



## Agenda Item Summary

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**File ID:** 20-0642

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**Meeting Date:** 5/19/2020

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**PLACEMENT:** Public Hearings

**TITLE:**

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) FY19 SECTION 5307 URBANIZED FORMULA FUNDING**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Martin County's Public Transit system is partially funded by a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant that must be applied for each year. The grant application requires Martin County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) to conduct a public hearing that encourages public participation and opportunities for the community to comment on the Program of Projects for the filing of the FY 2019 Section 5307 Grant Application. Notice of this Public Hearing was published in The Stuart News on April 19, 2020.

**DEPARTMENT:** Public Works

**PREPARED BY:** **Name:** Claudette Mahan  
**Title:** Transit Manager

**REQUESTED BY:**

**PRESET:**

**PROCEDURES:** None

**BACKGROUND/RELATED STRATEGIC GOAL:**

Permission to apply for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) FY19 Title 49 U.S.C. Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program Funding. FTA appropriates Section 5307 funds annually on the basis of legislative formulas to assist urbanized areas with Transit in the following areas:

- **Operating:** This funds fixed route services in the urbanized area, as well as, American's with Disabilities Act (ADA) Complementary Services.
- **Capital:** The Capital portion helps to fund the administrative costs, vehicle purchases and software/hardware equipment procurements.
- **Safety & Security Enhancements:** This portion of the grant is used to purchase security equipment and /or lighting at transit locations.

This grant is necessary to continue the Public Transit Services in Martin County. Martin County must apply for this grant every year.

REQUESTED GRANT AWARD: Total: \$1,079,969

**PROGRAM OF PROJECTS (POP)**

<b>Operating Assistance</b>	<b>629,000</b>
<b>Capital</b>	<b>435,969</b>
<b>Safety &amp; Security Enhancements</b>	<b>15,000</b>
<b>Total Federal Budget</b>	<b>1,079,969</b>

A grant match is required. The FY19 State Public Transportation Block Grant of \$285,113 and \$343,887 from the General Fund that is included in the public works transit operating budget will be used as match.

**ISSUES:**

None

**LEGAL SUFFICIENCY REVIEW:**

This item has been reviewed for legal sufficiency to determine whether it is consistent with applicable law, has identified and addressed legal risks, and has developed strategies for legal defensibility.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Move that the Board authorize the County Administrator or designee to execute and file a FY19 Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program Funds application on behalf of the Martin County Board of County Commissioners, with the Federal Transit Administration for Federal assistance authorized by U.S.C. 49, Chapter 53, Title 23, and other federal statutes authorizing a project administered by the Federal Transit Administration.

**ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS**

Martin County is a designated recipient of FTA Section 5307 funds, designated by the governor of the State of Florida. As a designated recipient of Section 5307 funds the County is eligible to receive State Public Transportation Block grant funds, FTA Section 5311 and FTA Section 5339 funds. If the County chooses not to apply for the FTA Section 5307 funds the County forfeits all the above mentioned grants and would have to decrease its public transit services accordingly.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Martin County will receive \$1,079,969 in FTA Section 5307 funding.

<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>County Funds</b>	<b>Non-County Funds</b>
FTA FY19 5307 GRANT		1,079,969
STATE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT		285,113
GENERAL FUND	343,887	

<b>Subtotal</b>	343,887	1,365,082
<b>Project Total</b>	1,708,969	

**ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS**

None

**DOCUMENT(S) REQUIRING ACTION:**

- ☐ Budget Transfer / Amendment
 ☐ Chair Letter
 ☐ Contract / Agreement
- ☐ Grant / Application
 ☐ Notice
 ☐ Ordinance
 ☐ Resolution
- ☐ Other:

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