



DATE: June 21, 2016
TO: STA TAC
FROM: Philip Kamhi, Transit Program Manager
RE: Updated Solano County Intercity Taxi Scrip Program Memorandum of Understanding for FY 2016-17 and FY 2017-18

Background:

On July 12, 2013, the County of Solano, the five local transit agencies, and the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to fund Countywide taxi-based intercity paratransit service, and a separate MOU between the TRANSIT agencies and Taxi Operators was entered into for the operations of the program. The service provides trips from city to city, for the current ambulatory and proposed non-ambulatory ADA-eligible riders and has been identified as an ADA Plus service.

Originally, the City of Vacaville was the lead agency for this service when it was initiated in February 2010 following the dissolution of Solano Paratransit in 2009 and in response to issues raised at two summits focused on Mobility for Seniors and People with Disabilities. Vacaville transferred the lead role to Solano County in July 2013. On June 11, 2014, the STA Board accepted responsibility for managing the intercity paratransit service on behalf of the seven cities and the County, following a request letter from County of Solano's Department of Resource Management on behalf of the Solano County Board of Supervisors. On February 1, 2015, management of the Solano Intercity Taxi Scrip Program transitioned to the STA from Solano County. This item is to provide information on the update to the MOU's.

Discussion:

The STA has been operating the Solano Intercity Taxi Scrip Program under the two existing MOU's established when Solano County was managing the program:

1. The MOU between the Taxi Companies and the agencies, and
2. The MOU between the transit agencies and the STA

Based on advice from legal counsel, STA staff and legal counsel have crafted a parallel Agreement updating terms and conditions with the taxi operators, including incorporating the most up-to-date program information, regulations and incorporating federal clauses. This Agreement will take the place of the MOU between the Taxi Companies and the agencies. In addition, STA staff and legal counsel have prepared an updated MOU between the STA, the County and the five transit operators. This was provided to each of the participating agencies for their review and comment at the May Consortium meeting. Both staff and legal counsel will be available to answer any questions at the meeting. Attachment A is an update of the MOU between the agencies and the STA.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to approve the following Solano County Intercity Taxi Scrip Program MOU as shown in Attachment A.

Attachment:

- A. MOU between the agencies and the STA