



Legislation Text

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Approve the Chapel Hill Transit Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan.

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Transit

Overview: Chapel Hill Transit is required by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to prepare and execute a Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP). This PTASP incorporates existing Town and Chapel Hill Transit safety policies and procedures needed to meet FTA guidelines.



Recommendation(s):

That the Council adopt a resolution approving Chapel Hill Transit's Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan.

Background:

- Chapel Hill Transit (CHT) strives to provide safe, reliable, comfortable, and innovative transportation options to every member of the community. The Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) has been developed to integrate safety into all CHT system operations. By using the procedures contained in the PTASP, CHT can continue to improve the safety and security of CHT's operation and services.
- This PTASP describes the policies, procedures, and requirements to be followed by management, maintenance, and operations personnel to provide a safe environment for CHT employees, customers, and the general public.
- The goal of this program is to eliminate the human and fiscal cost of avoidable personal injury and vehicle collisions.
- CHT must be aware that decisions and actions often affect the safety of those in other operations. By following the processes described in the PTASP, CHT will continue to improve performance and the safety of the system while creating a culture of safety.

Fiscal Impact/Resources: There are no fiscal impacts to adopting the PTASP. Failure to prepare and execute a PTASP could result in loss of federal funding and grant opportunities This plan will be executed with existing staff resources.



Attachments:

- **Chapel Hill Transit's Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AGENCY SAFETY PLAN (PTASP) FOR CHAPEL HILL TRANSIT (2022-11-02/R-2)

WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) published the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Final Rule (49 CFR Part 673), which requires certain operators of public transportation systems that receive federal funds under FTA's Urbanized Area Formula Grants to develop safety plans and included processes and procures to implement Safety Management Systems (SMS); and

WHEREAS, the PTASP must include safety performance targets and transit operators must certify they have a safety plan in place meeting the requirements of the rule by December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the PTASP for Chapel Hill Transit was written to comply with FTA requirements and to support Chapel Hill Transit's objective of providing transportation services responsive to the needs of residents of the Towns of Chapel Hill and Carrboro and visitors to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; and

WHEREAS, Chapel Hill Transit developed the PTASP to integrate safety into all operations and services; and

WHEREAS, Chapel Hill Transit will use the procedures contained in the PTASP to continue to improve the safety and security of operations and services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Chapel Hill that the Council hereby approves the attached Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) for Chapel Hill Transit as provided in the November 2, 2022 meeting materials.

This the 2nd day of November, 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 the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) for Chapel Hill Transit.