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 amendments 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)
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- 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.
Please amend the 2021-2024 and 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to change this project in program year 2022. This project is being submitted with the following information:

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**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

   X

   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.

**AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY:**

- 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.
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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.*