

**Town of Lyons, Colorado
Board of Trustees
BOT Agenda Cover Sheet
Agenda Item No: XI.5.
Date: 05/17/21**

TO: Mayor Angelo and Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Kim Mitchell, Director of Community Relations

DATE: 05/13/21

ITEM: Resolution 2021-55 A Resolution Of The Town Of Lyons, Colorado Authorizing A Neighborhood EcoPass Contract With The Regional Transportation District

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_____**X** MOTION / RESOLUTION
_____ INFORMATION

- I. **REQUEST OR ISSUE:** Board consideration of a resolution Authorizing a Neighborhood EcoPass contract with the Regional Transportation District
- II. **RECOMMENDED ACTION / NEXT STEPS:** Approve Contract for EcoPass Contract.
- III. **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** The Town has had the EcoPass Program along with public bus service between the Town and Boulder for the past ten years. The 2020 COVID Pandemic changed many things locally and nationally, including public transportation and bus service to/from Lyons. It is important to note that the EcoPass program is valid system wide and while there has not been service in Lyons for the bus, riders in the Lyons EcoPass program have been able to ride buses in the region. For example, EcoPass holders/riders may take a bus from Boulder to downtown Denver or to DIA or a bus within the city of Boulder.

Boulder County will pay half of the contracted cost of this contract, once the contract is approved by the BOT and also the MOU with Boulder County.

- IV. **FISCAL IMPACTS:** The 2021 Town budget allocated \$25K for the EcoPass program. The 2021 fee structure is based on 2019 ridership levels and includes a reduction in total cost due to loss of service for Q4 of 2020. The total cost of the program this year is \$40,930, with Boulder County contributing 50% (\$20,465) and the Town paying the other 50% (\$20,465). Pre COVID the cost was originally expected to be closer to \$50K. The Town also charges those residents who want to participate in the program and purchase their EcoPass. The cost varies between \$15 for students, seniors and lower-income to \$30 for all others.

- V. **LEGAL ISSUES:** None at this time. The town attorney has reviewed the contract

- VI. **CONFLICTS OR ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:** N/A

VII. **ALTERNATIVES:** The BOT can approve the resolution, or deny the resolution, which may impact the approximately 360 current EcoPass holders in the Lyons area.

PROPOSED MOTION: "I MOVE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2021-55" A Resolution Of The Town Of Lyons, Colorado Authorizing A Neighborhood EcoPass Contract With The Regional Transportation District