

## RESOLUTION NO. 2022-14

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE OKANOGAN COUNTY TRANSIT AUTHORITY ESTABLISHING FARE RATES FOR CASH PAYMENT AT THE TIME OF BUS BOARDING, ESTABLISHING A ZERO FARE POLICY FOR PASSENGERS 18 YEARS OF AGE AND YOUNGER, AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 2016-11.**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors ("Board") of the Okanogan County Transit Authority ("OCTA") by Resolution No. 2016-11 adopted April 11, 2016, established fares for cash payment at the time of bus boarding and authorized continued maintenance of an account to receive credit/debit card payments for fare passes sold online or in the OCTA office; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to repeal Resolution No. 2016-11 and re-establish fares for OCTA, which shall include a zero-fare policy for passengers 18 years of age and younger, to become effective on September 1, 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Board of OCTA as follows:

**Section 1 - Repealer.** Resolution No. 2016-11 adopted April 11, 2016, is hereby repealed.

**Section 2 - Establishment of Fares.** The Board does hereby establish the following fare rates:

- a. Single Zone of Travel - \$1.00 cash per boarding;
- b. Unlimited use fare pass for a specific month and one Zone of Travel - \$30.00; and
- c. Unlimited use fare pass for a specific month for two Zones of Travel, which includes a free additional Zone of Travel (three Zones of Travel total) - \$60.00.

Any Veteran shall receive a discount of 50% off the fare pass cost.

For the purposes of this section, a "Zone of Travel" shall mean the within the following routes: Twisp/Winthrop, Twisp/Pateros, Twisp-Okanogan, Oroville/Tonasket, Tonasket/Okanogan, Okanogan/Pateros, Omak-Okanogan.

**Section 3 - Zero-Fare Policy.** The Board does hereby adopt a zero-fare policy that allows passengers 18 years of age and younger to ride free of charge on all modes of transportation provided by OCTA and riding anywhere in the system (multiple zones). As part of this policy, OCTA shall separately log and calculate the number of trips that were taken under the zero-fare policy to be

periodically reported as required in Chapter 47.66 RCW. This policy shall be effective September 1, 2022.

**Section 4 – Periodic Deviation**. Periodic deviation from the established fares for specific days or events may occur upon prior approval in advance by the Board.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Board of OCTA at its regular meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022.

APPROVED:

Cindy Gagne  
Cindy Gagne, Chairperson

By: Paula Brantner-Thomas  
Paula Brantner-Thomas, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

W. Scott DeTro  
W. Scott DeTro; OCTA Attorney