

Resolution #TC-2022-05-09

Support for the Expansion of Bustang Services

Approved by the Transportation Commission on May 19, 2022.

WHEREAS, the State Legislature established the Division of Transit and Rail in 2009, to plan, develop, operate, and integrate transit and rail into the statewide transportation system; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, CDOT launched Bustang transit services along the I-25 and I-70 corridors to provide a safe and convenient travel option;

WHEREAS, the Department will launch the Pegasus Service between Denver and Avon, in May of 2022, and;

WHEREAS, Bustang services have significantly exceeded pre-pandemic ridership levels on the Bustang West Route; and

WHEREAS, implementing a phased approach to significantly increase levels of service along I-70 and I-25 will allow Bustang to serve more people and provide increased flexibility to residents and visitors of Colorado; and

WHEREAS, by providing more frequent and convenient transit service in these critical transit corridors, this service expansion will reduce air pollution, smog and help Colorado meet our GHG goals, and;

WHEREAS, the Colorado State Legislature dedicated \$30 million through SB-180 for a 3-year pilot program to expand Bustang Service, and;

WHEREAS, the funding made available by the Legislature, combined with other potential sources with transit eligibility including the state share of the Multimodal Transportation and Mitigation Options Fund, the Retail Delivery Fee and funding provided through the Non-Attainment Area Air Pollution Mitigation Enterprise, provide a sustainable source of funding to support current and expanded Bustang service;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Transportation Commission supports the proposed expansion of Bustang services, and preliminary operational and funding plans.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Transportation Commission supports the commitment of Multimodal Transportation and Mitigation Options Funds and other eligible sources to support Bustang services, to be approved by subsequent action as operational and funding plans are finalized.

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