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## **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP):**

## **CITY OF CHILLICOTHE**

# QUESTIONS & ANSWERS UPDATED JANUARY 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2025

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# 1. Is the facility intended to be open to the whole fleet of transit vehicles or other city vehicles?

This facility is intended to be used by only the newly acquired EV fleet. The facility is not intended to be in use by other city vehicles, or non-electric transit vehicles.

#### 2. Will the facility and charging infrastructure be open to the public?

No, the facility and associated charging infrastructure will not open or available for public use.

#### 3. Is the RFP referring to a bus garage for a fleet of transit vehicles?

The requested feasibility study is for a facility very similar to that of a bus garage. The term bus garage was not used to avoid any ambiguities over the types of vehicles being acquired. The City will be acquiring six (6) EVs in total; four (4) EV vans and two (2) EV buses. The facility, presumably akin to a garage, would also be equipped with the required charging infrastructure to ensure the newly acquired EV fleet can remain charged and ready to operate.

#### 4. Are there any specific specifications that would apply (i.e. transit cycles)?

Chillicothe Transit Agency does utilize a fixed route service which is intended to transition to the electric vehicles. A part of the feasibility study may incorporate charging in conjunction with the timed usage of acquired electric buses. The electric vans are anticipated to be used primarily for on-demand service operations and would necessarily be subject to transit cycles.

#### 5. Is there additional information for the specifications for the busses and vans?

At this time, there is not any additional information regarding the specifications of the busses and vans. Chillicothe Transit Agency has been awarded a grant to secure those vehicles, but have yet to acquire the vehicles. Acquisition of the vehicles is anticipated to coincide with the construction of the facility, so any specifications may vary and are undetermined at this time.