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## MEMORANDUM

Equipment Maintenance  
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To: Mayor and City Council

CC: Carol Webb, City Administrator  
Brian Stineman, Public Works Director

FROM: Amy Fortenbacher, Transit Supervisor

DATE: August 28, 2020

RE: Approve Second Half CARES ACT Funding Contract for Capital Costs

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### INTRODUCTION:

The City of Muscatine Transit (MuscaBus) has received the second half of the CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, And Economic Security) ACT contract for emergency relief related to capital assistance. This is a grant from the FTA (Federal Transit Administration). This funding represents a capital contract to purchase two new buses for \$201,274.00.

### BACKGROUND:

The Iowa Department of Transportation secured a grant under 5311 funding from the FTA on behalf of Iowa public transit systems. The City of Muscatine Transit (MuscaBus) is included in this system. The Iowa DOT informed MuscaBus that a portion of the grant could be used for capital expenditures. Since we wanted to make a portion of the grant available for capital expenditures the grant had to be administered in two halves. One for operating and one for capital expense. This portion of the grant is for capital expenses for the purchase of two new buses.

### RECOMMENDATION/RATIONALE:

It is the recommendation of the Public Works/Transit staff to approve and sign the contract from the FTA for the CARES ACT grant for the amount of \$201,274 for capital expenses for two new 158-inch wheel base light duty buses. These expenses are 100% grant funded with no required match from the city.