

T Transportation Committee

Meeting date: November 28, 2011

Council meeting date: December 14, 2011

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: November 17, 2011
Subject: 2012-2015 TIP Amendment Request for Safe Routes to School Projects in Blaine, Fridley, Minnetonka, and Burnsville (TAB Action 2011-67)
District(s), Member(s): Chávez - 15, Munt – 3, Schreiber – 2, Đoàn - 10
Policy/Legal Reference: TAB Action
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Division/Department: Metropolitan Transportation Services

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include four projects to receive Safe Routes To School (SRTS) funding in Blaine, Fridley, Minnetonka, and Burnsville.

Background

These four projects were all selected during the SFY 2012 Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Solicitation conducted by MnDOT's Central Office. SRTS is a special federal funding program that requires no local match; therefore these four projects are all fully funded. The projects included in this TIP Amendment are:

<u>Project Description</u>	<u>SRTS Funds</u>
1. Construct city trail from 91 st Ave NE in front of intermediate and middle schools and Jackson Street NE to 89 th Ave in Blaine	\$202,426
2. Preliminary engineering for infrastructure improvements at three schools in Fridley and construction of improvements (project to be broken out into PE and construction elements)	\$108,840
3. Preliminary engineering and construction for sidewalk improvements in front of Glen Lake Elementary in Minnetonka (project to be broken out into PE and construction elements)	\$370,662
4. Construct multi-use trail, replace sidewalk and install school crossing signs from TH 13 to Sioux Trail Elementary in Burnsville	\$132,340

Rationale

These projects must be identified in the current Transportation Improvement Program in order for them to be authorized to receive federal funding. The selection process for these projects was completed after the 2012-2015 TIP was prepared for adoption so a TIP amendment is necessary. The projects do not impact air quality, are consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan and do not affect fiscal constraint as they will use new funding.

Funding

These projects are 100% funded Safe Routes to School (SRTS) funds.

Known Support / Opposition

No opposition was noted at either the TAC or the TAB meetings.