract with Dallas Area Rapid Transit for the purchase of 253 annual passes in support of the City's 2016 clean air initiative by Resolution No. 15-2017.

On November 9, 2016, City Council authorized a contract with Dallas Area Rapid Transit for the purchase of 265 annual passes in support of the City's 2017 clean air initiative by Resolution No. 16-1803.

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On October 25, 2017, City Council authorized a contract with Dallas Area Rapid Transit for the purchase of 277 annual passes in support of the City's 2018 clean air initiative by Resolution No. 17-1654.

On November 28, 2018, City Council authorized a contract with Dallas Area Rapid Transit for the purchase of 289 annual passes in support of the City's 2019 clean air initiative by Resolution No. 18-1129.

On December 11, 2019, City Council authorized a contract with Dallas Area Rapid Transit for the purchase of 300 annual passes in support of the City's 2020 clean air initiative by Resolution No. 19-1709.

FISCAL INFORMATION

Fund	FY 2021	FY 2022	Future Years
General Fund	\$30,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Cost Consideration to the City - not to exceed \$30,000.00. This reflects the City's subsidy for the annual passes.

Cost Consideration to Others - not to exceed \$21,480.00. This reflects reimbursement in the form of payroll deductions by participating employees.

<u>OWNER</u>

Dallas Area Rapid Transit

Gary Thomas, President and Executive Director