

VIA EZ Rider Program for City Employees

Interlocal Agreement



Item for Consideration

Interlocal Agreement with VIA Metropolitan Transit for the EZ Rider Program for City Employees

- 2-year contract with 3 optional 1-year extensions
- Total contract value, 5 years = \$325,000 ~ \$65,000/year

Eligible Employees



- All regular, civilian City Employees, including full-time, part-time, as well as Mayor and City Council Offices are eligible to request a pass.
- Peace officers and firefighters ride at no charge if in uniform or if they present a badge.

Cost Breakdown



- The transit pass costs remain at:
 - No cost for a full-time employee earning a base salary less than \$40,000 or a part-time employee earning less than \$19.23/hour
 - \$30 for a full-time employee earning a base salary greater than \$40,000, but less than \$70,000 or a part time employee earning more than \$19.23/hour but less than \$33.65/hour
 - \$60 for a full-time employee earning a base salary greater than \$70,000 or a part-time employee earning more than \$33.65/hour

Other Benefits



- Public transportation is a key component of reducing carbon emissions.
- Provides opportunity for City employees to reduce fuel consumption.
- Reduces downtown traffic congestion during peak travel hours.
- Increases downtown parking availability.
- Promotes the City's clean-air initiatives.

RECOMMENDATION

- To maintain the VIA EZ Rider Program for City employees, staff recommends approval of this ordinance to execute an Interlocal Agreement with VIA Metropolitan Transit from January 1, 2025, and ending December 31, 2026.

THANK YOU!
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