



CITY of CALABASAS

TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 2021

TO: TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSIONERS

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SUBJECT: PUBLIC TRANSIT UPDATE

MEETING
DATE: NOVEMBER 23, 2021

BACKGROUND:

In August 2021, service resumed for Line 1, Trolley, and peak-hour routes. These services resumed under a new contractor, Ventura Transit, who was awarded a 3-year-contract on June 23rd.

Dial-A-Ride service has been operating without change. Ideal was awarded a new 3-year contract on June 23rd.

DISCUSSION:

Public Transportation:

Peak-Hour:

The purpose of peak-hour routes (Lines 2-5) are to alleviate peak-hour traffic surrounding the schools in Calabasas. When schools resumed in-person classes for all levels, this service was once again necessary beginning in August 2021. Since the service resumed, there has been an average monthly ridership of about 2,150 passengers.

Line 1:

The purpose of fixed-route Line 1 is to provide transportation for housekeepers, daytime workers, and services providers within the City who depend on public transportation to commute to and from their workplace. In December 2020, Line 1 service was suspended due to high maintenance cost, low ridership, and public

health concerns. In August, with many previous riders returning to their normal schedules, it was decided that Line 1 could resume its normal services. Since August, ridership has averaged about 155 passengers a month.

Dial-A-Ride:

The Dial-A-Ride service for Calabasas residents 65 years or older and residents with disabilities has continued service throughout the pandemic and has continued to be a success with new applications and continued positive feedback about Ideal’s service.

Maintenance:

On the night of October 16th, 3 catalytic converters were stolen again from shuttles parked at City Yard on Mureau Road. The catalytic converters were replaced promptly by Ventura Transit and they are working with City Staff on theft prevention on the shuttles and at City Yard.

FISCAL IMPACT / SOURCE OF FUNDING:

The City receives funds in Proposition A and C, Measure R and M Local Return, and Transportation Development Act Article 3 (TDA3) to fund its public transportation services. The City is subject to multiple annual audits conducted by Metro as well as the Federal Transit Administration to ensure compliance of capital and operation projects with respective guidelines. Staff monitors funds and expenditures regularly to ensure compliance prior to audits as well.

Metro released their transit fund allocations for fiscal year 2022 in June. In total, Calabasas was allocated \$1,559,951, distributed between each source, as shown in the following table:

Prop A	Prop C	Measure R	Measure M	TDA Article 3	Total
\$488,565	\$405,252	\$303,939	\$344,464	\$17,730	\$1,559,951

REQUESTED ACTION:

This is an informational item only and requires no action.