



RIVERSIDE GO TRANSIT PROGRAM

Public Works Department

Mobility and Infrastructure Committee

June 11, 2020

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

1. Assembly Bill (AB) 2766 was signed into law in 1990;
2. This law and subsequent actions created a total of \$4 in combined motor vehicle registration fee surcharges;
3. In 2004, an additional \$2 surcharge was added for expansion of the Carl Moyer Air Quality Program; and
4. AB2766 requires that 40% of the first \$4 be distributed on a quarterly basis to South Coast Air Basin cities and counties based upon their population to implement projects that reduce emissions from mobile sources.



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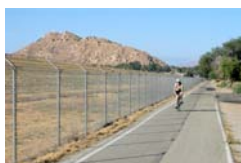
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AIR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT FUND

1. Through AB2766, the City currently receives approximately \$400,000 annually
2. Over the years the City has used this funding for a variety of projects and purchases:



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GO TRANSIT PROGRAM BACKGROUND

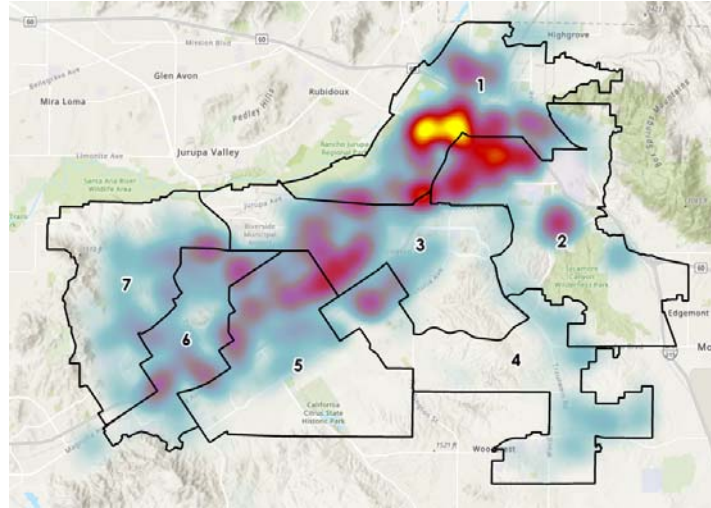
1. City Council initiated in September 2009
2. Discounted RTA bus passes to City residents
3. Funded using clean air (AB 2766) funds from AQMD and revenues from pass sales
4. City is an authorized RTA pass vendor
 - a. Receives 5% discount on each pass
5. City sells to residents at a discount
 1. 30-Day General, Senior/Disabled, and Youth - 30%
 2. 7-Day passes - 20%



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PROGRAM USERS



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ANNUAL BUS PASS SALES (2015-2019)

Pass Type	CY2015	CY2016	CY2017	CY2018	CY2019
30 Day General	3,031	2,349	2,268	2,154	1,822
30 Day Youth	1,376	1,163	1,126	1,006	928
30 Day Senior/Disabled	6,366	6,159	6,351	5,843	5,512
7 Day General	446	295	246	258	266
Total	11,219	9,966	9,991	9,261	8,528

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RTA FARE INCREASE

1. In May 2019, RTA announced its first fare increase in more than a decade;
2. Increased fares due to rising operational costs, expanded service, and a state requirement that passenger fares pay a certain percentage of overall operational costs; and
3. A second round of fare adjustments will occur in 2021.



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SUMMARY OF CHANGES



Pass Type	RTA Retail			City Cost			Resident Cost		
	Old	Jul-19	Jul-21	Old	Jul-19	Jul-21	Old	Jul-19	Jul-21
30 Day General	\$50.00	\$60.00	\$65.00	\$47.50	\$57.00	\$61.75	\$35.00	\$42.00	\$45.50
30 Day Youth	\$35.00	\$45.00	\$50.00	\$33.25	\$42.75	\$47.50	\$24.50	\$31.50	\$35.00
30 Day Senior/Disabled	\$23.00	\$30.00	\$35.00	\$21.85	\$28.50	\$33.25	\$16.10	\$21.00	\$24.50
7 Day General	\$16.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$15.20	\$19.00	\$23.75	\$12.80	\$16.00	\$20.00



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ANNUAL SUBSIDY FROM AIR QUALITY FUND

Pass Type	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020 (Projected)
Revenue	\$252,957	\$230,328	\$207,986	\$206,680	\$182,038	\$211,054
Expenditures	\$332,815	\$335,155	\$278,257	\$291,221	\$303,932	\$259,946
Air Quality Funds	\$79,859	\$104,827	\$70,272	\$84,541	\$121,894	\$48,891

On average the Air Quality Improvement Fund subsidizes about \$85,000 in bus passes each year (including projections for the current fiscal year).



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DISCUSSION

1. Staff invites direction/input on the program from this committee;
2. The committee may consider:
 - a) Establishing a spending cap for the program,
 - b) Adjusting the percentage rate discount of passes, and/or
 - c) Requesting staff return to the committee after the impact of the July 2021 fare increase is better understood.



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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Mobility and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive and file an update on the Riverside Go Transit Program; and
2. Provide input and direction on the future of the Riverside Go Transit Program.



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