

## Finance and Budget Committee

Meeting date: October 16, 2024

Agenda Item #: 4

### **Discussion of a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with TransitPlus and DemandTrans in an amount not to exceed \$545,950 for the period beginning on November 4, 2024 and ending on January 15, 2026**

Agenda item type: Action item

#### **Summary**

The Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) is seeking to contract with TransitPlus and DemandTrans for technical expertise for the Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) grant Ride Alliance Trip Exchange Hub Upgrades project.

#### **Background**

DRCOG was awarded a \$975,486 SMART grant in March 2024 to upgrade and pilot the Ride Alliance Trip Exchange Hub. The trip exchange hub is a Demand Response Transportation service that will coordinate trip requests, reduce trip denials and streamline reporting processes across human-service transportation providers.

A Request for Proposals was published in August 2024 to solicit proposals for a consulting agency to provide technical guidance for the Ride Alliance project on real-time scheduling algorithms, logic-based responses, and application programming interface. Two vendors applied and were evaluated by DRCOG and AAA staff. Staff are recommending the combined application from TransitPlus and DemandTrans due to their extensive experience completing related projects, history of working on the Ride Alliance project, and technical expertise with transactional data specifications.

#### **Action by others**

None

#### **Recommendation**

Move to adopt a resolution authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with TransitPlus and DemandTrans in an amount not to exceed \$545,950 for the period beginning on November 4, 2024 and ending January 15, 2026.

#### **Attachment**

Draft resolution



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