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## **MEMO**

**DATE:** September 9, 2024

**To:** Wade Bryson, Chair, Public Works and Facilities Committee (PWFC)

**From:** Scott Ciambor, CBJ Planning Manager

**RE:** Alaska Department of Transportation FY25 Human Services Transportation Services Grant

Each year staff bring to the PWFC a local nomination for the Alaska Department of Transportation Human Services Transportation Services Grant that has been recommended by the Juneau Coordinated Transportation Coalition (JCTC). The intention is for the nomination to be forwarded to the Assembly for final approval. Assembly approval allows the nominee to apply directly for the grant funds.

This year three local applications were received for the JCTC to consider.

- SAIL requests capital for a replacement ADA vehicle for its SAIL/ORCA program participants, the request is for \$148,500.
- SAIL requests capital for a new/expansion vehicle for consumer and community meetings and agency errands, the request is for \$60,000.
- SAIL requests capital for a replacement ADA taxi for its program, the request is for \$111,000.

In FY24, SAIL served ~1000+ seniors & people with disabilities, over 300 who reside in Juneau. Approximately 50% of SAIL consumers are beneficiaries of the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority.

In FY24, SAIL was the selected local applicant and received funds for its Replacement ADA Taxi program.

At its meeting on August 22, 2024, JCTC made a recommendation to the CBJ Public Works and Facilities Committee to make the SAIL/ORCA participant ADA replacement vehicle a top priority, the request for a new/expansion vehicle for consumer and community meetings and agency errands its second priority, and the request for a replacement ADA taxi its third priority.

## **Recommended Motion**

Move to recommend a resolution supporting the SAIL/ORCA participants' ADA replacement vehicle, the SAIL new/expansion vehicle for consumer and community meetings and agency errands, and the SAIL Replacement ADA Taxi for the FY25 DOT Human Services Grant for the November 18, 2024 Assembly meeting.

**Background Information**

The [Juneau Coordinated Transportation Coalition \(JCTC\)](#) is a coalition of community partners that work together to make the most of available resources to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of transportation in Juneau, Alaska.

JCTC efforts and priorities are summarized in the adopted [2020 Juneau Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan](#).

Each year the local community is eligible to put forward a grant proposal for the [Alaska Department of Transportation Human Services Transportation Service Grant](#). This grant focuses on Alaska Mental Health Trust beneficiaries who include those with mental illness, developmental disabilities, Alzheimer’s and other dementias, chronic alcoholism, and traumatic brain injury.