

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE 2021-)	RESOLUTION NO. 21-5191
24 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION)	
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (MTIP) TO ADD)	Introduced by: Chief Operating Officer
TRIMET'S DIVISION TRANSIT PROJECT)	Marissa Madrigal in concurrence with
WHICH WAS AWARDED \$12,963,076 FROM)	Council President Lynn Peterson
THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021)	
(JL21-13-JUL2))	

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, Metro is now under formal annual obligation targets resulting in additional accountability for Metro to commit, program, obligate, and expend allocated federal formula funds; and

WHEREAS, TriMet has been awarded \$12,936,076 from the American Rescue Plan of 2021 for their Division Transit Project; and

WHEREAS, This grant along with the two previous FTA Section 5309 grants will assist TriMet complete the construction phase currently in progress and complete the estimated \$175 million project with a planned completion date in federal fiscal year 2022, and

WHEREAS, the Division Transit project which will provide new 60 foot buses providing services and run every 12 minutes from downtown Portland east through the Division St corridor to Gresham will reduce travel times up to 20 percent; 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 July #2 2021 MTIP Formal Amendment; and

WHEREAS, 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 July #2 2021 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 July 9, 2021; and

WHEREAS, JPACT approved Resolution 21-5191 consisting of the July #2 2021 Formal MTIP Amendment on July 15, 2021 and provided their approval recommendation to Metro Council; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council hereby adopts the recommendation of JPACT on July 29, 2021 through Resolution 21-5191 to formally amend the 2021-24 MTIP to include the new TriMet Division Transit Project as funded from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

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

Lynn Peterson, Council President

Approved as to Form:

Carrie MacLaren, Metro Attorney