



## Valdosta City Council

216 East Central Ave  
Valdosta, GA 31601

SCHEDULED

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Department: Public Works

Category: Agreement

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### **Consideration of a request to approve an Amendment to the Master Terms and Conditions for the Via Transit Service.**

**HISTORY:** On March 17, 2021 the Mayor and Council approved a contract with River North Transit, LLC, a subsidiary of Via Transportation (New York, NY) to provide transit services to the City of Valdosta. Valdosta on Demand (VOD) launched on April 27, 2021. This Contract is set to expire on June 30, 2022.

**FACTS AND ISSUES:** Since the launch, the demand for service has exceeded the capability of the vehicle fleet and the contracted hours. Currently Valdosta on-Demand is providing an average of 300 rides daily with a demand in the upwards of 500. In order to contend with the demand for service, an increase of vehicles and contracted driver hours are required. The City was approved for FTA 5307 Grant and congressional-directed spending to fund the transit program for FY23. The City's match was approved in the FY23 Budget. The attached Amendment outlines the duration of the Contract effective date from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, a termination clause due to funding, fee structure, and a chart highlighting vehicle hours, estimated rides served, fleet size, and the total annual program cost.

**OPTIONS:** (1) Approve the Contract Amendment with Via for public transit services, (2) Do not approve the Contract Amendment with Via for public transit services.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Option (1)

**ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS:** During its development, the Amendment to the Contract dated March 17, 2021 between the