

Notice of Public Hearing

Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District at 3:00 PM on May 27, 2020 for the purpose of considering a project for which financial assistance is being sought from the Illinois Department of Transportation, pursuant to its Capital Grants Program.

The projects are generally described as follows: (1) purchase of four 60-foot hydrogen fuel cell electric buses; (2) purchase of three 40-foot hybrid buses; (3) construction of solar array; and (4) information kiosk. Further detail on the projects can be found on the following page.

In accordance with Governor Pritzker's Stay-at-Home order related to the COVID-19 pandemic, members of the public will only be able to attend this hearing remotely. Members of the public can listen to the public hearing live at: <https://youtu.be/9ZQTz8AmjwE>.

The Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District will provide an opportunity for interested persons or agencies to be heard with respect to the social, economic, and environmental aspects of the projects. Interested persons may submit comments in via email with respect to said projects. Comments must be submitted to procurement@mtd.org by 3:00 PM on May 27, 2020.

At the hearing, the Board of Trustees Clerk will read aloud any comments received.

A copy of the state grant application for the proposed projects will be made available for public inspection after May 28, 2020 by contacting procurement@mtd.org or 217-384-8188.

Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District strives to provide an environment welcoming to all persons regardless of disability, race, gender, or religion. Please call Beth Brunk at 217-384-8188 to request special accommodations at least 2 business days in advance.

Project Descriptions

60-foot Bus Replacement (Phase 2 Fuel Cell Electric Fleet)

Estimated Cost: \$6,520,640.00

This project will replace four 60-foot diesel buses with four 60-foot hydrogen fuel cell electric buses. All four buses to be replaced will be 20 years old by the time the replacements arrive. The hydrogen fueling station that is included in Phase 1 of the Hydrogen Fuel Cell Electric Project has enough capacity to accommodate these four additional buses. No additional infrastructure is needed for Phase 2.

40-foot Bus Replacement

Estimated Total Cost: \$1,983,000.00

This project will add three 40-foot hybrid buses, bringing the District's total fixed route fleet to 116 vehicles. The District's current spare ratio is 14.14%. The Federal Transit Administration recommends a spare ratio of no more than 20%. This project will provide the District with a spare ratio of 16.67%, allowing for more room to conduct preventative and incidental maintenance while still providing full service to our passengers.

Solar Array Expansion

Estimated Total Cost: \$4,400,000.00

This project expands the District's commitment to renewable energy with the construction of a 3 million kWh solar array. The solar array will be built across the street from the District's facilities at the Urbana Champaign Sanitary District (UCSD) Northeast Plant. MTD will own the solar array and will utilize the energy generated from the array for the hydrogen generation and fueling station at MTD's Maintenance Facility.

Information Kiosk Rehabilitation

Estimated Total Cost: \$110,000.00

This project will repair rust damage and replace failing components on MTD's oldest kiosks. The first-generation kiosks were constructed using powder coated steel, which has proven ill-equipped to stand up to harsh weather conditions. We have since made design changes, and the second-generation kiosks were constructed with powder coated *stainless steel* to mitigate this problem. Additionally, several kiosks have failing internal components (displays, PCs) that require replacements.