



Regional Solicitation Evaluation

Information Item for TAB



November 19, 2025

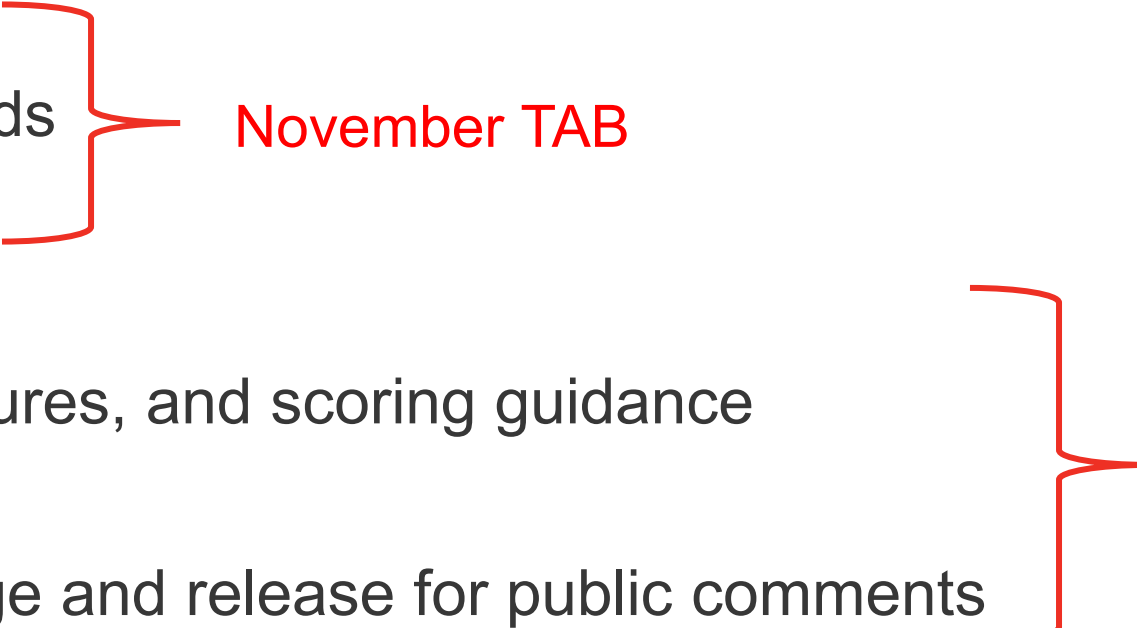
Purpose of this Information Item

- Preview future action items on the Regional Solicitation that will take place January



Regional Solicitation Action Items

Proposed Actions

1. Approve application categories
 2. Approve minimum/maximum awards
 3. Approve category funding targets
 4. Approve qualifying requirements
 5. Approve application criteria, measures, and scoring guidance
 6. Approve score weighting
 7. Approve overall solicitation package and release for public comments
- November TAB
- January TAB
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Score Weighting



Criteria Weighting

How we got here

- **April/May:** Special Issue Working Groups (100+ technical experts) provided input on relative priority of draft criteria
- **Summer:** Initial criteria weighting recommendations developed with draft applications
- **August/September:** Special Issue Working Groups provided feedback
- **September:** Technical Steering Committee reviewed weighting
- **Late October:** TAC, F&P and Policymaker Work Group Members reviewed applications and provide feedback

Proposed Modal+ Hybrid Structure

Safety

Proactive Safety (All Modes):
Small Projects (HSIP)
Large Project (Reg Sol Federal Funding)

Reactive Safety (All Modes):
Small Projects (HSIP)
Large Projects (Reg Sol Federal Funding)

Dynamic and Resilient

Bicycle/Pedestrian
Federal Reg Sol Funding
Regional Bike Facilities

Reg Active Transportation Funding
Local Bike Facilities
Local Pedestrian Facilities
Active Transportation Planning

Transit
Transit Expansion (Including Microtransit)
Transit Customer Experience
Arterial Bus Rapid Transit

Roadway
Roadway Modernization
Congestion Management Strategies
New Interchanges
Bridge Connections

Environment

EV Charging Infrastructure
Travel Demand Management (TDM)

Regional Data

Regional Modeling/Travel Behavior Inventory

The goal area, Our Region is Equitable and Inclusive, is being proposed as a scoring measure called Community Considerations.

Safety Categories

Criteria and Measures	Proactive	Reactive
Connection to Existing Planning Efforts	35%	20%
Expected Reduction/System Risk Reduction in Fatal or Serious Injury Crashes (5-year)	15%	35%
Fatal and Serious Injury Crash History (10-year)	5%	5%
Improvements for People Outside of Vehicles	25%	20%
Community Considerations	20%	20%
Total	100%	100%

Bicycle/Pedestrian Categories

Criteria and Measures	Regional Bike	Local Bike	Local Ped	AT Planning
Regional Bicycle Priorities	30%			
Connection to Key Destinations*	10%	30%	30%	
Context Sensitive Design	20%			
Safety*	20%	20%	20%	30%
Complete Streets*		5%	5%	
Identified Gaps, Barriers, or Deficiencies*		25%	25%	
Proposed Project Description				50%
Community Considerations*	20%	20%	20%	20%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

* Direct connection to legislative requirements

Transit Categories

Criteria and Measures	Expansion	Customer Service
Service/Facility Provided Must be Effective for Transit Market Area	30%	
New Ridership/Ridership Affected	20%	20%
New Coverage	10%	
Connections to Key Destinations	10%	
Transit Needs-based Determination	10%	
Existing Transit Service		15%
Access to Transit Facilities		15%
Safety and Security		15%
Customer Comfort and Ease of Use		15%
Community Considerations	20%	20%
Total	100%	100%

Roadway Categories

Criteria and Measures	Modernization	Congestion Management	New Interchanges	Bridge Connections
Multimodal/Complete Streets Connections	40%	5%	5%	20%
Safety	30%	20%	30%	20%
Freight	5%	5%	5%	5%
Natural Systems Protection and Restoration	5%	5%	5%	5%
Anticipated Delay Reduction		20%	15%	
Regional Priorities		25%	20%	
System Resilience				30%
Community Considerations	20%	20%	20%	20%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

Environment Categories

Criteria and Measures	TDM
Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Reduction	30%
Connection to Jobs, Educations, and Opportunity/Destinations	25%
Project Effectiveness Evaluation	20%
Innovation	5%
Community Considerations	20%

Next steps



Next steps:

1. TAB Information Item in Dec
2. Second Package of Action Items to Release for Public Comment
 - Jan TAB
3. Public Comment Period mid January to mid February
4. Final Recommendations based on Public Input
 - March TAB, then to the Metropolitan Council
5. Call for Projects April to June 1
6. Project selection by the end of 2026

Appendix



Proactive Safety

Criteria and Measures	%
1. Connection to Existing Safety Planning Efforts Measure A – Connection to existing safety planning efforts	35%
2. Expected System Risk Reduction in Fatal or Serious Injury Crashes Measure A – Crash Reduction Factor(s) (CRFs) for proposed project	15%
3. Fatal and Serious Injury Crash History Measure A –10-year crash history of fatal and serious injury crashes	5%
4. Improvements for People Outside of Vehicles Measure A – Project-Based Pedestrian Safety Enhancements and Risk Elements	25%
5. Community Considerations Measure A – Community Data and Context Measure B – Community Engagement Measure C – Community Benefits	20%
Total	100%

Reactive Safety

Criteria and Measures	%
1. Expected Reduction in Fatal and Serious Injury Crashes Measure A – 5-year crashes reduced (Benefit/Cost ratio)	35%
2. Connection to Existing Safety Planning Efforts Measure A – Connection to existing safety planning efforts	20%
3. Fatal and Serious Injury Crash History Measure A – 10-year crash history of fatal and serious injury crashes	5%
4. Improvements for People Outside of Vehicles Measure A – Project-Based Pedestrian Safety Enhancements and Risk Elements	20%
5. Community Considerations Measure A – Community Data and Context Measure B – Community Engagement Measure C – Community Benefits	20%
Total	100%

Regional Bike Facilities (Federally Funded)

Criteria and Measures	%
1. Regional Bicycle Priorities Measure A – Identified network priorities	30%
2. Connection to Key Destinations Measure A – Connection to key destinations	10%
3. Context Sensitive Design Measure A – Appropriate facility type Measure B – Design features and roadway crossings	20%
4. Safety Measure A – Connection to existing safety planning efforts Measure B – Safety improvements for people outside of vehicles	20%
5. Community Considerations Measure A – Community Data and Context Measure B – Community Engagement Measure C – Community Benefits	20%
Total	100%

Local Bike Facilities

(Active Transportation Regional Sales Tax Funded)

Criteria and Measures	%
1. Complete Streets* Measure A – Complete streets planning, design, and construction	5%
2. Connection to Key Destinations* Measure A – Connections to key destinations Measure B – Connection to K-12 schools Measure C – Active transportation demand	30%
3. Identified Gaps, Barriers, or Deficiencies* Measure A – Gaps, barriers or deficiencies addressed	25%
4. Safety* Measure A – Connection to existing safety planning efforts Measure B – Safety improvements for people outside of vehicles	20%
5. Community Considerations Measure A – Community Data and Context Measure B – Community Engagement Measure C – Community Benefits	20%
Total * <i>Direct connection to legislative requirements</i>	100%

Local Pedestrian Facilities

(Active Transportation Regional Sales Tax Funded)

Criteria and Measures	%
1. Complete Streets* Measure A – Complete streets planning, design, and construction	5%
2. Connection to Key Destinations* Measure A – Connections to key destinations Measure B – Connection to K-12 schools Measure C – Active transportation demand	30%
3. Identified Gaps, Barriers, or Deficiencies* Measure A – Gaps, barriers or deficiencies addressed	25%
4. Safety* Measure A – Connection to existing safety planning efforts Measure B – Safety improvements for people outside of vehicles	20%
5. Community Considerations Measure A – Community Data and Context Measure B – Community Engagement Measure C – Community Benefits	20%
Total * <i>Direct connection to legislative requirements</i>	100%

Active Transportation Planning

(Active Transportation Regional Sales Tax Funded)

Criteria and Measures	%
1. Proposed Project*	
Measure A – Project identification	50%
Measure B – Complete streets planning, design, and construction	
2. Safety*	30%
Measure A – Safety improvements for people outside of vehicles	
3. Community Considerations*	20%
Measure A – Community Considerations	
Total	100%

* Direct connection to legislative requirements

Transit Expansion

Criteria and Measures	%
1. Service/Facility Provided Must be Effective for Transit Market Area	
Measure A – Transit Market Area Alignment	30%
Measure B – Regional Transit Performance Guidelines	
2. New Ridership	20%
Measure A – New annual riders	
3. New Coverage	10%
Measure A – New service hours by population within service area	
4. Connections to Key Destinations	10%
Measure A – Connection to key destinations	
5. Transit Needs-based Determination	10%
Measure A – Demographic and roadway delay/reliability data.	
6. Community Considerations	
Measure A – Community Data and Context	20%
Measure B – Community Engagement	
Measure C – Community Benefits	
Total	100%

Transit Customer Experience

Criteria and Measures	%
1. Ridership Affected Measure A – Total existing annual riders	20%
2. Transit Service Measure A – Travel times and/or reliability of existing transit service	15%
3. Access to Transit Facilities Measure A – Multimodal connections to and ADA accessibility	15%
4. Safety and Security Measure A – Safety and security for transit riders and people accessing transit facilities	15%
5. Customer Comfort and Ease of Use Measure A – Comfort for transit riders and overall ease of use of the transit system	15%
6. Community Considerations Measure A – Community Data and Context Measure B – Community Engagement Measure C – Community Benefits	20%
Total	100%

Roadway Modernization

Criteria and Measures	%
1. Multimodal/Complete Streets Connections Measure A – New or improved multimodal connections (transit, bicycle, pedestrian, TDM elements)	40%
2. Safety Measure A – Connection to existing safety planning efforts Measure B – Safety improvements for people outside of vehicles Measure C – Safe System approach	30%
3. Freight Measure A – Connection to Regional Truck Corridor Study tiers	5%
4. Natural Systems Protection and Restoration Measure A - Flood mitigation, stormwater treatment, other environmental benefits, etc.	5%
5. Community Considerations Measure A – Community Data and Context Measure B – Community Engagement Measure C – Community Benefits	20%
Total	100%

Congestion Management Strategies

Criteria and Measures	%
1. Anticipated Delay Reduction Measure A – Cost effectiveness of delay reduced	20%
2. Regional Priorities for Reliability & Excessive Delay Measure A – 2050 TPP map for Reliability Measure B – 2050 TPP map for Excessive Delay Measure C – Intersection Mobility and Safety Study priorities	25%
3. Safety Measure A – Connection to existing safety planning efforts Measure B – Safety improvements for people outside of vehicles Measure C – Safe System approach	20%
4. Multimodal/Complete Streets Connections Measure A – New or improved multimodal connections (transit, bicycle, pedestrian, TDM elements)	5%
5. Freight Measure A - Connection to Regional Truck Corridor Study tiers	5%
6. Natural Systems Protection and Restoration Measure A - Flood mitigation, stormwater treatment, other environmental benefits, etc.	5%
7. Community Considerations (3 Measures – see previously applications)	20%
Total	100%

New Interchanges

Criteria and Measures	%
1. Anticipated Delay Reduction Measure A – Cost effectiveness of delay reduced	15%
2. Regional Priorities for Reliability & Excessive Delay Measure A – 2050 TPP map for Reliability Measure B – 2050 TPP map for Excessive Delay	20%
3. Safety Measure A – Connection to existing safety planning efforts Measure B – Safety improvements for people outside of vehicles Measure C – Safe System approach	30%
4. Multimodal/Complete Streets Connections Measure A – New or improved multimodal connections (transit, bicycle, pedestrian, TDM elements)	5%
5. Freight Measure A - Connection to Regional Truck Corridor Study tiers	5%
6. Natural Systems Protection and Restoration Measure A - Flood mitigation, stormwater treatment, other environmental benefits, etc.	5%
7. Community Considerations (3 Measures – see previously applications)	20%
Total	100%

Bridge Connections

Criteria and Measures	%
1. System Resilience Measure A – Detour length Measure B – Bridge posting for load restrictions	30%
2. Multimodal/Complete Streets Connections Measure A – New or improved multimodal connections (transit, bicycle, pedestrian, TDM elements)	20%
3. Safety Measure A – Connection to existing safety planning efforts Measure B – Safety improvements for people outside of vehicles Measure C – Safe System approach	20%
4. Freight Measure A – Connection to Regional Truck Corridor Study tiers	5%
5. Natural Systems Protection and Restoration Measure A - Flood mitigation, stormwater treatment, other environmental benefits, etc.	5%
6. Community Considerations Measure A – Community Data and Context Measure B – Community Engagement Measure C – Community Benefits	20%
Total	100%

EV Charging Infrastructure (2028 application)

Criteria and Measures	%
1. Improve Access to EV Charging	
Measure A - Serves EV drivers in areas with few public EV chargers per capita	45%
Measure B – Serves EV drivers far from public EV charging options	
2. Destinations	25%
Measure A - Infrastructure size and location	
3. Address Public Health Through Siting	10%
Measure A - Near areas with lower-than-average air quality	
4. Community Considerations	
Measure A – Community Data and Context	20%
Measure B – Community Engagement	
Measure C – Community Benefits	
Total	100%

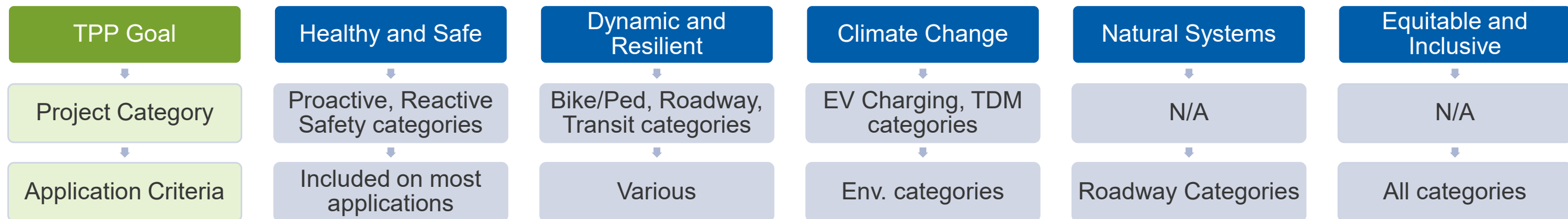
Travel Demand Management (TDM)

Criteria and Measures	%
1. Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) Reduction Measure A – Average weekday users and miles shifted to non-single occupancy vehicle travel or trip reduction	30%
2. Connection to Jobs, Educations, and Opportunity Measure A – Connections to jobs, education and other opportunities	25%
3. Project Effectiveness Evaluation Measure A – Plan and methods to evaluate project outcomes	20%
4. Innovation Measure A - Completely new, new to the region or serving new communities	5%
5. Community Considerations Measure A – Community Data and Context Measure B – Community Engagement Measure C – Community Benefits	20%
Total	100%

Addressing our 2050 Goals

TPP Goal Alignment

- Regional Solicitation addresses all major TPP Goals in varying ways
- Project categories include a majority of points from the primary TPP goal, but other goals may be evaluated too
- Community Considerations provides Equitable and Inclusive evaluation for all application categories



TPP Goal Alignment

Safety Categories

TPP Goal	Proactive Safety	Reactive Safety
Healthy and Safe	80%	80%
Dynamic and Resilient		
Climate Change (performance measure)		
Natural Systems		
Equitable and Inclusive	20%	20%
Total	100%	100%

TPP Goal Alignment 2

Bicycle/Pedestrian Category

TPP Goal	Regional Bike Facilities
Healthy and Safe	20%
Dynamic and Resilient	60%
Climate Change (performance measure)	
Natural Systems	
Equitable and Inclusive	20%
Total	100%

Legislation Alignment for Active Transportation

Bicycle/Pedestrian Categories

Legislation Requirements	Local Bike Facilities	Local Pedestrian Facilities	Active Transportation Planning
Inclusion in plan	Qualifying	Qualifying	40%*
Complete streets	5%	5%	10%
Community connections	30%	30%	40%*
Address barriers and deficiencies	25%	25%	40%*
Safety or health benefits	20%	20%	20%
Geographic equity (community considerations)	20%	20%	20%
Ability to maintain infrastructure	Qualifying	Qualifying	Qualifying
Total	100%	100%	100%

*One question worth 40% asks for information related to three legislative requirements

TPP Goal Alignment 3

Transit Categories

TPP Goal	Transit Expansion	Transit Customer Service
Healthy and Safe		
Dynamic and Resilient	80%	80%
Climate Change (performance measure)		
Natural Systems		
Equitable and Inclusive	20%	20%
Total	100%	100%

TPP Goal Alignment 4

Roadways Categories

TPP Goal	Roadway Modernization	Congestion Management	New Interchanges	Bridge Connections
Healthy and Safe	30%	25%	30%	20%
Dynamic and Resilient	40%	50%	45%	55%
Climate Change (performance measure)				
Natural Systems	10%	5%	5%	5%
Equitable and Inclusive	20%	20%	20%	20%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

TPP Goal Alignment 5

Environment Categories

TPP Goal	EV Charging	TDM
Healthy and Safe	10%	
Dynamic and Resilient		30%
Climate Change (and performance measure)	70%	50%
Natural Systems		
Equitable and Inclusive	20%	20%
Total	100%	100%