



ST. CHARLES  
SINCE 1834

### AGENDA ITEM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Title:	Recommendation to Direct City Staff on the Ride in Kane Sponsor Committee to Vote in Favor of the \$1.00 Rate Increase
Presenter:	Mark Koenen

*Please check appropriate box:*

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Government Operations 08-19-13	Government Services
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Hearing	

Estimated Cost:	\$NA	Budgeted:	YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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If NO, please explain how item will be funded:

**Executive Summary:**

The Ride in Kane program was initiated in 2008. The City partnered with PACE and other local agency sponsors to fund the program. Riders pay \$3.00 per ride and the rate has not changed since the program began. The Sponsor Committee of the Coordinating Council has asked for a \$1.00 per ride increase starting January, 1, 2014. St Charles is a member of the Sponsor Committee and a vote is planned for the September meeting to increase the fare.

Background. The cost per ride has varied from \$19.83 (year 2008) to \$25.62 (year to date 2013) over the five-year program life. The sponsor's cost and City cost has varied from \$9.11 (year 2008) to \$11.30 (year to date 2013). Ridership has increased 30% over the program life and in 2012 there were 144,236 riders. In 2008 riders were paying 15.13% of the cost of the ride and in 2013 riders are paying 11.71% of the cost of the ride. The \$1.00 increase would bring the rider's share of the cost to 15.61%. The increase in costs relates to labor, vehicle maintenance and gasoline.

**Attachments:** *(please list)*

**Recommendation / Suggested Action** *(briefly explain):*

Recommendation to direct City Staff on the Ride in Kane Sponsor Committee to vote in favor of the \$1.00 rate increase.

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