

RESOLUTION 2015- 389

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN INCREASE IN THE COST OF A SUNSHINE BUS COMPANY REGULAR MONTHLY FARE PASS FOR THE FIXED ROUTE SYSTEM FROM \$25.00 TO \$30.00 PER MONTH AND AN INCREASE IN THE COST OF MONTHLY HALF FARE PASS FROM \$12.50 TO \$15.00 PER MONTH

WHEREAS, the Council on Aging, Inc. operates the Sunshine Bus Company, a public bus system that serves all residents of St. Johns County; and

WHEREAS, the Council on Aging, Inc. collects fares as the County's designated fixed route operator; and

WHEREAS, the Council on Aging, Inc. requests an increase in the monthly pass fare from \$25.00 per month to \$30.00 per month; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the American with Disabilities Act (ADA), the cost of a half fare monthly pass will increase from \$12.50 per month to \$15.00 per month for the disabled; and

WHEREAS, the cost for the elderly and students will increase from \$12.50 per month to \$15.00 per month; and

WHEREAS, this will be the first increase in fare prices since the inception of the Sunshine Bus Company fixed route system; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the approved Public Participation process for Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 program funding any fare increases must be approved following two advertised public hearings; and

WHEREAS, the first public hearing regarding a fare increase was provided at the St. Johns County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (LCB) on June 4, 2015; and

WHEREAS, a final public meeting on the fare increase has been conducted at an advertised County Commission meeting on December 15, 2015; and

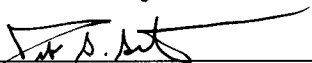
WHEREAS, the increase in the regular monthly fare pass from \$25.00 to \$30.00 per month and the half fare was approved by the St. Johns County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board during an advertised public meeting on June 4, 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ST. JOHNS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

1. The above recitals are incorporated into the body of this resolution, and such Recitals are adopted as Findings of Fact.
2. In accordance with the approved Public Participation process for Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 program funding, the monthly pass increase was approved by the St. Johns County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board during an advertised public meeting
3. The Board of County Commissioners approves of the increase in the cost of Sunshine Bus monthly passes from \$25.00 to \$30.00 and the increase in half fare passes from \$12.50 to \$15.00 for persons with disabilities, elderly and students.
4. To the extent that there are typographical or administrative errors that do not change the tenor, or concept of this resolution, then this resolution may be revised without subsequent approval of the Board of County Commissioners.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, State of Florida, this **15** day of December, 2015.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY FLORIDA

By: 
Jeb S. Smith, Chair

ATTEST: Hunter S. Conrad, Clerk

By: 
Deputy Clerk

RENDITION DATE 12/17/15