



To: City of Bloomington Common Council Members
From: John Connell, BPTC General Manager
Date: April 4, 2024
Re: Resolution Supporting State-of-the-Art Transit Facility

In FFY2024, BPTC will apply for \$35,000,000 in FTA §5339(b) Bus & Bus Facilities grant funds for the design and construction of a state-of-the-art transit facility. A new facility is required to advance the agency's transition to a 100% zero-emission fleet, and to expand transit services in the coming years and decades. A resolution passed by the City of Bloomington Common Council endorsing the project, to be submitted with the grant application, will aid in demonstrating the strong local commitment to expanding accessible, sustainable public transportation.

Transformative projects are already underway, including: deployment of additional service on Sundays, leveraging \$1.8m in local funds for a \$7.1m federal grant award to advance the agency's transition to a zero-emission fleet, a study to determine the feasibility of a high-frequency transit corridor spanning east-west across the city, and the introduction of on-demand microtransit services.

In 2023, the Bloomington City Council expanded BPTC's historical service area from the city's boundaries to include all of Monroe County. The service area expansion now authorizes the agency to provide new transportation options for those seeking to reach destinations for employment, housing, healthcare, education, and life's opportunities.

To fully realize its vision for an accessible, transformative public transportation network, BPTC requires a new facility to scale its operations with the needs of the community, and to support the transition to a 100% zero-emission fleet. To secure the necessary financial investment for a new facility, BPTC will leverage local reserves, raised in part through ED-LIT, to apply for §5339(b) federal grant funds. The financial plan for the facility project is summarized on the next page.

The timeline for the facility project is as follows:

- Q2-3 2024: Preferred site selection, environmental analysis
- Q1-2 2025: Finalize land acquisition, preliminary facility design
- Q2-4 2025: Final design approved, construction documents created
- Q1 2026 - Q4 2027: Construction Phase
- Q2 2028: Facility operational



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Financial Plan Summary: 2024 FTA §5339(b) Competitive Grant Program

Administration and Maintenance Facility

<u>Project Components</u>	<u>Cost Estimate</u>
1. Property Acquisition Consultant Services (Local Funding Obligated)	\$250,000
2. Land Purchase (Local and Federal Funds Accrued)	\$10,000,000
STP Flex Funds	FY2022 \$69,575
	FY2023 \$3,978,983
FTA §5307	FY2021 \$701,497
	FY2023 <u>\$3,249,945</u>
Total Federal	\$8,000,000
Dedicated Local ED-LIT Funds	<u>\$2,000,000</u>
Total	\$10,000,000
3. Preliminary A&E, Site Plan	\$600,000
Local ED-LIT Funds Accrued	FY2024 \$600,000
4. Final Design and Construction	\$43,750,000
FTA §5339(b) 2024 Competitive Program	\$35,000,000
Local, State PMTF, ED-LIT	\$8,750,000
Total	\$43,750,000