TPB Steering Committee
January 10, 2025
Item 2B – Draft Resolution
TPB SR26-2025

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

RESOLUTION ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2023-2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) THAT IS EXEMPT FROM THE AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY REQUIREMENT TO INCLUDE TIP ACTION 23-53.2 WHICH ADDS A NEW PROJECT, GOLDEN MILE MULTIMODAL CONNECTION PLANNING PROJECT, AS REQUESTED BY THE CITY OF FREDERICK

WHEREAS, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB), as the federally designated metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Washington region, has the responsibility under the provisions of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, reauthorized November 15, 2021 when the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) was signed into law, 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 June 15, 2022 the TPB adopted the FY 2023-2026 TIP; and

WHEREAS, The City of Frederick has requested an amendment to the FY 2023-2026 TIP to include TIP Action 23-53.2 which adds the Golden Mile Multimodal Connection Planning Project (T13664) with a total cost of \$500,000 using federal and local funds, as described in the attached materials; and

**WHEREAS**, the attached materials include:

ATTACHMENT A) Programming Overview report showing how the new record will appear in the TIP following approval,

ATTACHMENT B) Letter from the City of Frederick dated December 19, 2024, requesting the amendment; and

**WHEREAS**, this record has been entered in the TPB's Project InfoTrak database under TIP Action 23-53.2, creating the 53<sup>rd</sup> amended version of the FY 2023-2026 TIP, which supersedes all previous versions of the TIP and can be found online at <a href="https://www.mwcog.org/ProjectInfoTrak">www.mwcog.org/ProjectInfoTrak</a>; and

WHEREAS, this project 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**, this resolution and the amendment to the FY 2023-2026 TIP shall not be considered final until the Transportation Planning Board has had the opportunity to review and accept these materials at its next full meeting.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Steering Committee of the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board amends the FY 2023-2026 TIP to include TIP Action 23-53.2 which adds the **Golden Mile Multimodal Connection Planning Project (T13664)** with a total cost of \$500,000 using federal and local funds, as described in the attached materials.

## **ATTACHMENT A**

## T13664 - Golden Mile Multimodal Connection Planning Project

 Lead Agency
 Project Type
 County

 City of Frederick
 Bicycle/Pedestrian - Bike/Ped
 Frederick

From Agency Project ID Municipality

- City of Frederick

To Completion Date Total Cost
- 2026 \$500,000

Project Desription

Provide safe pedestrian and bicyclist connections between residential and commercial areas divided by West Patrick Street in Fredrick's Golden Mile Corridor.

PHASE	FUND SOURCE	PRIOR	2023	2024	2025	2026	FUTURE	TOTAL
Planning	LOCAL	-	-	-	\$15,000	-	-	\$15,000
Planning	RCP	-	-	-	\$485,000	-	-	\$485,000
Total Planning		-	-	-	\$500,000	-	-	\$500,000
Total Programmed			-		\$500,000	-		\$500,000

CURRENT CHANGE REASON	New Project
FEDERAL PROJECT COST	Stays the same \$485,000
TOTAL PROJECT COST	Stays the same \$500,000





December 19, 2024

The Honorable Christina Henderson Chair, National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board 777 North Capitol Street NE, Suite 300 Washington, DC 20002

## Dear Chair Henderson:

The City of Frederick requests one new amendment to the Maryland portion of the MPO's (TPB) FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for one project, the Golden Mile Multimodal Connection Planning Project.

This project will include planning funding to provide safe pedestrian and bicyclist connections between residential and commercial areas divided by West Patrick Street in Fredrick's Golden Mile Corridor. Car-centric design and sprawling commercial development create an unsafe and unpleasant living, work, and travel environment for residents living north and south of West Patrick. With USDOT Reconnecting Communities & Neighborhoods funds, the City of Frederick will engage surrounding neighborhoods to plan for people-centric crossing improvements that enable safe and efficient access within and through Golden Mile.

The City of Frederick will provide 3% of project cost while the Federal Highway Administration will administer the remaining 97% from its Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods (RCN) grant program, and the project is estimated to cost \$500,000 overall.

TIP ID	Project	Amount of New Funding	Comment
	Golden Mile Multimodal Connection Planning Project	(In 000s) \$500,000	Adds new project and federal and local planning funds

This new project will not add vehicular capacity to the roadway, and it will not impact the air quality conformity analysis.

The City of Frederick requests that this amendment be approved by the TPB at its upcoming Steering Committee at its January 10 meeting and forwarded to the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) for adoption into the FY 2022-2025 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact David Edmondson at (301) 600-1884 or via email at dedmondson@cityoffrederickmd.gov. Of course, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Gabrielle Collard Deputy Director for Planning