

WILMAPCO Council

Action Item Summary Sheet

Meeting Date: November 14, 2019

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

Description/Summary of Item:

DelDOT has requested that the FY 2020-2023 TIP be amended to include funding for Transit Vehicle Replacement (4) 40' Electric Buses Statewide. This project will increase funding for Transit Vehicle Replacement and Refurbishment – Statewide by \$4.34 million in FY 2021.

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 September 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 via email 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, DELAWARE STATEWIDE 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 Transit Vehicle Replacement (4) 40' Electric Buses Statewide FY 21 project.

Date:

John Sisson, Chairperson
Wilmington Area Planning Council



Partners with you in transportation planning

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT FORM

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

Date of Submission: 08/09/19

TIP to be Amended: FY2020-FY2023

Sponsoring Agency: DelDOT

Project Name: Transit Vehicle Replacement (4) 40' Electric Buses Statewide FY21-T202050308

Project Category: Transit Systems

Project Description: Delaware Transit Corp. was awarded a FY19 FTA Low or No Emission Bus and Bus Facilities Grant, 5339c funding. DTC will deploy four (4) GILLIG 40' ZEBs seasonally serving Wilmington, DE and Sussex Co. De. Charging infrastructure will include two (2) depot dual port charging stations. GILLIG is a leader in the design and manufacture of transit buses whose current vision is to deliver clean, quiet transportation by entering the battery electric market.

Project Justification: The addition of four (4) ZEBs for seasonal use statewide will greatly reduce emissions output and will help to improve the air quality across the state. This purchase will allow DTC to increase service to otherwise under-served areas in Sussex County during the summer resort season, as well as increased service the remainder of the year in Wilmington, Delaware's largest city.

Funding: Federal \$3,472,000 State \$868,000 Other \$0 Total \$4,340,000

Funding	Phase	FY20 SPEND	FY 21 SPEND	FY 22 SPEND	FY 23 SPEND	Total
80% FTA	Procurement	\$0	\$4,340,000	\$0	\$0	\$4,340,000
Total		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,340,000

1. Does this project require a new conformity determination? **No**
(Section 51.400)(C2) "A TIP amendment requires a new conformity determination for the entire TIP before the amendment is approved by the MPO, unless it merely adds or deletes exempt projects listed in (Section 51.460)."

2. Is this project regionally significant? **Yes**
(Section 450.324)(f)(3) "The TIP shall include...all regionally significant transportation projects for which an FHWA or the FTA approval is required whether or not the projects are to be funded with title 23, U.S.C., or Federal Transit Act funds, e.g., addition of an interchange to the Interstate System with State, local, and/or private funds, demonstration projects not funded under title 23, U.S.C., or the Federal Transit Act, etc."

3. Has this project had the opportunity for public comment? **No**
(Section 450.326) "... Public involvement procedures consistent with Section 450.316 (b)(1) shall be utilized in amending the TIP, except that these procedures are not required for TIP amendments that only involve projects of the type covered in Section 450.324 (I)."

4. Has this project been found to be financially constrained? **Yes**
(Section 450.324)(e) "The TIP shall be financially constrained by year and include a financial plan that demonstrates which projects can be implemented using current revenue sources (while the existing transportation system is being adequately operated and maintained. The financial plan shall be developed by the MPO in cooperation with the State and transit operator..."

Please indicate funding sources by agency: DelDOT, FTA

5. Is this project consistent with the WILMAPCO Metropolitan Transportation Plan? **Yes**
(Section 450.324)(f)(2) "The TIP shall include...only projects that are consistent with the transportation plan."

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

Please provide any additional pertinent information below:

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**Transportation Improvement Program Submission/Amendment
Description of Public Participation**

Project Name: Transit Vehicle Replacement (4) 40' Electric Buses Statewide FY21

Which techniques were used to seek public comment (please use additional pages if needed).

_____ Public workshops/meetings

Number of public workshops/meetings: _____

Format:

Location(s):

Number of attendees:

Main issue raised:

Consensus of meeting:

Overall, the public support for the project was (check one):

_____ Strong support, few concerns

_____ Some support, but some concerns raised

_____ Mixed, equal support and opposition

_____ Some opposition, many concerns raised

_____ Strong opposition, major problems identified

Unresolved issues identified: _____

_____ Citizen Advisory/Steering Committee

_____ Survey

Number surveyed: _____

Results: _____

_____ Elected officials briefings

_____ Other _____

How was the public notified about the project?

_____ Web page

_____ Publications

Distribution: _____

_____ Legal notice

_____ Newsletter/brochure

_____ Videos

_____ Flyers

_____ Radio/television

_____ Other CTP and MPO Hearings _____

How has the project changed as a result of public comments?

Comment further on the quantity and quality of the public participation:

Transit Vehicle Replacement (4) 40' Electric Buses Statewide FY21

Updated - 8/9/19

**PROJECT AUTHORIZATION SCHEDULE
IN (\$000)**

PROJECT NUMBER	PHASE	FUNDING SOURCE	CURRENT ESTIMATE	FY 2019			FY 2020			FY 2021			FY 2022			STATE TOTAL	FEDERAL TOTAL
				STATE	FEDERAL	FUND TYPE	STATE	FEDERAL	FUND TYPE	STATE	FEDERAL	FUND TYPE	STATE	FEDERAL	FUND TYPE		
T202050308	Procurement	80% FTA	4,340.0				868.0	3,472.0	5339							868.0	3,472.0
Total			4,340.0	-	-		868.0	3,472.0		-	-		-	-		868.0	3,472.0

5339 - Bus and Bus Facilities Discretionary Program

**PROJECT FUNDING SCHEDULE
IN (\$000)**

PROJECT NUMBER	PHASE	FUNDING SOURCE	BALANCE AS OF July 1, (State Only)	CURRENT ESTIMATE	FY 2019			FY 2020			FY 2021			FY 2022			FY 2023 TOTAL	FY 2024 TOTAL
					STATE	FEDERAL	OTHER	STATE	FEDERAL	OTHER	STATE	FEDERAL	OTHER	STATE	FEDERAL	OTHER		
T202050308	Procurement	80% FTA		4,340.0							868.0	3,472.0						
Total			-	4,340.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	868.0	3,472.0	-	-	-	-	-	