

# Action Transmittal

Transportation Advisory Board



**Committee Meeting Date:** April 19, 2023

**Date:** April 7, 2023

## Action Transmittal: 2022-18

Streamlined 2023-2026 TIP Amendment: Three Project Changes.

**To:** Transportation Advisory Board  
**From:** Technical Advisory Committee  
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### Requested Action

MnDOT (2) and SouthWest Transit (1) request an amendment to the 2023-2026 TIP to amend three projects currently included therein.

### Recommended Motion

That the Transportation Advisory Board recommend that the Transportation Committee recommend adoption of an amendment to the 2023-2026 TIP to amend three projects.

### Background and Purpose

The following projects are proposed for amendment in the 2023-2026 TIP:

1. MnDOT requests cost increases to three of its purchases in the Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities program (Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310). These increases are reflective of industry-wide cost increases (Page 3).
2. MnDOT requests a change in scope – removing drainage and adding transportation management systems (TMS) – and a cost increase for its MN 62 noise wall project (SP 2763-60). This is a state-funded project (Pages 4-5).
3. SouthWest Transit requests a cost increase to its electric bus charging station project along with removal of the buses and addition of a new station. This is funded through a Clean Transportation Grant being delivered by MNDOT Central Office (Page 6).

None of these projects are funded through the Regional Solicitation.

### Relationship to Regional Policy

Federal law requires that all TIP amendments meet the following tests: fiscal constraint; consistency with the adopted regional transportation plan; and opportunity for public input. It is the TAB's responsibility to recommend TIP amendments to the Council for adoption, provided these requirements are met.

The streamlined TIP amendment process allows projects that meet certain conditions to be streamlined, which entails forgoing the TAC Funding & Programming Committee review and results in saving a month of process time.

## Staff Analysis

The three TIP amendment requests meet fiscal constraint because the state, federal, and local funds are sufficient to fully fund the projects. This amendment and the three projects contained herein are 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. Public input opportunity for this amendment is provided through the TAB's and the Council's regular meetings.

## Committee Comments and Actions

At its April 5, 2023, meeting, the Technical Advisory Committee recommended adoption of an amendment to the 2023-2026 TIP to amend three projects.

## Routing

To	Action Requested	Date Completed / Scheduled
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	April 5, 2023
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Recommend	<i>April 19, 2023</i>
Metropolitan Council Transportation Committee	Review & Recommend	<i>April 24, 2023</i>
Metropolitan Council	Review & Adopt	<i>April 26, 2023</i>



Please amend the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to change these projects in program year 2023. This project is being submitted with the following information:

**PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:**

<b>ATP</b>	Metro
<b>Route System</b>	BB (Transit (buses))
<b>Agency</b>	MnDOT
<b>Miles</b>	0
<b>Program</b>	FTA Elderly and Persons with Disabilities – Section 5310
<b>Proposed Funds</b>	FTA
<b>State Fiscal Year</b>	2023

<b>Project No (S.P. #)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type of Work</b>	<b>Total \$</b>	<b>FTA \$</b>	<b>Other \$</b>
TRF-0260-23	Section 5310: Midwest Special Services, Inc.; 1 (Class 400) and 1 (Class 500) Vehicle Replacement	Purchase Buses	\$263,000 <u>\$336,000</u>	\$210,400 <u>\$268,800</u>	\$52,600 <u>\$67,200</u>
TRF-1767-23	Section 5310: Rise, Inc.; 3 (Class 400) Vehicle Replacement	Purchase Buses	\$294,000 <u>\$423,000</u>	\$235,200 <u>\$338,400</u>	\$58,800 <u>\$84,600</u>
TRF-9056-23A	Section 5310: Newtrax, Inc.; 6 (Class 400) Vehicle Replacement and 2 (Class 400) Vehicle Expansion	Purchase Buses	\$784,000 <u>\$1,128,000</u>	\$627,200 <u>\$902,400</u>	\$156,800 <u>\$225,600</u>

**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. MnDOT is requesting that the TIP reflect a cost increase for three of these projects:

- Midwest Special Services, Inc.: Replace one class 400 vehicle and one class 500 vehicle
- Rise, Inc.: Replace three class 400 vehicles
- NewTrax, Inc.: replace six class 400 vehicles and add two class 400 vehicles

These increases are due to industrywide cost increases.

These three changes result in an overall cost increase of \$546,000 (\$436,800 federal).

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 X
- Earmark or HPP not affecting fiscal constraint
- Other

The funds used for these projects are 2021 Section 5310 Large Urban apportionment, so fiscal constraint is maintained. The 20% local match will be provided by the sub-recipients.

**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.

Please amend the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to change this project in program year 2024. This project is being submitted with the following information:

**PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:**

Seq #	State Fiscal Year	ATP / Dist	Route System	Project Number	Agency	Description
1885	2024	M	MN 62	2763-60	MnDOT	MN62 Westbound <del>from East of Red Fox CT to Bredesen Park</del> <u>from 0.37 miles east of Gleason Rd to 0.24 miles west of Tracy Ave in Edina –</u> <u>Noisewall and drainage repairs-TMS.</u>

Miles	Prog	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	FHWA \$	Other \$
.29	NO	Noise wall	SF/LF	<del>1,043,000</del> <u>1,620,000</u>	NA	<del>104,000</del> <u>180,000</u>

**PROJECT BACKGROUND:**

- 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 for a scope change (adding TMS and removing drainage) and cost increase.

- 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

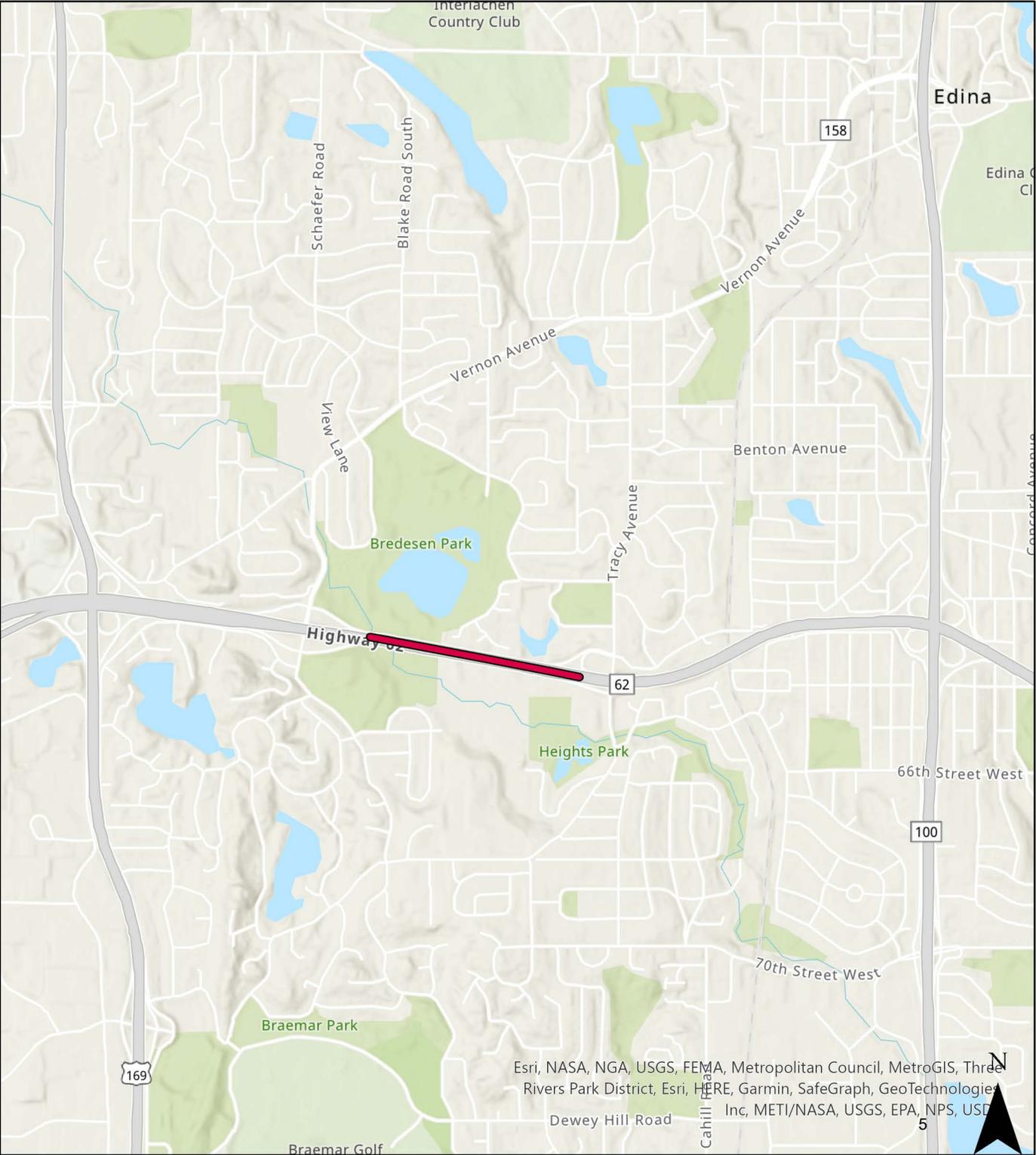
These are 100% state funds. Therefore, fiscal constraint is maintained.

**CONSISTENCY WITH MPO LONG RANGE PLAN:**

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# MN62 Infrastructural Repair & Improvement TIP Amendment

 Proposed Amendment



Esri, NASA, NGA, USGS, FEMA, Metropolitan Council, MetroGIS, Three Rivers Park District, Esri, HERE, Garmin, SafeGraph, GeoTechnologies Inc, METI/NASA, USGS, EPA, NPS, USD

Please amend the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include this project in program year 2023. This project is being submitted with the following information:

**PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:**

State Fiscal Year	ATP/Dist	Route System	Project Number (S.P. #)	Agency	Description	Miles
2023	M	Transit	TRS-TCMT-22G	SouthWest Transit	<p><del>Southwest Transit, Purchase 2 electric buses and charging station</del></p> <p>Coordinate utility supply infrastructure and install adequate public-facing DC fast charging infrastructure in SouthWest Village (Chanhassen, MN), East Creek Station (Chaska, MN) and SouthWest Station (Eden Prairie, MN) for electric buses.</p>	0.00

Prog	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	FHWA \$	Other \$
TR	Transit	STP	<u>295,088</u> <u>429,220</u>	236,071	<u>59,017</u> <u>193,149</u>

**PROJECT BACKGROUND:**

- 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 formal amendment is to change the scope of 2023 FHWA transit project to funding additional charging stations in lieu of buses.

- 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

Federal STP funds are available in a District C set-aside SP 880C-CTPP-23. 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.