

2024 CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENT – TRANSIT VEHICLES

Issue

An amendment to the 2024 Capital Budget authorizing the purchase of two (2) new transit vehicles is requested.

Motion Proposed by Administration

That the 2024 Capital Budget be amended by adding a new project to purchase two (2) new transit vehicles in the amount of \$0.400M. Funding Source: Grants \$0.400M.

Report, Analysis and Financial Implications

The current On Demand Transit service has been very successful though the high usage has resulted in increased ride failure requests and user frustration. To that end the 2024 budget included operating funds to add additional capacity to the service. There are, however, very limited lease options available and the Town will be using older buses that were scheduled for retirement to supplement the current service. During the 2024 budget cycle, transit service levels were reviewed and the outcome has resulted in a recommendation that the Town proceed with ordering two (2) new transit vehicles.

There is an eight (8) to ten (10) month production timeline, therefore approval of this capital expenditure will allow for the order to be placed in the queue.

In the interim, Administration will review options to lease older vehicles until the new ones are available.

Strategic Plan Goals

	Responsibly Managed Growth			Demonstrated Environmental
	Strong Local Economy			Leadership Enhanced Culture & Community
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Equity/Diversity/Inclusivity Impacts and Strategy

n/a

Environmental Impacts

n/a

Governing Policies/Bylaws/Legislation or Agreements

n/a

Public Participation Strategy

n/a

Alternatives for Consideration

Acting CAO Comments

I support the addition of this project to the 2024 capital budget.

Attachment(s)

n/a

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