



December 7, 2012

Karl Keel, Chair  
 TAC Funding and Programming Committee  
 Metropolitan Council  
 390 Robert Street No.  
 St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

**Re: Amendment to the Twin Cities 2013-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**  
**State Project Number: Sect. 5307 Twin Cities Met Council Metro Transit Police Facility**

Dear Mr. Keel:

Please amend the 2013 – 2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include this project in program year 2013. This project is being submitted with the following information:

**PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:**

SEQ #	STATE FISCAL YEAR	A T P	DIST	ROUTE SYS	PROJECT NUMBER (S.P. #) (Fed # if available)	AGENCY	DESCRIPTION include location, description of all work, & city (if applicable)	MILES
	2013	M	M	BB	New – No S.P. # or Fed #	Met Council – Metro Transit	Sect. 5307 Twin Cities Met Council MT-Metro Transit Police Facility	0

PROG	TYPE OF WORK	PROP FUNDS	TOTAL \$	FHWA \$	AC \$	FTA \$	TH \$	OTHER \$ RTC
B9	Facility Capital Improvement	FTA	12,000,000	0	0	9,600,000	0	2,400,000 Regional Transit Capital (RTC)

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**PROJECT BACKGROUND:**

1. Briefly describe why amendment is needed (e.g., project in previous STIP but not completed; illustrative project and funds now available; discretionary funds received; inadvertently not included in TIP).

The funding for a new Transit Police Facility was originally in the CIP. The project is moving along faster than anticipated, due to an opportunity at a very desirable location. Adding this project to the TIP will allow us to take advantage of many efficiencies and economic opportunities with the design, build and occupancy of a new Metro Transit Police Facility.

The total project cost is anticipated at \$12 million. The funding will consist of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5307 funds (\$9,600,000) and Regional Transit Capital (RTC) funds (\$2,400,000). The project was identified in the Metropolitan Council's 2012 – 2015 Capital Improvement Plan. FTA 5307 funds are "formula funds" allotted on an annual basis to be identified in the STIP with a local funding match of 20%. A TIP and subsequent STIP amendment are sought to enable Metro Transit to apply for these funds. Availability of the Federal Funds is anticipated during the first quarter 2013.

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 Mn/DOT Adjustment by deferral of other projects  \_\_\_\_\_
- Earmark or HPP not affecting fiscal constraint  \_\_\_\_\_
- Other  \_\_\_\_\_

We are using program income funds from another project to make the RTC funds available for this project and are reducing the amount of federal 5307 funds used for preventative maintenance to make the 5307 funds available for this project.

**CONSISTENCY WITH MPO LONG RANGE PLAN:**

This amendment is consistent with the Metropolitan Council Transportation Policy Plan, adopted by the Metropolitan Council on November 10, 2010, with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on February 23, 2011.

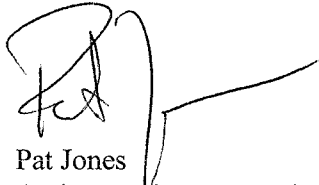
**AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY:**

- Subject to conformity determination .....\_\_\_\_\_
- Exempt from regional level analysis.....\_\_E-6\*
- Exempt from project level analysis.....\_\_\_\_\_
- Exempt by virtue of interagency consultation.....\_\_\_\_\_
- N/A (not in a nonattainment or maintenance area).....\_\_\_\_\_

**\*Note: This is a Metro Transit Police facility within the Transit Interchange Project and is used for transit purposes.**

We are requesting approval of this TIP amendment at this time. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Gustafson, Grant Manager, at 612-349-7603.

Sincerely,



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cc: Cindy Krumsieg, MN/DOT Metro Program Management  
Dan Erickson, MN/DOT Metro State Aid  
Mary Gustafson, Metro Transit Grant Manager