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To: Mayor Mason & Members of the Common Council

From: Transit & Mobility Director Trevor Jung

Subject: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft, on behalf of the Transit & Mobility Director, requesting permission to apply for the 2023 Public Transit Assistance Program Grant (PTAP) through the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. (Grant Control # 00492 )

The City of Racine is applying for capital and state mass transit operating assistance under s. 85.20 of the Wisconsin Statutes to offset expenses it incurs due to operating a public transit system for calendar year (CY) 2023.

As it operates a transit system, the City of Racine's estimated operating federal and state share amount is approximately \$4,500,000 for fiscal year 2023.

Transit systems in urban areas with populations between 50,000 and 200,000 may utilize funds through PTAP for capital or operating assistance. There are 24 systems currently operating in Wisconsin providing bus service within urbanized areas of that size. Annual Section 5307 grant amounts are determined directly by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for large urban systems, while a distribution of a statewide FTA allocation is determined via formula for systems serving a population between 50,000 and 200,000 people.

These systems also receive funding through the State Urban Mass Transit Operating Assistance program. Approximately one-half of total annual operating expenses for Wisconsin transit systems are reimbursed through state and federal grants.

Sincerely,

Trevor Jung  
Transit & Mobility Director