

7. AMENDMENTS TO THE 2025-2028 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND THE 2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

BACKGROUND

The 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is a four-year capital improvements program for transportation projects. Under federal rules, all federally assisted projects must be included in the TIP to be eligible for funding. In addition, federal rules require that regionally significant local projects must also be included in the TIP.

The 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) is a long-range plan that prioritizes spending on regional transportation projects including short and long-range strategies to ensure the transportation network is safe and efficient. Updated every four years, the RTP outlines a fiscally constrained transportation investment program that is based on the unique needs and characteristics of the MPO region.

Amendments to the TIP and RTP are brought to the Transportation Policy Council for consideration monthly and amended in accordance with the H-GAC Public Participation Plan.

CURRENT SITUATION

A summary of the proposed revisions to the 2025-2028 TIP and 2045 RTP is included below for the Council's review.

- Program METRO's State of Good Repair Vehicle Replacements project (19082) in FY 2025 funded with \$9.1M Federal Transit Administration FY 2023 Section 5339 formula funds and 1.8M Transportation Development Credits in lieu of matching funds. It was inadvertently left out of the FY 2025-2028 TIP.
- Program METRO's State of Good Repair Vehicle Replacements project (19143) in FY 2025 funded with \$275K Federal Transit Administration FY 2021 Section 5339 formula funds and 55K Transportation Development Credits in lieu of matching funds. These funds are being transferred from Gulf Coast Transit District to METRO to preclude from lapsing.

ACTION REQUESTED

Transportation Policy Council approval of Resolutions 2024-17 and 2024-18.



Resolution

NO. 2024-17

AUTHORIZING AMENDMENTS OF THE 2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP) AND THE 2025-2028 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) FOR THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA

WHEREAS, the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan was adopted by the Transportation Policy Council on May 19, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program for the Houston-Galveston Metropolitan Planning Area was adopted by the Transportation Policy Council on June 28, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the proposed revisions to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program are consistent with the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan and its finding of conformance with the State Implementation Plan for air quality; and

WHEREAS, the proposed revisions to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program are consistent with the federal fiscal constraint requirements established for the Transportation Improvement Program and are consistent with the financially constrained 2045 Regional Transportation Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY COUNCIL (TPC) FOR THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA THAT THE 2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND THE 2025-2028 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BE AMENDED TO REFLECT THE REVISIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE TABLE OF **JULY 2024 TPC AMENDMENTS**.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT FEDERAL FUNDS AUTHORIZED BY THE TPC FROM THE CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) AND SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT (STBG) PROGRAMS REPRESENT A LIMITING AMOUNT. ANY COST OVERRUNS ON PHASES OF WORK AUTHORIZED BY THE TPC OR COSTS INCURRED ON PHASES OF WORK NOT AUTHORIZED BY THE TPC SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PROJECT SPONSOR. IN NO CASE, SHALL FEDERAL PARTICIPATION UNDER THE CMAQ AND STBG PROGRAMS BE INCREASED WITHOUT CONSULTATION AND THE EXPRESS APPROVAL OF THE TPC.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 26th day of July 2024, at a regularly called meeting of the Transportation Policy Council.

APPROVED:


Hon. Justin Beckendorf, Chairman
Transportation Policy Council

ATTEST:


Hon. Nancy Arnold, Secretary
Transportation Policy Council



Resolution

NO. 2024-18

APPROVING THE AWARD OF TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT CREDITS (TDCs) AND AUTHORIZING RELATED AMENDMENTS TO THE 2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP), AND TO THE 2025-2028 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) FOR THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA.

WHEREAS, Texas Administrative Code, Title 43 Subchapter H, identifies the purpose, goals, and administrative requirements for the Transportation Development Credit Program in the State of Texas, including the sub-allocation of credits to Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs); and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation has documented the current balance of credits allocated to H-GAC, the MPO for the Houston-Galveston Metropolitan Planning Area; and

WHEREAS, Texas Administrative Code, Title 43 §5.106, establishes requirements for the award of transportation development credits by MPOs; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Policy Council has established a documented process for the evaluation of applications and the award of credits; and

WHEREAS, the Houston-Galveston Area Council is in receipt of requests for credits; and

WHEREAS, the award of credits for these purposes is consistent with the Policy governing the consideration of requests for credits adopted by the Policy Council on November 20, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY COUNCIL (TPC) FOR THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA THAT TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT CREDITS BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PROJECTS IN THE ATTACHED TABLE#1 AND THAT THE TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR IS DIRECTED TO ENTER INTO ANY NECESSARY PROJECT AGREEMENTS.

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H-GAC 2025-2028 TIP and 2045 RTP

July 2024 TIP Amendments

Count	MPOID/CSJ	Sponsor/County	Project	Proj Type	Proposed Modifications						
					STIP?	Funding (M)			Scope	Schedule	
						Fed/State	Local				
1	19082 NULL	METRO (HAR)	METRO SERVICE AREA (VA, VA) METRO STATE OF GOOD REPAIR - VEHICLE REPLACEMENTS - FY 2023	T	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Add to TIP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Add to FY 2025.	
2	19143 NULL	METRO (HAR)	METRO SERVICE AREA (VA, VA) METRO STATE OF GOOD REPAIR - VEHICLE REPLACEMENTS - FY 2021	T	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	+\$0.3	-0-	Add 55K TDCs.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Add to TIP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Add to FY 2025.

Table 1**July 2024 Transportation Development Credits**

Agency	MPOID/CSJ	Project	Federal Source	Federal Funds	TDCs Requested	Priority Use Under TDC Policy	Comments
METRO	19143/NA	METRO STATE OF GOOD REPAIR - VEHICLE REPLACEMENTS - (FY2021 Section 5339)	FTA 5339	\$275,000	55,000	Support of Federal Transit Funding	With TDC's, METRO will be able to use local funds for other public transit service and projects

2025 - 2028 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN
July 2024 Amendment

PROPOSED VERSION							
MPOID / CSJ 19082 /		STIP Revision Date:					FY 2025
DISTRICT	COUNTY	CSJ	HWY	PHASE	CITY	PROJECT SPONSOR	YOE COST
Houston	Harris		VA	T	HOUSTON	METRO	\$9,069,915
STREET:	METRO SERVICE AREA					FUNDING CATEGORY:	FTA Sec. 5339
LIMITS FROM:	VA					VOC:	kg/day
LIMITS TO:	VA					NOx:	kg/day
TIP DESCRIPTION :	METRO STATE OF GOOD REPAIR - VEHICLE REPLACEMENTS - FY 2023						

Project History : Amendment # July-2024- 2024-07-26 Programmed in FY 2025 with FTA Section 5339 funds and matching TDCs. Inadvertently not carried over from 2023 TIP:***

Remarks:

Total Project Cost Information:		Cost of Approved Phases:	Authorized Funding by Category/Share:					
			Funding Category	Federal	State	Local	Local Contribution	Funding By Category
Preliminary Engineering:	\$0	\$9,069,915	BBF	\$9,069,915	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,069,915
Right Of Way:	\$0							
Construction:	\$9,069,915							
Construction Engineering:	\$0							
Contingencies:	\$0							
Indirects:	\$0							
Bond Financing:	\$0							
Total Project Cost	\$9,069,915		Funding by share:	\$9,069,915	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,069,915
			TDC:	1,813,983				

OLD VERSION							
MPOID / CSJ 19082 /		STIP Revision Date:					FY 2025
DISTRICT	COUNTY	CSJ	HWY	PHASE	CITY	PROJECT SPONSOR	YOE COST
Houston	Harris		VA	T	HOUSTON	METRO	\$9,069,915
STREET:	METRO SERVICE AREA					FUNDING CATEGORY:	FTA Sec. 5339
LIMITS FROM:	VA					VOC:	kg/day
LIMITS TO:	VA					NOx:	kg/day
TIP DESCRIPTION :	METRO STATE OF GOOD REPAIR - VEHICLE REPLACEMENTS - FY 2023						

Project History : Amendment # MAR-2024- 2024-03-22 Program FY 2023 apportionment of FTA Section 5339 funds for bus replacements in FY 2024.***

Remarks:

Total Project Cost Information:		Cost of Approved Phases:	Authorized Funding by Category/Share:					
			Funding Category	Federal	State	Local	Local Contribution	Funding By Category
Preliminary Engineering:	\$0	\$9,069,915	BBF	\$9,069,915	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,069,915
Right Of Way:	\$0							
Construction:	\$9,069,915							
Construction Engineering:	\$0							
Contingencies:	\$0							
Indirects:	\$0							
Bond Financing:	\$0							
Total Project Cost	\$9,069,915		Funding by share:	\$9,069,915	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,069,915
			TDC:	1,813,983				

PHASE: C=CONSTRUCTION, E = ENGINEERING, R = ROW, T = TRANSFER

16-Jul-24

2025 - 2028 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN
July 2024 Amendment

PROPOSED VERSION

MPOID / CSJ 19143 / STIP Revision Date: FY 2025

DISTRICT	COUNTY	CSJ	HWY	PHASE	CITY	PROJECT SPONSOR	YOE COST
Houston	Harris		VA	T	HOUSTON	METRO	\$275,000

STREET: METRO SERVICE AREA FUNDING CATEGORY: FTA Sec. 5339
 LIMITS FROM: VA VOC: kg/day
 LIMITS TO: VA NOx: kg/day
 TIP DESCRIPTION: METRO STATE OF GOOD REPAIR - VEHICLE REPLACEMENTS - (FY2021 Section 5339)

Project History : Amendment # July-2024- 2024-07-26 Program in FY 2025 of the 2025 TIP.***

Remarks: Transfer FY 2021 GCTD funds to METRO to preclude from lapsing.

Total Project Cost Information:		Cost of Approved Phases:	Authorized Funding by Category/Share:					Funding By Category
			Funding Category	Federal	State	Local Contribution		
Preliminary Engineering:	\$0	\$275,000	BBF	\$275,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$275,000
Right Of Way:	\$0		Funding by share:	\$275,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$275,000
Construction:	\$275,000							
Construction Engineering:	\$0							
Contingencies:	\$0							
Indirects:	\$0							
Bond Financing:	\$0							
Total Project Cost	\$275,000							

TDCs: 55,000

H-GAC Transportation Development Credits Application

Contact Information

Name	Phone Number	E-Mail Address
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Project Information

MPOID	Sponsor Name
TBD	METRO

TIP Project Description

METRO STATE OF GOOD REPAIR - VEHICLE REPLACEMENTS –(FY2021 Section 5339)

Federal Cost	TDC Request
\$275,000	55,000

Is this project currently in the TIP?
No

Is this project currently in the RTP?
No

Priority Use of TDCs

TDC Priority

Support of Federal Transit Funding

Please explain how the use of TDCs will help meet the priority established for this project.

Use of TDCs will allow METRO to purchase replacement buses to support public transit service.

Maintenance of Local Investment

Roadway, Transit, or Other Project?

Transit Project

Explain and document the effect the TDC's will have on local and non-federal funding support for existing transit services.

Use of TDCs for this project allows METRO to use local funds for other public transit service and projects.

Date Submitted

07/11/2024

Mission Statement

“Provide safe, clean, reliable, accessible and friendly public transportation services to our region.”

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July 11, 2024

Craig Raborn
Director of Transportation Services
Houston-Galveston Area Council
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RE: Request for Amendment – FY2021 Section 5339 – New Project

Dear Mr. Raborn,

I am writing to request the addition of a new project in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to be funded with FY2021 Section 5339 funds.

Please disregard the letter dated June 20th, 2024, from Alan Clark, which requested these funds be added to existing MPO ID 19082.

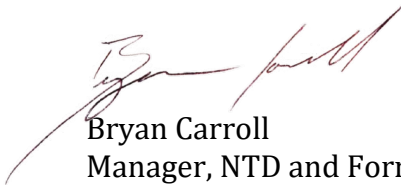
Per discussions with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), H-GAC, METRO, and Gulf Coast Transit District (GCTD) staff, programming these funds into a new project is the preferred approach.

Please amend the TIP and STIP according to the attached table.

Please process this request at your earliest convenience. If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 713-615-6423 or via email at bryan.carroll@ridemetro.org.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Bryan Carroll
Manager, NTD and Formula Funding

cc:

Vishu Lingala, H-GAC
Karen Owen, H-GAC
Jim Dickinson, H-GAC
Ronisha Hodge, FTA
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Jimmie Young, METRO

Attachments

Attachment 1. Requested TIP Amendment

<u>FY</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>	<u>FEDERAL</u>	<u>LOCAL</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TDCs</u>	<u>PROPOSED ACTION</u>
2025	METRO STATE OF GOOD REPAIR - VEHICLE REPLACEMENTS –(FY2021 Section 5339)	Funding from FY 2021 – Section 5339	275,000	0	275,000	55,000	Add project to TIP

Attachment 2. June 20, 2024 Letter (for reference)

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June 20, 2024

Craig Raborn
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RE: Request for Administrative Amendment – FY 2021 Section 5339 / MPOID 19082

Dear Mr. Raborn:

This letter and attached table requests an administrative amendment of MPOID 19082 identified in the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

Please process at your earliest convenience. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Bryan Carroll at 713-615-6423 / bryan.carroll@ridemetro.org.

Sincerely,

Alan Clark
Chief Strategy Officer

cc: Vishu Lingala, H-GAC
Karen Owen, H-GAC
Jim Dickinson, H-GAC
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Attachment

Attachment 1. Requested TIP Amendments

= Required updates

<u>MPOID</u>	<u>FY</u>	<u>NEW FY</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>	<u>FEDERAL</u>	<u>LOCAL</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TDCs</u>	<u>FEDERAL</u>	<u>LOCAL</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TDCs</u>	<u>PROPOSED ACTION</u>
19082	2025	2024	METRO STATE OF GOOD REPAIR - VEHICLE REPLACEMENTS – FY2023	Funding from FY 2021 and FY 2023 – Section 5339	9,069,915	0	9,069,915	1,813,983	9,344,915	\$0	9,344,915	1,868,983	Update FY, Remarks, Federal, Total, and TDC amounts