



Community Development Department

DATE: May 28, 2024

FROM: Ben Ehreth, Community Development Director

ITEM: FY2024 5307 Grant Application

REQUEST:

Permission to apply for a FY24 Section 5307 grant.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Bismarck-Mandan Metropolitan Planning Organization, on behalf of Bis-Man Transit, requests the Bismarck Board of City Commissioners consider approval to apply for a FY24 Section 5307 grant. The Federal Transit Administration (FTA), through its Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grants program, offers funding to transit agencies to assist in funding their operating expenses and capital procurement needs. The grant will provide funding assistance for:

- The daily operations expenses of Bis-Man Transit and its staff incurred in the operation of public transportation services in Bismarck;
- Capital cost of contracting, which encompasses the third-party contract tasks associated with the physical operation of transit buses and bus routes;
- Preventive maintenance that enables Bis-Man Transit to maintain its rider facilities and equipment, as well as the fixed-route buses and motorbuses, in a state of good repair;
- Security enhancements to continue the upgrade and replacement of security cameras and/or hardware and to cover other general security needs as they arise.

The total grant request is \$3,269,132. The Federal award is \$2,126,199 and the local match is \$1,142,933, which will be provided by Bis-Man Transit. Award and budget authority are requested from the Bismarck City Commission for this grant application.

RECOMMENDED CITY COMMISSION ACTION:

Staff requests approval to apply for the FY24 Section 5307 grant on behalf of Bis-Man Transit.

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