

FY2025 Transit Fare Proposal

City Council Work Session – March 19, 2024

Highlights

Transportation staff presented information on the reinstatement of transit fares for the GoRaleigh bus system. In March 2020, transit fares were suspended due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Staff presented three options for GoRaleigh fares to Council to be considered with the FY25 Budget, scheduled for presentation on May 21.

Options brought to City Council for consideration:

1. Remain fare free.
2. Implement pre-Covid fare structure with:
3. Increase base fare by \$0.25 to align with peer cities and cover costs associated with increased fare.

If fares are reinstated, GoRaleigh is looking at options for mobile ticketing. Through an app, the person riding would receive a free pass for the rest of the week once they have spent that amount on individual rides. The same would go for monthly fares. GoRaleigh is also working with several partners to develop a fare free pass program based on income.

Pre-Covid vs. Proposed Fare Information

Pre-Covid Fare		Option 3 Proposed Fare	
Single Ride	\$1.25	Single Ride	\$1.50
Day Pass	\$2.50	Day Pass	\$3.00
7 Day pass	\$12.00	7 Day Pass	\$14.50
31 Day Pass	\$40.00	31 Day Pass	\$44.00
Senior Citizens (65+)	FREE	Senior Citizens (65+)	FREE
Children 18 & under	FREE	Children 18 & under	FREE
ADA ACCESS Trip	\$2.50	(2 X's Base Fare)	\$3.00

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