



Date of Memo: September 19, 2023
Current Meeting: September 21, 2023
Board Meeting: September 27, 2023

BOARD MEMORANDUM

TO: Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IPTC) Board of Directors
THROUGH: President/CEO Inez P. Evans
FROM: Interim Deputy Chief Transportation Officer Michael L. Roth
SUBJECT: Consideration and approval of replacement Paratransit vehicles

ACTION ITEM A – 9

RECOMMENDATION:

It is requested the IPTC Board of Directors authorize the President/CEO to enter into a procurement contract with Midwest Transit Equipment, Inc., for the purchase of ten accessible paratransit passenger bodies on chassis (BOC) vehicles for an amount not to exceed \$1,392,205.

BACKGROUND:

The Americans Disability Act requires public transportation companies operating fixed-route transportation systems to provide comparable paratransit services to people with disabilities. IndyGo Access serves riders who qualify for this service due to a disability or a disabling health condition that would prevent them from regular use of the fixed-route system.

The average useful life of a paratransit vehicle is five years or 150,000 miles, whatever comes first. This action item replaces several vehicles that have already exceeded their useful life.

DISCUSSION:

Grant funding allows us to procure ten body-on-chassis vehicles to replace older, high-mileage vehicles to improve reliability. This request includes the cost of added accessories to make ready-for-revenue service, such as camera technology (Illuminator) wiring installed on each new vehicle and our approved vehicle wrapping brand.

IPTC will utilize the State's Quantity Purchase Agreement (QPA), which meets federal procurement requirements and, based on the current QPA, Midwest Transit Equipment, Inc., is the approved vendor.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board of Directors could choose not to replace vehicles at this time, but it would deviate from the Board's adopted 2023 Capital Plan for Paratransit vehicle replacement plan to maintain a state of good repair. Vehicles in use that are beyond their useful life.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This procurement costs \$1,392,205 and is part of the 2023 Board approved capital plan. Funding sources for this procurement are Section 5310 and 5339 federal grant programs (80%) and (20%) local match.

DBE/XBE DECLARATION:

No DBE goal is associated with this contract award.

STANDING COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION:

This action will be reviewed by the Finance Committee and Service Committee on September 21, 2023.