

Item Title: GoWake Access Memorandum of Understanding for Mobility Management

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners approves the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Cary (GoCary), the City of Raleigh (GoRaleigh), the Research Triangle Regional Public Transit Authority (GoTriangle), Wake County (GoWake Access), Harnett Area Rural Transit System (HARTS), the Community and Senior Services of Johnston County (Johnston County Area Transit System-JCATS), Kerr Area Rural Transit System (KARTS), and the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO).

Item Summary:

Purpose: The Board of Commissioners is required to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with local and state governmental entities and private non-profit corporations.

Background: The regional Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan (CPT-HSTP) sets the priorities for transportation investments and initiatives for public transit and human services coordination. The Plan guides funding and service development for transportation projects supporting elderly, disabled, and low-income individuals in the Raleigh urbanized and outlying areas.

In 2018, the CPT-HSTP/Wake Transit Plan made two important recommendations: the creation of the Mobility Coordination Committee (MCC) to manage and guide coordination activities in the urbanized and surrounding areas and the development of a mobility management program focused on rural areas.

This MOU allows all parties to work together to implement the region's Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan (CPT-HSTP) by participating on the Mobility Coordination Committee (MCC) and providing guidance and direction to the regional Mobility Management Program (Capital Area MMP).

Strategic Plan: This action supports multiple goals, including Growth, Land Use and Environment Goal 2: By 2029, increase public transit ridership by 10%; and Community Health and Wellbeing Goal 4: By 2029, three out of four residents asked will indicate low barriers to accessing benefits and assistance programs and resources; and Inclusive Prosperity Goal 1: By 2029, 5% more residents asked will indicate low barriers to employment, such as access to broadband, childcare, and transportation.

Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact to execute the Memorandum of Understanding.

Additional Information:

In February 2020, the CAMPO Executive Board established the MMC which consists of staff level agency participants, responsible for implementing the goals and recommendations identified in the CPT-HSTP. MCC provides policy recommendations, serves as a sounding board for stakeholders, and helps coordinate transportation agencies/providers while deploying the recommendations outlined in the adopted coordinated plans.

Attachments:

1. Mobility Management Program Memorandum of Understanding