

## Legislation Text

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### **CATS and Centralina Regional Council Interlocal Agreement Amendment**

#### **Action:**

- A. Adopt a resolution amending the Charlotte Area Transit System and Centralina Regional Council interlocal agreement for additional CONNECT Beyond operational planning and coordination services, and**
- B. Authorize the City Manager to amend the agreement consistent with the purpose for which the agreement was approved.**

#### **Staff Resource(s):**

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#### **Explanation**

- On October 28, 2019, City Council adopted a resolution ratifying an interlocal agreement between the Charlotte Area Transit System (CATS) and the Centralina Council of Governments, now known as the Centralina Regional Council (Centralina), to engage regional stakeholders and procure, manage, and administer a consultant contract for the development of a regional transit plan, CONNECT Beyond.
- In October 2021, the Metropolitan Transit Commission endorsed the CONNECT Beyond recommendations and adopted a regional work plan to:
  - Provide technical support to neighboring counties and municipalities in the development of high-capacity transit corridors that will connect or serve CATS' existing and future facilities, services, and assets,
  - Participate in a Regional Fare Study and Regional Transportation Demand Management Study,
  - Partner with North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) and neighboring counties and municipalities in the development of future passenger rail to the Charlotte Gateway Station, and
  - Continue the partnership with the Centralina to advance the CONNECT Beyond Study recommendations of the Five Mobility Moves.
- Centralina, in collaboration with CATS, Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization, Charlotte Department of Transportation, and NCDOT, have assembled funding to advance the CONNECT Beyond plan.
- Fiscal year (FY) 2023 agreement expenditures are estimated to be \$699,859, with a not to exceed amount of \$2,500,000 over the FY 2023-2025 term.
- Given Centralina's multi-county regional role, they are the appropriate agency to procure, manage, and administer the consultant contract and engage regional stakeholders.
- To advance the CONNECT Beyond Plan, Centralina, in coordination with a consultant team and regional stakeholders, will:
  - Advance operational planning and coordination between transit providers in the 12-county CONNECT Beyond Region,
  - Partner with Regional Planning stakeholders to advance activities related to land use and transit integration, mobility hub development, transit education, and equity components,

- Develop a Regional Transportation Demand Management plan,
- Convene a regional committee of elected officials and stakeholders to provide direction of key activities related to regional coordination on funding and partnership strategies as well as critical guidance on project deliverables, and
- Perform general project management duties such as project reporting, communications, consultant procurement, and on-going consultant oversight.

**Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)**

Pursuant to the Department of Transportation DBE Program, subpart C, no DBE utilization goal was set for this solicitation due to limited subcontracting opportunities.

**Fiscal Note**

Funding: CATS Operating Budget and General Capital Investment Plan

**Attachment(s)**

Resolution