



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, November 23, 2021

Council Session

Item G-5

**#2021-329 - Consideration of Change to 2021-2022 Fee Schedule
Regarding Transit Division Fees**

Staff Contact: John Collins, P.E. - Public Works Director

Council Agenda Memo

From: Charley Falmlen, Transit Program Manager

Meeting: November 23, 2021

Subject: Consideration of Change to 2021-2022 Fee Schedule Regarding Transit Division Fees

Presenter(s): John Collins PE, Public Works Director

Background

The Urbanized Area of public transit service has a set fare of \$2.00 per boarding/per person for a one-way trip.

Discussion

In order to provide flexibility and alternatives, the Transit Division would like to allow an option to reduce or waive the \$2.00 fare for transit services under the 2021-2022 Fee Schedule. Reductions or waivers would be made under the supervision of the Transit Division for special events such as Public Transit Week Free Ride Coupons, Free Rides for Veterans on Veterans Day and promotional events with the intent of increasing ridership at certain times of the day.

The Transit Division will receive approval from the Public Works Director, with concurrence from the Finance Director before implementing a promotional fare.

The Transit Division 2021-2022 Fee Schedule would be as follows, with changes in bold.

One-Way Trip (collected by CRANE contractor) - **\$2***

***Fares are subject to reduction**

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Move to approve
2. Refer the issue to a Committee
3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the change to the 2021-2022 Fee Schedule.

Sample Motion

Move to approve the change to the 2021-2022 Fee Schedule.

RESOLUTION 2021-329

WHEREAS, On August 10, 2021, via Resolution No. 2021-199, City Council approved the 2021-2022 Fee Schedule; and

WHEREAS, it is beneficial to provide flexibility and alternatives to such fee schedule by authorizing staff the ability to implement a reduction or waiver of the required fare for public transit during special events and/or promotions; and

WHEREAS, such reduction or waiver of fares will be implemented by the Transit Division of the Public Works Department, upon approval of the Public Works Director, with concurrence from the Finance Director; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that such amendment be approved and adopted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the Fee Schedule is hereby amended to authorize a reduction or fee waiver effective immediately, upon approval of the Public Works Director, with concurrence from the Finance Director during special events and/or promotions.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, November 23, 2021.

Roger G. Steele, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	▣ _____
November 19, 2021	▣ City Attorney