

TOWN OF LOS GATOS COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

DATE:	April 30, 2020
TO:	Mayor and Town Council
FROM:	Laurel Prevetti, Town Manager
SUBJECT:	Approve an Amendment to the Agreement with Santa Barbara Transportation Corporation Doing Business as Student Transportation of America

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve an amendment (Attachment 1) to the agreement (Attachment 2) with Santa Barbara Transportation Corporation doing business as Student Transportation of America (STA).

BACKGROUND:

At the April 21, 2020 Town Council meeting staff presented information regarding amending the agreement with STA for bussing service to allow for continued payment on the agreement in the current fiscal year with the goal of increasing the opportunity to have drivers and service when school resumes, presumably in the fall. The Town Council provided input to the terms including the following negotiating points:

- The Town should model a supportive contractual relationship to allow for business and the Town to better weather the economic slowdown.
- Emphasize that drivers previously providing service to the Town be paid and encouraged to look for long term sustainable work.
- Provide options for the agreement leading into the next year of bussing with the understanding that the service delivery needs may be different and evolving.

DISCUSSION:

Following the Council meeting, staff had discussions with STA and developed a set of deal points for discussion and reflected in Attachment 1. STA has acknowledged that the terms of the amendment are satisfactory.

PREPARED BY: Matt Morley Parks and Public Works Director

Reviewed by: Town Manager, Assistant Town Manager, Town Attorney, and Finance Director

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DISCUSSION (continued):

This amendment provides for service through June 30, 2020. Staff will return to Council with a further amendment in June to provide for bus service next school year.

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommends approval of the amendment to the agreement with STA.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds for this program is budgeted in the Fiscal Year 2019-20 Capital Improvement Program Budget. Any savings achieved would be reflected in the year end fund balance and be available for future programming by the Town Council.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

This is not a project defined under CEQA, and no further action is required.

Attachments:

- 1. Amendment to the Agreement with STA
- 2. Agreement with STA