

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING FIVE)	RESOLUTION NO. 20-5151
EXISTING AND ADDING SIX NEW PROJECTS)	
TO THE 2021-24 METROPOLITAN)	Introduced by: Chief Operating Officer
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT)	Marissa Madrigal in concurrence with
PROGRAM (MTIP) IMPACTING CLACKAMAS)	Council President Lynn Peterson
COUNTY, METRO ODOT, SMART, AND,		
TRIMET (DC21-05-DEC)		

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) prioritizes projects from the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) to receive transportation related funding; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) and the Metro Council approved the 2021-24 MTIP via Resolution 20-5110 on July 23, 2020; and

WHEREAS, JPACT and the Metro Council must approve any subsequent amendments to add new projects or substantially modify existing projects in the MTIP; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) has issued clarified MTIP amendment submission rules and definitions for MTIP formal amendments and administrative modifications that both ODOT and all Oregon MPOs must adhere to which includes that all new projects added to the MTIP must complete the formal amendment process; and

WHEREAS, MTIP amendments now must also include assessments for required performance measure compliance, expanded RTP consistency, and strive to meet annual Metro and statewide obligation targets resulting in additional MTIP amendment processing practices and procedures; and

WHEREAS, Clackamas County's new Advanced Traffic Controllers (ATC) and Signal Optimization Metro awarded 2019 Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO) project will upgraded up to ninety-nine older traffic signals providing central signal system upgrades, intersection and signal timing optimized improvements for all users has developed a sufficient scope and delivery budget to all MTIP and STIP programming to now occur; and

WHEREAS, Clackamas County's new ATC project awarded funding will be sourced from two existing programmed Metro TSMO project grouping buckets for a total of \$735,787 of federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds; and

WHEREAS, ODOT's All Roads Transportation Safety (ARTS) Central Systemic Signals and Illumination project grouping bucket which provides illumination, intersection work, bike and pedestrian improvements, ADA upgrades, signal work, and other safety improvements at various locations is completing a scope change to add two additional site locations to be included in the ARTS bucket; and

WHEREAS, ODOT's Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) program grouping bucket is completing housekeeping corrective action to shift \$600,000 to ODOT's Region 1 Bike Pedestrian Crossings project which was approved as part of the 2021-24 MTIP and STIP update, but not completed when the final transition updates were accomplished; and

WHEREAS, the December 2020 Formal Amendment is adding two SMART Senior and Disabled projects from their Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2019 and 20220 allocations which provide ADA para-transit services to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities that were not approved by the Federal Transit Agency (FTA) at the end of FFY 2020 and now are required to be carried over into the 2021-24 MTIP to allow the funds to be obligated; and

WHEREAS, the December 2020 Formal Amendment is also adding two SMART FTA Section 5339 funded projects which support the replacement, rehabilitation and purchase of buses and related equipment and to construct bus-related facilities that were not approved by the Federal Transit Agency (FTA) at the end of FFY 2020 and now are required to be carried over into the 2021-24 MTIP to allow the funds to be obligated; and

WHEREAS, through this formal MTIP Amendment, TriMet's Elderly and Disabled Program (2020) project which supports ADA para-transit services to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities is being canceled from the MTIP as it did receive FTA approval resulting in the obligation of the FTA Section 5310 funds before the end of FFY 2020 and avoided the need to slip the project to FFY 2021; and

WHEREAS, as the result of an approved fund exchange among Metro, Portland, and TriMet, and approval from the ODOT State Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) fund manager plus Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Metro CMAQ funds have been swapped for local TriMet funds from a Portland project and are being committed to TriMet's planned five electric bus purchase which provides an improved air quality improvement benefit for use of the CMAQ funds; and

WHEREAS, the a review of the proposed project changes has been completed against the current approved Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) to ensure the projects remain consistent with the goals and strategies identified in the RTP with the results confirming that no RTP inconsistencies exist as a result of the project changes from the December 2021-24 MTIP Formal Amendment; and

WHEREAS, the RTP consistency check areas included financial/fiscal constraint verification, eligibility and proper use of committed funds, an assessment of possible air quality impacts, a deviation assessment from approved regional RTP goals and strategies, a validation that the required changes have little or no impact upon regionally significant projects, and a reconfirmation that the MTIP's financial constraint finding is maintained a result of the December 2020 Formal Amendment; and

WHEREAS, Metro's Transportation Policy and Alternatives Committee (TPAC) received their notification plus amendment summary overview, and recommended approval to Metro's Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) on December 4, 2020; and

WHEREAS, JPACT approved Resolution 20-5151 consisting of the December 2020 Formal MTIP Amendment bundle on December 17, 2020 and provided their approval recommendation to Metro Council; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council hereby adopts the recommendation of JPACT on January 7, 2021 to formally amend the 2021-24 MTIP to include the required changes or additions to the three identified projects as part of Resolution 20-5151.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this ____ day of _____ 2021.

Lynn Peterson, Council President

Approved as to Form:

Carrie MacLaren, Metro Attorney