

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

March 4, 2022
9:04 – 9:25 A.M.
Virtual Meeting

MINUTES

1. DISCUSSION OF AGENDA FOR THE MARCH 22, 2022 BRTB MEETING

Action Items:

- There are no Action Items scheduled to come before the BRTB in March.

Informational Items:

- Review of Ongoing and Upcoming UPWP Studies: BMC staff will review progress on ongoing UPWP studies and preview upcoming studies.
- Maryland State Freight Plan Update: MDOT staff will brief the BRTB on the update to the Maryland statewide freight plan.
- Round Two Status of Key Transportation-related Legislation: BMC staff will touch on several key pieces of legislation.
- Under Other Business mention the process for Congressionally-designated projects.

The Executive Committee approved the Informational Items for the March BRTB agenda.

2. TIP ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS

The Executive Committee is also being asked to consider two Administrative Modification requests to the FY 2022-2025 TIP for Baltimore City. Details are below:

- **Baltimore City**

Freemont Avenue Rehabilitation from Lafayette Avenue to Presstman Street: 12-2007-11. This administrative modification increases Surface Transportation Block Grant funds for Engineering by \$200,000 (\$160,000 federal/\$40,000 match) in FY 2022. This increase is necessary to address scope changes including the addition of curb bumpouts, additional test pits for storm drain, and signal warrant analysis. The Estimated Total Cost of the project has a corresponding \$200,000 increase from \$7,070,000 to \$7,270,000.

Madison Street Rehabilitation from North Milton Avenue to Edison Highway: 12-2010-11. This administrative modification increases Surface Transportation Block Grant funds for Engineering by \$300,000 (\$240,000 federal/\$60,000 match) in FY 2022. This increase is necessary to address scope changes including geometric modifications, sidewalk and curb

and gutter modifications, additional crosswalks, and additional base repair. The Estimated Total Cost of the project has a corresponding \$300,000 increase from \$7,624,000 to \$7,924,000.

Members approved the requested administrative modifications to the FY 2022-2025 TIP.

3. STATUS OF UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

BMC staff will talk to TC members in April about the desire for in-person, virtual, or hybrid meetings moving forward. The results of that discussion and a proposal will be brought to the Executive Committee in April. There will be consideration of CDC guidance as to how many people are able to meet safely in a room. Also, there will be consideration of how to incorporate public involvement participation. It was noted that masks remain a requirement on transit until March 18 per FTA guidance.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

MDOT shared a new request from Congress that allows jurisdictions, municipalities, and non-profits to propose projects for congressionally-designated funding, this is similar to the past practice of earmarks. This is an unusual situation because the direction from Congress is to add these requests to the TIP/STIP, yet there is no funding. MDOT suggested creating an appendix for projects seeking this designation. Members will need a description and possibly total funding desired. Communication with the BRTB members will occur shortly and a discussion at the March meeting will update the situation if new information is available

MEMBERS

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