

TOWN OF CHAPFI HILL

Town Hall 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard Chapel Hill. NC 27514

Legislation Text

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Approve Chapel Hill Transit's Title VI Program.

Staff: Department:

Brian Litchfield, Director

Transit

Timothy Schwarzauer, Grants Compliance Manager

Overview: As a direct recipient of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds, Chapel Hill Transit is required to develop and submit a transit-specific Title VI compliance program update every three years consistent with the Civil Rights Act of 1964. This Act protects persons from discrimination based on race, color, and national origin in the provision of services to the public. Historically, the Council has delegated authority for Title VI program review and approval to the Town Manager. However, recent updates to FTA Title VI Circular 4702.1B require the Town Council to adopt the program and the Mayor's signature. The Chapel Hill Transit Title VI Program is consistent with Town's overall Title VI Plan. Town Council last considered and approved this measure on June 12, 2019 as a consent item.



Recommendation(s):

That the Council adopt a Resolution approving Chapel Hill Transit's 2022 Title Vi Plan Update and authorize submission to the FTA.

Additional Background:

- Chapel Hill Town Council reviewed and approved the 2019 Plan. This represents an update to the plan. No major changes have occurred. No Title VI complaints were filed against Chapel Hill Transit in the last three years.
- The Transit Partner's Committee reviewed and endorsed Chapel Hill Transit's Title VI Program Update at its August 2022 meeting.
- The plan has been reviewed by the Town's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer.

Key Issues:

• Staff has completed an update to the Title VI Program, consistent with FTA Title VI Circular 4702.1B to include most recently available Census information.

Fiscal Impact/Resources: Chapel Hill Transit must have an approved Title VI Program Update to secure and use federal funding.

The Town of Chapel Hill receives federal funding The Town must update its plan every three years The Town must update its plan every three in 2025.

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Attachments:

- Resolution
- Chapel Hill Transit Title VI Program

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A RESOLUTION APPROVING CHAPEL HILL TRANSIT'S 2022 TITLE VI PLAN UPDATE AND AUTHORIZE SUBMISSION TO THE FTA (2022-09-14/R-4)

WHEREAS, the Town of Chapel Hill has adopted a non-discrimination policy that states: No person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any programs, activities, or any services for which Chapel Hill Transit receives Federal financial assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Town is required to submit an update of the Title VI program to the Federal Transit Administration every three years; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed the 2022 update to Chapel Hill Transit's Title VI program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Chapel Hill that the Council approves of Chapel Hill Transit's Title VI Update for 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Council authorizes Town staff to submit the Title VI Update to the Federal Transit Administration.

This the 14th day of September, 2022.

The Agenda will reflect the text below and/or the motion text will be used during the meeting.

By adopting the resolution, the Council approves Chapel Hill Transit's 2022 Title Vi Plan Update and authorizes submission to the FTA.