

Transportation Committee

Meeting date: March 12, 2018

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of March 21, 2018

Subject: 2018-2021 TIP Amendment: Minneapolis University of Minnesota Protected Bikeways Project

District(s), Member(s): 7 – Cunningham and 8 – Letofsky

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 amend the scope of the City of Minneapolis's University of Minnesota Protected Bikeways Project.

Background

This TIP amendment is requested to remove the 0.5-mile segment of 10th Ave Bridge between University Ave SE and 2nd St S and add a 0.25-mile segment to 10th Ave SE between 5th St SE and 8th St SE on the University of Minnesota Protected Bikeways Project. Removal of the bridge from the project is necessary because the work will be completed on a separate 10th Avenue Bridge project.

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 state 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* by leveraging other funds to complete part of the project and *livability* by extending the project and thereby increasing bicycle connectivity.

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 2019. This project is being submitted with the following information:

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

SEQ #	STATE FISCAL YEAR	A T P	D I S T	ROUTE SYSTEM	PROJECT NUMBER (S.P. #) (Fed # if available)	AGENCY	DESCRIPTION include location, description of all work, & city (if applicable)			
1584	2019	M	M	Ped/Bike	141-030-041	Minneapolis	20th Ave S from Minnehaha Ave to 4th St S, 4th St S from 20th Ave S to 19th Ave S, 19th Ave S/10th Ave SE from 4th St S to 5th St SE 2nd St S, 10th Ave SE from University Ave SE to SE 8th, 15th Ave SE from University Ave to Rollins Ave SE, Rollins Ave SE from 15th Ave SE to 18th Ave SE, 18th Ave SE from Rollins Ave SE to E Hennepin Ave-Construction of protected bikeway			
MILES	PROG	TYPE OF WORK		PROP FUNDS	TOTAL \$	FHWA \$	AC \$	FTA \$	TH \$	OTHER \$
2.6 2.4	BT	New Trail		STBGP	1,287,868 1,354,767	1,030,294	-	-	-	257,574 324,473

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 to remove the 0.5-mile segment of 10th Ave Bridge between University Ave SE and 2nd St S and add a 0.25-mile segment to 10th Ave SE between 5th St SE and 8th St SE.

- 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 funds currently programmed on the project are sufficient for this 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 ✓
 - N/A (not in a nonattainment or maintenance area)
- ✓Exempt Project Category A-Q2, Bicycle and pedestrian facilities, per Section 93.126 of the Conformity Rules.