

**FUTURE AMENDMENTS TO THE 2021-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT
PROGRAM (TIP) AND 2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP)**

Summary

- Combine two (2) adjoining segments of access management treatments on FM 2920 in Harris County at the Texas Department of Transportation Houston District's request. The overall cost, limits and schedule will be unchanged.
- Program the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County (METRO) Emergency and Community Services (ECS) Center construction project in fiscal year 2022 of the TIP with a \$5.9M Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Emergency Relief Program (Chapter 53, Section 5324) grant. The federal funding was awarded as a result of losses sustained during Hurricane Harvey in 2017.
- Program the METRO Missouri City Park & Ride construction project in fiscal year 2022 of the TIP with \$37M of local funding. The project, which was approved by voters in the METRONext transit plan in 2019, will construct a new facility at a location close to the intersection of Beltway 8 and US 90A.
- Program four (4) METRO Bus Operations Optimized Systems Treatment (BOOST) projects in fiscal years 2022 and 2024 of the TIP with \$145M of local funding. The projects, which will improve transit service on seventeen (17) high frequency routes in the system, will include all phases, right-of-way acquisition, environmental planning, design and construction. The BOOST program was approved by voters in the METRONext plan in 2019.

Action Requested

Information only.

May 2021

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PROPOSED VERSION

MPOID/CSJ: 18192/NA **FY 2023**

DISTRICT	COUNTY	CSJ	HWY	PHASE	CITY	PROJECT SPONSOR	YOE COST
HOUSTON	HARRIS		P&R	T	MISSOURI CITY	METRO	\$36,686,000
STREET:	MISSOURI CITY PARK & RIDE					REV DATE:	
LIMITS FROM:	US 90A					MPO PROJECT ID:	18192
LIMITS TO:	BW 8					FUNDING CATEGORY:	3
TIP	CONSTRUCT NEW PARK AND RIDE IN THE VICINITY OF US 90A AND BW 8					MTP REFERENCE:	
DESCRIPTION:							
REMARKS:	<p align="center">Project History: Amendment # JUN-2021- 06/26/21 Program in FY 2023 of the TIP with Local funding.</p>						

Total Project Cost Information:		Cost of Approved Phases:	Authorized Funding by Category/Share:					Local Contribution	Funding By Category
			Federal	State	Regional	Local			
Preliminary Engineering:	---	\$36,686,000	LOCAL TRANSIT:	---	---	---	\$36,686,000	---	\$36,686,000
Right Of Way:	---		Funding by Share:	---	---	---	\$36,686,000	---	\$36,686,000
Construction:	\$36,686,000								
Construction Engineering:	---								
Contingencies:	---								
Indirects:	---								
Bond Financing:	---								
Total Project Cost:	\$36,686,000								

OLD VERSION

MPOID/CSJ: 18192/NA **FY 2040**

DISTRICT	COUNTY	CSJ	HWY	PHASE	CITY	PROJECT SPONSOR	YOE COST
HOUSTON	FORT BEND			T	MISSOURI CITY	METRO	\$36,686,000
STREET:	MISSOURI CITY PARK AND RIDE					REV DATE:	
LIMITS FROM:	US 90 A					MPO PROJECT ID:	18192
LIMITS TO:	BW 8					FUNDING CATEGORY:	
TIP	REPLACES EXISTING MISSOURI CITY PARK AND RIDE WITH NEW FACILITY CLOSER TO					MTP REFERENCE:	
DESCRIPTION:	INTERSECTION OF US 90A AND BELTWAY 8						
REMARKS:	<p align="center">Project History:</p>						

Total Project Cost Information:		Cost of Approved Phases:	Authorized Funding by Category/Share:					Local Contribution	Funding By Category
			Federal	State	Regional	Local			
Preliminary Engineering:	---	\$36,686,000	LOCAL TRANSIT:	---	---	---	\$36,686,000	---	\$36,686,000
Right Of Way:	---		Funding by Share:	---	---	---	\$36,686,000	---	\$36,686,000
Construction:	\$36,686,000								
Construction Engineering:	---								
Contingencies:	---								
Indirects:	---								
Bond Financing:	---								
Total Project Cost:	\$36,686,000								

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MPOID/CSJ: 18760/NA

FY 2022

DISTRICT	COUNTY	CSJ	HWY	PHASE	CITY	PROJECT SPONSOR	YOE COST
HOUSTON	HARRIS		VA	T	HOUSTON	METRO	\$56,600,000

STREET: METRO SERVICE AREA
 LIMITS FROM: VA
 LIMITS TO: VA
 TIP: CONSTRUCT A NEW EMERGENCY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES CENTER (PHASES INCLUDE
 DESCRIPTION: DESIGN, ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT, REAL ESTATE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION)

REV DATE:
 MPO PROJECT ID: 18760
 FUNDING CATEGORY: 5324
 MTP REFERENCE:

REMARKS: **Project History:** Amendment # JUN-2021- 06/26/21- Program in FY 2022 of the TIP with FTA Section 5324 and Local funding.

Total Project Cost Information:		Cost of Approved Phases:	Authorized Funding by Category/Share:					Local Contribution	Funding By Category
			Federal	State	Regional	Local			
Preliminary Engineering:	---	\$56,600,000	Sec. 5324:	\$5,924,200	---	---	\$50,675,800	---	\$56,600,000
Right Of Way:	---		Funding by Share:	\$5,924,200	---	---	\$50,675,800	---	\$56,600,000
Construction:	\$56,600,000								
Construction Engineering:	---								
Contingencies:	---								
Indirects:	---								
Bond Financing:	---								
Total Project Cost:	\$56,600,000								

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MPOID/CSJ: 18761/NA **FY 2022**

DISTRICT	COUNTY	CSJ	HWY	PHASE	CITY	PROJECT SPONSOR	YOE COST
HOUSTON	HARRIS		VA	T	HOUSTON	METRO	\$25,000,000

STREET: 54 SCOTT BOOST CORRIDOR
 LIMITS FROM: VA
 LIMITS TO: VA
 TIP: DEVELOP THE 54 SCOTT HIGH FREQUENCY ROUTE AS A BOOST CORRIDOR
 DESCRIPTION:
 REMARKS:

REV DATE:
 MPO PROJECT ID: 18761
 FUNDING CATEGORY: 3
 MTP REFERENCE:

Project History: Amendment # JUN-2021- 06/26/21 Program in FY 2022 of the TIP with Local funding.

Total Project Cost Information:		Cost of Approved Phases:	Authorized Funding by Category/Share:					Funding By Category
			Federal	State	Regional	Local	Local Contribution	
Preliminary Engineering:	---	\$25,000,000	---	---	---	\$25,000,000	---	\$25,000,000
Right Of Way:	---		LOCAL TRANSIT:					
Construction:	\$25,000,000		Funding by Share:					
Construction Engineering:	---					\$25,000,000	---	\$25,000,000
Contingencies:	---							
Indirects:	---							
Bond Financing:	---							
Total Project Cost:	\$25,000,000							

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MPOID/CSJ: 18762/NA **FY 2022**

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HOUSTON	HARRIS		VA	T	HOUSTON	METRO	\$26,000,000

STREET: 56 AIRLINE/MONTROSE BOOST COORIDOR
 LIMITS FROM: VA
 LIMITS TO: VA
 TIP: DEVELOP THE 56 AIRLINE/MONTROSE HIGH FREQUENCY ROUTE AS A BOOST CORRIDOR
 DESCRIPTION:
 REMARKS:

REV DATE:
 MPO PROJECT ID: 18762
 FUNDING CATEGORY: 3
 MTP REFERENCE:

Project History: Amendment # JUN-2021- 06/26/21 Program in FY 2022 of the TIP with Local funding.

Total Project Cost Information:		Cost of Approved Phases:	Authorized Funding by Category/Share:					Local Contribution	Funding By Category
			Federal	State	Regional	Local			
Preliminary Engineering:	---	\$26,000,000	---	---	---	\$26,000,000	---	\$26,000,000	
Right Of Way:	---		LOCAL TRANSIT:						
Construction:	\$26,000,000								
Construction Engineering:	---								
Contingencies:	---								
Indirects:	---								
Bond Financing:	---								
Total Project Cost:	\$26,000,000								
			Funding by Share:	---	---	---	\$26,000,000	---	\$26,000,000

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MPOID/CSJ: 18763/NA **FY 2022**

DISTRICT	COUNTY	CSJ	HWY	PHASE	CITY	PROJECT SPONSOR	YOE COST
HOUSTON	HARRIS		VA	T	HOUSTON	METRO	\$44,000,000

STREET: 82 WESTHEIMER BOOST CORRIDOR
 LIMITS FROM: VA
 LIMITS TO: VA
 TIP: DEVELOP THE 82 WESTHEIMER HIGH FREQUENCY ROUTE AS A BOOST CORRIDOR
 DESCRIPTION:
 REMARKS:

REV DATE:
 MPO PROJECT ID: 18763
 FUNDING CATEGORY: 3
 MTP REFERENCE:

Project History: Amendment # JUN-2021- 06/26/21 Program in FY 2022 of the TIP with Local funding.

Total Project Cost Information:		Cost of Approved Phases:	Authorized Funding by Category/Share:					Local Contribution	Funding By Category
			Federal	State	Regional	Local			
Preliminary Engineering:	---	\$44,000,000	---	---	---	\$44,000,000	---	\$44,000,000	
Right Of Way:	---		LOCAL TRANSIT:						
Construction:	\$44,000,000		Funding by Share:						
Construction Engineering:	---		---	---	---	\$44,000,000	---	\$44,000,000	
Contingencies:	---								
Indirects:	---								
Bond Financing:	---								
Total Project Cost:	\$44,000,000								

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MPOID/CSJ: 18764/NA **FY 2024**

DISTRICT	COUNTY	CSJ	HWY	PHASE	CITY	PROJECT SPONSOR	YOE COST
HOUSTON	HARRIS		VA	T	HOUSTON	METRO	\$50,000,000

STREET: METRO SERVICE AREA
 LIMITS FROM: VA
 LIMITS TO: VA
 TIP: DEVELOP ADDITIONAL BOOST CORRIDORS AS SHOWN IN METRONEXT
 DESCRIPTION:
 REMARKS:

REV DATE:
 MPO PROJECT ID: 18764
 FUNDING CATEGORY: 3
 MTP REFERENCE:

Project History: Amendment # JUN-2021- 06/26/21 Program in FY 2024 of the TIP with Local funding.

Total Project Cost Information:		Cost of Approved Phases:	Authorized Funding by Category/Share:					Local Contribution	Funding By Category
			Federal	State	Regional	Local			
Preliminary Engineering:	---	\$50,000,000	---	---	---	\$50,000,000	---	\$50,000,000	
Right Of Way:	---		LOCAL TRANSIT:						
Construction:	\$50,000,000		Funding by Share:						
Construction Engineering:	---		---	---	---	\$50,000,000	---	\$50,000,000	
Contingencies:	---								
Indirects:	---								
Bond Financing:	---								
Total Project Cost:	\$50,000,000								

HOUSTON-GALVESTON MPO
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May 2021 PREVIEWS

PROPOSED VERSION

MPOID/CSJ: 18019/2941-02-062

Cancelled

FY 2022

OLD VERSION

MPOID/CSJ: 18019/2941-02-062

FY 2022

DISTRICT	COUNTY	CSJ	HWY	PHASE	CITY	PROJECT SPONSOR	YOE COST
HOUSTON	HARRIS	2941-02-062	FM 2920	C	NONE	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	\$968,643
STREET:	FM 2920					REV DATE:	
LIMITS FROM:	KUYKENDAHL RD					MPO PROJECT ID:	18019
LIMITS TO:	WILLOW ST					FUNDING CATEGORY:	5
TIP	ACCESS MANAGEMENT TREATMENTS INCLUDE CONSTRUCTION OF A RAISED MEDIAN WITH					MTP REFERENCE:	
DESCRIPTION:	CHANNELIZATION, CONSTRUCTION OF RIGHT TURN LANES, OPTIMIZED SIGNAL TIMING AND IMPROVED SIGNAGE.					NOx (KG/DAY): 1.8	VOC (KG/DAY): 0.6

REMARKS:

Project History:

Total Project Cost Information:		Cost of Approved Phases:	Authorized Funding by Category/Share:					Local Contribution	Funding By Category
Item	Amount		5-CMAQ:	Federal	State	Regional	Local		
Preliminary Engineering:	\$47,464								
Right Of Way:	---								
Construction:	\$968,643	\$968,643							
Construction Engineering:	\$87,178								
Contingencies:	\$96,864								
Indirects:	\$49,207								
Bond Financing:	---								
Total Project Cost:	\$1,249,356								
			Funding by Share:	\$774,914	---	---	\$193,729	---	\$968,643

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PROPOSED VERSION

MPOID/CSJ: 18145/2941-02-062

FY 2021

DISTRICT	COUNTY	CSJ	HWY	PHASE	CITY	PROJECT SPONSOR	YOE COST
HOUSTON	HARRIS	2941-02-062	FM 2920	C	TOMBALL	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	\$2,379,902
STREET:	FM 2920					REV DATE: 05/2021	
LIMITS FROM:	WILLOW ST					MPO PROJECT ID: 18145	
LIMITS TO:	LEXINGTON RD					FUNDING CATEGORY: 5,7	
TIP	VARIOUS ACCESS MANAGEMENT TREATMENTS TO INCLUDE CONSTRUCTION OF A RAISED					MTP REFERENCE:	
DESCRIPTION:	MEDIAN WITH CHANNELIZATION, CONSTRUCTION OF RIGHT TURN LANES, OPTIMIZED SIGNAL					NOx (KG/DAY): 1.8	VOC (KG/DAY): 0.6
	TIMING AND IMPROVED SIGNAGE						

REMARKS: CMAQ funds will be used to construct a new raised median.

Project History: Amend# JUN-2021 - Combine 18019 into 18145, both of which were defined under CSJ 2941-02-062, without cost or overall limits changes. CMAQ funds will be used to construct a new raised median. Cancel 18019.

Total Project Cost Information:		Cost of Approved Phases:	Authorized Funding by Category/Share:					Funding By Category	
Preliminary Engineering:	\$116,615		Federal	State	Regional	Local	Local Contribution		
Right Of Way:	---		5-CMAQ:	\$774,914	\$193,729	---	---	---	\$968,643
Construction:	\$2,379,902	\$2,379,902	7-STBG:	\$1,129,007	\$282,252	---	---	---	\$1,411,259
Construction Engineering:	\$142,794								
Contingencies:	\$237,990		Funding by Share:	\$1,903,921	\$475,981	---	---	---	\$2,379,902
Indirects:	\$120,899								
Bond Financing:	---								
Total Project Cost:	\$2,998,201								

OLD VERSION

MPOID/CSJ: 18145/2941-02-062

FY 2021

DISTRICT	COUNTY	CSJ	HWY	PHASE	CITY	PROJECT SPONSOR	YOE COST
HOUSTON	HARRIS	2941-02-062	FM 2920	C	NONE	TXDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT	\$1,411,259
STREET:	FM 2920					REV DATE:	
LIMITS FROM:	KUYKENDAHL RD					MPO PROJECT ID: 18145	
LIMITS TO:	LEXINGTON RD					FUNDING CATEGORY: 7	
TIP	VARIOUS ACCESS MANAGEMENT TREATMENTS ALONG FM 2920 FROM LEXINGTON ROAD TO					MTP REFERENCE:	
DESCRIPTION:	KUYKENDAHL ROAD. TREATMENTS INCLUDE CONSTRUCTION OF A RAISED MEDIAN WITH						
	CHANNELIZATION, CONSTRUCTION OF RIGHT TURN LANES, OPTIMIZED SIGNAL TIMING AND						
	IMPROVED SIGNAGE.						

REMARKS:

Project History:

Total Project Cost Information:		Cost of Approved Phases:	Authorized Funding by Category/Share:					Funding By Category	
Preliminary Engineering:	\$116,615		Federal	State	Regional	Local	Local Contribution		
Right Of Way:	---		7-STBG:	\$1,129,007	\$282,252	---	---	---	\$1,411,259
Construction:	\$2,379,902	\$2,379,902							
Construction Engineering:	\$142,794		Funding by Share:	\$1,129,007	\$282,252	---	---	---	\$1,411,259
Contingencies:	\$237,990								
Indirects:	\$120,899								
Bond Financing:	---								
Total Project Cost:	\$2,998,201								



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April 1, 2021

Mr. Craig Raborn
Director of Transportation Planning
H-GAC
3555 Timmons, Suite 120
Houston, TX 77027

RE: Request for amendment to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Dear Mr. Raborn:

METRO requests an amendment to the 2021-2024 TIP and 2045 Regional Transportation Plan for a project to develop a new Emergency and Community Services (ECS) Center. The project is intended to support METRO’s ongoing efforts to serve the Houston area community. It will provide an emergency mobilization area for the METRO Police Department, a more accessible location for METRO’s ADA certification and training and other community-oriented services. METRO requests that all project phases, including right-of-way acquisition, environmental planning, design and construction, be included in fiscal year 2022.

The most recent estimated cost for the project is \$56.6 million. METRO will fund a portion of the project with a federal emergency grant it received following Hurricane Harvey. The remainder of the project cost will be covered by METRO’s local sales tax revenue. Additional federal funding may be applied to the project should grant funds become available. Attached is a project description with a funding table and a copy of the Federal Transit Administration’s letter approving the Section 5324 grant funding.

Thank you for your assistance in developing this critical infrastructure. Should you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at Edmund.Petry@ridemetro.org.

Sincerely,

Edmund J. Petry, AICP
Director – System and Capital Planning

Cc: Clint Harbert, AICP, Vice President-System & Capital Planning
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April 2, 2019

Mr. Eric L. Gleason
Director, Public Transportation Director
Texas Department of Transportation
125 East 11th Street
Austin, TX 78701-2483

Re: TXDOT Program of Projects

Dear Mr. Gleason:

We have reviewed the Emergency Relief Resilience Program of Projects submitted to our office on December 13, 2018. FTA concurs with the recommendations provided by TXDOT to fund three resilience projects under 49 U.S.C. 5324 Public Transportation Emergency Relief Program. The following projects located within the disaster area of Hurricane Harvey are hereby approved.

1. Houston METRO - METRO Police and Emergency Operations Center - \$5,924,200
2. Port Arthur – Port Arthur Transit Flood Resiliency for Critical Support Facilities - 723,800
3. Rural Economic Assistance League (REAL) – Power Up REAL Project - \$65,000

The approved projects must be added to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and/or the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) as applicable prior to incurring costs.

Projects funded under the resilience allocation must follow all federal requirements, unless a recipient requests and receives a waiver through the FTA docket number FTA-2019-0001 as described in 49 CFR § 601.42.

Pre-award authority is granted to the approved recipients.

If you have any questions or need further assistance regarding this matter, please contact Sharon Coats of my staff. You can reach her by telephone at (817) 978-0552 or by email at sharon.coats@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

Robert C. Patrick
Regional Administrator

METRO Request for 2021-2024 TIP Amendment

Project: METRO Emergency and Community Services (ECS) Center

Following Hurricane Harvey in 2017, METRO received a federal grant award to construct a METRO police and emergency mobilization center at a location to be determined. Since receiving the grant award, the Amegy Bank parking garage site located across the street from METRO's Downtown Transit Center and adjacent to METRORail Downtown station became available. METRO's development will include an Emergency Operations Center (EOC) for police emergency staging and mobilization needs in downtown Houston. The site may also be used as a multifunctional facility housing METRO's community services such as a police storefront, a METRO ride store, ADA applications and training center as well as space for Transit Oriented Development (TOD) retail opportunities. It will also provide a garage to accommodate parking for customers, METRO employees and METRO's fleet pool vehicles.

Funding:

PROJECT	Description	FY	CATG	FED	LOCAL	TOTAL
METRO ECS Center	Develop a new ECS center. Phases include real estate acquisition, environmental, design and construction.	2022	Sec 5324	\$5,924,200	\$50,675,800	\$56,600,000

Action Requested:

METRO requests that the project be added to FY 2022 to the FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program and Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.



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April 14, 2021

Mr. Craig Raborn
Director of Transportation Planning
H-GAC
3555 Timmons, Suite 120
Houston, TX 77027

RE: Request for amendment to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for MPO ID 18192

Dear Mr. Raborn:

METRO requests an amendment to the 2021-2024 TIP and 2045 Regional Transportation Plan. The amendment would program METRO’s new Missouri City Park & Ride in the vicinity of US 90A and BW 8. METRO requests that all project phases, including right-of-way acquisition, environmental planning, design and construction be included in the TIP.

The project is included in METRONext, METRO’s regional transit plan approved by voters in 2019 and endorsed by the Transportation Policy Council. The new park and ride facility will provide new commuter bus service between the Texas Medical Center (TMC) and Missouri City.

Attached are a project description and funding table for the project. Thank you for your assistance with this amendment. Should you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at Edmund.Petry@ridemetro.org.

Sincerely,

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METRO Request for 2021-2024 TIP Amendment

Project: Missouri City Park and Ride (MPO ID 18192)

The Missouri City/BW 8 Transit Facility will provide new commuter bus service between the Texas Medical Center (TMC) and Missouri City. The facility will be located in the vicinity of US 90A and BW 8 and will include a bus platform for both regional express and local buses as well as parking for commuters. This project connects Missouri City with TMC and Downtown Houston through METRO's regional express network and serves the fast-growing portions of Harris County and Missouri City.

The project will include a multi-story parking garage to support increased travel demand. At the end stage, this facility will accommodate parking for approximately 2,000 vehicles. It will also have an end of line connection for the proposed METRORapid West Houston BRT Corridor line and the Gessner bus line which is part of the BOOST Network, a program to improve speed, reliability, and access for 16 high-ridership, frequent bus routes.

Funding:

PROJECT	Description	FY	CATG	FED	LOCAL	TOTAL
Missouri City Park and Ride @ US 90A	Construct new park and ride in the vicinity of US 90A and BW 8	2023	Local Transit	\$0	\$36,686,000	\$36,686,000

Action Requested:

The project is in the 2045 RTP. METRO requests that the project be advanced to FY 2023 in the FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program and Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.



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April 9, 2021

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Director of Transportation Planning
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3555 Timmons, Suite 120
Houston, TX 77027

RE: Request for amendments to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Dear Mr. Raborn:

METRO requests four amendments to the 2021-2024 TIP and 2045 Regional Transportation Plan. The amendments would program METRO’s Bus Operations Optimized System Treatments (BOOST) projects. METRO requests that all project phases, including right-of-way acquisition, environmental planning, design and construction be included in the TIP.

In 2019, voters overwhelmingly supported METRONext, METRO’s ambitious regional transit plan. METRONext reflects METRO’s ongoing emphasis on improving the customer experience through faster, more reliable, and more accessible transit service. This emphasis is reflected in the designation of seventeen (17) BOOST corridors throughout the service area. The BOOST program aims to holistically improve the transit experience on METRO’s busiest bus routes across the system, delivering benefits to tens of thousands of existing riders and positioning the corridors to attract new ridership in the years to come.

Attached are project descriptions and funding tables for the four projects. Thank you for your assistance with these amendments. Should you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at Edmund.Petry@ridemetro.org.

Sincerely,

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METRO Request for 2021-2024 TIP Amendment

Description: Bus Operations Optimized System Treatments (BOOST)

The BOOST program aims to holistically improve the transit experience on METRO's busiest bus routes across the system, delivering benefits to tens of thousands of existing riders and positioning the corridors to attract new ridership in the years to come. METRO has designated seventeen (17) BOOST corridors throughout its service area. BOOST improvements may include:

- Near-level boarding and 2-door boarding
- New shelters with lighting, seating and route maps
- Accessibility enhancements such as ADA ramps, stop beacons, and accessible sidewalk connections
- Transit signal priority at intersections
- Enhanced passenger information, and
- Bus-only lanes where feasible.

All 17 BOOST corridors have been environmentally cleared as a program of projects. The purpose of environmentally clearing the entire program was to expedite delivery of the program as efficiently as possible. It allows METRO to have a pool of projects that are ready for implementation as funding becomes available through federal grants, local revenues and other sources. At this time, METRO has three (3) BOOST projects in development that it would like to add to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP): 54 Scott, 56 Airline/Montrose and 82 Westheimer. A fourth project would serve as a placeholder for the remaining BOOST corridors. Adding these projects to the TIP will allow METRO to continue to work with its regional partners to develop the program, secure letters of no prejudice from the Federal Transit Administration and seek federal funding opportunities for project implementation.

Funding:

PROJECT	Description	FY	CATG	FED	LOCAL	TOTAL
54 Scott BOOST	Develop the 54 Scott high frequency route as a BOOST corridor	2022	Local Transit	\$0	\$25,000,000	\$25,000,000

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PROJECT	Description	FY	CATG	FED	LOCAL	TOTAL
56 Airline/ Montrose BOOST	Develop the 56 Airline/Montrose high frequency route as a BOOST corridor	2022	Local Transit	\$0	\$26,000,000	\$26,000,000

PROJECT	Description	FY	CATG	FED	LOCAL	TOTAL
82 Westheimer BOOST	Develop the 82 Westheimer high frequency route as a BOOST corridor	2022	Local Transit	\$0	\$44,000,000	\$44,000,000

PROJECT	Description	FY	CATG	FED	LOCAL	TOTAL
Other BOOST Corridors	Develop additional BOOST corridors as shown in METRONext	2024	Local Transit	\$0	\$50,000,000	\$50,000,000

Action Requested:

METRO requests that the projects be added to the FY 2021-2024 TIP and Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.