

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

May 3, 2024
Virtual
9:00 to 9:19 A.M.

MINUTES

1. DISCUSSION OF AGENDA FOR THE MAY 28, 2024 BRTB MEETING

Action Items:

- Resolution #24-23 - is to consider amending the TIP to accept a Consolidated Rail Infrastructure & Safety Improvements (CRISI) Grant for MDOT MTA for the Penn-Camden Connector.

Informational Items:

- Report from the Nominating Committee.
- Presentation: Maryland's Climate Pollution Reduction Plan.
- Presentation: Update on Francis Scott Key Bridge Impacts.

The Executive Committee approved the agenda items for the May meeting.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATION

- **Small Urban Transit Systems: Operating Assistance - 40-0104-61**

Purpose of modification: This administrative modification adds \$652,000 in Section 5307 funding (\$326,000 federal/\$326,000 matching) in FY 2024. This increase in FY 2024 is a result of shifting funds from FY 2021 to ensure federal funds are shown in the correct year of obligation. The estimated total cost for this project increases from \$2.608 million to \$3.260 million.

Description: Operating assistance to urban transit systems throughout the Aberdeen/Bel Air North/Bel Air South urbanized area as well as eligible transit agencies in Carroll County.

Costs generally associated with operating assistance can include utilities, miscellaneous equipment, fuel/oil, and driver, maintenance staff, and administrative salaries.

The Executive Committee approved the Administrative Modification as submitted.

3. OTHER

The draft 2025 – 2028 TIP will be released in about two weeks. Some late changes may cause an impact between the draft and final documents – any updates will be documented and shared with the Committees and the public.

BMC will work with MTA to understand a change in how FTA wants funds to be shown in the TIP. Changing from a grant based approach to a cash flow type of approach.

The on-site Federal Certification review wrapped yesterday with the public comment period closing on May 7. The federal team will prepare a draft report and allow the MPO to review for factual accuracy. Then the FHWA MD Division Administrator will attend a future BRTB meeting to share the results.

There were no other items sent to the Executive Committee for discussion.

MEMBERS

Geoff Anderson - MDOT
David Cookson (for Trey Dickerson) – Howard County – Vice Chair
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STAFF AND GUESTS

Regina Aris - Baltimore Metropolitan Council (BMC)
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