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Brandi Nuse-Villegas submitted a new eComment.

Meeting: City Council on 2022-05-12 9:00 AM - Regular Meeting

Item: 1.-EE. ID 22-763 ***RESOLUTION - Approving a program providing zero fare for seniors, Medicare card holders, and persons with disability placards (Subject to Mayor's Veto)

eComment: Thank you for this progressive and compassionate project. The suspension of bus fare during COVID relieved a burden on already financially struggling people in our community and I am grateful to see accommodations being made for those who continue to have a limited/fixed income and need to access resources listed on the resolution. I am also grateful for the efforts made towards improving the air quality in our community. My ask is that the resolution would make accommodations for those who are disabled, but don't have a placard or may not have their Medicare card or might be in the process of obtaining these. I know many unhoused individuals who fit these categories and this program would be a relief. Unfortunately, personal records, such as identification, medical cards, and such often get stolen (or in the case of encampment sweeps, might but taken as belongings are removed) and some are in the process of obtaining these, but have challenges getting through the process. If there could be wording that would allow for inclusion, that would remove an impediment for those who would greatly benefit. Please refer to the Disability Advisory Committee (especially transportation) and perhaps communicate with homeless advocates for guidance, as many would know better the situation of those who would qualify and have personal experience. Again, thank you for this.

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