

T Transportation Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of November 12, 2008

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date Prepared: October 29, 2008

Subject: 2008-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment, add Southwest Transit Station and Southwest Village Transit Station Debt Payment (TAB Action 2008-29)

Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2008-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add Southwest Transit Station and Southwest Village Transit Station Debt Payment.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

Carl Ohrn, MTS, presented this item to the committee; there were no further questions or comments from committee members.

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

T Transportation Committee

Business Item

Item: 2008-288

Meeting date: October 27, 2008

Council meeting November 12, 2008

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	October 16, 2008
Subject:	2008-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment, add Southwest Transit Station and Southwest Village Transit Station Debt Payment (TAB Action 2008-29)
District(s), Member(s):	District 3 – Smith, District 4 - Peterson
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 (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 2008-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add Southwest Transit Station and Southwest Village Transit Station Debt Payment.

Background

Each of the transit operators in the region earn federal funds based on the miles of transit service they provide. When the TIP was prepared, Southwest Transit had not determined how it would use these funds.

Rationale

In order to use federal transportation funds, the project must be included in the current TIP.

Funding

These are “new” funds to the TIP.

Known Support / Opposition

There is no known opposition to this action.

Transportation Advisory Board

of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

Donn R. Wiski
Chair

October 21, 2008

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Anoka County

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Carver County

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

Mr. Bell,

On October 15, 2008, the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) voted to amend the 2008-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include two debt payments for the Southwest Transit Station and Southwest Village Transit Station in program year 2009.

The TAB forwards this action to the Metropolitan Council for concurrence along with additional information described in TAB action transmittal 2008-29.

Sincerely,



Donn Wiski
Chair

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Transportation Advisory Board
Of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

ACTION TRANSMITTAL

No. 2008-29

DATE: October 21, 2008
TO: Metropolitan Council
FROM: Transportation Advisory Board
SUBJECT: 2008-2011 TIP Amendment for Metropolitan Council Southwest Transit Station and Southwest Village Transit Station Debt Payment.

MOTION: The TAB amended the 2008-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add two line items in program year 2009 for the Southwest Transit Station and Southwest Village Transit Station Debt Payment.

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION:

This amendment is needed to identify \$654,823 in 5307 funding for debt payment for transit stations. These amounts were not previously included in the TIP as the agency had not yet determined how it would be using its federal dollars. This amendment would allow for payment of the debt using the 5307 funding.

Additional background material is attached.

ROUTING

TO	ACTION REQUESTED	DATE COMPLETED
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	September 18, 2008
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	October 1, 2008
TAB Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	October 9, 2008
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Adopt	October 15, 2008
Metropolitan Council	Concurrence	

September 18, 2008

Tom, Johnson, Chair
 TAC Funding and Programming Committee
 Metropolitan Council
 390 Robert Street No.
 St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

Re: Amendment to the 2008-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area

State Project Number: XXXX-XX

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Please amend the 2008 – 2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include the above referenced projects in Program Year 2009. The projects are being submitted with the following information:

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION:

STATE FISCAL YEAR	ATP	DIST	ROUTE SYSTEM	PROJECT NUMBER (S.P. #) (Fed # if available)	AGENCY	DESCRIPTION include location, description of all work, & city (if applicable)	MILES
2009	M	M	BB		Met Council – MTS	SouthWest Transit Station Debt Payment	0
2009	M	M	BB		Met Council – MTS	SouthWest Village Transit Station Debt Payment	0

PROG	TYPE OF WORK	PROP FUNDS	TOTAL \$	FHWA TARGET \$	HPP/EAR MARK \$	FTA \$	TH \$	OTHER \$
TR	Transit	5307	379,516	0	0	303,613	0	75,903
TR	Transit	5307	275,307	0	0	220,246	0	55,061

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).

These items were not previously included in the STIP. The requesting agency had not at that time determined how they would be using their federal dollars. This amendment requests that amounts be set up to allow for payment of their debt using the federal dollars stipulated above.

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 Mn/DOT Adjustment by deferral of other projects _____
- Earmark or HPP not affecting fiscal constraint _____
- Other _____

* Defined as additional funds not previously programmed in the TIP.

CONSISTENCY WITH MPO LONG RANGE PLAN:

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

AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY:

- Subject to conformity determination_____
- Exempt from regional level analysis* X
- Exempt from project level analysis*_____
- Exempt by virtue of interagency consultation*_____
- N/A (not in a nonattainment or maintenance area)....._____

*Exempt Project Category # T8
Per Section 93.126 of the Conformity Rules

We are requesting approval of this STIP amendment at this time. If you have any questions, please contact me at (651) 602-1887.

Sincerely,

Sean Pfeiffer
Financial Analyst
Metropolitan Council – Metropolitan Transportation Services

Cc: Marv Lunceford, MN/DOT Metro Program Management