

# WILMAPCO Council

## Action Item Summary Sheet

Meeting Date: January 9, 2020

**Action Item #9:** To Amend the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

**Description/Summary of Item:**

Cecil County has requested that the FY 2020-2023 TIP be amended to include the Cecil County Mid-County Transit Hub project. Funding is 80% FTA, 10% Maryland, and 10% Cecil County.

Phase	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	Total
ROW	1,000			<b>1,000</b>
PE		250	250	<b>500</b>
<b>Total (\$ x 1,000)</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>1,500</b>

**Summary of Action Taken by PAC:**

The PAC did not take any action on this agenda item.

**Summary of Action Taken by TAC:**

At their December 19 meeting, the TAC recommended Council approval of this amendment.

**Summary of Action Taken by Subcommittee/Task Force (if applicable):**

The Air Quality Subcommittee reviewed the amendment at their December 19 meeting and found that it would not trigger a new air quality conformity analysis.

**WILMAPCO Staff Recommendations:**

The WILMAPCO staff recommends that Council approve this amendment to the FY 2020-2023 TIP.

**WILMAPCO Council:**

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### RESOLUTION

#### BY THE WILMINGTON AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (WILMAPCO)

#### AMENDING THE FY 2020-2023 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, CECIL COUNTY ELEMENT

**WHEREAS**, the Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO) has been designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization for Cecil County, Maryland and New Castle County, Delaware by the Governors of Maryland and Delaware, respectively; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Transportation's (USDOT) Regulations of Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST), Metropolitan Planning Requirements, require that, in air quality non-attainment areas, the MPO, in cooperation with participants in the planning process, develop and, at least every four years, updates the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and

**WHEREAS**, the WILMAPCO TIP format incorporates a four-year period for the listing of priority projects to be implemented, as well as a list of program development projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the amendment to the FY 2020-2023 TIP has undergone appropriate community and technical reviews; and

**WHEREAS**, the amendment to the TIP has been determined to be air quality conforming in accordance with FAST and Clean Air Act and Amendments (CAAA) of 1990 requirements; and;

**WHEREAS**, the amendment to the FY 2020-2023 TIP have been found to be financially constrained, as directed by 23 CFR 450.326, and consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Wilmington Area Planning Council does hereby amend the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program to include funding for the Cecil County Mid-County Transit Hub project.

Date:

John Sisson, Chairperson  
Wilmington Area Planning Council



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## TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM SUBMISSION/AMENDMENT FORM

This form must be completed and all questions must be answered in order to process this request.

Date of Submission: December 5, 2019 TIP to be Amended: FY20-FY23

Sponsoring Agency: Cecil County, Maryland

Project Name: Cecil County Mid-County Transit Hub

Project Category: Transit System

### Project Description:

Cecil Transit, in a joint effort with MDOT-MTA, is proposing to develop a new Transit Hub in a more centrally located area to their existing and proposed bus routes.

### Project Justification:

Development of this project will increase efficiencies in the system service improvement to fixed service restricting that will service existing ridership, attract new riders, establishing timed transfers, and increasing ridership. Additionally, it improve air quality by reducing the amount of "dead head" mileage within the system.

### Funding:

Federal 80% State 10% Local 10% Total 100%

Funding Source	Phase	Current Estimate Total	FY <u>2020</u>	FY <u>2021</u>	FY <u>2022</u>	FY <u>2023</u>	Total
Federal	Land Acquisition			800			800
State	Land Acquisition			100			100
Local	Land Acquisition			100			100
Federal	P & E				200	200	400
State	P & E				25	25	50
Local	P & E				25	25	50
Total	LA & PE						1,500

\$s x 1,000

1. Does this project require a new conformity determination? Yes  
(Section 93.104(c)(2)) "A TIP amendment requires a new conformity determination for the entire TIP before the amendment is approved by the MPO or accepted by DOT, unless the amendment merely adds or deletes exempt projects listed in § 93.126 or § 93.127".

2. Is this project regionally significant? Yes  
(Section 23 CFR 450.326 (f)) "The TIP shall contain all regionally significant projects requiring an action by the FHWA or the FTA whether or not the projects are to be funded under title 23 U.S.C. Chapters 1 and 2 or title 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 (e.g., addition of an interchange to the Interstate System with State, local, and/or private funds and congressionally designated projects not funded under 23 U.S.C. or 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53). For public information and conformity purposes, the TIP shall include all regionally significant projects proposed to be funded with Federal funds other than those administered by the FHWA or the FTA, as well as all regionally significant projects to be funded with non-Federal funds."

3. Has this project had the opportunity for public comment? No  
(Section 450.328(a)) "The MPO(s) shall use public participation procedures consistent with § 450.316(a) in revising the TIP, except that these procedures are not required for administrative modifications."

4. Has this project been found to be financially constrained? Yes  
(Section 450.326(k)) "The TIP shall include a project, or a phase of a project, only if full funding can reasonably be anticipated to be available for the project within the time period contemplated for completion of the project...."

**Please indicate funding sources by agency:**

- Federal (FTA) – 80%
- State – (MDOT- MTA) – 10%
- Local – (Cecil County) – 10%

5. Is this project consistent with the WILMAPCO Regional Transportation Plan? Yes  
(Section 450.326i) "Each project or project phase included in the TIP shall be consistent with the approved metropolitan transportation plan."

If not, is there a resolution to amend the Regional Transportation Plan?

6. Does the project include complete streets elements (i.e. pedestrian, bicycle, or transit improvements)? Please describe:

No, while the project is an improvement to the Transit system, it is not proposed to make an upgrades to streets at this time.

7. Please provide any additional pertinent information below:

The project is beginning a Phase II analysis of Site Suitability to determine the advantages and disadvantages of the short list of sites. This TIP amendment is proposed to be concurrent with the County's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) process for FY21. The anticipated time of site selection will be sometime in the second quarter of FY21 with acquisition of land proposed before the close of FY21. Additional Phases of the project to come in future years.