OFFICE OF CITY MANAGER, TRANSIT DIVISION

May 18, 2020

TO: Honorable Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe and City Council Members

FROM: Scot Wrighton, City Manager Jon Kindseth, Deputy City Manager John Williams, Mass Transit Administrator

SUBJECT: This Fifth Amendment to the Mass Transit Management Agreement is entered into as of May 2020 by and between the City of Decatur of the State of Illinois ("City") and MV Transportation, Inc., a California corporation ("Contractor"). City and Contractor may be referred to collectively as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party."

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that this item be approved.

BACKGROUND: The City of Decatur as well as other communities around the country and nation has been impacted by COVID-19 commonly known as the Coronavirus. This virus is one that has caused persons to become sick and many have died. At present, there is no cure or vaccination for this virus and have caused a health risks to the essential workers who serve the City of Decatur Public Transportation System. Although measures have been implemented to try and mitigate the risk of these workers from becoming infected, there is still a level of hazard that persist. Many transit systems around the country have begun offering these frontline workers supplemental pay, in the form of bonuses and/or hourly pay increases. It has been recommended by the (ATU) Almagated Transit Union, that transit systems who have received additional funding through the CARES Act provide these essential workers with hazard pay. This item is approved for funding by the Federal Transit Administration. This amendment will also provide a savings to the City as staff determined it is in our best interest to remove a software solution that had been proposed and included when the contract was executed.

POTENTIAL OBJECTIONS: Staff is not aware of objections.

INPUT FROM OTHER SOURCES: None

STAFF REFERENCE: Should the City Council have any questions, they may contact Jon Kindseth at 450-2323 or <u>jkindseth@decaturil.gov</u>; John Williams at 424-3552 or <u>jwilliams@decaturil.gov</u>

BUDGET/TIME IMPLICATIONS: The cost of the supplemental pay for transit employees will be paid out of the \$4.5M received under the CARES Act.