

## Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Dodger Area Rapid Transit (DART) Transit System, on May 22, 2023 at 2:00 P.M. at the MIDAS Council of Governments office 602 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue South, Fort Dodge, Iowa in the conference room. The purpose of the hearing is to discuss an application from the DART Transit System to the Iowa Department of Transportation for financial assistance as follows:

The DART Transit System will request state transit assistance and federal transit assistance of approximately \$258,789 and \$483,550, respectively, for support of day-to-day transit operations.

The DART Transit System will also request the following amounts of federal transit assistance to support capital equipment purchases. Which, if approved, will be matched with local dollars:

1. Purchase one ADA Accessible 158' Light Duty Bus with surveillance and route configuration for replacement – approximately \$156,393 Total Cost, \$132,934 Federal Funds.
2. Purchase two ADA Accessible 176' Light Duty Bus with surveillance and route configuration for replacement – approximately \$310,476 Total Cost, \$263,905 Federal Funds.
3. Purchase one ADA Accessible 32' Medium Duty Diesel Bus with surveillance and route configuration for replacement – approximately \$387,677 Total Cost, \$329,525 Federal Funds
4. Marketing Funds for Intercity Bus Route - approximately \$9,400 Total Cost, \$7,500 Federal Funds.

These projects will not have a significant detrimental environmental effect on the area and no persons or businesses will be displaced by these activities.

Any interested person or agency is invited to attend this hearing and speak for or against this application for funding. The DART Transit System, through the date and time of the hearing specified above, will accept written comments. Written comments should be sent to DART Transit System, Attention Stacy Lentsch, 602 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue South, Fort Dodge, Iowa 50501 or emailed to [slentsch@midascog.net](mailto:slentsch@midascog.net).

Copies of the application are available for public review at the MIDAS office, 602 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue South, Fort Dodge, Iowa or by contacting Stacy Lentsch, with MIDAS by email at [slentsch@midascog.net](mailto:slentsch@midascog.net) or calling (515) 576-7183 ext. 212.

If you have any special needs pertaining to this public meeting or would like additional information you may contact Stacy Lentsch, contact information listed above.