

TPB SR12-2021
March 5, 2021

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

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS
FROM THE FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET ASIDE PROGRAM FOR A
PROJECT IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

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

WHEREAS, the FAST Act's Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA Set Aside) Program, which is part of the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), provides a portion of funding based on the relative share of the total State population sub-allocated to large urbanized areas, and the MPO is required "to develop a competitive process to allow eligible entities to submit projects for funding ... in consultation with the relevant State"; and

WHEREAS, the TA Set Aside Program provides funding for transportation programs and projects defined as eligible per Section 1109 of the FAST Act; and

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT), the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT), and the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) are responsible for determining the total federal funding amount allocated to the TPB, determining project eligibility, project implementation, and project oversight; and

WHEREAS, the TA Set Aside Program provides an opportunity to fund projects that implement regional policies reflected in the Regional Transportation Priorities Plan and in the seven initiatives endorsed by the TPB in December 2017 and January 2018, which include promoting Regional Activity Centers, improving pedestrian and bicycle access to transit, and completing the National Capital Trail; and

WHEREAS, the TA Set Aside is a complementary component of the TPB's Transportation Land-Use Connections (TLC) Program, which supports planning-related projects and events of TPB member jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the FY 2021 total for DDOT TA Set-Aside is \$1,169,504, which includes local and federal funds; and

WHEREAS, DDOT has determined the projects listed below, approved by the TPB in FY 2021 and FY 2020, need to be adjusted to include the total project cost in the amount of \$216,824; and

WHEREAS, DDOT has requested that funding be transferred from the TPB's TA Set-Aside surplus to this project; and

WHEREAS, on July 12, 2019, the TPB approved Resolution SR1-2020 which established a policy for off-cycle fund transfers of TA Set-Aside funding, including the transfer of funds to previously awarded projects from unspent program allocations to the TPB that were not fully awarded to projects; and

WHEREAS, the transfer requested by DDOT is consistent with the policy established through Resolution SR1-2020;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Steering Committee of the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board approves the following transfer of federal TA Set Aside funds as described in the attached material and as listed below:

C&O Canal Trailhead Project Enhancements	\$10,317
Blair Road Right of Way Analysis and Acquisition	\$36,224
Tactical Urbanism Library	\$26,805
Curb Extensions with Ground Murals	\$14,547
Statue Restoration 16th Street Bridge & Dumbarton Bridge	\$5,485
Union Station Head House Floor Tile Replacement	\$24,157
Union Station West Hall Restoration	\$29,936
Prather's Alley Safety Improvements	\$36,803
Protected Mobility Lanes on M St, SE	\$32,550
TOTAL	\$216,824

Government of the District of Columbia

Department of Transportation



February 26, 2021

The Honorable Charles Allen, Chairperson
National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
777 North Capitol Street N.E., Suite 300
Washington, DC 20002-4290

Dear Chairperson Allen,

The District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT) is requesting that the TPB Steering Committee approve a transfer of Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program (TAP) funds. The transfer will use the remaining funding in the TPB's FY 2021 TAP sub-allocation for the District of Columbia. The transferred funds will be added to projects previously approved by the TPB.

To date, the TPB has approved \$952,678 in TAP project funding for DC for FY 2021. However, these approvals did not fully expend the TPB's FY 2021 sub-allocation of \$1,169,504 (federal and local shares).

Since the TPB approvals, DDOT has determined that an additional \$216,826 is needed to fund projects originally approved in FY 2021 and FY 2020. Those projects are listed on the attachment. DDOT is requesting TPB authorization of the transfer of \$216,826 for TAP funding in FY 2021.

TPB staff have confirmed that this request is allowable under the TAP transfer policy approved by the TPB Steering Committee in July of 2019. That policy, among other potential actions, permits the Steering Committee to transfer funds to previously awarded projects from unspent TAP sub-allocations that were not fully awarded to projects.

For more information about this request, please contact Kelsey Bridges at DDOT (kelsey.bridges@dc.gov).

Sincerely,

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Project Name	FY of TPB Approval	Funding Previously Approved by TPB (Fed+Local)	Proposed STIP Funding for FY 2021 (Fed+Local)	Additional Funding Above FY 2021 TPB Approvals (Fed+Local)
C&O Canal Trailhead Project Enhancements	FY 2021	37,500	47,817	10,317
Blair Road Right of Way Analysis and Acquisition	FY 2021	300,000	336,224	36,224
Tactical Urbanism Library	FY 2021	42,000	68,805	26,805
Curb Extensions with Ground Murals	FY 2021	64,533	79,080	14,547
Statue Restoration on 16th Street Bridge and Dumbarton Bridge	FY 2021	40,000	45,485	5,485
Union Station Head House Floor Tile Replacement	FY 2021	200,319	224,476	24,157
Union Station West Hall Restoration	FY 2021	268,326	298,264	29,938
Prather's Alley Safety Improvements	FY 2020	169,600	36803*	36803*
Protected Mobility Lanes on M Street, SE	FY 2020	150,000	32550*	32550*
TOTAL			1,169,504	216,826

* These funds were included in the TPB approval in FY 2020, but through administrative error were not programmed in FY 2020.