



April 17, 2024

**ITEM TITLE: RESOLUTION NO. 2024-025 APPROVING EIGHTH AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT SYSTEM (MTS) AND THE CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH FOR ADMINISTRATION OF FOR-HIRE VEHICLE REGULATIONS. (0680-70 & 0680-75)**

**ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:**

City Manager

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) is authorized under the California Public Utilities (PUC) to enter into contracts with any city in the County of San Diego to regulate any For-Hire Vehicle Services rendered within the city's limits. The City of Imperial Beach and MTS entered into a five-year agreement in 1990 and there have been seven amendments to this agreement. Staff is recommending that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2024-025 approving an eighth amendment to the agreement between MTS and the City for the administration of For-Hire Vehicles and to authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2024-025 approving an eighth amendment to an Agreement for the administration of For-Hire Vehicle Regulations between San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) and the City of Imperial Beach and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement.

**OPTIONS:**

- Adopt Resolution No. 2024-025 approving an eighth amendment to an Agreement between San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) and the City of Imperial Beach for the administration of For-Hire Vehicles Regulations between and authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute the agreement.
- Provide direction to the City Manager to take a specific action.
- Request additional information and an additional report.

**BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:**

The San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) is authorized under Section 120266, Chapter 2, Division 11 of the California Public Utilities Code (PUC), to enter into contracts with any city in the County of San Diego and with the County of San Diego to license or regulate by ordinance any For-Hire Vehicle Services rendered wholly within the city's corporate limits or within the unincorporated area of the county.

For-hire vehicle Services means vehicles, other than public transportation vehicles, transporting passengers over public streets for compensation, which includes taxicabs, non-emergency medical vehicles, passenger jitney services, low-speed vehicles, charts, and sightseeing vehicles.

Since July 1990, MTS has provided administration of taxicab and other for-hire vehicles in Imperial Beach. The regulations are in accordance with MTS Ordinance No. 11, "An Ordinance Providing for the Licensing and Regulating of Transportation Services Within the City and County by the Adoption of a Uniform Paratransit Ordinance" and its other policies and regulations.

The purpose of the revisions to the eighth amendment of the agreement is to match the updated language of PUC 120266 that became effective January 2, 2022, per AB 302 which allows MTS to now enter into contracts with any jurisdiction within the County to regulate for-hire vehicle services. Previously, MTS could only enter into contracts with jurisdictions within MTS's service area.

The current eighth amendment to the agreement would continue the same services from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2029. MTS staff is scheduled to take this item to their Board for consideration and approval on June 20, 2024.

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:**

Not a project as defined by CEQA.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None. The agreement between MTS and the City allows MTS to continue to regulate For-Hire Vehicle Services rendered wholly within the city's limits that would be otherwise regulated by city staff.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

ATT 1 – Resolution No. 2024-025

ATT 2 – Eighth Amendment to Agreement for Administration of For-Hire Vehicle Regulations between San Diego Metropolitan Transit System and City of Imperial Beach