

Committee Report

Business Item No. 2018-320

Transportation Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of December 12, 2018

Subject: 2019-2022 TIP Amendment: FTA Section 5310, Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include funding for eleven “Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities” projects.

Summary of Committee Discussion/Questions

This item was approved as part of the consent agenda.

Motion by Schreiber, seconded by Barber and carried to approve all Consent items.

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Meeting date: November 26, 2018

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of December 12, 2018

Subject: 2019-2022 TIP Amendment: FTA Section 5310, Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: TAB Action

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

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include funding for eleven “Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities” projects.

Background

MnDOT was awarded funding from Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310’s Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities program, which is funded by FTA through MnDOT’s Office of Transit. The selection of these projects is done through grant applications submitted to FTA. The timing of project selection is not compatible with TIP development and in order for the agencies to purchase their vehicles an amendment is needed to identify them in the current TIP.

Rationale

The Transportation Advisory Board approves formal amendments to the TIP and the Metropolitan Council concurs with the action of the TAB. The project is consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan (TPP) and meets fiscal constraint because the federal and local funds are sufficient to fully fund the project. The Minnesota Interagency Air Quality and Transportation Planning Committee determined that the project is exempt from air quality conformity analysis.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action promotes *equity* by providing transportation for traditionally-underserved populations.

Funding

The project is fully funded with federal and local funds.

Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.

Please amend the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include these projects in program year 2019. This project is being submitted with the following information:

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

Please see list of projects below.

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).

Section 5310: the Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities program is funded by FTA through MnDOT’s Office of Transit. The selection of these projects is done through grant applications submitted to FTA. The timing of project selection is not compatible with the TIP/STIP development and for the agencies to purchase their vehicles an amendment is needed to identify them in the current STIP. These projects need to be included in the TIP so that FTA can apply for the federal funding for the projects and enter into contracts with the subrecipients for those funds.

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 (includes State TH funds under Corridors of Commerce Program) ✓

✓ FTA Section 5310 Program Fund

CONSISTENCY WITH MPO LONG RANGE PLAN:

This amendment is consistent with the Metropolitan Council Transportation Policy Plan, adopted by the Metropolitan Council on January 14, 2015, with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on March 13, 2015.

AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY:

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

✓ Exempt from regional level analysis: T-1: Operating assistance to transit agencies.

List of Projects

Data for each Project

State Fiscal Year	2019
ATP	Metro
Route System	BB (Transit (buses))
Agency	MnDOT

Miles	0
Program	FTA Elderly and Persons with Disabilities – Section 5310
Proposed Funds	FTA
Air Quality Conformity	

Project-Specific Data:

Project Number (S.P. #)	Description	Type of Work	Total \$	FTA \$	Other \$
TRF-1767-19	Section 5210: Rise, Inc, Purchase four (4) replacement <30ft. (class 400) buses abd purchase one (1) expansion <30ft. (Class 400) bus	Purchase Bus	405,000	324,000	81,000
TRF-9056-19	Section 5310: Newtrax, Inc; Purchase six (6) replacement <30ft. (Class 400) buses	Purchase Bus	486,000	388,800	97,200
TRF-0836-19	Section 5310: Northeast contemporary services, Inc.; Purchase two (2) replacement <30FT. (Class 400) buses	Purchase Bus	162,000	129,600	32,400
TRF-0260-19	Section 5310: Midwest special services, Inc.; Purchase three (3) replacement <30ft. (Class 400) Buses	Purchase Bus	243,000	194,400	48,600
TRF-9131-19	Section 5310: Mankato Rehabilitation Center, Inc. - Chaska; Purchase two (2) replacement <30ft. (Class 400) buses	Purchase Bus	162,000	129,600	32,400
TRF-9130-19	Section 5310: Mankato Rehabilitation Center, Inc. - Rosemount; Purchase two (2) replacement <30ft. (Class 400) buses	Purchase Bus	162,000	129,600	32,400
TRF-1703-19	Section 5310: Achieve Services, Inc.; Purchase one (1) replacement standard 35ft. Class 500 bus	Purchase Bus	142,000	113,600	28,400
TRF-0890-19	Section 5310: Proact, Inc.- Eagan; Purchase two (2) replacement <30ft. (Class 400) buses	Purchase Bus	162,000	129,600	32,400
TRF-9127-19	Section 5310: Washington County; Provide mobility management services in the east metro area, particularly the communities of Washington County	Operate Bus	50,000	40,000	10,000
TBD	Section 5310: Anoka County; Provide mobility management services in the northwest metro area including Anoka and Hennepin Counties	Operate Bus	150,000	120,000	30,000
TBD	Section 5310: Hennepin County; Provide mobility management services in the central and west metro area, primarily in the cities and towns of Hennepin County	Operate Bus	120,000	96,000	24,000