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CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY**

A G E N D A
COMMON COUNCIL – IN PERSON - REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday February 18, 2025

Meeting to be held at **6:30 p.m.**, local time,
in the Council Chambers, City Hall 100 E. Michigan Blvd.
and **Hosted by "Hybrid/Zoom"** and **streaming live on the**
Access LaPorte County Facebook page
See attached to connect to "Hybrid/Zoom."

**CALL TO ORDER BY COUNCIL
PRESIDENT**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG and PRAYER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council (Hybrid/Zoom) February 4, 2025

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

CLAIMS DOCKET

February 18, 2025

Fund #2235 – Riverboat – Claims -	\$	0.00
EFT	\$	0.00
Fund #2504 – Boyd Development -	\$	0.00
EFT	\$	0.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$	0.00

REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

REPORTS OF SPECIAL or SELECT COMMITTEES

REPORTS from MAYOR OR OTHER CITY OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS

PETITIONS

COMMUNICATIONS

Correspondence was received in the Clerk's Office on February 12, 2025, from Elston Grove Neighborhood Association regarding their re-appointment of Laura Henderson to the Michigan City Tree Board

Correspondence was received in the Clerk's Office on February 7, 2025, from Bakertilly Municipal Advisors regarding the "Tax Increment Report"

RESOLUTIONS

APPROVING SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FOR THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION/FTA FOR THE OPERATION OF THE MICHIGAN CITY MUNICIPAL TRANSIT SYSTEM & SUPPORTING THE LOCAL MATCH FOR SAID GRANT

Introduced by: Tracie Tillman

SUPPORTING HOUSE BILL NO. 1026 PROHIBITING MARIJUANA ADVERTISING WITHIN 1,000 FEET OF SCHOOL PROPERTY, PLAYGROUND, A YOUTH PROGRAM CENTER, A PUBLIC PARK, A PUBLIC LIBRARY OR REGULAR ROUTE OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL BUS

Introduced by: Don Przybylinski

**RECOGNIZING AND HONORING "CELEBRATING NAOMI ANDERSON
DAY" ON MARCH 1st ANNUALLY AND IN PERPETUITY**

Introduced by: Nancy Moldenhauer
Tracie Tillman
Daisy Lee

ORDINANCES

NEW BUSINESS

FYI: The Council has one (1) appointment to the Community Enrichment Corporation – **Incumbent** Stasi Benning term expires March 31, 2025.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NOMINATIONS: The Council has two (2) appointments to the Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund Committee
Incumbents – Pia Parrott and Erica Miller (term expired October 18, 2024)

NOTE: one (1) member - senior level professional loan officer; one (1) member is from business or retail who is a resident of Michigan City

Applications Received:

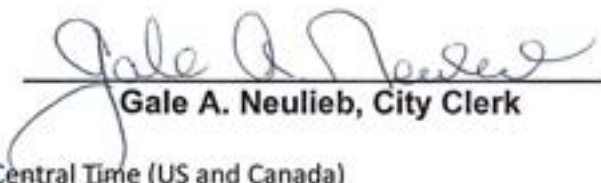
- Sheree Wilson
- Scott Meland
- Shauna Hill

NOTE: Nominations for Revolving Loan Fund Committee were TABLED until the February 18, 2025 council meeting.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL

ADJOURNMENT



Gale A. Neulieb, City Clerk

You are invited to a Zoom webinar.

When: **Tuesday, February 18, 2025, 6:30 PM** Central Time (US and Canada)

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84298000057?pwd=RXVRUkhobXI2aVE2R1lIR0VEVTI3dz09>

Passcode : 463601

Webinar ID: 842 9800 0057 Passcode: 463601 Or One tap mobile:

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MICHIGAN CITY COMMON COUNCIL

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Sec. 2-325 of the Michigan City Municipal Code, the Michigan City Common Council must pre-approve all grant applications requiring a local match; and

WHEREAS, the City of Michigan City, Indiana has submitted a grant application seeking funding through the U.S. Department of Transportation/FTA for the continuance of its' municipal transit system from the 5307-Urbanized Area Grant and FHWA- STBG Transfer to 5307 - Urbanized Area Grant; and

WHEREAS, the City of Michigan City will be requesting up to \$2,481,282.00 in federal grant funds and the City will be required to have a \$2,059,782.00 match; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sec. 2-325, the City Controller has provided the following information pertaining to the Grant:

1. **Name of grantor and grant title:** U.S. Department of Transportation / Federal Transit Administration. Michigan City Transit FFY 2022 - 5307 Operating Assistance / STBG FY 2021 - Bus Replacement.
2. **Why it is beneficial to the City to apply for this grant:** This grant will allow the City to continue providing safe reliable public transportation.
3. **The purpose of the grant and the proposed use of grant funds:** This grant will be used for operating assistance, including labor, fuel, administrative, maintenance cost, rolling stock and related supplies.
4. **The person who will be responsible for managing the grant for the City:** Robin Tillman, Transit Director; Mary-Lynn Wall, City Controller; and Tamiko Smith, Assistant City Controller.
5. **All relevant time frames and schedule for the grant:**
This grant commenced in October 1, 2024 and will conclude on January 1, 2027.
6. **The amount of any required or proposed City monetary match or voluntary contribution and the proposed source for the matching funds and contributions:**
 - a. The maximum amount of match required from the City is: \$2,059,782.00
 - b. The matching funds are budgeted as follows:

Operating Assistance: FFY 2025:	\$953,705.00
FFY 2026:	\$965,577.00
Capital Rolling Stock:	\$140,500.00
7. **The description of the types and sources of any in-kind match or contribution:** NA
8. **Whether the Controller wishes to have a new, separate fund created for the grant:** No, the Controller does not wish to have a new, separate fund created for the Grant.

WHEREAS, all relevant information required by Sec. 2-325 is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A-Notice of Application.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA COMMON COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

1. The aforementioned "Whereas" sections are incorporated herein as if fully set forth herein.
2. The Michigan City Common Council approves the submission of the aforementioned grant and supports and commits to funding the local match for said Grant. The City, by and through the Michigan City Transit Department, is eligible and authorized under state and local law to request, receive and spent FTA funds to administer FTA-assisted projects. The City, by and through the Michigan City Transit Department, shall be responsible for complying with all the terms and conditions of the grant award.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after passage by the Michigan City Common Council and approval by the Mayor.

INTRODUCED BY: _____

Tracie Tillman, President
Michigan City Common Council

Passed by the Common Council of the City of Michigan City, Indiana this _____
day of _____, 2025.

Tracie Tillman, President
Michigan City Common Council

Approved/Vetoed (*circle action taken*) by me, this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Angie Nelson Deutch, Mayor
Michigan City, Indiana

ATTEST:

Gale A. Neulieb, Clerk
City of Michigan City, Indiana

Prepared by Corporation Counsel Upon Request

MICHIGAN CITY COMMON COUNCIL

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Michigan City Common Council

Passed by the Common Council of the City of Michigan City, Indiana this _____
day of _____, 2025.

Tracie Tillman, President
Michigan City Common Council


Approved/Vetoed (*circle action taken*) by me, this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Angie Nelson Deutch, Mayor
Michigan City, Indiana

ATTEST:

Gale A. Neulieb, Clerk
City of Michigan City, Indiana

Prepared by Corporation Counsel Upon Request

		Office of the City Controller City of Michigan City Grant Set-Up Form Notice of Grant Award	
DATE:2/10/25	SUBMIT FORM TO:	Mary-Lynn Wall Office of the City Controller Email address: mlwall@emlchigancity.com	
BUDGET FISCAL YEAR: 2025			
SECTION I.			
Is this a: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New Grant or <input type="checkbox"/> Continuing Grant			
If continuing, is this a: <input type="checkbox"/> grant award increase or <input type="checkbox"/> grant award extension			
DEPARTMENT NAME: Michigan City Transit			
Revenue Source		CTR will assign (NEW GRANTS)	
FTA-Federal Transit Administration			
Budget		COMPLETED BY DEPARTMENT	
Fund Number: 113			
Cost Accounting		COMPLETED BY DEPARTMENT	
Grant Award Amount \$2,481,282			
Local Grant Match (if applicable) \$2,059,782			
Program Table Set-Up		COMPLETED BY DEPARTMENT	
Program Name: MC Transit FFY 2022-5307 Operating Assistance/STBG FY 2024-Bus replacement			
Program Short Name:IN-2025-003			
Program Start Date: 9-1-24		Program End Date:1-1-2027	
Sub Account:			
DUNS Number: 133186755			
Funding Profile - Funding Line		COMPLETED BY DEPARTMENT	
Draw Name	Customer ID	Payment System Code - Check one box	
EDCAPS	VC7000000001	D	
ECHO	VC7000000002	E X	
OJP & Homeland Security	VC7000000003	L	
SMARTLINK	VC7000000004	S	
ASAP- OTHER	VC7000000005	Y	
ASAP	VC7000000006	Z	
GRANT- NON DRAW	VC7000000007	No Code	
Funding Identification		COMPLETED BY DEPARTMENT	
CFDA# (5 digit code): 20.507			
Letter of Credit No.:			
Mandatory Requirements - Attachments			
Federal Grant Award Letter (New & Continuing Grant)		Yes	
Federal Grant Award Form (New Grant)		Yes X	

Department Head/ Authorized Signatory:



Grant Liaison: Angelica Salgado, Transportation Program Specialist, U.S. DOT Federal Transit Administration, Region V, 200 West Adams, Suite 320, Chicago, IL 60606, Angelica.Salgado@dot.gov

Project #1 IN-2025-003-01 (FY 2022/FY 2023-Operating Assistance 5307)

This grant is for funding from Section 5307, FY 2022 and FY 2023 for Operating assistance which includes labor, fuel, administrative cost, maintenance cost, and related supplies. The local match is derived from Michigan City property taxes and river boat funds. Total federal funds from FY 2022 federal share \$953,705. local share \$953,705. Project total \$1,907,410. Total federal funds from FY 2023 federal share \$985,577. Local share \$985,577. Project total \$1,931,154.

Project #2 IN-2025-003-02-00 (STBG FY 2021-Bus Replacement)

This project is for funding under Section 5307 Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) FY2021 in the total amount of \$562,000 federal share, \$140,500 local share, and \$702,500 total project cost. Funds will be used for capital bus replacements.

DOT

FTA

U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Transit Administration

Award

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)	IN-2025-003-00
Temporary Application Number	6273-2024-1
Award Name	Michigan City Transit FFY 2022 - 5307 Operating Assistance / STBG FY 2021 - Bus Replacement
Award Status	Active (Executed)
Award Budget Number	0

Period of Performance Start Date	1/28/2025		
Original Period of Performance End Date	1/1/2027		
Current Period of Performance End Date	1/1/2027	Revision #: 0	Approved?: Yes

Budget Period Start Date	1/28/2025
Budget Period End Date	1/1/2027

Part 1: Recipient Information

Name: CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY					
Recipient ID	Recipient OST Type	Recipient Alias	UEI	DUNS	
6273	City	MICHIGAN CITY TRANSIT	R4VKTKNYMSN9	133186775	
Location Type	Address	City	State	Zip	
Physical Address	1801 KENTUCKY ST	MICHIGAN CITY	IN	46360	
Mailing Address	1801 KENTUCKY STREET	MICHIGAN CITY	IN	46360	

Union Information

Union Name	AMALGAMATED TRANSIT UNION
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Address 1	3401 Marland St.
Address 2	
City	Gary
State	IN
Zipcode	46402
Contact Name	Donnell Sylva
Telephone	(708) 373-7210
Fax	
E-mail	atu517dsylva@gmail.com
Website	

Part 2: Award Information

Title: Michigan City Transit FFY 2022 - 5307 Operating Assistance / STBG FY 2021 - Bus Replacement

FAIN	Award Status	Award Type	Application Cost Center	Date Created	Last Updated Date	From TEAM?
IN-2025-003-00	Active (Executed)	Grant	Region 5	8/16/2024	8/16/2024	No

Award Executive Summary
 This award is to provide operating assistance, Section 5307 from FY 2022 and FY 2023 in the total amount of \$1,919,282. The City will also procure 4 vehicles funded through Section 5307 STBG, in the total amount of \$562,000, for Fixed routes and Complementary Para-Transit routes. The local match is derived from Michigan City property taxes and river boat funds for a total of \$ 2,059,782. Period of Performance October 1, 2023-August 1, 2025.

Funds for this grant are derived from FY 2022 Section 5307, in the amount of federal share \$953,705, local share \$953,705 and total project cost, \$1,907,410.
 Funds for this grant are derived from FY 2023 Section 5307, in the amount of federal share \$965,577. local share \$965,577 and total project cost, \$ 1,931,154.
 Funds for this grant are derived from FY 2021 Section 5307 STBG, in the amount of federal share \$ 562,000, local share \$140,500, and total project cost, \$702,500.

Attachments to this application include the TIP Table referencing 2024-2028 Pg. 62, STIP 2024-2028 Letter dated September 1, 2023, STBG Transfer letter, 5307 Split Letter FY 2022- July 13, 2022, and FY 2023 August 14, 2023, Split letter.

Michigan City Transit, as a receipt of section 5307 program funds, City of Michigan City is certifying the 1% security expenditure is unnecessary. The City spends sufficient local funding on security projects and therefore does not need to spend formula funds on security projects. Surveillance Camera system installed at bus garage and recording cameras are installed on all buses, operating 24/7.

Frequency of Milestone Progress Reports (MPR)

Annual

Frequency of Federal Financial Reports (FFR)

Annual

Does this application include funds for research and/or development activities?

This award does not include research and development activities.

Pre-Award Authority

This award is using Pre-Award Authority.

Does this application include suballocation funds?

Recipient organization is the Designated Recipient and can apply for and receive these apportioned funds.

Will this Grant be using Lapsing Funds?

No, this Grant does not use Lapsing Funds.

Will indirect costs be applied to this application?

This award does not include an indirect cost rate.

Indirect Rate Details: N/A

Requires E.O. 12372 Review

No, this application does not require E.O. 12372 Review.

Delinquent Federal Debt

No, my organization does not have delinquent federal debt.

Award Description

Purpose

This project will continue to benefit the resident of Michigan City providing safe reliable transportation throughout the service area with operating assistance, including labor, fuel, administrative , maintenance cost and related supplies.

STBG - Purchase 4 replacement buses (rolling stock) (2) mid-size cutaways 35ft. or greater and (2) small ADA Para Transit 30ft. or smaller, maintaining a state of good repair.

Activities to be performed:

Operating assistance, including labor, fuel, administrative , maintenance cost and related supplies.

STBG - Purchase 4 replacement buses (rolling stock) (2) mid-size cutaways 35ft. and (2) small ADA Para Transit 30ft.

Expected outcomes:

Provide more reliable transit service and provide better working conditions, improving efficiency, maintaining a state of good repair.

Intended beneficiaries:

Michigan City public and the riders that rely on the transit service will benefit from continued services, permitting riders to get to work, shopping, medical facility, educational facility and livable centers. Michigan City employees will also benefit through safe equipment and working conditions.

Subrecipient Activities:
None

Award Point of Contact Information

First Name	Last Name	Title	E-mail Address	Phone
Angelica	Salgado	Transportation Program Specialist	Angelica.Salgado@dot.gov	(312) 886-1621
Robin	Tillman	Transit Director	rtillman@emichigancty.com	219-873-4862

Award Budget Control Totals

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5307 - Urbanized Area Formula Grants (2013 and forward)	5307-2A	20507	\$1,919,282
FHWA Transfer to 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grants	5307-3	20507	\$562,000
Local			\$2,059,782
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$4,541,064

Award Budget

Project Number	Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non-FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
IN-2025-003-01-00	300-00 OPERATING ASSISTANCE (300-A1)	\$1,919,282.00	\$1,919,282.00	\$3,838,564.00	1
IN-2025-003-01-00	30.09.01 UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE	\$1,919,282.00	\$1,919,282.00	\$3,838,564.00	1
IN-2025-003-02-00	111-00 BUS - ROLLING STOCK (111-A2)	\$562,000.00	\$140,500.00	\$702,500.00	4

IN-2025-003-02-00	11.12.02	BUY REPLACEMENT 35-FT BUS	\$362,000.00	\$90,500.00	\$452,500.00	2
IN-2025-003-02-00	11.12.03	BUY REPLACEMENT 30-FT BUS	\$200,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$250,000.00	2

Discretionary Allocations

This application does not contain discretionary allocations.

Sources of Federal Financial Assistance

PO Number	Project Number	Scope Name	Scope Number	Scope Suffix	UZA Code	Area Name	Account Class Code	FPC	Description	Amendment Amount	Cumulative Amount
IN-85-X 084	IN-2025-003-02-00	BUS - ROLLING STOCK	111-00 (111)	A2	1800 00	Indian a	2021.45.9 5.SX.2	00	FHWA flex trf to 5307 - STP	\$562,000	\$562,000
IN-80-X 844	IN-2025-003-01-00	OPERATING ASSISTANCE	300-00 (300)	A1	1800 00	Indian a	2022.21.9 0.91.2	04	Urbanized Area Formula Grants	\$953,705	\$953,705
IN-80-X 844	IN-2025-003-01-00	OPERATING ASSISTANCE	300-00 (300)	A1	1800 00	Indian a	2023.21.9 0.91.2	04	Urbanized Area Formula Grants	\$965,577	\$965,577

Part 3: Project Information

Project Title: FY 2022 /FY 2023- Operating Assistance 5307

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
IN-2025-003-01-00	6273-2024-1-P1	8/16/2024	10/1/2023	9/30/2025

Project Description

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Total federal funds from FY 2023 federal share \$965,577. local share \$965,577. project total \$ 1,931,154.

Project Benefits

This award is to provide operating assistance for Michigan City Transit system during the period of October 1, 2023 - September 30, 2025. Operating assistance for Michigan City's 4 Fixed routes and 2 Complementary Para-Transit routes, includes labor, fuel, administrative, maintenance cost and related supplies. This project will continue to provide reliable public transportation to the residents and public of

Michigan City and throughout the service area, 3/4 miles beyond the fixed route service, with paratransit service, connecting with our livable communities.

Additional Information

Funding will permit MCT to continue to provide operational services.

Location Description

UZA Michigan City--La Porte, IN-MI 183540 Michigan City Transit service area 20 miles - 3/4 miles beyond fixed route service, complementary paratransit within city limits.

Project Location (Urbanized Areas)

UZA Code	Area Name
183540	Michigan City-La Porte, IN-MI

Congressional District Information

District	State
1	Indiana

Program Plan Information

STIP/TIP

Date: 5/16/2019

Description: MPO - NIRPC 2020-2022 TIP pg.68

UPWP

Date: 4/21/2021

Description: The Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission Unified Planning Work Program 2021 - 2022

Long Range Plan

Date: 7/13/2024

Description:

2022 MC UZA split letter

Project Control Totals

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5307 - Urbanized Area Formula Grants (2013 and forward)	5307-2A	20507	\$1,919,282
Local			\$1,919,282
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0

Adjustment	\$0
Total Eligible Cost	\$3,838,584

Project Budget

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IN-2025-003-01-00	300-00 OPERATING ASSISTANCE (300-A1)	\$1,919,282.00	\$1,919,282.00	\$3,838,584.00	1
IN-2025-003-01-00	30.09.01 UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE	\$1,919,282.00	\$1,919,282.00	\$3,838,584.00	1

Project Budget Activity Line Items

Budget Activity Line Item: 30.09.01 - UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OPERATING ASSISTANCE (300-00)	30.09.01	UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE	OPERATING ASSISTANCE	1

Extended Budget Description

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Will 3rd Party contractors be used to fulfill this activity line item?
No, 3rd Party Contractors will not be used for this line item.

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Local			\$1,919,282
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0

Adjustment	\$0
Total Eligible Cost	\$3,838,564

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Start Date	10/1/2023	Start Project
End Date	9/30/2025	End

Project Environmental Findings

Finding: Class II(c) - Categorical Exclusions (C-List)

Class Level Description
Class II(c) consists of projects that do not have a significant environmental impact on the human or natural environment and are therefore categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement. FTA requires a sufficient project description to support a CE determination. The project may require additional documentation to comply with other environmental laws.

Categorical Exclusion Description

Type 04: Planning and administrative activities which do not involve or lead directly to construction, such as: training, technical assistance and research; promulgation of rules, regulations, directives, or program guidance; approval of project concepts; engineering; and operating assistance to transit authorities to continue existing service or increase service to meet routine demand.

Date Description	Date
Class IIc CE Approved	

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
OPERATING ASSISTANCE (300-00)	30.09.01	UP TO 50% FEDERAL SHARE	1	\$1,919,282.00	\$3,838,564.00

Project Title: STBG FY 2021 - Bus Replacement

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
IN-2025-003-02-00	6273-2024-1-P2	8/16/2024	11/18/2024	8/1/2025

Project Description
This project is for funding under Section 5307 Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) FY2021 in the total amount of \$362,000 federal share, \$90,500 local share and \$452,500 total project cost. Funds will be used to replace 4 vehicles, two mid-size vehicles and two ADA paratransit vehicles.

Project Benefits
The project will allow Michigan City to continue operating it public transit system for the benefit of residents of Michigan by providing reliable vehicles.

Additional Information

None provided.

Location Description

Michigan City Transit service area 20 miles - 3/4 miles beyond fixed route service, complementary paratransit within city limits, Population 32,075.

Project Location (Urbanized Areas)

UZA Code	Area Name
183540	Michigan City-La Porte, IN-MI

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Program Plan Information**STIP/TIP**

Date: N/A

Description: N/A

UPWP

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Description: N/A

Long Range Plan

Date: N/A

Description: N/A

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FHWA Transfer to 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grants	5307-3	20507	\$562,000
Local			\$140,500
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$702,500

Project Budget

Project Number	Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non-FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
IN-2025-003-02-00	111-00 (111-A2) BUS - ROLLING STOCK	\$562,000.00	\$140,500.00	\$702,500.00	4
IN-2025-003-02-00	11.12.02 BUY REPLACEMENT 35-FT BUS	\$362,000.00	\$90,500.00	\$452,500.00	2
IN-2025-003-02-00	11.12.03 BUY REPLACEMENT 30-FT BUS	\$200,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$250,000.00	2

Project Budget Activity Line Items

Budget Activity Line Item: 11.12.02 - BUY REPLACEMENT 35-FT BUS

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
BUS - ROLLING STOCK (111-00)	11.12.02	BUY REPLACEMENT 35-FT BUS	BUY REPLACEMENTS - CAPITAL BUS	2

Extended Budget Description
This project will be funded through Section 5307, FY 2021, Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), FTA federal share is \$362,000 - 80% Local share \$90,500 20% and total project cost is \$452,500.00. These funds will be used to purchase (2) mid-size - 35ft, cutaway replacement revenue vehicles in our rolling stock. The vehicles will have met their useful life at 200,000 miles and/or 7 years at time of delivery. The new useful life of the new vehicles will be 7 years.
Buses to be replaced are Bus #46 and Bus #52. Project listed in STIP/TIP 2024-2028, documentation on page 62, NiR-24-019.
#46, Vin# GF7275, current miles 269,234
#52, Vin# HR6227, current miles 224,620

Will 3rd Party contractors be used to fulfill this activity line item?
Yes, 3rd Party Contractors will be used for this line item.

Propulsion	Fuel Type	Vehicle Condition	Vehicle Size (ft.)
N/A	Diesel Fuel	New	35ft

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
FHWA Transfer to 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grants	5307-3	20507	\$362,000
Local			\$90,500
Local/In-Kind			\$0

State	\$0
State/In-Kind	\$0
Other Federal	\$0
Transportation Development Credit	\$0
Adjustment	\$0
Total Eligible Cost	\$452,500

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
RFP	11/18/2024	Project start, out for Bid.
Contract Awarded	12/31/2024	Project in process.
Initial delivery	6/1/2025	Vehicles delivered project in process.
Final delivery	8/1/2025	Contract Completion.

Budget Activity Line Item: 11.12.03 - BUY REPLACEMENT 30-FT BUS

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
BUS - ROLLING STOCK (111-00)	11.12.03	BUY REPLACEMENT 30-FT BUS	BUY REPLACEMENTS - CAPITAL BUS	2

Extended Budget Description

This project will be funded through Section 5307, FY 2021, STGB. These funds will be used to purchase two (2) small ADA paratransit vehicles, replacement revenue vehicles in our rolling stock. The vehicles will have met their useful life at 150,000 miles and/or 5 years at time of delivery. FTA \$200,000 - 80%, Local \$50,000 - 20%, Project cost \$250,000. Buses to be replaced are, Bus #39 and Bus #41. The new useful life of the new vehicles is 5 years. Project listed in STIP/TIP 2024-2028, page 62, NIR-24-018. #39, Vin# 201300, Current miles 129,208
#41, Vin# 201584, Current miles 114, 950

Will 3rd Party contractors be used to fulfill this activity line item?

Yes, 3rd Party Contractors will be used for this line item.

Propulsion	Fuel Type	Vehicle Condition	Vehicle Size (ft.)
N/A	Gasoline	New	30ft

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
FHWA Transfer to 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grants	5307-3	20507	\$200,000
Local			\$50,000
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0

Transportation Development Credit	\$0
Adjustment	\$0
Total Eligible Cost	\$250,000

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
RFP/IFB Start Date	11/18/2024	Start Date
Contract Award	12/31/2024	Project In Process.
Initial delivery	5/1/2025	Delivery of vehicles, project in progress.
Final delivery	7/1/2025	Final delivery of vehicles, project completion.

Project Environmental Findings

Finding: Class II(c) - Categorical Exclusions (C-List)

Class Level Description
 Class II(c) consists of projects that do not have a significant environmental impact on the human or natural environment and are therefore categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement. FTA requires a sufficient project description to support a CE determination. The project may require additional documentation to comply with other environmental laws.

Categorical Exclusion Description

Type 07: Acquisition, installation, rehabilitation, replacement, and maintenance of vehicles or equipment, within or accommodated by existing facilities, that does not result in a change in functional use of the facilities, such as: equipment to be located within existing facilities and with no substantial off-site impacts; and vehicles, including buses, rail cars, trolley cars, ferry boats and people movers that can be accommodated by existing facilities or by new facilities that qualify for a categorical exclusion.

Date	Description	Date
	Class IIc CE Approved	

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
BUS - ROLLING STOCK (111-00)	11.12.02	BUY REPLACEMENT 35-FT BUS	2	\$362,000.00	\$452,500.00
BUS - ROLLING STOCK (111-00)	11.12.03	BUY REPLACEMENT 30-FT BUS	2	\$200,000.00	\$250,000.00

Part 4: Fleet Details

Fleet Type: Paratransit

Fleet Comments
 None provided.

		Current Value
I.	Active Fleet	
	A. Peak Requirement	2
	B. Spares	1
	C. Total (A+B)	3
	D. Spare Ratio (B/A)	50%
II.	Inactive Fleet	
	A. Other	0
	B. Pending Disposal	0
	C. Total (A+B)	0
III.	Total (I.C and II.C)	3

Fleet Type: Fixed Route

Fleet Comments

In 2015 CMAQ grant for service expansion "Transit Triangle" Commuter Route. 2 route providing service to Michigan City, La Porte City and Purdue University Northwestern. Project included 2 - 37" Glaval Lagacy- Freightliner Buses 29 passenger seating/ 2 Wheelchair position and 11 passenger standing position.

		Current Value
I.	Active Fleet	
	A. Peak Requirement	6
	B. Spares	3
	C. Total (A+B)	9
	D. Spare Ratio (B/A)	50%
II.	Inactive Fleet	
	A. Other	0
	B. Pending Disposal	0
	C. Total (A+B)	0
III.	Total (I.C and II.C)	9

Part 5: FTA Review Comments

Application Review Comments

Comment By Nathaniel Seeskin

Comment Type Application Details

Date 8/19/2024

Comment Transit Vehicle Manufacturers (TVM) must have an approved FTA DBE Goal prior to bidding on contract. For a current listing, see <https://www.transit.dot.gov/regulations->

and-guidance/civil-rights-ada/eligible-tvms-list. Recipient must ensure that all vehicles purchased are accessible and purchased from an FTA approved TVM.

In accordance with 49 CFR 37.77, public funded entities operating demand-responsive service which receive financial assistance from the Federal Transit Act must file a certificate of equivalent service before procuring any inaccessible demand-responsive vehicle. Please contact FTACivilRightsSupport@dot.gov for more information.

Application Review Comments

Comment By Angelica Salgado

Comment Type Pre-Award Manager Returns Application

Date 9/12/2024

Comment

Part 6: Agreement

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

GRANT AGREEMENT (FTA G-31)

On the date the authorized U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) official signs this Grant Agreement, FTA has obligated and awarded federal assistance as provided below. Upon execution of this Grant Agreement by the Recipient named below, the Recipient affirms this FTA Award, enters into this Grant Agreement with FTA, and binds its compliance with the terms of this Grant Agreement.

The following documents are incorporated by reference and made part of this Grant Agreement:

- (1) "Federal Transit Administration Master Agreement," FTA MA(31), <http://www.transit.dot.gov>,
- (2) The Certifications and Assurances applicable to the FTA Award that the Recipient has selected and provided to FTA, and
- (3) Any Award notification containing special conditions or requirements, if issued.

WHEN THE TERM "FTA AWARD" OR "AWARD" IS USED, EITHER IN THIS GRANT AGREEMENT OR THE APPLICABLE MASTER AGREEMENT, "AWARD" ALSO INCLUDES ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THIS GRANT AGREEMENT.

FTA OR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MAY WITHDRAW ITS OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE FEDERAL ASSISTANCE IF THE RECIPIENT DOES NOT EXECUTE THIS GRANT AGREEMENT WITHIN 90 DAYS FOLLOWING FTA's AWARD DATE SET FORTH HEREIN.

FTA AWARD

Federal Transit Administration (FTA) hereby awards a Federal Grant as follows:

Recipient Information

Recipient Name: CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY

Recipient ID: 6273

UEI: R4VKTKNYMSN9

DUNS: 133186775

Award Information

Federal Award Identification Number: IN-2025-003-00

Award Name: Michigan City Transit FFY 2022 - 5307 Operating Assistance / STBG FY 2021 - Bus Replacement

Award Start Date: 1/28/2025

Original Award End Date: 1/1/2027

Current Award End Date: 1/1/2027

Award Executive Summary: This award is to provide operating assistance, Section 5307 from FY 2022 and FY 2023 in the total amount of \$1,919,282. The City will also procure 4 vehicles funded through Section 5307 STBG, in the total amount of \$562,000, for Fixed routes and Complementary Para-Transit routes. The local match is derived from Michigan City property taxes and river boat funds for a total of \$ 2,059,782. Period of Performance October 1, 2023-August 1, 2025.

Funds for this grant are derived from FY 2022 Section 5307, in the amount of federal share \$953,705, local share \$953,705 and total project cost, \$1,907,410.

Funds for this grant are derived from FY 2023 Section 5307, in the amount of federal share \$985,577, local share \$985,577 and total project cost, \$ 1,931,154.

Funds for this grant are derived from FY 2021 Section 5307 STBG, in the amount of federal share \$562,000, local share \$140,500, and total project cost, \$702,500.

Attachments to this application include the TIP Table referencing 2024-2028 Pg. 62, STIP 2024-2028 Letter dated September 1, 2023, STBG Transfer letter, 5307 Split Letter FY 2022- July 13, 2022, and FY 2023 August 14, 2023, Split letter.

Michigan City Transit, as a receipt of section 5307 program funds, City of Michigan City is certifying the 1% security expenditure is unnecessary. The City spends sufficient local funding on security projects and therefore does not need to spend formula funds on security projects. Surveillance Camera system installed at bus garage and recording cameras are installed on all buses, operating 24/7.

Research and Development: This award does not include research and development activities.

Indirect Costs: This award does not include an indirect cost rate.

Suballocation Funds: Recipient organization is the Designated Recipient and can apply for and receive these apportioned funds.

Pre-Award Authority: This award is using Pre-Award Authority.

Award Budget

Total Award Budget: \$4,541,064.00

Amount of Federal Assistance Obligated for This FTA Action (in U.S. Dollars): \$2,481,282.00

Amount of Non-Federal Funds Committed to This FTA Action (in U.S. Dollars): \$2,059,782.00

Total FTA Amount Awarded and Obligated (in U.S. Dollars): \$2,481,282.00

Total Non-Federal Funds Committed to the Overall Award (in U.S. Dollars): \$2,059,782.00

Award Budget Control Totals

(The Budget includes the individual Project Budgets (Scopes and Activity Line Items) or as attached)

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5307 - Urbanized Area Formula Grants (2013 and forward)	5307-2A	20507	\$1,919,282
FHWA Transfer to 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grants	5307-3	20507	\$562,000
Local			\$2,059,782
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$4,541,064

(The Transportation Development Credits are not added to the amount of the Total Award Budget.)

U.S. Department of Labor Certification of Public Transportation Employee Protective Arrangements:

DOL Decision: DOL Concurs - Certified
DOL Review Date: 1/22/2025
DOL Certification Date: 1/22/2025

Special Conditions

There are no special conditions.

FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS

By signing this Award on behalf of FTA, I am making all the determinations and findings required by federal law and regulations before this Award may be made.

FTA AWARD OF THE GRANT AGREEMENT

Awarded By:
Kelley Brookins
Regional Administrator
FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Contact Info: kelly.brookins@dot.gov
Award Date: 1/28/2025

EXECUTION OF THE GRANT AGREEMENT

Upon full execution of this Grant Agreement by the Recipient, the Effective Date will be the date FTA or the Federal Government awarded Federal assistance for this Grant Agreement.

By executing this Grant Agreement, the Recipient intends to enter into a legally binding agreement in which the Recipient:

- (1) Affirms this FTA Award,
- (2) Adopts and ratifies all of the following information it has submitted to FTA:
 - (a) Statements,
 - (b) Representations,
 - (c) Warranties,
 - (d) Covenants, and
 - (e) Materials,
- (3) Consents to comply with the requirements of this FTA Award, and
- (4) Agrees to all terms and conditions set forth in this Grant Agreement.

Executed By:
Robin Tillman
Transit Director
CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY
1/28/2025

MICHIGAN CITY COMMON COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**SUPPORTING HOUSE BILL NO. 1026 PROHIBITING MARIJUANA ADVERTISING
WITHIN 1,000 FEET OF SCHOOL PROPERTY, PLAYGROUND, A YOUTH
PROGRAM CENTER, A PUBLIC PARK, A PUBLIC LIBRARY OR REGULAR ROUTE
OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL BUS**

WHEREAS, pending House Bill No. 1026 seeks to prohibit advertising a product containing marijuana or a marijuana business on a sign within 1,000 feet of school property, a playground, a youth program center, a public park, a public library, or the regular route of a public school bus; and

WHEREAS, according to information on the Indiana General Assembly 2025 Session website, House Bill No. 1026 has been referred to the Committee on Judiciary, however, no hearings are currently scheduled on said Bill; and

WHEREAS, the City of Michigan City is within minutes of driving time to the borders of the State of Michigan, which has legalized marijuana, and where numerous marijuana dispensaries have opened on U.S. Hwy 12 in New Buffalo, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the multitude of marijuana dispensaries in New Buffalo, Michigan, Michigan City is now experiencing marijuana dispensary advertising billboards at several locations with City limits; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council reasonably believes that the children residing within the Michigan City should not be exposed to such advertising around their schools, playgrounds, youth programming centers, public parks, libraries, and while on route to school in a school bus; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan City supports House Bill No. 1026.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA
COMMON COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The aforementioned "Whereas" sections are incorporated herein as if fully set forth herein.
2. The City supports House Bill No. 1026.
3. The City Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the following members of the Committee on Judiciary:
 - Rep. Chris Jeter
 - Rep. Garrett Bascom
 - Rep. Andrew Ireland
 - Rep. Jennifer Meltzer
 - Rep. Gregory Steuerwald
 - Rep. Maureen Bauer
 - Rep. Ryan Dvorak
 - Rep. Alex Zimmerman
 - Rep. Michelle Davis
 - Rep. Danny Lopez
 - Rep. J.D. Prescott
 - Rep. Victoria Garcia Wilburn
 - Rep. Alex Burton

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after passage by the Michigan City Common Council and approval by the Mayor.

INTRODUCED BY: _____
Don Przybylinski, Member
Michigan City Common Council

Passed by the Common Council of the City of Michigan City, Indiana this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Tracie Tillman, President
Michigan City Common Council

Approved/Vetoed (*circle action taken*) by me, this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Angie Nelson Deutch, Mayor
Michigan City, Indiana

ATTEST:

Gale A. Neulieb, Clerk
City of Michigan City, Indiana

Prepared by Corporation Counsel Upon Request

MICHIGAN CITY COMMON COUNCIL

RESOLUTION _____

**RECOGNIZING AND HONORING “CELEBRATING NAOMI ANDERSON DAY” ON
MARCH 1st ANNUALLY AND IN PERPETUITY**

WHEREAS, Naomi Bowman Talbert Anderson was born in Michigan City, Indiana, on March 1, 1843, to free blacks, Elijah and Guilley Ann Bowman; and

WHEREAS, Naomi Anderson was initially barred from attending the segregated public school until the school read her poetry and then she was admitted to public school in Michigan City, Indiana, which was the only formal education she received; and

WHEREAS, at age 26, Naomi Anderson spoke at the first Women's Rights Convention held in Chicago, Illinois, becoming a public figure known throughout the country as a controversial and fiery speaker; and

WHEREAS, Naomi Anderson's writings were published in hundreds of newspapers throughout the United States, and she spoke to tens of thousands of people during her lifetime, advocating for human rights, women's right to vote, unions, orphans, temperance, and for “A Solution to the Race Problem;” and

WHEREAS, with great courage, Naomi Anderson was known throughout the country for her eloquence, moral force, and life of activism, while fighting the dual oppression for being both a person of color and female; and

WHEREAS, in the year 2020, the Michigan City Mainstreet Association and Celebrating Naomi Anderson Project Team received an Indiana Humanities and Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs “Preserving Women’s Legacy” grant for recognizing Naomi Anderson with a sculpture designed by artist Bernard Williams honoring her life which has been installed in Charles R. Westcott Park at US 35 and US 12 in Michigan City, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, due to circumstances of history, Naomi Anderson has not received the national recognition which she so richly deserves although she was a dynamic force, leaving an indelible mark on American history well beyond 1899, the year she passed on, leaving it to her hometown to honor this daughter of Michigan City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Michigan City, Indiana honors the indelible mark on American history made by Michigan City native Naomi Anderson by naming March 1st annually, in perpetuity, “Celebrating Naomi Anderson Day” in Michigan City, Indiana.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after passage by the Michigan City Common Council and the approval by the Mayor.

INTRODUCED BY: _____

Nancy Moldenhauer, Member
Michigan City, Common Council

Tracie Tillman, President
Michigan City Common Council

Daisy Lee, Member
Michigan City Common Council

Don Przybylinski, Member
Michigan City Common Council

Passed by the Common Council of the City of Michigan City, Indiana, this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Tracie Tillman, President
Michigan City Common Council

Approved/Vetoed (circle choice) by me, this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Angie Nelson Deutch, Mayor
City of Michigan City, Indiana

ATTEST:

Gale A. Neulieb, Clerk
City of Michigan City, Indiana