

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING

**2021 Capital Assistance Grant Application to Purchase
Replacement Transit Vehicles
Marion Transportation Department**

Notice is hereby given that the City of Marion will provide an opportunity for a public hearing for the purpose of considering a grant for which federal capital assistance under Section 5339 of the Federal Transit Act, as amended, is being sought. The hearing will be held if any person interested in a hearing submits a request in writing that a hearing be held to the City of Marion via the Marion Transportation Department, 520 East 6th Street, Marion, IN 46953 within a ten (10) day period following the date of publication of this notice.

A. Description of Project:

The City of Marion, through its Transportation Department is seeking federal Section 5339, as well as State of Indiana Public Mass Transportation Fund (PMTF) capital assistance to purchase up to four (4) buses 2021-model buses with wheelchair lifts to replace four (4) existing buses.

The vehicles to be replaced are 2017-model Ford Cutaway E-450 16-passenger buses with handicapped lifts. The City of Marion will purchase these buses using the State of Indiana's Quantity Purchase Award procurement method and vendor established for all Indiana transit systems that receive federal and state funding assistance.

The estimated project cost is estimated at \$240,000 (\$60,000 per base vehicle). All vehicle optional equipment that is in addition to the cost for the base vehicle as established by the Indiana Department of Transportation's Office of Transit will be the responsibility of the City of Marion. The city is seeking 80% federal funds, plus State of Indiana PMTF 10% funding for this bus replacement from federal Section 5339 and State of Indiana PMTF funding. The City of Marion will be responsible for the remaining funding for this purchase (10% of the cost for each base vehicle, plus optional equipment deemed necessary by the Marion Transportation Department.

B. Relocation: No persons, families and/or businesses are estimated to be displaced by this project. Persons, families and businesses so displaced will be afforded rights as required by the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act of 1970.

C. Environment: The proposed project will not have a significant environmental impact upon the service area.

If a hearing is requested and scheduled the City of Marion will afford an opportunity for interested persons, agencies and private transportation providers to be heard with respect to the social, environmental, and economic aspects of the grant. Interested persons may submit orally or in writing evidence and recommendations with respect to said grant at the public hearing.

A copy of the application is currently available for public inspection at the Marion Transportation Department, 520 East 6th Street, Marion, IN 46953 during normal business hours.

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