



April 8, 2016

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Dear Sir and Madam:

The Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization has amended the FY 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include/revise the following projects.

The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) requested the following amendments:

- No Des#      Grouped Projects Listing: Add projects that are not considered to be of appropriate scale for individual identification grouped by function, work type or geographical area. Individual projects from grouped project categories will be incorporated into the TIP by Administrative Modification as they are defined (in terms of project description, scope, and cost) and approved. Revise grouped projects text description to incorporate the use of grouped projects in Indiana.
- Des# 1600033      SR-61, 2.41 miles South of SR-62. District small structure replacement. Add project for Preliminary Engineering (PE) in fiscal year 2016. PE Costs of \$46,200 are programmed with 80% federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds and a 20% State match.

The Metropolitan Evansville Transit System (METS) requested the following amendments:

- Des# 1600573      Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program: Add project to purchase two paratransit buses in fiscal year 2016. The total project cost of \$220,000 is programmed 80% with federal transit funds (\$176,000), and a 20% agency match (\$44,000).
- Des# 1600458      Transit bus purchase: Add project to purchase five transit buses. The total fiscal year 2016 cost of \$1,273,895 is programmed 80% with federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds (\$1,019,116) and a 20% agency match (\$254,779). The total fiscal year 2017 cost of \$1,061,105 is programmed with federal Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities funds (\$178,000), federal CMAQ funds (\$670,884), and a 20% agency match (\$212,221).

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## Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization

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The Evansville MPO requested the following amendments:

Des# 1600572 Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program: Add The Arc of Evansville project to purchase a minivan in fiscal year 2016. The total vehicle cost of \$36,054 is programmed 80% with federal transit funds (\$28,843), and a 20% agency match (\$7,211).

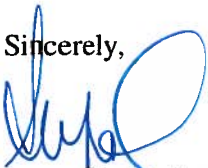
Des# 1600574 Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program: Add Easter Seals Rehabilitation Center project to purchase a large transit vehicle in fiscal year 2016. The total vehicle cost of \$54,254 is programmed 80% with federal transit funds (\$43,400), and a 20% agency match (\$10,850).

The Interagency Consultation Group was consulted regarding the proposed amendment. No air quality conformity determination was deemed necessary.

The Evansville MPO Policy Committee approved the amendments at their April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016 meeting. The amendment resolution and public notice information are attached. The revised document is available at [www.evansvillempo.com](http://www.evansvillempo.com).

Thank you for your assistance and should you have any questions or require additional information, please call me at (812) 436-7833.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director

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**Press Release: 3/24/16****Evansville MPO Transportation Improvement Program Amendments:**

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The proposed amendments will be acted on at the EMPO Policy Committee Meeting to be held at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 7, 2016. The meeting is open to the public and will be held in Room 301 of the Evansville Civic Center Complex located at 1 N.W. MLK Jr. Blvd., Evansville, IN 47708.

Public comments on the proposed TIP amendment may be made by phone to the EMPO office at (812) 436-7833, by e-mail at [comments@evansvillempo.com](mailto:comments@evansvillempo.com) or by mail addressed to Craig Luebke, Evansville MPO, Civic Center Complex, Room 316, 1 N.W. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Evansville, IN 47708-1833. Comments will be received until April 6, 2016.



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**RESOLUTION NO. 16-4**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE EVANSVILLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION'S FY 2016 - 2019 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

*WHEREAS*, the Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization is the organization designated by the Governor as the Metropolitan Planning Organization responsible, together with the State, for carrying out the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 134 (Federal-Aid Highway planning requirements), and capable of meeting the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 1603(a) (Federal Transit planning requirements) in the Evansville Urbanized Area; and

*WHEREAS*, Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration guidelines contained in Federal Register 40, No. 181, September 17, 1975, require endorsement by the policy body of the Metropolitan Planning Organization of a Transportation Improvement Program and Annual Element as a prerequisite to expenditure of Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit funds; and

*WHEREAS*, the Policy Committee is the policy body of the Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization; and

*WHEREAS*, the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1978, as amended, authorizes expenditure of funds for highway projects; and

*WHEREAS*, proposed expenditures of Federal-Aid Highway and Federal Transit funds for the Evansville Urbanized Area are contained in the Transportation Improvement Program for the Evansville Urbanized Area; and

*WHEREAS*, the MPO consulted with the Interagency Consultation Group and the agencies concurred in the MPO finding that the TIP amendment projects are within the non-attainment area are exempt, per 40 CFR 93.126 & 127, and there is no need to update the conformity analysis or issue a new conformity finding; and

*WHEREAS*, the MPO Public Participation Plan does not require a separate public involvement meeting for TIP amendments, and the public participation procedure was followed; and

*WHEREAS*, this amendment will result in a TIP that remains fiscally constrained; and

*WHEREAS*, any changes to Kentucky non-dedicated funds projects have been requested by KYTC. The required funds will become part of the KY STIP end of fiscal year "fiscal constraint" recalculations; and

*WHEREAS*, the Policy Committee of the Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization from time to time amends its Transportation Improvement Program;

*BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED*, that the Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization's FY 2016 – 2019 Transportation Improvement Program is amended as follows:

Project 1:

No Des#: Indiana Grouped Projects Listing: Add grouped projects category for Indiana.

CN FY 2016 Total Cost - \$17,200      Federal - \$17,200      State - \$0      Local - \$0

Project 2:

Des#1600033: SR 62, 2.41 mi. south of SR 62. District small structure replacement: Add project.

PE FY 2016 Total Cost - \$46,200      Federal - \$36,960      State - \$9,240      Local - \$0

Project 3:

Des#1600573: METS Section 5310 Program. Purchase of two paratransit buses. Add project.

FY 2016 Total Cost - \$220,000      Federal - \$176,000      State - \$0      Local - \$44,000

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Project 4:

Des#1600458: METS transit bus purchase. Purchase of five transit buses. Add project.

FY 2016 Total Cost - \$1,273,895	Federal - \$1,019,116	State - \$0	Local - \$254,779
FY 2017 Total Cost - \$1,061,105	Federal - \$848,884	State - \$0	Local - \$212,221

Project 5:

No Item#: HART Section 5310 Program. Purchase of one paratransit bus. Add project.

FY 2017 Total Cost - \$65,000	Federal - \$52,000	State - \$6,500	Local - \$6,500
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Project 6:

Des#1600572: Section 5310 Program. The Arc of Evansville. Purchase of one minivan. Add project.

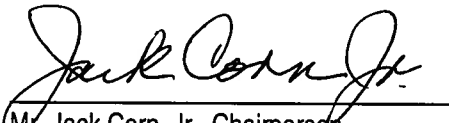
FY 2016 Total Cost - \$36,054	Federal - \$28,843	State - \$0	Local - \$7,211
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Project 7:

Des#1600574: Section 5310 Program. Easter Seals Rehabilitation Center. Purchase of one large transit vehicle. Add project.

FY 2016 Total Cost - \$54,254	Federal - \$43,400	State - \$0	Local - \$10,850
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ADOPTED by the Policy Committee of the Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.



Mr. Jack Corn, Jr., Chairperson  
Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization  
Policy Committee