



## Legislation Text

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**TO:** Mayor and Commission

**AGENDA DATE:** 7/19/2021

**FROM:** John A. Peters, III, PE, Acting City Manager **AGENDA ITEM:** 11 - B

**SUBJECT:**

Request for approval of contract renewal of City membership with the River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization - FY 2020-2021 - Ron A. Paradise, Director, Planning and Development Services (386) 878-8610.

Strategic Goal: Infrastructure - Transportation CIP.

**LOCATION:**

Citywide

**BACKGROUND:**

The River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) is a regional transportation planning entity which covers all of Volusia County (and municipalities) and a large portion of Flagler County including the City of Palm Coast. The TPO is underpinned by federal law and is very involved in how federal and state transportation funds are allocated within the Volusia/Flagler planning area.

Deltona has been a long-standing member of the River to Sea TPO. The City has applied for and secured various transportation grants through the TPO including several intersection improvement projects (Howland Blvd. and Catalina Blvd., Tivoli Dr and Providence Blvd. and Tivoli Dr and Saxon Blvd.) and pedestrian projects (Lake Monroe Loop Trail and sidewalk extensions associated with Spirit and Deltona Lakes elementary schools).

To continue to actively participate in regional transportation planning and remain eligible for TPO grant opportunities, the City must remain a dues paying member of the River to Sea TPO. Dues for participating local governments are determined on a population basis. The membership dues this year for the City of Deltona amount to \$9,101.00.

Attached is an invoice from the TPO and a TPO FY 2021/2022 Funding Agreement.

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**OPTIONS:**

1. **Authorize the City Manager to execute the Funding Agreement.**

- a. Authorizing the execution of the TPO funding agreement will maintain City membership and ensure the City will remain an active participant in regional transportation planning.

- b. With active TPO membership, the City will remain eligible for transportation grants funded through the Federal Highway Administration and/or FDOT.

**2. Do not approve execution of the TPO Funding Agreement.**

- a. The City will not be able to effectively participate in transportation planning and the City will be at a disadvantage with regard to influencing how regional transportation projects are planned and designed.
- b. The City will lose access to a significant source of transportation grant funding.

**COST:**

\$9,101.00

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

City Commission

**ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:**

Planning and Development Services

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION PRESENTED BY:**

Ron A. Paradise, Director, Planning and Development Services - Staff recommends the City Commission approve the River to Sea TPO FY 2021/2022 Funding Agreement and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement.

**POTENTIAL MOTION:**

"I hereby approve the River to Sea TPO FY 2021/2022 Funding Agreement and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement. The Acting City Manager has the authority to make corrections of scrivener's errors and the like."