

Committee Report

Transportation Committee



Committee Meeting Date: May 12, 2025

For the Metropolitan Council: May 14, 2025

Business Item: 2025-102SW

Streamlined 2025-2028 TIP Amendment Request – MnDOT's 5310 Bus Purchases

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council adopt an amendment to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to reduce the cost of four Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities program (FTA Section 5310) projects.

Summary of Transportation Committee Discussion/Questions

This item was on the Consent agenda.

It was moved by Carter, Toni, seconded by Chamblis. Motion carried to approve all consent items.

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District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	TAB Action
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Amy Vennewitz, Deputy Director of Finance and Planning, 651-602-1058 Steve Peterson, Senior Manager, 651-602-1819 Joe Barbeau, Planning Analyst, 651-602-1705
Division/Department:	Metropolitan Transportation Services

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Background

MnDOT requests an amendment to the 2025-2028 TIP to advance the following mobility management cost reductions:

- Newtrax, Inc. (TRF-9056-25A). Reduce from \$504,183 to 252,100.
- Washington County (TRF-9134-25). Reduce from \$616,855 to 308,450.
- Anoka County (TRF-9134-25). Reduce from \$317,255 to 158,650.
- Hennepin County (TRF-9134-25). Reduce from \$450,000 to 225,000.

Each of these project funds mobility management administration from 1/1/2026 to 12/31/2027. MnDOT needs to reduce the cost of these projects to maintain fiscal constraint within its FTA Section 5310 apportionment. This action reflects moving year-two funding out of these project lines to make funding available to a 2025 solicitation for vehicles, reflected in a TIP amendment recommended by TAB on January 15, 2025, and approved by the Council on February 12, 2025.

Rationale

The Metropolitan Council approves formal amendments to the TIP. The project is consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan (TPP) and meets fiscal constraint because the federal and state funds are sufficient to fully fund the project.

Thrive Lens Analysis

On Feb. 12, 2025, the Council adopted Imagine 2050, which builds on policy direction in Thrive MSP 2040. Under the Thrive lens this action promotes *livability* by facilitating the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities program.

Funding

This project is fully funded with federal and local funds.

Small Business Inclusion

The project included in this request is federally funded. The Minnesota Department of Transportation will oversee the federal requirements, including the DBE requirement.



2025-2028 TIP/STIP AMENDMENT REQUEST

Please amend the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to adjust the below project.

Project Identification

Seq #	1884
Fiscal Year (State)	2025
ATP and District	M
Route System	Transit
Project Number (S.P. #)	TRF-9056-25A
Agency	MnDOT
Description	SECT 5310: NEWTRAX INC MOBILITY MANAGEMENT 1/1/26 - 12/31/27
Miles	0.00
Program	TRANSIT
Type of work	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMETN (NON-VEHICLE)
Proposed Funds	FTA
Total \$	504,183 <u>252,100</u>
FTA \$	403,347 <u>201,680</u>
State \$	NA
Other \$	100,836 <u>50,420</u>

Background and TIP Amendment Need

This formal amendment request is for a decrease in project cost. The scope remains the same.

Fiscal Constraint (as Required by 23 CFR 450.216)

The total project cost decreased from \$504,183 to \$252,100 a decrease of \$252,083. No additional federal FTA funds are needed. 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 February 12, 2025.

2025-2028 TIP/STIP AMENDMENT REQUEST

Please amend the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to adjust the below project.

Project Identification

Seq #	1886
Fiscal Year (State)	2025
ATP and District	M
Route System	Transit
Project Number (S.P. #)	TRF-9127-25
Agency	MnDOT
Description	SECT 5310: WASHINGTON COUNTY MOBILITY MANAGEMENT 1/1/26 - 12/31/27
Miles	0.00
Program	TRANSIT
Type of work	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMETN (NON-VEHICLE)
Proposed Funds	FTA
Total \$	616,855 <u>308,450</u>
FTA \$	493,484 <u>246,760</u>
State \$	NA
Other \$	123,371 <u>61,690</u>

Background and TIP Amendment Need

This formal amendment request is for a decrease in project cost. The scope remains the same.

Fiscal Constraint (as Required by 23 CFR 450.216)

The total project cost decreased from \$616,855 to \$308,450 a decrease of \$308,405. No additional federal FTA funds are needed. Therefore, fiscal constraint is maintained.

Consistency with MPO Long-Range Plan

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Please amend the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to adjust the below project.

Project Identification

Seq #	1887
Fiscal Year (State)	2025
ATP and District	M
Route System	Transit
Project Number (S.P. #)	TRF-9134-25
Agency	MnDOT
Description	SECT 5310: ANOKA COUNTY MOBILITY MANAGEMENT 1/1/26 - 12/31/27
Miles	0.00
Program	TRANSIT
Type of work	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMETN (NON-VEHICLE)
Proposed Funds	FTA
Total \$	317,255 <u>158,650</u>
FTA \$	253,804 <u>126,920</u>
State \$	NA
Other \$	63,451 <u>31,730</u>

Background and TIP Amendment Need

This formal amendment request is for a decrease in project cost. The scope remains the same.

Fiscal Constraint (as Required by 23 CFR 450.216)

The total project cost decreased from \$317,255 to \$158,650 a decrease of \$158,605. No additional federal FTA funds are needed. Therefore, fiscal constraint is maintained.

Consistency with MPO Long-Range Plan

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Please amend the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to adjust the below project.

Project Identification

Seq #	1888
Fiscal Year (State)	2025
ATP and District	M
Route System	Transit
Project Number (S.P. #)	TRF-9135-25
Agency	MnDOT
Description	SECT 5310: HENNEPIN COUNTY MOBILITY MANAGEMENT 1/1/26 - 12/31/27
Miles	0.00
Program	TRANSIT
Type of work	TRANSIT GRANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMETN (NON-VEHICLE)
Proposed Funds	FTA
Total \$	450,000 <u>225,000</u>
FTA \$	360,000 <u>180,000</u>
State \$	NA
Other \$	90,000 <u>45,000</u>

Background and TIP Amendment Need

This formal amendment request is for a decrease in project cost. The scope remains the same.

Fiscal Constraint (as Required by 23 CFR 450.216)

The total project cost decreased from \$450,000 to \$225,000 a decrease of \$225,000. No additional federal FTA funds are needed. Therefore, fiscal constraint is maintained.

Consistency with MPO Long-Range Plan

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