

# Business Item

Transportation Committee



Committee Meeting Date: May 23, 2022

For the Metropolitan Council: May 25, 2022

## Business Item: 2022-114 SW

2022-2025 TIP Amendment: Rondo Area Street Study

**District(s), Member(s):** 14 – Fredson

**Policy/Legal Reference:** TAB Action

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

### Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council adopt an amendment to the 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to fund a study of potential Rondo Area street improvements.

### Background

The City of St. Paul was awarded \$1.4 million from the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant program for a study of Rondo area street improvements. Because this is federal funding the project must be included in the TIP.

### Rationale

The Metropolitan Council approves formal amendments to the TIP. The project is consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan (TPP) and meets fiscal constraint because the federal 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.

### Thrive Lens Analysis

This action promotes *stewardship* by utilizing federal funds.

### Funding

The project is fully funded with federal funds.

Please amend the 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include this project in program year 2023. This project is being submitted with the following information:

**PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:**

Seq #	State Fiscal Year	ATP/ Dist	Route System	Project Number	Agency	Description	Miles
TBD	2023	MM	N/A	164-080-019	St. Paul	Rondo Area Street Improvements Study	0.0

Prog	Type of Work	Prop Funds	Total \$	FHWA \$	Other \$
PL	Preliminary Engineering	FFM	1,400,000	1,400,000	-

**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 needed to add this new project that received a Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant to the TIP.

2. How is Fiscal Constraint Maintained as required by 23 CFR 450.216 (check all that apply)?

- New Money X
- Anticipated Advance Construction
- ATP or MPO or MnDOT Adjustment by deferral of other projects
- Earmark or HPP not affecting fiscal constraint
- Other

Funding is provided through a recently awarded federal Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant. 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 November 18, 2020 with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on December 4, 2020.

**AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY:**

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

\*Exempt Project Category 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