

Project Summary

Agency: City of Lincoln

Division: StarTran

Since public acquisition of the Lincoln City Lines in 1971, StarTran has been providing efficient, convenient, and economical public transportation services. The services provided comply with the current Comprehensive Regional Plan. Previous capital improvement programs have included equipment essential in StarTran's provision of services. The FY 2002-2008 CIP describes capital items which will afford the opportunity for continued improvement of StarTran services. The one-year, FY 2002-2003, program is comprised of the beginning of funding for replacement of 20 additional full-size transit vehicles. Future years include continued replacement of additional StarTran transit vehicles and purchase of associated equipment/items.

1. Purchase of Full-size Buses

Funds have been proposed, beginning FY 2002-2003 and ending in FY 2006-2007, to purchase 20 full-size replacement transit vehicles, with those vehicles to be purchased over a 5-year period with delivery in FY 2006-2007. Local funding for the purchase of the 20 vehicles is comprised of City of Lincoln general revenues, a portion of the funds received from the University of Nebraska per the portion of the StarTran/UNL Transportation Program designated for vehicle replacement.. The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has issued regulations which enable such phasing of buses as an alternate to the traditional direct purchase of vehicles. The twenty full-size transit vehicles will replace twenty current StarTran buses, all of which will exceed twelve years of operation by FY 2007-2008. Federal Transit Administration requires that full-size transit vehicles have an operational economic life of twelve years, although StarTran has, and will likely to continue to, operate buses longer than the twelve-year life until replacement vehicles are acquired. Funds are also proposed in FY 2007-2008 to begin the accumulation of funding for replacement of 16 additional full-size transit vehicles, continuing a scheduled/programmed vehicle replacement program, which may, depending on future funding, be completed in less than five years. An evaluation was completed in 1994, and is updated annually, which analyzes the current structural and engine conditions of the StarTran fleet and determines a proposed replacement schedule of StarTran buses. The proposed purchase of 20 replacement transit vehicles in FY 2002-2003 through 2007-2008, and subsequent continued vehicle replacement beginning in FY 2007-2008 is in compliance with the StarTran vehicle replacement program.

2. Purchase of Supervisor Vehicles

Funds are proposed in FY 2003-2004, and FY 2005-2006 and FY 2007-2008 to purchase four replacement supervisor vehicles. The vehicles to be replaced are a 1992 Ford Tempo sedan, a 1996 Dodge Caravan, a 1996 Dodge Intrepid and a 1999 Chevy Venture - analyses are conducted evaluating the vehicle conditions and which will justify the need to replace the four subject vehicles. The two mini-van supervisor vehicles, with 7-9 seats, are meeting the unique needs of StarTran supervisors, transporting supplies and schedules, and carrying patrons when necessary. The 1992 Ford tempo, scheduled for replacement in FY 2003-2004, will be replaced by a 4 x 4 SUV-type vehicle, with capability to transport patrons in inclement weather.

Summary (Continued)

3. Shop Tools/Equipment

Funds are proposed in each fiscal year for continued routine upgrade and replacement of tools and equipment, as well as for replacement due to unexpected breakage. Such tools and equipment include an air dryer, brake lathe, replacement garage doors, and new lifting equipment.

4. Computer Hardware/Software

Funds are proposed in FY 2003-2004, FY 2005-2006 and FY 2007-2008 for continued routine upgrade/replacement of StarTran computer hardware and software. Such funding will afford the opportunity for maintaining effective computer services for StarTran administration, operators, and maintenance functions. Staff training courses utilizing computerized programs are integrated as part of the continuing StarTran training program.

5. Purchase of Bus Passenger Shelters

Nine bus passenger shelters are proposed to be purchased in FY 2006-2007. StarTran patrons have consistently emphasized the desirability of shelters to facilitate their utilization of StarTran services. Shelters are located at key locations on the StarTran routes. When possible, adjacent property owners, particularly employers, participate in construction costs and in the cleaning of the shelter.

6. Purchase of Shredder

The paper shredder utilized by StarTran was installed in FY 1993-94. Such equipment has a typical economic life of approximately 5 to 7 years. Funds are included in FY 2004-2005 for replacement. The paper shredder has been an effective means of destroying used paper fare devices to insure that such devices are not reused.

7. Purchase of Replacement Service Vehicle

Funds are included in FY 2005-2006 to replace the 1980 International sanding truck. This vehicle is utilized by StarTran maintenance staff as a snow removal and sanding vehicle.

8. Handi-Van Replacement

Funds are included for normal replacement of our current HandiVan fleet. The fleet currently consists of seven 1995 Ford Vans, one 1993 Ford Van and one 1997 Ford Van, which have an economic life of 7 years. Funds are programmed in FY 2002-03 for purchase of eight replacement HandiVan vehicles. All eight vehicles for which funds have been, and are being, programmed will be purchased in one order, to insure consistency in vehicles/parts and lower purchase costs.

Summary (Continued)

9. Farebox Purchase

Funds are included in FY 2006-2007 to replacement of all bus fareboxes. Currently, the fareboxes are 14 years old. The fareboxes have exceeded their normal operating life. Replacement of fareboxes will afford the opportunity to effectively collect accurate passenger fares and process fare structure information for routine analysis. StarTran will have the potential to implement the "smart card" technology which will allow patrons to utilize a debit card to make fare transactions.

10. Floor Scrubber

Funds are included in FY 2007-2008 for the replacement of a floor scrubber. The current scrubber was purchased in 1982 and will have exceeded its normal operating life. The scrubber would be utilized on all garage floors to effectively clean oil, grease and dirt build-up.

11. Air Conditioning System

Funds are included in FY 2007-2008 to replace the air conditioning system in the office areas. The current system was installed in 1985 and its economic life will have been passed. The current system produces insufficient air flow.

12. "G" Street Building Roof

Funds are included in FY 2007-2008 to replace the roof located at 7th and "G" Street. This building is currently used as an additional bus and parts storage area. The current roof is at least 30 years old and there is considerable leaking and deterioration of the roof. StarTran shares the building with Lincoln Parks & Recreation and Lincoln Fire Department. StarTran will cover half the cost of replacing the roof and the Parks & Recreation and Fire Department will be expected to cover the rest of the cost.

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MEMORANDUM

To: Mike Brienzo - Planning
From: Brian Praeuner - StarTran
Date: March 5, 2002
Subject: Private Enterprise
cc: Allan Abbott - PW/U

PLEASE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING AS PART OF THE F.Y. 2003-2005 & 2006-2008 TIP:

The January 24, 1986 Federal Register contains a requirement that documentation of review of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Annual Element for conformance with the FTA private enterprise policies be provided. This memo responds to that requirement by documenting the results of the "Process for Private Sector Participation in Planning and Provision of Transit Services - Lincoln, Nebraska" as developed by the MPO on June 23, 1986, as follows:

1. Conduct and maintain an inventory of private-for-profit operators within Lincoln area and on national level (as provided by FTA).

Inventory of 8 "national" and 4 "local" private-for-profit operators compiled, utilizing local and FTA sources of information (see Attachment #1).

2. Provide reasonable notice and opportunity for comment to private-for-profit operators of proposed transportation plans and programs.

The StarTran portion of the draft F.Y. 2003-2005 & 2006-2008 Lincoln Lancaster County TIP was forwarded to all inventoried private-for-profit operators on February 11, 2002. This information was to:

- * Provide reasonable notice of proposed transportation plans and programs;
- * Provide opportunity for private operators to review and comment on existing, restructured, and new services;
- * Provide opportunity for private operators to propose privately operated services for Lincoln's transit program.

Comments on the transit services described in the draft F.Y. 2003-2005 & 2006-2008 TIP and proposals for provision of privately operated services were to be received no later than March 4, 2002. See Attachment #2 for a sample of the February 11, 2002 letter to the private-for-profit operators.

3. Additional information provided as requested.

StarTran staff responded to questions from private operators as appropriate.

4. Development of a local procedure for comparing costs on any service proposals received versus public and non-public and nonprofit operations. Such a procedure should conform with generally accepted accounting principles and be fair and reasonable.

A local procedure for comparing costs of any service proposals received versus public and non-profit operations was developed and forwarded to FTA on September 26, 1986 for review and comment. That procedure was subsequently accepted by FTA officials. It was noted that a more specific cost comparison process will be developed and implemented when, and if, a RPF for specific transit service is distributed by the City as specific data will be required of proposers when submissions are provided.

5. The Technical Committee, Officials Committee and MPO to be advised of any service proposals received as a result of this process prior to their review and actions on the TIP. Evaluation of any proposals received will be expected to follow MPO action on the TIP but would be completed, with the appropriate documentation, prior to submittal of grant request.

We anticipate no submissions, contracts, or service proposals will be received from any of the national and local private-for-profit operators contacted. If proposals are received an evaluation of the proposals will be performed.

It is recommended that the Technical Committee, Officials Committee, and the MPO, as part of the review and action on the F.Y. 2003-2005 & 2006-2008 Transportation Improvement Program, acknowledge that the "Process for Private Sector Participation in Planning and Provision of Transit Services - Lincoln, Nebraska" was carried out and that no service proposals were received. It is also recommended that the StarTran portion of the draft F.Y. 2003-2005 & 2006-2008 Transportation Improvement Program can be approved as submitted.

Brian Praeuner
StarTran Planner

February 11, 2002

Husker Cab Company
320 West P Street
Lincoln, NE 68528

To Whom It May Concern:

In conformance with the guidance contained in the October 22, 1984 and January 24, 1986 Federal Registers regarding private enterprise participation in Federal Transit Administration Programs, enclosed is a copy of the StarTran portion of the draft 2002-2008 Lincoln-Lancaster County, Nebraska Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

This information is being forwarded to both Lincoln and national private-for-profit operators to provide reasonable notice of proposed transportation plans and programs and opportunity for private operators to review and comment on existing, special services restructured, and new services and to propose privately operated services for Lincoln's transit program. Additional information regarding the attached program will be provided upon request by contacting this department.

Comments on the transit services described in the enclosed program and proposals for the provision of privately operated services for Lincoln's transit program are to be received by me no later than March 4, 2002. Proposals received will be evaluated in a manner consistent with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) policies, and proposers will be advised of the results of that evaluation in a timely manner.

Sincerely,

Brian Praeuner
Planner

Enclosure

cc: Shannon Graves - FTA, Region VII

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Lincoln, NE 68528

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Norfolk, NE 68701

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Lincoln, NE 68508

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W Burlington, IA 52655

Mr. Louis N. Zelle, President
Jefferson Lines
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Minneapolis, MN 55403

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Overland Park, KS 6211

A.T.E. Mgmt & Service Co., Inc.
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Phoenix, AR 85077

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

DIVISION: STAR TRAN

(1)	(2)	(3)	5% Inflation per year (4)											
PROJ NO (Map)	PROJECT (Location & Distance) (Improvement Description) (Work Phase) (Project Number)	PROJ PRIO	PROGRAMMED EXPENDITURES & FUNDING SOURCES (FS) (000's)											
			PRIORITY PROJECTS						OUT YEAR PROJECTS					
			2002-03	FS	2003-04	FS	2004-05	FS	2005-06	FS	2006-07	FS	2007-08	FS
1	Purchase/Financing of 20 Full Size Buses	A	769.46	FA	1,151.30	FA	1,077.00	FA	924.30	FA	983.55	FA		
			116.30	SR	86.00	SR	86.00	SR	94.00	SR	94.00	SR		
	TOTAL		885.76		1,397.16		1,307.60		1,123.60		1,195.35			
1A	Purchase/Financing of 16 Full Size Buses	A											1,541.85	FA
													221.80	GR
													94.00	SR
	TOTAL												1,857.65	
2	Purchase of Supervisors Vehicles	A			20.80	FA			17.60	FA			24.00	FA
					5.20	GR			4.40	GR			6.00	GR
	TOTAL				26.00				22.00				30.00	
3	Shop Tools/Equipment	A	32.20	FA	25.60	FA	21.20	FA	25.60	FA	28.80	FA	20.00	FA
			8.00	GR	6.40	GR	5.30	GR	6.40	GR	7.20	GR	5.00	GR
	TOTAL		40.20		32.00		26.50		32.00		36.00		25.00	
4	Computer Hardware & Software	A			16.00	FA			17.60	FA			16.00	FA
					4.00	GR			4.40	GR			4.00	GR
	TOTAL				20.00				22.00				20.00	
5	Purchase of Bus Passenger Shelters	A									36.00	FA		
											9.00	GR		
	TOTAL										45.00			
6	Purchase of Shredder	A					8.00	FA						
							2.00	GR						
	TOTAL						10.00							
7	Purchase of Replacement Service Vehicles	A							36.00	FA				
									9.00	GR				
	TOTAL								45.00					
8	HandiVan Vehicle Replacement	A	281.20	FA	57.60	GR								
	TOTAL		338.80											
9	Farebox Purchase	A									185.60	FA		
											46.40	GR		
	TOTAL										232.00			
10	Floor Scrubber	A											40.00	FA
													10.00	GR
	TOTAL												50.00	

(5)	(6)	(7)		(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)						(1)
							COST BREAKDOWNS FOR SIX-YEAR EXPENDITURES (000's)						
TOTAL FOR SIX YEARS (000's)	COST BEYOND 2006-07 (000's)	PRIOR APPROPRIATIONS (000's) YEAR FS		TOTAL PROJ COST (000's) (5)+(6)+(7)	COMP PLAN CONFORM	STATUS OF PLANS	PRELIM PLANS	FINAL PLANS	LAND ACQUISITION	CONST	EQUIPMENT/FURNISHING	OTHER (Explain)	PROJ NO (Map)
4,905.61 527.56 476.30 5,909.47	None	None		4,905.61 527.56 476.30 5,909.47	GCP	2					4,905.61		1
1,541.85 221.80 94.00 1,857.65	None	None		1,541.85 221.80 94.00 1,857.65	GCP	2					1,857.65		1A
62.40 15.60 78.00	None	None		62.40 15.60 78.00	GCP	2					78.00		2
153.40 38.30 191.70	None	None		153.40 38.30 191.70	GCP	0					191.70		3
49.60 12.40 62.00	None	None		49.60 12.40 62.00	GCP	2					62.00		4
36.00 9.00 45.00	None	None		36.00 9.00 45.00	GCP	2					45.00		5
8.00 2.00 10.00	None	None		8.00 2.00 10.00	GCP	2					10.00		6
36.00 9.00 45.00	None	None		36.00 9.00 45.00	GCP	2					45.00		7
281.20 57.60 338.80	None	None		281.20 57.60 338.80	GCP	2					338.80		8
185.60 46.40 232.00	None	None		185.60 46.40 232.00	GCP	2					232.00		9
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11	Air Conditioner	A												40.00	FA
														10.00	GR
	TOTAL													50.00	
12	G Street Building Roof	A												40.00	FA
														10.00	GR
	TOTAL													50.00	
FUNDING SOURCE BREAKDOWN:															
	FA (FEDERAL AID)		1,082.86		1,213.70		1,106.20		1,021.10		1,233.95		1,721.85		
	GR (GENERAL REVENUE)		65.60		175.40		151.90		129.50		180.40		266.80		
	SR (SPECIAL RESERVES)		116.30		86.00		86.00		94.00		94.00		94.00		
	DIVISION TOTAL		1,264.76		1,475.10		1,344.10		1,244.60		1,508.35		2,082.65		
OPERATIONS FUNDING SOURCE SUMMARY:															
1	Fixed Route Operations & Specialized Transportation Services for Lincoln, NE	A													
	S9 (Section 9)		747.10		747.10		747.10		747.10		747.10		747.10		
	NE (State Revenue/Aids)		101.30		101.30		101.30		101.30		101.30		101.30		
	GR (General Revenues - Local Funds)		4,730.80		4,864.80		5,008.50		5,152.80		5,295.30		5,440.60		
	SC (Service Charges - Local Funds)		1,123.00		1,123.00		1,123.00		1,123.00		1,123.00		1,123.00		
	TOTAL FUNDING		6,702.20		6,836.20		6,979.90		7,124.20		7,266.70		7,412.00		

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		YEAR	FS				PRELIM PLANS	FINAL PLANS	LAND ACQUISITION	CONST	EQUIPMENT/FURNISHING	OTHER (Explain)		
40.00 10.00 90.00	None	None		40.00 10.00 90.00	GCP	2						50.00		11
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7,379.66 969.60 570.30 =====														
8,919.56				8,919.56								8,919.56		
4,482.60 607.80 30,492.80 6,738.00 =====														
42,321.20	None	None		42,321.20										

2003-2008 LINCOLN CITY/LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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