Business Item

Transportation Committee

Item: 2009-182

Meeting date: June 8, 2009

Council meeting: June 24, 2009

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: May 28, 2009

Subject: 2009-2012 TIP Amendment: Include funding for Southwest

Corridor Alternatives Analysis, TAB Action 2009-31

District(s), Member(s): District 3 – McFarlin; District 5 – Bowles; District 6 – Leppik;

District 7 - Meeks

Policy/Legal Reference: TAB Action

Staff Prepared/Presented: Arlene McCarthy, Director MTS (651-602-1754)

Amy Vennewitz, Dep. Dir. Finance & Planning MTS (651-602-

1058)

Carl Ohrn, Planning Analyst MTS (651-602-1719)

Division/Department: Metropolitan Transportation Services

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council concur with Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include a total of \$667,969 for the Southwest Corridor Alternatives Analysis.

Background

This project received a \$534,375 federal 2009 apportionment for the Alternatives Analysis.

Rationale

In order to spend these funds, the project must be in a current TIP.

Funding

The fiscal balance of the TIP is maintained due to the addition of new federal funds.

Known Support / Opposition

There was no opposition presented at the TAC or the TAB.

Transportation Advisory Board

of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

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June 1, 2009

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Peter Bell, Chair Metropolitan Council 390 Robert Street No. St. Paul, MN 55101

Mr. Bell,

On May 20, 2009, the Transportation Advisory Board voted to amend the 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include federal funding for the Southwest Corridor Alternatives Analysis.

The TAB forwards this action to the Metropolitan Council for concurrence along with additional information described in TAB action transmittal 2009-31.

Sincerely,

Bill Hargis, Acting Chair

Transportation Advisory Board

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ACTION TRANSMITTAL

No. 2009-31

DATE:

May 15, 2009

TO:

Transportation Advisory Board

FROM:

Technical Advisory Committee

SUBJECT:

TIP Amendment: HCRRA Southwest Corridor Alternatives Analysis

MOTION:

That the Transportation Advisory Board amends the 2009-2012

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include a total of \$667,969 for Southwest

Corridor Alternatives Analysis.

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION:

This project was included in the federal Omnibus legislation. It is for the proposed LRT along the Southwest Corridor to clear the locally preferred alternative and EIS by the end of the year and move the project into Preliminary Engineering by 2010. The funds would be available as soon as possible.

Additional background material is attached.

ROUTING

| ТО | ACTION REQUESTED | DATE COMPLETED |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| TAC Funding & Programming Committee | Review & Recommend | April 30, 2009 |
| Technical Advisory Committee | Review & Recommend | May 6, 2009 |
| TAB Programming Committee | Review & Recommend | May 20, 2009 |
| Transportation Advisory Board | Review & Adopt | May 20, 2009 |
| Metropolitan Council | Concurrence | |

4/29/2009

Karl Keel, Chair
TAC Funding and Programming Committee
Metropolitan Council
230 East Fifth St.
Mears Park Centre
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

Re: Amendment to the Twin Cities 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) State Project Number: New

Dear Mr. Keel:

Please amend the 2009 - 2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include this project in 2009. This project is being submitted with the following information:

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

| STATE FISCAL YEAR | ATP | DIST | ROUTE | PROJECT NUMBER (S.P. #) (Fed # if available) | AGENCY | DESCRIPTION include location, description of all work, & city (if applicable) | MILES |
|-------------------------|-----|------|-------|--|--------|---|-------|
| 2009 | М | М | ВВ | New | HCRRA | Southwest Corridor Alternatives Analysis | 14 |

| PROG | TYPE OF WORK | PROP FUND S | , TOTAL \$ | FHWA Target | HPP \$ | FTA S | FHWA Target AC \$ | HPP AC \$ | тн \$ | OTHER \$ |
|------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------|----------------|-----------|----------|-------------------|-----------------|-------|-------------|
| TR | Planning | 5339 | 667,969 | , | | 534,375 | | | | 133,594 |

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PROJECT BACKGROUND:

| 1. | Briefly describe why amendment is needed (e.g., | project in previous | STIP but not co | mpleted; |
|----|---|---------------------|------------------|----------|
| | illustrative project and funds now available; discr | etionary funds rece | ived; inadverter | itly not |
| | included in STIP). Project has received new 2009 | apportionment for | r Alternatives A | nalysis |
| | funding that was not previously included in STIP | • | | |
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| Earmark or HPP not affecting fiscal constraint Other** | Y. | | |
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| AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY: | | | |
| Subject to conformity determination | | | |
| Exempt from regional level analysis* | <u> </u> | <u>es</u> | |
| Exempt from project level analysis** | | es_ | |
| Exempt by virtue of interagency consultation | · | | • |
| N/A (not in a nonattainment or maintenance area) | | . | |

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CONSISTENCY WITH MPO LONG RANGE PLAN:

This amendment is consistent with the Metropolitan Council Transportation Policy Plan, adopted on January 14, 2009, with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on August 29, 2008.

We are requesting approval of this TIP amendment at this time. If you have any questions, please contact Katie Walker _ at 612-348-2190_.

Sincerely,

Susan Stensland, Grants Manager Metropolitan Council/ Metro Transit

612-349-7603

Cc: Katie Walker, Hennepin County Regional Rail Authority
Sherry Narusiewicz, MN/DOT Metro Program Management
Marv Lunceford, MN/DOT Metro Program Management
Brian Lamb, General Manager, Metro Transit
Arlene McCarthy, Director, Metropolitan Transportation Services