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REPORT

Department: Transportation and Highways

Report Title: Fair Transit South Cook

Report Period: January 2021 to January 2022

Action: Refer to Transportation Committee

Summary: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully requests approval of the Report: Fair Transit, to be referred to the Transportation Committee for further discussion and a presentation. The Fair Transit South Cook is an innovative three-year pilot program that launched in January 2021 and is spearheaded by the Department. In partnership with Metra and Pace, the program reduced fares by approximately 50% on the Metra Electric (ME) and Rock Island (RI) lines as well as increasing service on Pace Route 352 Halsted by 25% and adding trains on the ME and RI. The Department has completed a first-year report for the program and would like to present on the findings at the Transportation Committee. A particular focus of the committee's discussion will be on the next phase of the pilot program to implement seamless transfers across transit agencies.