## **Staff Report**

Subject: Agreement with Coastal Regional Commission for Senior Center Transportation

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**Department:** Procurement **Meeting Date:** October 21, 2025

**Item Description:** Consideration to approve the Service Agreement between Effingham County and the Coastal Regional Commission for transportation services supporting the Senior Center.

**Summary Recommendation:** Staff recommends approval of the Purchase of Service Agreement with the Coastal Regional Commission for transportation services provided to clients of the Senior Citizens Center.

## **Executive Summary/Background:**

Effingham County contracts annually with the **Coastal Regional Commission (CRC)** to provide transportation services for clients of the Effingham County Senior Center. These services are funded in part through the Georgia Department of Transportation's **FTA Section 5311 rural transit program** and coordinated with the Georgia Department of Human Services. Key terms of the FY26 agreement include:

- Service Term: Effective upon approval through June 30, 2026
- **Service Type**: Shared, curb-to-curb, advance-scheduled transportation
- Service Area: Clients identified by the Springfield Senior Center within Effingham County
- **Compensation**: \$50 per hour per bus used, with a 1-hour minimum; billed in 15-minute increments thereafter
- Scheduling: All trips must be scheduled 24 hours in advance by Center staff
- No-Show Policy: Late cancellations and client no-shows are billable

The CRC provides all vehicles, drivers, insurance, maintenance, and operations under the agreement. The agreement also includes HIPAA compliance provisions, a business associate agreement, and attachments outlining safety policies, holiday schedule, and cancellation terms.

## Alternatives for Commission to Consider:

- 1. Approve the FY26 Purchase of Service Agreement with Coastal Regional Commission.
- 2. Do not approve the agreement and seek alternative transportation services.
- 3. Provide further direction to staff.

**Recommended Alternative: 1** 

Other Alternatives: 2, 3

**Department Review:** Procurement, County Manager, County Attorney

Funding Source: Capital Improvement FY26 Budget

Attachments: Purchase of Service Agreement with Coastal Regional Commission