

09. PROJECT SELECTION PROCESS UPDATE

**BACKGROUND**

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At the March 2020 Transportation Policy Council (TPC) meeting the Council approved goals, priorities, and policies for selection and prioritization of projects to be programmed in Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), 10-Year Plan, and the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). These goals, priorities and policies guide the H-GAC staff, Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) and the TIP Subcommittee in development of project selection criteria and evaluation methodologies for project planning and programming.

**CURRENT SITUATION**

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Staff is conducting a series of workshops with the TIP Subcommittee and TAC members to finalize development of the project selection criteria and scoring. At the June 1st TIP Subcommittee meeting/Workshop staff discussed various possibilities to gather a list of improvements/projects that could be evaluated for programming in the TIP, 10-Year Plan and the RTP.

Staff will work with local agencies and stakeholders to assemble lists of top priorities for short (0 to 5 years), medium (6 to 10 years), and long term (greater than 10 years). Local sponsors including City & County governments, TxDOT, Transit agencies, Ports, and Special districts (Municipal Utility Districts, Management Districts, Redevelopment Authorities, etc.). Potential projects will also be identified from recommendations developed by H-GAC-sponsored subregional and mobility plans.

These lists will be evaluated for consistency with regional vision (2045 RTP) and the TPC project selection guidance. It will be utilized for planning and programming purposes, and it will also be utilized for submitting applications to potential funding opportunities from new programs (some formula, some discretionary grants, and some combination of two) such as the Bridge Investment Program, National EV Charging Program, Carbon Reduction Program and the Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient and Cost saving Transportation (PROTECT) grant program.

**ACTION REQUESTED**

Information and Discussion Only