

# METRO COUNCIL

## Work Session Worksheet

**PRESENTATION DATE:** January 8, 2019

**LENGTH:** 60 minutes

**PRESENTATION TITLE:** Discuss Council Policy Priorities for 2022-2024 Regional Flexible Funds Allocation

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### WORK SESSION PURPOSE & DESIRED OUTCOMES

- Purpose: Provide Council with background information for the upcoming updates of the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) and the Regional Flexible Funds Allocation (RFFA).
- Outcome: Staff is requesting input and policy direction from Council at the outset of these policy and funding allocation processes.

### TOPIC BACKGROUND & FRAMING THE WORK SESSION DISCUSSION

The MTIP and RFFA are two federally required processes that demonstrate how the region is implementing the policy goals and objectives defined in the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

The MTIP is the policy document that describes how the four agencies in the region which directly receive federal transportation funding are selecting projects and working together to ensure a coordinated approach to achieve the region's vision and goals for the transportation system. The MTIP is comprised of three major components: the transportation funding allocations administered by the state department of transportation (ODOT), transit agencies (SMART and TriMet), and the metropolitan planning organization (Metro).

The identification and selection of projects receiving the federal funding allocated to Metro on behalf of the entire Portland region is known as the Regional Flexible Funds Allocation (RFFA). The flexible funds are an element of the funds programmed within the MTIP. The Metro region is preparing to prioritize transportation projects and program activities to receive regional flexible funds available in the federal fiscal years 2022 through 2024.

In 2019, JPACT and Metro Council will undertake two processes: to consider and develop the MTIP policy, and to select projects to be funded through the RFFA. This work session is intended to provide Council with an overview of these processes and policy questions to be considered, and to gather Council direction on how the 2021-2024 MTIP and 2022-2024 RFFA are to reflect regional policy.

### QUESTIONS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

- How does Council wish to use recommendations from the previous Council as they consider 2021-2024 MTIP/RFFA policy direction?
- What is Council's direction on how the region should implement the 2018 RTP policy, goals and objectives through the updated MTIP and RFFA?

**PACKET MATERIALS**

- Would legislation be required for Council action ☐ Yes ☒ No
- If yes, is draft legislation attached? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- What other materials are you presenting today? Slide deck only