

**Transportation Advisory Board**  
of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

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**INFORMATION ITEM**

**DATE:** February 10, 2021  
**TO:** Transportation Advisory Board  
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**SUBJECT:** 2022-2025 TIP Development Schedule

Federal regulations require that a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) be developed at least every four years. The Metropolitan Council revises its TIP every year in conjunction with MnDOT’s State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The below schedule is a minor departure from the schedule used in recent years. Traditionally, the public comment period ends in early August, providing roughly a week for staff to assemble a public comment report. During development of the 2021-2024 TIP, 210 public comments were provided. These proved difficult to assemble prior to the August TAB meeting. Therefore, the TIP will now be released for public comment in May, rather than June, enabling the public comment period to end in July. The below schedule captures the schedule and any changes to past practice.

**2022-2025 TIP/STIP ADOPTION SCHEDULE (All dates are in 2021)**

DATE	ACTION	ORGANIZATION	NOTES
Mar-Apr	MnDOT provides draft project data to Council. Council develops draft TIP.	MC /MnDOT Staff	No change from past practice
May 19	Release draft TIP for public comment. Public comment period starts May 23.	TAB	Release for public comment moved up one month.
May 20	Recommend approval of draft TIP	TAC – F&PC	Recommendation, potentially along with technical recommendations
May 21	MPCA letter of comment for air quality conformity	MPCA	Moves required date from June TAB to just after May TAB
June 2	Recommend approval of draft TIP	TAC	Recommendation, potentially along with technical recommendations
June 16	Consider technical comments on draft TIP.	TAB	TAB used to release for public comment at this meeting via action. Now an info item.
July 6	45-day public comment period ends	Council Staff	Early ending enables staff to assemble the comment report and consider comments
Aug 11	Prepare Public Comment Report. Draft TIP revised to address public comment	Council Staff	Include in TAB meeting packet
Aug 18	Accept Public Comment Report and recommend final TIP to Council	TAB	No change from past practice
Sept 13	Review final TIP – recommend to Council	Transportation Committee	No change from past practice
Sept 22	Adopt final TIP	Met Council	No change from past practice
Sept-Oct	TIP is incorporated into State TIPs	MnDOT/WisDOT	No change from past practice
Oct-Nov	Federal conformity determination	FHWA / FTA / EPA	No change from past practice
Nov	STIP Approved	FHWA and FTA	No change from past practice