Transportation Committee

Meeting date: February 26, 2018

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of March 14, 2018

Subject: 2018-2021 TIP Amendment: Metropolitan Council Travel Behavior Inventory

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: TAB Action

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Division/Department: Transportation / Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add the Metropolitan Council's Travel Behavior Inventory project (SP # 090-070-023).

Background

This amendment request is to add a project to SFY2018 of the 2018-2021 TIP. The project is the Travel Behavior Inventory (TBI) that was originally included in SFY2017, with paybacks of federal funding in 2019 and 2021. MnDOT has requested that the item be added to the TIP and STIP.

Rationale

The Transportation Advisory Board approves formal amendments to the TIP and the Metropolitan Council concurs with the action of the TAB. The project is consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan (TPP) and meets fiscal constraint because the federal and local funds are sufficient to fully fund the project. The Minnesota Interagency Air Quality and Transportation Planning Committee determined that the project is exempt from air quality conformity analysis. This TIP amendment is using the streamlined process adopted by TAB on April 19, 2014.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action promotes stewardship by informing the transportation funding process.

Funding

The project is fully funded with federal and local funds.

Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.



Please amend the 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to amend and add the following projects in program years 2018 and 2019, respectively.

					Project			
S			D		Number			
Е	State	Α	1		(S.P. #)		Description	
Q	Fiscal	Т	S	Route	(Fed # if		include location, description of all	
#	Year	Ρ	Т	System	available)	Agency	work, & city (if applicable)	Miles
	2018	Μ	Μ	District-	090-070-023	Met	**AC** Metrowide: Regional travel	0.0
				wide		Council	behavior inventory and regional model	
							development – Household travel	
							survey, transit on board surveys,	
							special generator survey, data	
							purchase, regional model development	
							and update (AC project. Payback in	
							2019 and 2021)	

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

Proj	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	FHWA \$	AC \$	FTA \$	TH \$	OTHER \$
PL	Education & Safety	STBGP	5,550,000	2,700,000	1,700,000	-	-	1,100,000

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).

This amendment is to add a project to SFY2018 of the 2018-2021 TIP. The funding for the Travel Behavior Inventory (TBI) that was originally included in SFY2017, with paybacks of federal funding in 2019 and 2021. While the funding for the TBI was decided in 2017, the project did not receive authorization and was unable to start in 2017.

- 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 MnDOT Adjustment by deferral of other projects \checkmark
 - Earmark or HPP not affecting fiscal constraint
 - Other

The funding for SP 090-070-023 in SFY2018 comes from the project in SFY2017. While the funding for the TBI was decided in 2017, the project did not received authorization and was unable to start in 2017. This is sufficient to fund the project, 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 January 14, 2015, with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on March 13, 2015.

AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY:

- Subject to conformity determination
- Exempt from regional level analysis \checkmark
- N/A (not in a nonattainment or maintenance area

✓ Exempt Project O-1: Specific activities that do not involve or lead directly to construction, such as planning and technical studies, grants for training and research programs, planning activities conducted pursuant to titles 23 and 49 U.S.C., and Federal-aid systems revisions per Section 93.126 of the Conformity Rules.