

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Electric Vehicle Charging Stations for METRA
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase and installation of electric vehicle charging stations, during FY24 and FY25, from Georgia Power in the total amount of \$934,899.58. The charging stations will be placed at Park and Ride locations throughout the City.

METRA is leading the initiative for the City of Columbus for the installation of electric vehicle (EV) charging stations at park and ride locations throughout the community in response to the growing demand of charging locations for electric vehicles. METRA has budgeted 2022 TSPLOST funds in the amount \$934,899.58 to complete this project in FY25. METRA has engaged Georgia Power Company, who has leveraged internal subject matter experts, to identify a charging station solution for the City of Columbus, GA.

Georgia Power oversees Georgia's Make Ready program for Electric Vehicle charging infrastructure in which the state covers some, but not all, costs associated with Electric Vehicle chargers depending on the nature of the project and funding availability. METRA applied to this program and is working with Georgia Power on building the City's EV infrastructure at identified park and ride locations. Georgia Power has subcontracted with ChargePoint, Inc. to provide the EV chargers, installation, and subject matter expertise.

The following park and ride locations have been identified as receiving charging stations:

FY24 Locations:

- 11th Street and Broadway – 1 unit. Replaces an existing obsolete charging station.
- Columbus Civic Center – 2 units.
- Manchester Expressway Park and Ride – 1 unit.

FY25 Locations:

- Columbus City Hall – 1 unit.
- City Service Center Parking Garage – 1 unit.
- RiverCenter Parking Garage – 1 unit.
- Front Avenue Parking Garage – 1 unit.
- Bay Avenue Parking Garage – 1 unit.
- Cooper Creek Park – 2 units.
- Shirley Winston Park – 1 unit.

Funds are budgeted in the FY24 Budget: Transportation Fund – Transportation – T-SPLOST Capital – Capital Expenditures Over \$5,000; 0751 – 610 – 2500 – MTSP - 7761. Funding for the FY25 Expenditures will be budgeted appropriately.

A RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS, DURING FY24 AND FY25, FROM GEORGIA POWER IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$934,899.58. THE CHARGING STATIONS WILL BE PLACED AT PARK AND RIDE LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE CITY.

WHEREAS, METRA is leading the initiative for the City of Columbus for the installation of electric vehicle (EV) charging stations at park and ride locations throughout the community in response to the growing demand of charging locations for electric vehicles. METRA has budgeted 2022 TSPLOST funds in the amount \$934,899.58 to complete this project in FY25. METRA has engaged Georgia Power Company, who has leveraged internal subject matter experts, to identify a charging station solution for the City of Columbus, GA.; and,

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NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to purchase and have installed electric vehicle charging stations from Georgia Power in the total amount of \$934,899.58. The charging stations will be placed at Park and Ride locations throughout the City. Funds are budgeted in the FY24 Budget: Transportation Fund – Transportation – T-SPLOST Capital – Capital Expenditures Over \$5,000; 0751 – 610 – 2500 – MTSP - 7761. Funding for the FY25 Expenditures will be budgeted appropriately.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the ____ day of _____, 2024 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting _____.
Councilor Barnes voting _____.
Councilor Begley voting _____.
Councilor Cogle voting _____.
Councilor Crabb voting _____.
Councilor Davis voting _____.
Councilor Garrett voting _____.
Councilor Huff voting _____.
Councilor Thomas voting _____.
Councilor Tucker voting _____.

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor