

NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD
777 North Capitol Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20002

**RESOLUTION ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2019-2024 TRANSPORTATION
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) THAT IS EXEMPT FROM THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY
REQUIREMENT TO INCLUDE FUNDING FOR THE ROCKVILLE INTERMODAL ACCESS
PROJECT: BALTIMORE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS, AS REQUESTED BY THE
CITY OF ROCKVILLE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

WHEREAS, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB), which is the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Washington Region, has the responsibility under the provisions of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process for the Metropolitan Area; and

WHEREAS, the TIP is required by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) as a basis and condition for all federal funding assistance to state, local and regional agencies for transportation improvements within the Washington planning area; and

WHEREAS, on October 17, 2018 the TPB adopted the FY 2019-2024 TIP; and

WHEREAS, in the attached letter of November 25, 2019, the City of Rockville has requested an amendment to the FY 2019-2024 TIP to include \$3.43 million in High Priority Project (HPP) funding and \$2.07 million in local funding in FY 2020 for construction of the Rockville Intermodal Access Project: Baltimore Road Improvements" (TIPI ID 6688), as described in the attached materials; and

WHEREAS, this program is exempt from the air quality conformity requirement, as defined in Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Transportation Conformity Regulations as of April 2012; and

WHEREAS, funding for this program is included in the Visualize 2045 financial analysis; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Steering Committee of the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board amends the FY 2019-2024 TIP to include \$3.43 million in HPP funding and \$2.07 million in local funding in FY 2020 for construction of the Rockville Intermodal Access Project: Baltimore Road Improvements (TIPI ID 6688), as described in the attached materials.



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November 25, 2019

The Honorable Martin Nohe, Chair
National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
777 North Capital Street, N.E., Suite 300
Washington, DC 20002-4201

SUBJECT: National Capital Region FY2019-2024 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment
for Rockville Intermodal Access: Baltimore Road Improvements

Dear Mr. Nohe:

The City of Rockville (City) requests an amendment to the FY2019-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add funding for the construction of the Rockville Intermodal Access Project: Baltimore Road Improvements.

In July 2007, certain funds were set aside for the City in Section 1702 of the Federal funding authorization act known as the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) to provide funding for projects specified by Congress, called High Priority Project Funds. The proposed project on Baltimore Road in the City of Rockville primarily upgrades the roadway and roadside, with a concentration on multimodal users. The design phase for the project was recently completed, after substantial delays, primarily due to the property acquisition process. Authorization to advertise the construction of the project from Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA), the administrative body for the federal funding, is dependent on availability through the TIP. Pending amendment of the TIP and authorization to advertise by SHA, the City expects to move to bidding as early as January 2020 and to start construction by summer 2020, with completion of the project expected by the end of calendar year 2021.

The City requests construction funding to be included in the current TIP. The total construction cost is estimated at \$5,500,000, with Federal funding of \$3,430,000 and local funding of \$2,070,000. The engineering phase for the project is complete, totaling approximately \$1,000,000, with Federal funding of \$570,000, and local funding of \$430,000. Locally-funded Right-of-way has been completed, costing roughly \$210,000.

This project does not add any capacity to the existing roadway and is therefore exempt from the air quality conformity requirement of the long range plan and TIP.

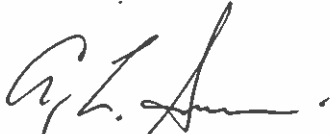
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The City requests that this amendment be placed on the agenda of the Transportation Planning Board's Steering Committee at its meeting on December 6, 2019. A City representative will attend the meeting in person or participate by phone to be available to answer any questions about the amendment.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

If you have questions or comments, please contact me via email at csimoneau@rockvillemd.gov or via telephone at 240-314-8500.

Sincerely,



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Director of Public Works

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**SUBURBAN MARYLAND
FY 2019-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
CAPITAL COSTS (in \$1,000)**

Source	Fed/St/Loc	Previous Funding	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	Source Total
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City of Rockville

TIP ID: 6688	Agency ID:	Title: Rockville Intermodal Access Project: Baltimore Road Improvements	Complete: 2022	Total Cost: \$5,500	
Facility: Baltimore Road	HPP	100/0/0	570 a	3,430 c	3,430
From: MD 28 Norbeck Road	Local	0/0/100	430 a	2,070 c	2,070
To: Rockville City Limits			210 b		
Total Funds:					5,500

Description: This is a roadway and roadside improvements project along Baltimore Road in the City of Rockville. The project aims to improve the existing section of the road for all modes of transportation. The project includes shared use paths, sidewalks, curb and gutter, drainage, stream restoration, minor roadway alignment modifications, mill and overlay, and utility relocations.

Amendment: New Project **Requested on: 12/6/2019**
 Amend this project into the FY 2019-2024 TIP with \$3.43 million in HPP and \$2.07 million in local funding (and \$1.21 million in HPP and local funding)