



CHAMPAIGN COUNTY
REGIONAL PLANNING
COMMISSION

Champaign County Rural Transit Advisory Group (RTAG)

Special Meeting

Date: Wednesday, November 30th, 2022
Time: 3:00 p.m.
Place: Hybrid; Zoom and John Dimit Conference Room at 1776 E Washington St in Urbana
Chair: Nathan Montgomery
Members: Aaron Esry, Mary Sleeth, Tawanna Nickens, Lori Larson, Rachel Voss, Rovee Fabi
Others: Evan Alvarez, Rita Morocoima-Black, Debbie Peterik, Mimi Hutchinson

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Audience Participation
- IV. Approval of Agenda
- V. New Business
 - A. Approval of updated Rantoul Service Contract Renewal
 - B. Approval of 2023 RTAG Meeting Calendar
- VI. Announcements
- VII. Adjournment

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AN AGREEMENT REGARDING EXPANDING SERVICES OF THE RANTOUL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE PROGRAM ("C-CARTS")

WHEREAS, the County of Champaign (hereafter simply "COUNTY") was awarded a Downstate Operating Assistance and FTA Section 5311 Combined Grant for rural public transportation; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY and the Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District (hereafter simply "MTD"), entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement (hereafter simply "IGA") dated September 17, 2015, to provide rural public transportation; and

WHEREAS, in the IGA, MTD was named as the designated provider of rural public transportation to operate a separate transportation service program to be known as "C-CARTS", and those COUNTY vehicles formerly used by the prior rural transportation provider known as CRIS, were leased to MTD; and

WHEREAS, in the IGA, the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission ("RPC"), and the Rural Transit Advisory Group ("RTAG") were delegated oversight and coordination authority relating to the provision of rural public transportation service; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Rantoul (hereafter simply "RANTOUL") has proposed that the C-CARTS service be provided to RANTOUL; and RPC, RTAG and MTD have all agreed to such proposal and desire to set forth their agreement in writing.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1) RTAG and RPC hereby approve of the changes herein regarding rural public transportation services to be provided in the Village of Rantoul by MTD as set forth in the IGA.
- 2) The term of this agreement shall be one (1) year from the date of execution by RANTOUL set forth in the signature block for the Village of Rantoul.
- 3) (a) RANTOUL agrees to make monthly payments, following the schedule below, directly to Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District at 1101 E. University Avenue, Urbana, Illinois, for each full month of transportation services provided to RANTOUL as set forth in this agreement.

Date Range	Monthly Payment
November 2022 – October 2023	\$9700.00

(b) The monthly payments due hereunder shall be paid on or before the 10th day of each month following the month in which the transit services were provided.

(c) The parties agree to apportion the monthly payment due hereunder for any month in which the transportation services are provided for only a portion of the month.

(d) Fares collected are not a credit against the monthly payments due hereunder.

(a) In the event of any changes affecting MTD's ability to provide service, contact shall be made with RANTOUL's Village Administrator. In the event of emergency changes in service conditions in the Village of Rantoul, RANTOUL shall contact the MTD Operations Department (Evan Alvarez or Jay Rank).

(b) On a monthly basis, MTD shall provide RANTOUL reporting on route ridership, service hours, and service mileage.

- 4) MTD is offering access to open-door deviated-fixed route service (Attachment A) to the general public for a common fare. MTD will consult with RANTOUL on service changes. MTD as the operator for C-CARTS will adhere to the federal regulations regarding publicly offered route service. Nothing in this agreement shall be construed to limit MTD's obligations to follow those regulations.

Route performance will be assessed with RANTOUL on a quarterly basis.

- 5) In the event that MTD is unable to sustain the staffing to support the service level in Attachment A due to COVID-19, they will provide the reduced service outlined in Attachment B. The monthly payment amount of the reduced service outlined in Attachment B shall be \$8,243.00. The monthly payments from RANTOUL to MTD will be prorated to reflect the new cost, based on the number of the days that each service type was operated that month.
- 6) Any of the parties may terminate this Agreement in ninety (90) days written notice to the other parties. MTD may suspend its service under this Agreement if RANTOUL fails to make timely payments as set forth in paragraph 3 above.
- 7) The parties acknowledge that nothing in this agreement creates a joint venture or other business relationship among/between the parties other than those specifically set forth herein.
- 8) Notices provided for shall be deemed given when mailed by certified mail to the parties at their address given below in their signature block:

Rural Transit Advisory Group

BY: _____

Date: _____

Address: 1776 East Washington Street
Urbana, IL 61802

Champaign County Regional Planning Commission

BY: _____

Date: _____

Address: 1776 East Washington Street
Urbana, IL 61802

Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District

BY: _____

Date: _____

Address: 1101 East University Avenue
Urbana, IL 61802

Village of Rantoul

BY: _____

Date: _____

Address: 333 South Tanner Street
Rantoul, IL 61866

Attachment A

- 1) MTD shall operate a C-CARTS deviated-fixed route service on published regular schedule to the industrial, commercial, and residential areas of the Village of Rantoul in accordance with the attached schedules.
- 2) This service is designed to facilitate mobility and access to jobs throughout the Village of Rantoul.
- 3) This is a restructured service, with changes based on ridership trends, public input, and in consultation with RANTOUL, RTAG, and RPC.
- 4) This service will be performed by C-CARTS, within the operational ability of MTD.

Attachment B

- 1) MTD shall operate an alternate deviated-fixed route service if COVID-19 affects staffing levels to the point that they do not permit the delivery of the service outlined in Attachment A.
- 2) MTD will communicate directly with the Village in the event of a service change and coordinate communications with RANTOUL residents.
- 3) The service charge will be prorated based on the number of days that each level of service is run.
- 4) This service is considered distinct from service reductions in response to factory closures, holiday hours, and other factors external to C-CARTS.



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2023 MEETING SCHEDULE

Unless otherwise indicated

Meetings will be held at **3:00 p.m.**

John Dimit Conference Room, Brookens Administrative Center
1776 E. Washington St., Urbana

ANY OTHER CHANGES WILL BE ANNOUNCED

Wednesday, February 8, 2023

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

Wednesday, August 9, 2023

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

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