

Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: 9/17/2019

Public Hearings

Department: Planning & Development, Community Development Division

Presenter(s): Matthew Cable, AICP, Community Development Division Manager

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Subject: FY 2021 Annual Section 5311 Administrative and Capital Grant Applications

Brief Summary:

Buncombe County's Community Transportation System, Mountain Mobility, provides transportation to senior adults, persons with disabilities, clients of human service agencies, members of the general public (outside of the City of Asheville), clients of Medicaid (under contract), and citizens of the City of Asheville eligible for ADA Complimentary Paratransit (under contract).

Buncombe County is a designated applicant/recipient of state and federal transportation funds made available through North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT). Designated applicants/recipients must possess the technical and financial capacity to: (1) apply for, administer, operate, and carry out transportation projects; and (2) comply with all applicable state and federal laws, regulations, and guidelines. The FY 2021 Grant Application budgets are summarized below.

Section 5311 Administrative Grant		
Source	Percent	Funding
Federal Share	80%	\$309,460
State Share	5%	\$19,341
Total Federal/State	85%	\$328,892
Local Share	15%	\$58,024
Total Expenditures	100%	\$386,826

Section 5311 Capital Grant		
Source	Percent	Funding
Federal Share	80%	\$615,692
State Share	10%	\$76,961
Total Federal/State	90%	\$692,654
Local Share	10%	\$76,962
Total Expenditures	100%	\$769,616

The Section 5311 grant application requires a public hearing and authorizing resolution. Notice of the public hearing were: (1) published in the Asheville Citizen-Times; (2) posted on the Buncombe County website; and (3) distributed to various organizations and groups with an interest in transportation services provided. The authorizing resolution is attached.

Recommended Motion & Requested Action:

The Board of Commissioners hold a public hearing and adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Chairman to Execute an Application for FY 2021 Section 5311 Public Transportation Program Funding, Enter Into Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation, and to Provide the Necessary Certifications and Grant Documents.

County Manager's Comments and Recommendation:

Hold a public hearing and adopt the authorizing resolution as recommended.