Transit Department

City Hall 730 Washington Avenue Racine, Wisconsin 53403 262.636.9123 – City Hall 262.619.2443 – RYDE Racine



Trevor Jung Transit & Mobility Director

> Willie McDonald General Manager

March 13th, 2023

- To: Finance and Personnel Committee
- From: Trevor Jung Transit & Mobility Director
- Re: Communication sponsored by Alder Taft, on behalf of the Transit & Mobility Director, requesting permission for the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an electric service agreement with Wisconsin Electrical Power Company (We Energies) and participate in their Electric Vehicle Commercial (EV-C) Pilot Program.

RYDE Racine would like to enter into an electric service agreement with We Energies to offset the upfront costs of the electrification of its transit fleet. The pilot program is designed to assist non-residential customers with the costs for utility upgrades and customer electrical work.

We Energies electric vehicle (EV) commercial pilot program will help the City of Racine offset the upfront costs associated with installing EV charging infrastructure at the bus garage at 1900 Kentucky Street. The program offers credits to help pay for customer costs of utility upgrades as well as provides possible rebates for customer facility electrical work. The City of Racine will be eligible for a Revenue-Based Extension Allowance of \$388,773. Based on the estimated We Energies costs to make the required distribution system upgrades of \$103,704, the city is eligible to receive a rebate of up to \$285,069 to make necessary electrical upgrades.

The City of Racine meets the requirements of the program related to energy use, estimated incremental load from a single delivery point, and other expectations of energy demand.

As the City of Racine is a customer in good standing, making it an eligible applicant for this program, staff recommends that city staff be granted permission to enter into an electric service agreement with We Energies and participate in their Electric Vehicle Commercial (EV-C) Pilot Program.

Sincerely, Trevor Jung

CC: Willie McDonald General Manager