

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Beaumont/Zip is considering applying for a grant from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) for some of the operating expenses incurred in FY2026 and for operations and maintenance, facility improvements, including a paratransit van, bus facility improvements, bus stop improvements, such as shelters purchase, signage, lighting, benches and other amenities.

The grant will be for operating assistance (5307 funding at 50%) and capital purchases (5339 funding at 85%) for the BMT Zip. Operating assistance will cover all expenses related to the operation and maintenance of the transit system to include labor, fringe benefits, fuel, tires, bus parts, lubricants, other materials and supplies, insurance, utilities, a paratransit van, purchased services, taxes and licenses, and any other miscellaneous expenses for the period of October 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027. A breakdown of the proposed program of projects is outlined below:

Line Item	Federal	State	Local	Total
Operating Assistance	\$2,971,504	\$487,121	\$2,484,383	\$5,943,008
Operations & Facility improvements, shop equipment & bus stop improvements	\$325,641	\$0	\$57,467	\$383,108
			Grand Total:	\$6,326,116

A Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, July 21, 2026, at 1:30pm at the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 801 Main Street, Beaumont, Texas 77701.

The Public Hearing will offer an opportunity for interested persons, agencies, and private transportation providers to comment on the proposal. The hearing will also afford the opportunity for interested persons to be heard on the social, economic, and environmental aspects of the proposal.

Prior to the hearing, additional information may be requested and/or written comments may be submitted to:

Claudia San Miguel, General Manager of BMT Zip
550 Milam Street
Beaumont, Texas 77701
409-835-7895

In addition, the proposed grant application data may be viewed prior to the Public Hearing by the public at the Zip Office at 550 Milam Street, Beaumont, Texas 77701, during normal business hours of 8:00am to 4:30pm on weekdays, or a copy may be requested by mail/email at claudia.sanmiguel@beaumonttransit.com, or by calling 409-835-7895.

The above Program of Projects will become final unless amended by the City Council. The final approved grant application data for this grant will be available for the public review at the BMT Zip Office at 550 Milam Street, Beaumont, Texas 77701, or a copy may be requested by the above means. The Public Notice of public participation activities and time established for public review of and comments on the TIP will satisfy the POP requirements of the City's 5307 Program, as required by FTA Circular 9030.1E, Ch. V, Sec. 6(d).