



# Broward County

## Legislation Text

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### **Broward County Commission Regular Meeting**

**Director's Name:** Chris Walton

**Department:** Transportation

### **Information**

#### **Requested Action**

A. MOTION TO ADOPT Resolution No. 2021-153 of the Board of County Commissioners of Broward County, Florida authorizing the Mayor to execute a Public Transportation Grant Agreement (PTGA) with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) in the amount of \$1,400,000 to provide funding for the operations and maintenance of Interstate 95 Express Bus Service; authorizing the County Administrator to take necessary administrative and budgetary actions; and providing for an effective date. The term of this grant agreement is from date of execution by FDOT through June 30, 2024.

***ACTION: (T-10:54 AM) Approved.***

***VOTE: 9-0.***

B. MOTION TO ADOPT Budget Resolution No. 2021-154 within the Transportation Department's I-95 Express Grant fund to appropriate revenue in the amount of \$1,400,000 to provide funding continued operations and maintenance of Interstate 95 Express Bus Service.

***ACTION: (T-10:54 AM) Approved.***

***VOTE: 9-0.***

#### **Why Action is Necessary**

A. FDOT requires Broward County Board of County Commissioners (Board) approval of a Resolution authorizing the execution of PTGAs.

B. Budget Resolutions require Board approval.

#### **What Action Accomplishes**

Provides additional funding to Broward County for continued operations and maintenance of the 95 Express transit service.

#### **Is this Action Goal Related**

Yes

#### **Previous Action Taken**

None

### **Summary Explanation/Background**

THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THE ABOVE MOTIONS.

This item supports the Board's Value for "Cooperatively creating an efficient and accessible regional intermodal transportation network" by providing additional funding to improve and enhance the transit system.

The Transportation Department is requesting approval of a Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Public Transportation Grant Agreement that will provide \$1,400,000 in Fiscal Year 21 state funding for continued operations and maintenance of the I-95 Express Bus routes. The costs to operate and maintain the routes are funded by grants, as well as farebox revenue.

As background, BCT operates three 95 Express routes weekdays during peak morning and afternoon travel hours from four Park & Ride locations in western Broward County to downtown Miami and the Miami Civic Center Health District in Miami-Dade County. This premium express commuter transportation service features comfortable over-the-road coaches with high-back seats, WiFi, LED reading lights, electrical outlets and USB ports for passengers.

This PTGA has been reviewed and approved as to form by the Office of the County Attorney. County approval of the Resolution and execution of the supplemental PTGA is required prior to FDOT executing said agreements.

### **Source of Additional Information**

Chris Walton, Director, Transportation Department, (954) 357-8361

### **Fiscal Impact**

#### **Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary**

Approval of the above motions will increase the Transportation Department's Operating Grant Fund by \$1,400,000 to provide continued operation and maintenance of the I-95 express bus routes.