

ORDINANCE NO. 003-25

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN
AMENDMENT TO THE
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT
WITH THE RTA TO PROVIDE
PARATRANSIT SERVICES

WHEREAS, In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (“ADA”), the Authority operates paratransit services for individuals with disabilities using private contractors; and

WHEREAS, As one of its programs, the Regional Transportation Authority (“RTA”) provides evaluation and determination for paratransit eligibility under the ADA for Chicago area residents, and reassessments of eligibility for current paratransit riders; and

WHEREAS, On October 18, 1999, pursuant to Ordinance No. 99-155, the Authority entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement (“IGA”) with the RTA to provide transportation services to those persons with appointments at the interview sites using the Authority’s existing private paratransit contractors and any additional private paratransit contractors with whom the Authority subsequently may contract; and

WHEREAS, The IGA was amended effective April 4, 2001, pursuant to Ordinance No. 001-60, to extend its term for two years, increase the rates to be paid to the Authority’s existing private paratransit contractors, and increase the maximum dollar amount to be paid by RTA to the Authority under the Contract by seven hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$720,000); and

WHEREAS, The Authority is currently providing said services as requested by RTA and for which RTA has agreed to pay; and

WHEREAS, The RTA wishes to continue to provide the above-identified transportation services using the Authority’s private paratransit contractors for five additional years, and the Authority and its contractors have the desire and the capacity to continue to provide such services; and

WHEREAS, All costs involved in providing services, both the costs of the private providers and the Authority’s administrative costs, will continue to be reimbursed by RTA; and

WHEREAS, The agreement between the Authority and its private paratransit contractors provides that said contractors' rates increase automatically by the amount of the Consumer Price Index on a yearly basis; and

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WHEREAS, Authority staff recommends that the Transit Board ratify the Authority's provision of service from February 2, 2003, through the current date, and approve the Fourth Amendment to Contract, effective February 2, 2003, to continue the service for five years through January 31, 2008; and

WHEREAS, On December 13, 2002, the Board of Directors of RTA adopted Ordinance No. 2002-71 which authorized the IGA, effective February 2, 2003. The amendment extends the term of the agreement to January 31, 2008, and increases the current maximum compensation to be paid by RTA to CTA from one million one hundred sixty-four thousand dollars (\$1,164,000) to a not-to-exceed amount of two million one hundred thousand dollars (\$2,100,000), an increase of nine hundred thirty-six thousand dollars (\$936,000). The amendment reflects the rates paid by the Authority to its private paratransit contractors as adjusted on an annual basis; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD
OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. The Chicago Transit Board hereby authorizes entry into the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Regional Transportation Authority, effective February 2, 2003, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 1, which extends the term of the agreement for five years, to January 31, 2008, and permits the Authority to recover its operational and administrative costs at the rates it charges for services provided, to be adjusted annually, in a total amended amount not to exceed two million one hundred thousand dollars (\$2,100,000).

SECTION 2. The Chairman, or her designee, is authorized to negotiate and execute all documents necessary to effectuate the IGA.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

PASSED:

Chairman

Assistant Secretary

February 5, 2003

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