

**NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR COMMENT AND PUBLIC HEARING ON DRAFT
MAJOR AMENDMENT TO THE TRANSIT CAPITAL COMPONENT OF THE 2020 –
2023 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) FOR THE SHEBOYGAN
METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA**

All interested persons are invited to comment on a draft major amendment to the transit capital component of the 2020 – 2023 *Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)* for the Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area. The TIP contains a program of transit operational funding and capital projects, elderly and disabled transit operating expenses and capital projects, bicycle and pedestrian transportation projects, and street and highway improvement projects which are eligible for federal funds in calendar years 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023. The original 2020 – 2023 *TIP* was approved in October 2019, and minor amendments to the 2020 – 2023 *TIP* were approved in January and June of 2020. The 2020 – 2023 *TIP* (including amendments) implements the Update to the *Year 2045 Sheboygan Area Transportation Plan (SATP)*.

Shoreline Metro has requested three additions and one modification to the transit capital component of the 2020 – 2023 *TIP*. The additions involve (1) replacement of five (5) 35-foot fixed-route buses funded through the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) improvement program; (2) replacement of two (2) 35-foot fixed-route buses funded through the Volkswagen Diesel Emissions Environmental Mitigation Trust Fund; and (3) replacement of one (1) 35-foot fixed-route bus funded by Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5339 program; all of these bus replacements involve local matching funds. The modification involves changing the funding source for various transit administrative and maintenance facility improvements for Shoreline Metro; while this project was initially all locally funded, the amendment would now provide 100 percent federal financing through special FTA Section 5307 funding provided from the “Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security” (CARES) Act.

Copies of the draft major amendment to the 2020 – 2023 *TIP* have been distributed to the following locations for public review through July 30, 2020:

**Department of Planning & Development
City of Sheboygan
828 Center Avenue, Suite 208
Sheboygan, WI 53081**

**Shoreline Metro Transfer Point
828 Pennsylvania Avenue
Sheboygan, WI 53081**

**Kohler Village Hall
(Clerk’s Office, by appointment only)
319 Highland Drive
Kohler, WI 53044**

**Sheboygan Falls Municipal Building
(Clerk’s Office)
375 Buffalo Street
Sheboygan Falls, WI 53085**

**Mead Public Library
710 North 8th Street
Sheboygan, WI 53081**

In addition, this draft major amendment to the *2020 – 2023 TIP* can be found at the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission website:

(<https://baylakerpc.org/sheboygan-mpo/transportation-improvement-program-tip>)

A public hearing on the draft major amendment to the *2020 – 2023 TIP* is scheduled as part of a special joint meeting of the Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees, to be held on Thursday, July 30, 2020, at 1:00 p.m., at Sheboygan City Hall (Room 106), 828 Center Avenue, Sheboygan (an online option will also be made available for this meeting). The Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees are scheduled to review and recommend approval of this amendment to the *2020 – 2023 TIP* to the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission at this same meeting following the public hearing.

The Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission will be taking action on this major amendment to the *2020 – 2023 TIP* at a meeting of its Executive Committee on July 31, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. (contact Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission staff for more details).

Written comments concerning the draft major amendment to the *2020 – 2023 TIP* should be mailed to: Jeffrey C. Agee-Aguayo, Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission, 425 South Adams Street, Suite 201, Green Bay, WI 54301, by July 30, 2020.