



CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE COMMUNICATION

MEETING DATE: 07/21/2026

PRESENTER: Caryl DeVries, P.E., PTOE, Director of Transportation and Mobility

TITLE: Contract for Microtransit services with River North Transit, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Via Transportation, Inc., through a master interlocal agreement with 791 Purchasing Cooperative for a five-year term. Year 1 costs are not to exceed \$3,222,766.00, Year 2 costs are not to exceed \$3,319,622.00, Year 3 costs are not to exceed \$3,629,027.00, Year 4 costs are not to exceed \$3,521,491.00, and Year 5 costs are not to exceed \$3,837,014.00, totaling \$17,529,920.00

REVIEWING COMMITTEE: (Reviewed by City Council Development Committee on 06/22/2026)

SUMMARY:

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Annual Cost</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
River North Transit, LLC	Year 1- \$3,222,766.00	\$3,222,766.00
	Year 2- \$3,319,622.00	\$6,542,388.00
	Year 3- \$3,629,027.00	\$10,171,415.00
	Year 4- \$3,521,491.00	\$13,692,906.00
	Year 5- \$3,837,014.00	\$17,529,920.00

PURPOSE OF REQUEST:

Since 2022, The City of Grand Prairie has had a contract with River North Transit LLC to provide microtransit service to residents for a flat low rate. Demand for the service was immediate, and the service has completed more than 500,000 rides since its inception. The initial contract was for one year with an option to renew it for four additional years.

Staff is proposing entering into a new agreement with River North Transit, LLC for a five-year term commencing October 1, 2026 and expiring on September 30, 2031. (The contract is contingent upon the availability of grant funding and annual appropriations.) The new contract maintains the same services and hours of operation currently provided to the City by River North Transit, LLC.

State purchasing laws authorize local governments to enter into joining contracts or participate in a cooperative purchasing program with another local government or local cooperative organization for the performance of governmental functions normally associated with the operation of government such as purchasing necessary materials and supplies. In lieu of competitive bidding, items and services may be purchased through such agreements as the agreements have already been bid or procured by the sponsoring

entity or agency. The City of Grand Prairie has master cooperative agreements with various entities, including NCPA, Sourcewell, TIPS, BuyBoard and OMNIA Partners Cooperatives. This item or service is being purchased through 791 Purchasing Cooperative Contract # RFP #791202505008, Transportation Network Company Services and Fixed-route Transportation Services. (The 791 Purchasing Cooperative contract is awarded to Via Transportation, Inc. ("Via"). River North Transit, LLC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Via and is authorized to provide the services under said contract.)

Upon review of available cooperative discounts, the selected vendor's pricing was determined to be the best available value. The City will be receiving a discounted rate per vehicle hour.

Staff recommends utilizing the 791 Purchasing Cooperative contract to award microtransit services to River North Transit, LLC.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

Budgeted?	☒	Fund Name:	Grant Development Srv
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