

Transportation Committee

Meeting date: March 12, 2018

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of March 21, 2018

Subject: 2018-2021 TIP Amendment: Minneapolis 6th Street Overhead Signal Additions

District(s), Member(s): 7 – Cunningham

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 change the cost of the City of Minneapolis's 6th Street Overhead Signal Additions Project.

Background

This amendment is needed due to a cost-reduction resulting from the City of Minneapolis's scope change request to remove two pedestrian curb ramps, two accessible pedestrian signals, and two pedestrian countdown timers from its 6th Street Overhead Signal Additions Project (SP # 141-030-036). These elements are being removed because they are slated to be completed as parts of a different project. While these elements are being removed and two curb extensions are being added, the project description remains unchanged.

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 associated with a scope change request approved by TAB on February 21, 2018.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action promotes *stewardship* because it is being done in response to the City of Minneapolis securing funds from other sources.

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 include this project in program year 2018. This project is being submitted with the following information:

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

SEQ #	STATE FISCAL YEAR	A	D	ROUTE SYSTEM	PROJECT NUMBER (S.P. #) (Fed # if available)	AGENCY	DESCRIPTION include location, description of all work, & city (if applicable)	MILE S	
1414	2018	M	M	Local	141-030-036	Minneapolis	6th St S, From 1st Ave to Portland Ave- Install mast arms at 5 existing signals (1st Ave, Hennepin Ave, 3rd Ave, 5th Ave, Portland Ave)	0.0	
PROG	TYPE OF WORK		PROP FUNDS	TOTAL \$	FHWA \$	AC \$	FTA \$	TH \$	OTHER \$
SH	Traffic Signal Rev		HSIP	1,166,000 1,155,000	1,049,400 1,039,500				116,600 115,500

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).

The project scope is changing to remove pedestrian curb ramp upgrades, accessible pedestrian signals (APS), and pedestrian countdown timers at 1st Ave N & 6th St N and Hennepin Ave S & 6th St S. This TIP amendment is needed to update the project funding accordingly.

- 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 ✓

The federal funding is being reduced. Therefore, fiscal constraint is maintained. The federal funds being released will be distributed to other FY 2018 HSIP projects per the Met Council Reallocation Policy.

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 ✓
- N/A (not in a nonattainment or maintenance area)

✓Exempt Project Category S-7. Traffic control devices and operating assistance per Section 93.126 of the Conformity Rules