

ORDINANCE NO. 043, 2026
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FEDERAL TRANSIT
ADMINISTRATION AND COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
GRANTS TO BE USED TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF SIX COMPRESSED
NATURAL GAS BUSES

A. Transfort applied for and was awarded \$4,838,610 in Fiscal Year 2025 (“FY25”) Low or No Emission Grant Program (“Low-No Program”) funding from the Federal Transit Association (“FTA”) for the purchase or lease of buses that use low- or zero-emission propulsion technologies along with related equipment and facilities.

B. The FY25 Low-No Program grant requires a 15% local match.

C. Transfort also applied for and was awarded \$882,945 in FY25 Clean Transit Enterprise (“CTE”) Vehicles Program funding from the Colorado Department of Transportation (“CDOT”) to fund the purchase or acquisition of low- or zero-emission transit vehicles without requiring an additional local investment.

D. The FY25 CTE Vehicles Program grant will fund the local match for the FY25 Low-No Program.

E. These grants will be used to fund the purchase of six compressed natural gas (“CNG”) buses for Transfort to replace vehicles that have exceeded their useful life.

F. Transfort’s ‘Around the Horn’ route, a vital service operated in collaboration with Colorado State University (“CSU”) that provides essential transit connections between CSU campuses and the surrounding community, will primarily use four of the new buses.

G. This appropriation benefits the public health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Fort Collins and serves the public purpose of advancing Our Climate Future goals and supporting the essential transportation services that many transit-dependent members of the community rely on to get to and from work, buy groceries and other essentials, to receive medical care, and to care for family and friends.

H. Article V, Section 9 of the City Charter permits the City Council, upon recommendation of the City Manager, to make a supplemental appropriation by ordinance at any time during the fiscal year, provided that the total amount of such supplemental appropriation, in combination with all previous appropriations for that fiscal year, does not exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues and all other funds to be received during the fiscal year.

I. The City Manager has recommended the appropriation described herein and determined that the funds to be appropriated are available and previously unappropriated from the Transit Services Fund and that this appropriation will not cause

the total amount appropriated in the Transit Services Fund to exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues and all other funds to be received in this Fund during this fiscal year.

J. Article V, Section 11 of the City Charter authorizes the City Council to designate in the ordinance when appropriating funds for a federal, state or private grant or donation, that such appropriation shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year in which the appropriation is made, but shall continue until the earlier of the expiration of the federal, state or private grant or donation or the City's expenditure of all funds received from such grant or donation.

K. The City Council wishes to designate the appropriation herein from the FTA and CDOT for the purchase of six compressed natural gas buses as an appropriation that shall not lapse until the earlier of the expiration of the grant, the City's expenditure of all funds received from such grant, or December 31, 2026, if both grant agreements are not executed by that date.

In light of the foregoing recitals, which the Council hereby makes and adopts as determinations and findings, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from new revenue or other funds in the Transit Services Fund the sum of FOUR MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$4,838,610) to be expended in the Transit Services Fund for the purchase of six compressed natural gas buses.

Section 2. There is hereby appropriated from new revenue or other funds in the Transit Services Fund the sum of EIGHT HUNDRED EIGHTY-TWO THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$882,945) to be expended in the Transit Services Fund for the purchase of six compressed natural gas buses.

Section 3. The appropriation herein for the purchase of six compressed natural gas buses is hereby designated, as authorized in Article V, Section 11 of the City Charter, as an appropriation that shall not lapse at the end of this fiscal year but continue until the earlier of:

- the expiration of the grant, or
- the City's expenditure of all funds received from such grant, or,
- December 31, 2026, if the grant agreements for the FY25 Low-No Program grant and the FY25 CTE Vehicles Program grant have not been executed.

Introduced, considered favorably on first reading on April 21, 2026, and approved on second reading for final passage on May 5, 2026.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Effective Date: May 15, 2026
Approving Attorney: Madelene Shehan

Exhibit: None