



**BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS**



TOWN COUNCIL

JOINT INFORMATION MEETING AGENDA DOCUMENTATION

PREPARATION DATE: September 7, 2016
MEETING DATE: September 12, 2016

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: START
DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR: Darren Brugmann
PRESENTER: Darren Brugmann

SUBJECT: START Service to Pinedale

STATEMENT/PURPOSE

START is presenting at this time to gauge interest in dedicating resources for provision of service to Pinedale, WY. Explore option(s) and get direction for possible Commuter Service to/from Pinedale, WY. Service would be a "pilot" program for commitment of six (6) months to one (1) year with re-evaluation during FY18 Budget process.

OPTION A: START operate the Service in-house

OPTION B: Contract service to private provider (i.e., Driver Provider/All Trans)

BACKGROUND/ALTERNATIVES

Back in early May 2016 the housing situation discussion in the Jackson Hole area was ramping up considerably. It was suggested to look into a possible commuter run to/from Jackson and Pinedale. The Pinedale community had made it very clear the availability of housing in Pinedale and interest. START Board met and discussed the possibility with Pinedale community at June 9th START Board meeting. The consensus was to conduct a survey to determine the extent of interest. A survey (100 Respondents) was conducted and some of the results are as follows:

- Q1 Do you currently have job in Jackson or looking?
Yes 21
No 71
Other 8
- Q2 How many times do you go to Jackson per week?
1 49
2 16
5 7
5+ 5
- Q3 Would regular transit be beneficial?
Yes 78
No 22

- Q4 If there was transit, would you work in Jackson?
 Yes 61
 No 32
- Q5 If service was offered as Pilot, would you ride?
 Yes 78
 No 19
- Q6 Would you be interested in Van Pool/Car Share?
 Yes 43
 No 52
 Other 3
- Q7 Which option would you choose?
 Bus 69
 Van Pool 12
 None 18

Pinedale is not able to provide any amount of dedicated funding for this service at this time. They continue to pursue this possibility going forward. However, they have taken action to provide in-door storage of the vehicle at their Public Works Maintenance Facility. Federal Transit (FTA) funding via WYDOT is not possible at this time. Should this service be considered, annual application for FTA funding would include this additional service. Award of additional funding is at discretion of WYDOT (as the direct recipient of FTA funding).

START currently does NOT have a vehicle to operate this service for full year.

SERVICE INFORMATION:

Miles: 77/one way 154/day 40,040/annual
 Hours: 2 Hrs. one way (including stop in Bondurant) 1,040/Annual
 Days of Service: M-F 260 Revenue Days/year

Fares: \$12,600/annual (based on 10 passengers purchasing \$105/monthly pass)

There are two options to consider in service provision to/from Pinedale as a Pilot Program (all funded locally at this time):

OPTION A: START Operate the service in-house

Cost: \$509 revenue day

Operation Cost: \$87,204 annual
 Vehicle Lease: A. \$45,324 annual (1 YR agreement)
 B. \$54,732 annual (6 MOS agreement)
 C. \$34,788 annual (2 YR agreement)

Vehicle Purchase: \$86,876

*Note: 24 passenger ADA equipped/Body on Ford E-450 Chassis paratransit style vehicle (6.8L Gas)

OPTION B: Contract service to private provider (i.e., Driver Provider/All Trans, Inc.) shall provide:

Cost: \$500 per revenue day

One (1) Federal Cross Country 30+ passenger bus for said service.
 Primary insurance in the amount of \$5,000,000.00 and cargo insurance in the amount of \$50,000.00
 Fuel for said service.
 Commercially licensed, service oriented drivers for said service.
 Backup bus for times of routine maintenance and when any mechanical problems arise.

Price per run- \$250.00 (\$500/Revenue day)

ATTACHMENTS



Stock 3752
Quote.pdf

Photo of type of vehicle proposed.

FISCAL IMPACT

Based on one (1) Year Pilot Program

OPTION A: In-house Operation

\$509 per revenue day

\$132,528 Total Annual Cost

OPTION B: Contract Service

\$500 per revenue day

\$130,000 Total Annual Cost

Figures above will be lessened dependent on number of passengers using service, for example:

Fares: \$12,600/annual (based on 10 passengers purchasing \$105/monthly pass)

STAFF IMPACT

Considerable for both options. If provided in-house immediate concern would be the need to secure primary and backup Driver(s) for service. If contracted, daily monitoring of contractor performance (as this would be only outside contracted service at this time).

STAKEHOLDER ANALYSIS

The START Advisory Board has vetted this service option at their July and August meetings and have expressed desire to focus on current commuter runs (Star Valley and Teton Valley) and other underserved areas (Wilson, South Park/Rafter J, Airport, GTNP) before expending resources to Pinedale (Sublette County) area.

LEGAL REVIEW

None at this time.

RECOMMENDATION

START is committed to providing this service should the BOCC and Town Council wish to proceed at this time. Length of Pilot Program can be altered at discretion of elected for either Option A or B. Pinedale service proposal can be deferred until next spring at which time the service can be included in application to FTA/WYDOT with entire START services. Decision from WYDOT is usually made in late May, early June.

SUGGESTED MOTION

At discretion of BOCC and Town Council.

Synopsis for PowerPoint (120 words max):

Purpose:

Background:

Fiscal Impact: