Item: 2009-38

# **Transportation Committee**

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of February 25, 2009

## **ADVISORY INFORMATION**

Date Prepared: February 10, 2009

Subject: 2009-2012 TIP Amendment: MnDOT, Include 18 Vehicle Purchases through the

Section 5310 Program for the Elderly and Persons with Disabilities (TAB Action

2009-01)

#### **Proposed Action:**

That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include Section 5310 Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Program projects.

#### **Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:**

Carl Ohrn, MTS Planning Analyst, presented this item to the committee; there were no further questions or comments from committee members. Motion by Peterson, seconded by Beach, and passed with Steffen abstaining.

Hearing no objections, Chair Meeks stated that this item could move to the full Council as a consent item.

#### **Business Item**

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## **Transportation Committee**

Item: 2009-38

Meeting date: February 9, 2009 Council meeting February 23, 2009

#### **ADVISORY INFORMATION**

**Date:** January 30, 2009

Subject: 2009-2012 TIP Amendment: MnDOT, Include 18 Vehicle Purchases

through the Section 5310 Program for the Elderly and Persons with

Disabilities (TAB Action 2009-01)

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: TAB Action

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

Amy Vennewitz, Dep. Director Finance & Planning (651-602-1058)

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

**Division/Department:** Metropolitan Transportation Services

#### **Proposed Action**

That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include Section 5310 Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Program projects.

### **Background**

To spend federal transportation funds, the projects must be in the current TIP.

#### Rationale

The funding cycle is such that the specifics of how these funds are to be used is not known when the TIP is written.

#### **Funding**

The amendment adds funding.

#### **Known Support / Opposition**

No known opposition.

## **Transportation Advisory Board**

of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

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David Gepner Non-motorized January 27, 2009

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

Mr. Bell,

On January 21, 2009, the Transportation Advisory Board voted to amend the 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include eighteen projects funded through the Section 5310 Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Program.

The TAB forwards this action to the Metropolitan Council for concurrence along with additional information described in TAB action transmittal 2009-01.

Sincerely,

CR Donn Wiski, Chair

Transportation Advisory Board

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#### **ACTION TRANSMITTAL**

No. 2009-01

DATE:

January 27, 2009

TO:

Metropolitan Council

FROM:

Transportation Advisory Board

SUBJECT:

2009-2012 TIP amendment for 5310 Elderly and Persons with Disabilities

**Program Projects** 

**MOTION:** The Transportation Advisory Board voted to amend the 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include Section 5310 Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Program projects.

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION: The TIP amendment is needed because the timing of project solicitation for this program is not compatible with the TIP/STIP process. The selection of these projects is done through grant applications submitted to the Federal Transit Administration. In order for the agencies to purchase their vehicles in FY 2009, they need to be identified in the current TIP.

The project list is and TIP Amendment request letter are attached.

#### ROUTING

TO	ACTION REQUESTED	DATE COMPLETED
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	December 18, 2008
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	January 4, 2009
TAB Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	January 21, 2009
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Adopt	January 21, 2009
Metropolitan Council	Concurrence	



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December 18, 2008

Tom Johnson, 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: See Attached List

Dear Mr. Johnson:

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:

See Attached List

#### PROJECT BACKGROUND:

1. Briefly describe why amendment is needed (e.g., project in previous STIP but not completed; illustrative project and funds now available; discretionary funds received; inadvertently not included in STIP).

Section 5310, Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Program, is funded by FTA through MnDOT's Office of Transit. The selection of these projects is done through grant applications submitted to FTA. The timing of project selection is not compatible with TIP/STIP development and in order for the agencies to purchase their vehicles in SFY 2009 an amendment is needed to identify them in the current TIP.

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•	Anticipated Advance Construction	
•	ATP or MPO or Mn/DOT Adjustment by deferral of other projects	<del></del>
•	Earmark or HPP not affecting fiscal constraint	
•	Other**	<u></u>
*FTA	5310 Operating Funds	

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•	Subject to conformity determination	
•	Exempt from regional level analysis*	Yes
•	Exempt from project level analysis**	Yes_
•	Exempt by virtue of interagency consultation	
	N/A (not in a nonattainment or maintenance area)	

#### CONSISTENCY WITH MPO LONG RANGE PLAN:

This amendment is consistent with the Metropolitan Council Transportation Policy Plan, adopted on December 14, 2004, with FHWA/FTA conformity determination established on February 1, 2005.

We are requesting approval of this TIP amendment at this time. If you have any questions, please contact me at 651-234-7793.

Sincerely,

Sherry Narusiewicz Transportation Program Coordinator Metro Program Management

cc: Marv Lunceford, Metro Program Management Chuck Morris, MnDOT Office of Transit

<sup>\*</sup> Exemption Code- T-10 Purchase of new buses and rail cars to replace existing vehicles or for minor expansions of the fleet.

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