

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Ypsilanti believes that public transportation is a core service necessary for the community's economic, social and environmental well being, yet not immune from the City's financial and economic circumstances; and

Whereas, the City of Ypsilanti is strongly committed to providing public transportation to the residents of the City of Ypsilanti; and

Whereas, the City Council adamantly believes that a regional system with a dedicated source of funding is the best method to provide that service; and

Whereas, the City is desirous of creating a road map to achieve those goals.

Therefore Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Ypsilanti that AATA be requested to:

- 1. Enter into an extended 21 month agreement from October 1, 2009 through June 30, 2011 based upon the proposed rates for AATA's FY 2009-2010
- 2. Institute service cuts beginning in April 1, 2010 consisting of elimination of Packard Route No. 5 and the shortening of the hours of Local Routes # 10 and # 11 by one hour for an estimated annual savings of \$ 64,000
- 3. Utilize AATA Stimulus dollars to make up the shortfall for City FY 2009-10 of approximately \$101,000

And Further Resolved that the City Council will budget approximately \$218,000 for City FY 2010-11 to fulfill its contractual obligation for the extended contract.

And Further Resolved that AATA be strongly urged to move with all deliberate speed to pursue the creation of a regional transit authority.

And Further Resolved that lacking any progress on the establishment of a regional transit authority and the accompanying scheduling of an election, the City Council will place on the November 2010 general election ballot a Headlee Rollback proposal that captures and designates the increased revenues solely for funding public transportation.

OFFERED BY:			
SUPPORTED BY:			
YES:	NO:	ABSENT:	VOTE: