Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority

# STAFF REPORT

| SUBJECT: | One Year Extension to Paratransit Operation Contract to Medical<br>Transportation Management, Inc. |
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| FROM:    | Michael Tree, Executive Director   |
| DATE:    | September 10, 2018   |

## **Action Requested**

The Finance and Administration Committee recommend that the Board of Directors exercise the option to extend the second option year of the contract with Medical Transportation Management, Inc. (MTM) through FY2019.

## Background

In February 2014, the Board of Directors awarded a contract to MTM to provide ADA paratransit services through a paratransit brokerage model for the Agency. The agreement was awarded for a base term of March 7, 2014 to June 30, 2017 with the right to extend the agreement for four one-year periods. The contract was extended for one additional year in FY2017 and is recommended for extension of the second option year through June 30, 2019. The terms specify that the extension price will incorporate a 2% per trip price increase for each extension year.

#### Discussion

MTM has provided high quality paratransit services since starting the LAVTA contract in March 2014. Since they started, MTM has operated more like a partner than a contractor. The team provided a smooth start-up and transition, and even with several initial operational kinks, the team was committed to delivering a high quality product. The local and regional MTM team has helped LAVTA tackle several challenging issues over the years. These issues, including incorporating paratransit assessments and interviews into the application process, addressing inconsistent data, and helping to find creative ways to manage the growing ridership challenge, are even more important as they impact the Tri-Valley's most sensitive populations. The local team is dedicated, hardworking, and has incredible customer service. LAVTA's Dial-A-Ride service has and continues to receive high marks for the past three years, and customer complaints are down.

# Recommendation

The Finance and Administration committee forward to the Board a recommendation to exercise the second option year and extend the paratransit operations agreement from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

## Attachment

- 1. Letter to MTM Exercising Agreement Option
- 2. Resolution 25-2018

Submitted:

September 10, 2018

Alaina Macia Medical Transportation Management, Inc. 16 Hawk Ridge Drive Lake St. Louis, MO 63367

Dear Alaina

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| Tier | Trips Per Month | Per Trip Rate |
|------|-----------------|---------------|
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