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Metropolitan Planning Program Grant Municipal Agreement

Action:
Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Municipal Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation to support transit-planning activities for the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization.

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Explanation
- The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) awarded the Fiscal Year 2021 Metropolitan Planning Grant to the City of Charlotte in July 2020.
- The city receives this grant annually as the lead planning agency for the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO) and as the major fixed-route transit operator for the urban area.
- The North Carolina Department of Transportation requires grant recipients to enter into a new Municipal Agreement to receive the annual allocation.
- The Charlotte Department of Transportation; Planning, Design and Development; and the Charlotte Area Transit System are responsible for the deliverables outlined in this grant, including:
  - The federally-compliant travel demand model required for transportation planning and air quality conformity, and
  - Updating the Transit Element of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan, developing transit travel demand forecasts, conducting ridership surveys, and monitoring and updating the Transportation Improvement Program, as necessary, to advance projects and ensure compliance with federal regulations.
- Funding was sub-allocated for local projects to the Iredell County Area Transit System, the Mecklenburg Transportation System, and Union County Transportation.
- The total grant award for the city is $1,225,441 of which $980,352 (80 percent) consists of federal funds, $122,545 (10 percent) consists of state funds, and $122,545 (10 percent) consists of CRTPO local funds.
  - The local match will be shared by the City of Charlotte ($103,116), the Iredell County Area Transit System ($7,500), the Mecklenburg Transportation System ($6,629), and Union County Transportation ($5,300).

Fiscal Note
Funding: General Grants Fund

Attachment(s)
Resolution