

# **Expo Center Bus Rapid Transit Project**

## **Austin, Texas**

### **Small Starts Project Development**

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The Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority (CapMetro) proposes to implement the Expo Center Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project, an approximately 12-mile corridor-based BRT line in Austin, Texas primarily along Trinity Street, San Jacinto Boulevard, and Manor Road with 22 stations. The corridor serves several major employment areas and key activity centers, including downtown Austin, The University of Texas at Austin, Dell Seton Medical Center, St. David's Medical Center, Dell Children's Medical Center, LBJ High School, and the Travis County Expo Center. Project features will include frequent bi-directional service, near-level boarding stations, improved station amenities, better pedestrian access to stations, transit priority treatments, branded transit vehicles, and enhanced safety and security at stations. CapMetro believes that the project would provide high-capacity transit with frequent, reliable service, and upgraded passenger amenities to riders in the corridor. The project's current estimated capital cost is \$39.7 million.

CapMetro adopted a preliminary locally preferred alternative (LPA) in June 2020 and anticipates adopting the LPA into fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan in Fall 2020. CapMetro anticipates completing NEPA with a Categorical Exclusion by Spring 2021 and receiving Small Starts Grant in Fall 2021. Revenue service would begin in Summer 2023.

# Project Location - Expo Corridor

- Expo Stations
- Expo Corridor
- Water
- Park and Open Spaces
- Activity Centers

Source: CapMetro, 2019

