



Board of County Commissioners

Agenda Item Summary

File ID: 22-0070 CNST-8 Meeting Date: 10/5/2021

PLACEMENT: Consent

TITLE:

MARTIN COUNTY PUBLIC TRANSIT - PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT POLICY

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The guiding principles of the Transit Development Plan recognize the importance of public input. The policy outlines the County's process for soliciting and considering public comment prior to a fare increase or service route change to the Martin County Public Transit (MARTY).

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

PREPARED BY: Name: Bill Powell

Title: Transit Administrator

REQUESTED BY:

PRESET:

PROCEDURES: None

BACKGROUND/RELATED STRATEGIC GOAL:

Martin County Public Transit (MARTY) will solicit public input prior to or during the development of any transit enhancement resulting in a major service change or fare increase. The public input process includes, but is not limited to, public forums, public hearings, or written or electronic comment forms. MARTY Staff will develop recommendations as to the appropriate type and level of public input based on Federal and State program requirements.

A public hearing is mandatory when a fare increase, or major service change is proposed prior to change adoption. A determination is made related to each proposal as to the appropriate scheduling of the public hearing. If service changes are temporary in nature the MARTY Staff may approve these types of temporary changes. For fare increases or major service changes, the public hearing will be held prior to the initiation of the proposed action. Martin County will consider and implement the principles of equality for all citizens pursuant to requirements of the Federal Transit Administration, as reported in Circular 9030.1b, Section V.5.o, to the extent reasonably possible.

The Martin County Public Transit - Public Involvement Policy is attached.

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:
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RECOMMENDATION

Move that the Board adopt the Martin County Public Transit - Public Involvement Policy.

ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

Pull this item from the Consent Agenda and direct staff accordingly.

FISCAL IMPACT:

RECOMMENDATION

None

ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

None

DOCUMENT(S) REQUIRING ACTION:

☐Budget Transfer / Amendment	☐ Chair Letter	-	☐Contract / Agreement
☐Grant / Application	□Notice	□Ordinance	□Resolution
☑Other: Board Directed Policy	/		

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