

Business Item

Transportation Committee



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For the Metropolitan Council: December 3, 2025

Business Item: 2025-281

Streamlined 2026-2029 TIP Amendment Request – Two Bicycle and Pedestrian Project Cost Increases

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Proposed action

That the Metropolitan Council approve an amendment to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program to adjust the cost of Minneapolis' 21st Avenue South bicycle and pedestrian project and to adjust the cost and scope of Saint Paul's Payne Avenue bicycle and pedestrian project.

Background

In the 2022 Regional Solicitation, the City of Minneapolis was awarded \$1,000,000 in the Safe Routes to School category for its South-Folwell Safe Routes to School project. This project runs along 21st Avenue South from 28th Street at the Midtown Greenway to 43rd Street in Minneapolis and will add pedestrian and bicycle improvements. This project connects five schools along 21st Avenue South; Adult Education Center, South High School, Corcoran, Folwell, and Sibley. The City of Minneapolis requests an amendment to the 2026-2029 TIP to increase the total cost of the project from \$1,489,158 to \$2,296,571. The cost increase is to be covered with local funds.

In the 2022 Regional Solicitation, the City of Saint Paul was awarded \$1,200,000 in the Pedestrian category for its Payne Avenue pedestrian safety improvements project to improve sidewalks and pedestrian ramps along Payne Avenue from Phalen Boulevard to Maryland Avenue. The City of Saint Paul requests an amendment to 2026-2029 TIP to add signal improvements being added as a result of an approved informal scope change, to the project scope and increase the total project cost from \$1,620,000 to \$1,780,000. The cost increase is to be covered with local funds.

Rationale

The Metropolitan Council approves formal amendments to the TIP. The projects are consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan (TPP) and meet fiscal constraint because the federal, state, and local funds are sufficient to fully fund the projects.

Thrive lens analysis

On Feb. 12, 2025, the Council adopted Imagine 2050, which builds on policy direction in Thrive MSP 2040. Under the Thrive lens, this project furthers the livability indicator by supporting active

transportation projects.

Funding

This project is fully funded with federal and local funds.

Small business inclusion

The project included in this request is federally funded. The Minnesota Department of Transportation will oversee the federal requirements, including the DBE requirement.



2026-2029 TIP/STIP AMENDMENT REQUEST

Please amend the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to adjust the below project.

Project Identification

Seq #	TBD
Fiscal Year (State)	2026
ATP and District	METRO
Route System	LOCAL STREETS
Project Number (S.P. #)	141-591-016
Agency	MINNEAPOLIS
Description	21ST AVE S FROM MSAS 241 (E 28TH ST/MIDTOWN GREENWAY TO E 43RD ST IN MPLS-PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS
Miles	1.8
Program	BIKE TRAIL
Type of work	BIKE/PED
Proposed Funds	STBGP
Total \$	\$1,489,158 <u>2,296,571</u>
FHWA \$	\$1,000,000
State \$	NA
Other \$	\$489,158 <u>1,296,571</u>

Background and TIP Amendment Need

This TIP Amendment is needed to update the project total cost. No change in scope.

Fiscal Constraint (as Required by 23 CFR 450.216)

Federal funds remain the same. 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 February 12, 2025.

SOUTH-FOLWELL

Safe Routes to School Project

Project Overview

The South-Folwell Safe Routes to School project will add street improvements to 21st Ave S in the Corcoran and Standish neighborhoods. This route includes South High School, Folwell Community School, MPS Adult Education South Campus and several neighborhood parks. The focus will be on improving safe access to these destinations for people of all ages and abilities. The project will consider various traffic calming measures to achieve this goal.

Project Goals

- Make it easier to walk, bike, roll and take the bus to schools
- Create a calmer neighborhood street for users of all ages and abilities
- Improve access to other neighborhood destinations
- Address traffic safety needs at high injury street intersections

Route Characteristics

- Connects to three schools, three parks and two rec centers
- Intersects with five high injury streets: 28th St, Lake St, 35th St, 38th St, and 42nd St
- Connects to the Midtown Greenway bike path at 28th St and the future B Line bus rapid transit route at Lake St
- Designated as a near-term low stress bikeway on the All Ages and Abilities bicycle network map

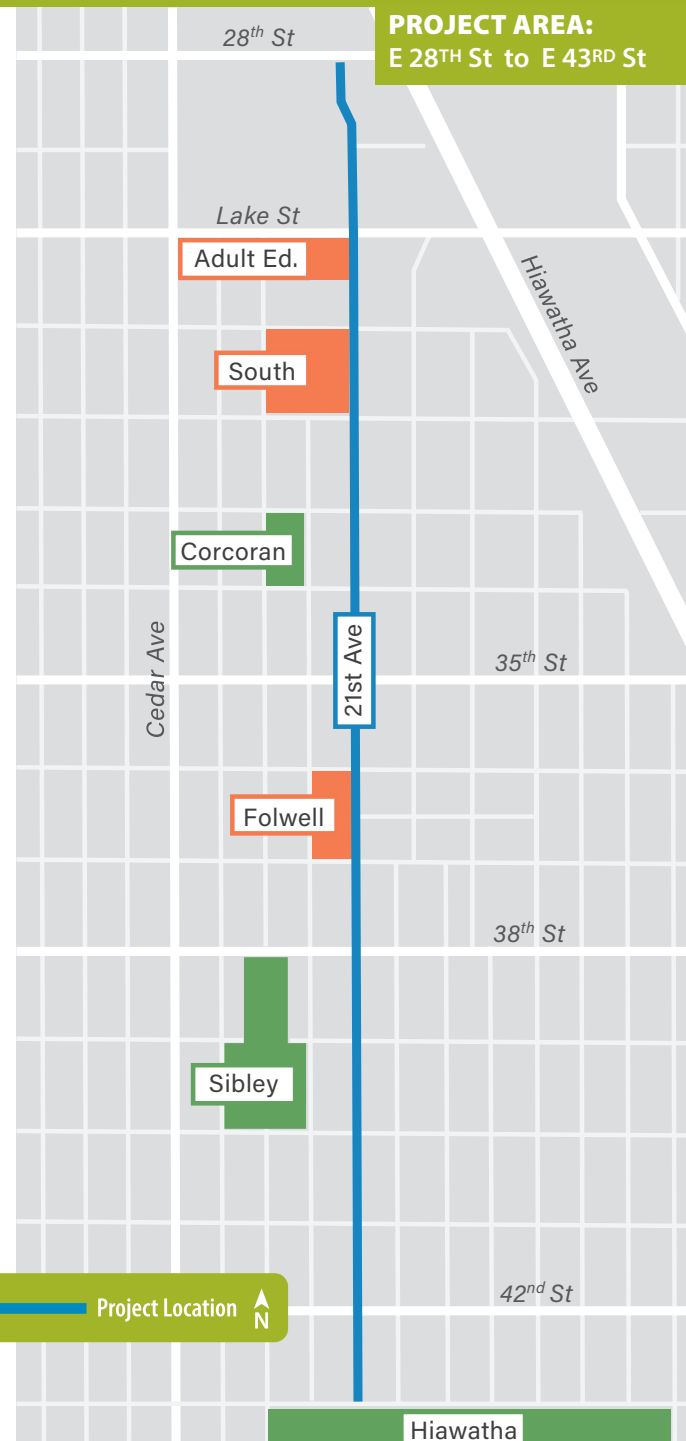
2023-2024	2025	2026	2026
Planning	> Design	> Construction	> Completion



Learn more

Visit our webpage at:

[MinneapolisMN.gov/government/projects/South-Folwell](https://minneapolismn.gov/government/projects/South-Folwell)



Transportation Action Plan

This project is aligned with the Transportation Action Plan, the city's vision for safer, greener and more modern streets that serve all people and all the ways they want to get around.

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Project Identification

Seq #	TBD
Fiscal Year (State)	2026
ATP and District	Metro
Route System	MSAS 179
Project Number (S.P. #)	164-179-017
Agency	Saint Paul
Description	MSAS 179 (PAYNE AVE) FROM MSAS 288 (PHALEN BLVD) TO CSAH 31 (MARYLAND AVE) IN ST PAUL - SIDEWALK, <u>SIGNAL</u> , PED RAMPS
Miles	0.8
Program	BIKE TRAIL
Type of work	SIDEWALK, SIGNAL, PED RAMPS
Proposed Funds	STBGP-TA
Total \$	\$1,620,000 <u>\$1,780,000</u>
FHWA \$	\$1,200,000
State \$	0.00
Other \$	\$420,000 <u>\$580,000</u>

Background and TIP Amendment Need

This amendment is needed to update the project description and total cost as a result of an approved informal scope change to add a signalized intersection to the project.

Fiscal Constraint (as Required by 23 CFR 450.216)

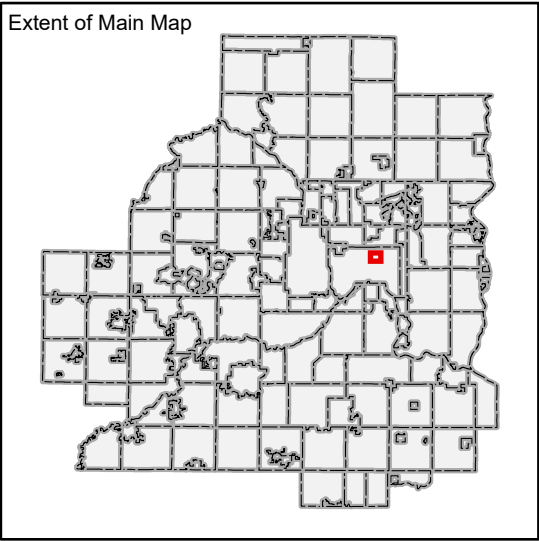
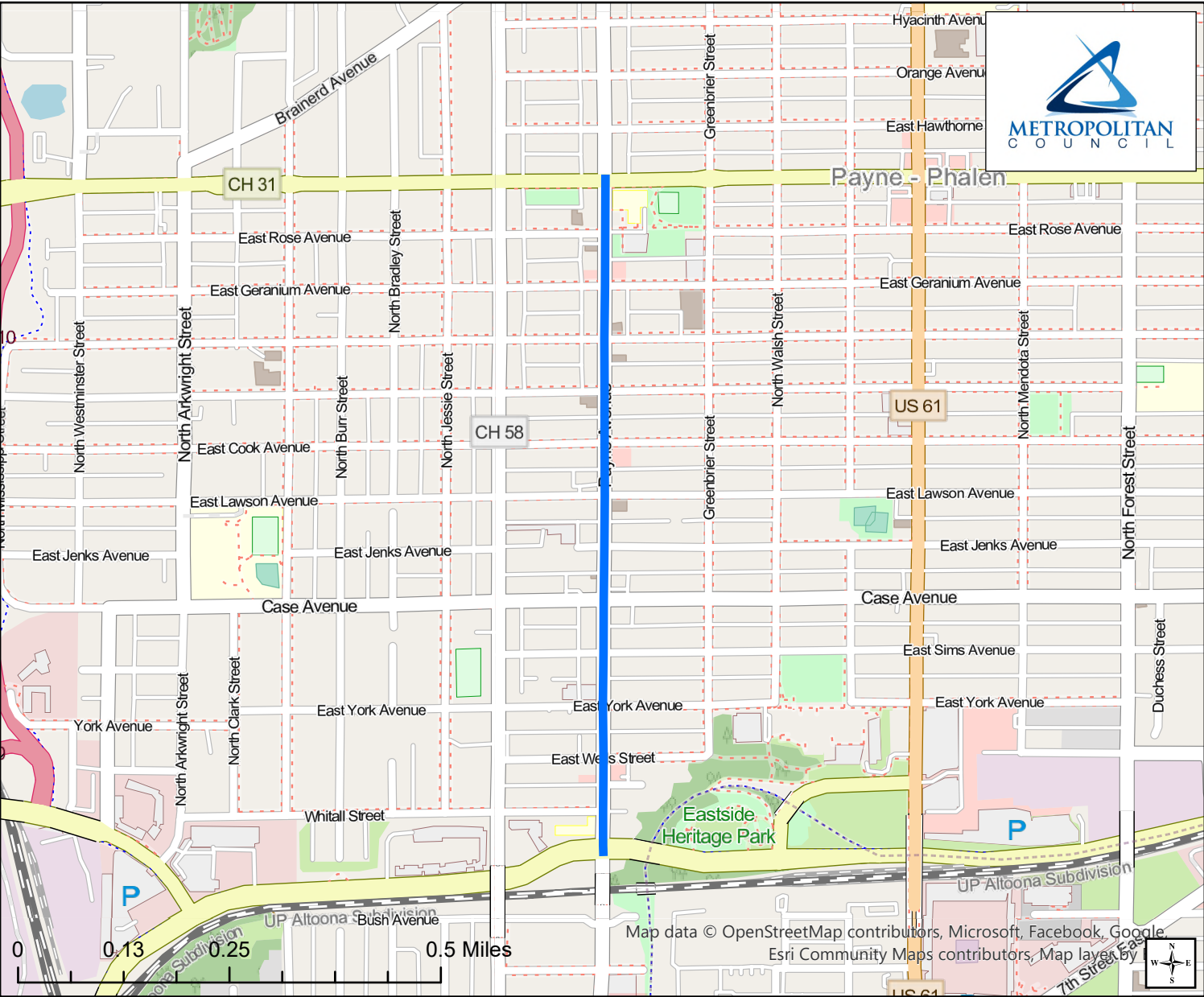
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Saint Paul's Payne Avenue bicycle and pedestrian project



Project Area