



Meeting Date: November 20, 2024

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Report No: CAO-30-2024

Subject: Expansion of Voyago Transit Services to Delaware

Recommendation:

THAT Report CAO-30-2024 re: Expansion of Voyago Transit Services to Delaware be received for information.

Purpose:

To inform council about expanding transit services to the community of Delaware.

Background:

In December 2019, an inter-community transit service was established for Sarnia, Strathroy and London. This service is integral to providing travel service to mobility-challenged individuals while ensuring vibrant local economies through the movement of people. The desire for transit service was also identified in Councils recently adopted Transportation Master Plan.

Analysis:

Recently, municipal staff enquired about expanding this service to include an added route to the community of Delaware.

Based on the cost for this service (see Financial Section), it is not feasible at this time to move forward. However, as the area grows – staff will continue to monitor and will reach out to Voyago and our municipal neighbour when it makes economic sense, and when there are appropriate levels of demand.

Financial Implications:

Currently, there are three round trips Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays, plus two round trip services on Saturdays and Sundays.

The total additional cost is estimated at \$556.32 per week (\$92.72 per weekday x 5 and \$46.36 per weekend x 2).

Strategic Plan:

This matter aligns with following strategic priorities:

- Balanced Growth

Municipal staff will continue to monitor the demand to ensure that where feasible – transit service can be expanded to communities that do not currently have transit.

Attachments:

N/A