

ACTION TRANSMITTAL – 2020-25

DATE: May 29, 2020

TO: Technical Advisory Committee

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SUBJECT: Streamlined 2020-2023 TIP Amendment: Anoka US 10/169 Interchange

REQUESTED ACTION: The City of Anoka requests an amendment to the 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program to add right-of-way acquisition to its US10/169 interchange project (SP # 103-010-018F and 103-010-020).

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Technical Advisory Committee recommend approval of an amendment to the 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program to add right-of-way acquisition to Anoka’s US10/169 interchange project (SP # 103-010-018F and 103-010-020).

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION: This amendment is needed to split out National Highway Freight Program (NHFP) funds for the purchase of right of way. Right-of-way acquisition is an eligible expense under the NHFP program.

The request is eligible for streamlining. The project is funded by NHFP, which is programmed by MnDOT.

RELATIONSHIP TO REGIONAL POLICY: Federal law requires that all transportation projects that will be funded with federal funds be in an approved TIP and meet the following four tests: fiscal constraint; consistency with the adopted regional transportation plan; air quality conformity; and opportunity for public input. It is the TAB’s responsibility to recommend TIP amendments to the Council for adoption.

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

STAFF ANALYSIS: This request meets the standards to streamline a TIP amendment in that it is consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan, does not impact the project’s regional significance, and does not relate to a formal project scope change.

This TIP amendment meets fiscal constraint because the federal and state funds are sufficient to fully fund the project. The amendment is consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan, adopted by the Metropolitan Council on October 24, 2018, as amended on April 24, 2019 with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on May 9, 2019. The Air Quality and Transportation Planning Committee determined that the project is exempt for air quality conformity analysis. Public input opportunity for these amendments is provided through the TAB’s and Council’s regular meetings.

ROUTING

TO	ACTION REQUESTED	DATE COMPLETED
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Recommend	
Metropolitan Council Transportation Committee	Review & Recommend	
Metropolitan Council	Review & Adopt	