Committee Report

Business Item No. 2021-322

Transportation Committee

For the Metropolitan Council Committee of the Whole meeting of December 1, 2021

Subject: 2022-2025 TIP Amendment: Four TIP Amendments Approved for the 2021-2024 TIP

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council adopt four aments to the 2022-2025 TIP to:

- Add an installment of an automatic gate and associated crime prevention features for night closure at the Burns Avenue Overlook in St. Paul. (2021-268)
- Add a new project to fund start-up operating costs for electric carshare in Minneapolis and St. Paul. (2021-279)
- Add a new project to fund mobility hub equipment and community engagement in Minneapolis.
 (2021-280)
- Add a new project to fund the purchase of two battery electric buses and two charging stations with associated electrical upgrades for SouthWest Transit. (2021-281)

Summary of Committee Discussion/Questions

Motion by Cummings, seconded by Fredson. Motion carried, consent to Council.



Transportation Committee

Meeting date: November 8, 2021

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of November 10, 2021

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District(s), Member(s): 3 - Ferguson, 6 - Barber, 6 - Vacant, 7 - Lilligren, 8 - Muse, 13 - Lee, 14 -

Fredson

Policy/Legal Reference: TAB Action

Staff Prepared/Presented: Amy Vennewitz, Deputy Director, Finance & Planning (651-602-1508)

Steve Peterson, Manager of Highway Planning and TAB/TAC Process (651-602-1819)

Joe Barbeau, Senior Planner (651-602-1705)

Division/Department: Transportation / Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

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Background

Each of the four attached TIP amendment requests was recently approved for the 2021-2024 TIP. They now need to be approved for the 2022-25 TIP. The reason for this is that when the request were recommended for approval by TAB, it was uncertain as to which TIP would be in operation once they were underway. Therefore, they were amended into both TIPs. The 2022-25 TIP has now been approved and, therefore, the yet-to-be started projects must be amended into it.

Rationale

The Metropolitan Council approves formal amendments to the TIP. The projects are consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan (TPP) and meet fiscal constraint because the federal, state, and local funds are sufficient to fully fund the projects. The Minnesota Interagency Air Quality and Transportation Planning Committee determined that the projects are exempt from air quality conformity analysis.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action promotes *stewardship* by enabling MnDOT to complete the projects on schedule, thereby saving money.

Funding

The projects are fully funded with funds from various sources.



Small Business Inclusion

This project includes federal funding. Therefore, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) requirements will apply to the three of these four projects that have federal money.

Known Support / Opposition

This proposed action was reviewed and recommended by the Transportation Advisory Board. No known opposition.

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

Seq#	State Fiscal Year	ATP / Dist	Route System	Project Number	Agency	Description
TBD	2022	M	US 61/10	6220-92	MnDOT	US 61/10- Burns Ave Overlook in St Paul, install automatic gate and associated crime prevention features for night closure of the site.

Miles	Prog	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	State \$	Other \$
0.0	EN	Other	SF	50,000	50,000	-

PROJECT BACKGROUND:

1. Briefly describe why amendment is needed (e.g., project in previous TIP but not completed; illustrative project and funds now available; discretionary funds received; inadvertently not included in TIP).

This amendment is needed to add a new 100% state funded project into fiscal year 2022.

- 2. How is Fiscal Constraint Maintained as required by 23 CFR 450.216 (check all that apply)?
 - New Money
 - Anticipated Advance Construction
 - ATP or MPO or MnDOT Adjustment by deferral of other projects
 - Earmark or HPP not affecting fiscal constraint
 - Other

No federal funds are being added to the project, therefore fiscal constraint is maintained.

CONSISTENCY WITH MPO LONG RANGE PLAN:

This amendment is consistent with the Metropolitan Council Transportation Policy Plan, adopted by the Metropolitan Council on November 18, 2020 with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on December 4, 2020.

- Subject to conformity determination
- Exempt from regional level analysis
- N/A (not in a nonattainment or maintenance area

^{*}Exempt Project Category NC. Not classifiable per Section 93.126 of the Conformity Rules.

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

Seg#	State Fiscal Year	ATP /	Route System	Project Number	Agency	Description
TBD	2022	M	NA	8825-963	MNDOT	HOURCAR: Start-up operating costs for electric carshare in Mpls and St. Paul

Miles	Prog	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	FHWA\$	Other \$
0.0	TR	Transit	CMAQ	450,000	300,000	150,000

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 - Other X

This is a Clean Transportation Grant in Metro area being delivered by MNDOT Central Office. MNDOT Central office and locals will be providing the funding and will be converting STP federal budget authority to our available CMAQ appropriation therefore, fiscal constraint is maintained.

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TBD	2022	M	NA	8825-964	MNDOT	City of Minneapolis; Mobility hub equipment and community engagement

Miles	Prog	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	FHWA\$	Other \$
0.0	TR	TRANSIT	CMAQ	170,000	136,000	34,000

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TBD	2022	M	NA	TRS- TCMT-	MNDOT	Southwest Transit; Purchase two (2) battery electric buses and two
				22G		charging stations with associated electrical upgrades

Miles	Prog	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	FHWA\$	Other \$
0.0	TR	TRANSIT	CMAQ	295,088	236,071	59,017

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^{*}Exempt Project Category T-10: Purchase of new buses and rail cars to replace existing vehicles or for minor expansions of the fleet per Section 93.126 of the Conformity Rules.