



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Council Session

Item G-15

**#2022-246 - Approving Section 5339 Capital Grant Application
and Agreement for the Transit Division of the Public Works
Department- FY 2023**

Staff Contact: Keith Kurz PE, Interim Public Works Director

Council Agenda Memo

From: Charley Falmlen, Transit Program Manager

Meeting: September 13, 2022

Subject: Approving Section 5339 Capital Grant Application and Agreement for the Transit Division of the Public Works Department- FY 2023

Presenter(s): Keith Kurz PE, Interim Public Works Director

Background

Commencing July 1, 2016 public transportation services were led by the City of Grand Island utilizing urban transportation funds from the Federal Transit Administration, and with Hall County participating by utilizing State of Nebraska Rural Transportation funds.

Discussion

The City and State of Nebraska desire to secure and utilize grant funds to purchase buses and related equipment to be used in public transit services throughout the Urbanized Area of Grand Island.

Two (2) vans, which are owned by Hall County, in the current transit fleet are scheduled for replacement. These vans will be removed from the active fleet and kept as backup until such time they are disposed of in coordination with the State of Nebraska.

The request at this time is to purchase two (2) Lowered Floor Minivans, which will be owned by the City, to be used within the public transit service provided through the Urbanized Area of Grand Island. Section 5339 Capital Grant Application and agreement will provide for 80% or \$104,000.00 of such purchases to be paid by Federal funds and 20% or \$26,000 to be paid by the City. The application is attached for review.

A public notice was published in the Grand Island Independent on September 2, 2022.

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Move to approve
2. Refer the issue to a Committee
3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the Section 5339 Capital Grant Application and subsequent agreement for the Transit Division of the Public Works Department.

Sample Motion

Move to approve the Application.

Section 5339 Capital Grant Application

FY- 2023

General Information

Legal Name of Applicant Organization: Grand Island, City of		
Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) 47-6006205		
Address (include City, State, and Zip Code): 100 E 1st Street, PO Box 1968, Grand Island, NE 68802		
Name of Project Director or Supervisor: Charley Falmlen	Phone No.: 308-646-6571	Email Address: CharleyF@grand-island.com
Name of Person Preparing this Application: Libby Finochiaro	Phone No.: 308-385-5444	Email Address: LibbyF@grandisland.com
Services Generally Provided by Applicant: Demand Response Service		

Demographics

Ethnicity of Clientele	Service Area Population	Percent of Total Service Area Population
Black or African American	1859	3%
Hispanic or Latino	18594	30%
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	371	0%
Asian	868	1%
Native American or Alaska Native	1240	2%
Non-Minority	39047	63%
Total	61979	100%

Transportation Project

Identify the Geographical Areas to be Served: (Towns, Counties) City of Grand Island Nebraska, Hall County Nebraska
Intended Use: (Check one) <input checked="" type="radio"/> Replace Existing Service <input type="radio"/> Expand Existing Service <input type="radio"/> Start New Service <input type="radio"/> Enhance Existing Service

Capital Assistance

Vehicle(s) Requested

Prioritize Vehicle(s) Requested (1, 2, 3)	No. of Units	Vehicle	Vehicle Cost	Total Cost
		Small Bus	\$92,000	\$
		Seven-Passenger Van *	\$70,000	\$
1	2	Lowered Floor Minivan	\$65,000	\$ 130,000
Total Costs:				\$ 130,000
Total Federal Funds requested (80% of total costs)				\$ 104,000.00
Local Share (20% difference between Federal funds requested and total costs)				\$ 26,000.00

Maintenance of Vehicles

To assure that vehicles acquired with Federal Transit Assistance funds are maintained in optimal operating condition, it is required that they be maintained in accordance with the **vehicle manufacturer's recommended maintenance schedule**. Applicants must verify by certifying below.

Maintenance Certification

The City of Grand Island _____ certifies that vehicles purchased under Section 5339 will be maintained in accordance with detailed maintenance and inspection schedule provided by the manufacturer.

 Roger G. Steele
 (Printed Name of Person Signing)

 Mayor
 (Title)

 (Signature of Authorized Representative)

 (Date)

Vehicle Being Replaced (If Applicable)

This vehicle will be taken out of regular service (*can be used as backup*).

Year of Vehicle Being Replaced: _____

(*Vehicle must have been in service for at least four years or has a minimum of 100,000 miles*)

Make: _____

Model: _____

Vehicle Identification No.: _____

Mileage: _____

Vehicle Condition: _____

COMPLETE THE APPLICATION BY SIGNING BELOW.

CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify the information in this application is accurate and, as the authorized official for this project, hereby agree to comply with all provisions of the grant program and all other applicable state and federal laws.

<i>Applicant's Authorized Representative</i>	Mayor <i>Title</i>	<i>Date</i>
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RESOLUTION 2022-246

WHEREAS, funds are available through the State of Nebraska to aid the City financially in providing public transit services; and

WHEREAS, the City and State desire to secure and utilize grant funds to purchase buses and related equipment to be used in public transit services throughout the Urbanized Area of Grand Island; and

WHEREAS, the request at this time is to purchase two (2) Lowered Floor Minivans, which will be owned by the City, to be used within the public transit service provided through the Urbanized Area of Grand Island; and

WHEREAS, Section 5339 Capital Grant Application and agreement will provide for 80% or \$104,000.00 of such purchases to be paid by Federal funds and 20% or \$26,000.00 to be paid by the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to sign the Section 5339 Capital Grant Application and subsequent agreement.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, September 13, 2022.

Roger G. Steele, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
September 9, 2022	☐ City Attorney