AMENDMENT TO PUBLIC NOTICE

All interested persons within Polk County are hereby advised that the Lakeland Area Mass Transit District (LAMTD), doing business as Citrus Connection, is requesting federal assistance through the following programs:

- **Section 5339 Rural Capital assistance** under the Federal Transit Administration's Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Formula Program, 49 U.S.C. § 5339(a), to replace two outdated bus stop shelters in Bartow, Florida. The projects are located at:
  - **U.S. Highway 17 and E. Clower Street:** approximately 100 feet south of E. Clower Street, on the east side of U.S. Highway 17.
  - **Golfview Avenue and Bay Street:** midblock on the west side of Golfview Avenue, in front of Gibbons Street Elementary School.
  - Total project cost for all locations is estimated at $175,088.

- **Section 5310 capital assistance** under the Federal Transit Administration's Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program, 49 U.S.C. § 5310, to support eligible projects that improve transportation options for older adults and individuals with disabilities in Polk County.
- **Section 5311 operating assistance** under the Federal Transit Administration's Formula Grants for Rural Areas Program, 49 U.S.C. § 5311, to support public transportation services within rural Polk County. Total project cost is estimated at $4.5 million.

This notice provides an opportunity for a public hearing concerning the proposed projects. If requested, the hearing will allow interested persons to comment on the projects and consider whether they or their services would unnecessarily duplicate existing public transit or paratransit services in the area.

A public hearing will be held only if a written request is received by **Tuesday, December 8, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.** Requests must be addressed to Tom Phillips, Executive Director, Lakeland Area Mass Transit District, (863) 688-7433, 1212 George Jenkins Blvd., Lakeland, FL 33815. A copy should also be sent to Dale Hanson, Transit Projects Coordinator, Florida Department of Transportation, District 1 Office, P.O. Box 1249, Bartow, FL 33831-1249.

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