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January 14, 2021

Mr. Moe Jamshidi, P.E.
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Lincoln, NE 68508

Dear Mr. Jamshidi:

**FHWA/FTA Approval of Amendment 2 to the Nebraska FY 2020-2024
Statewide Transportation Improvement Program**

This letter is to inform you of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) review and approval of the highway and transit projects contained in Amendment 2 to the Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) FY 2021 -2024 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). This amendment includes an amendment from the Lincoln MPO TIP, the Grand Island Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (GIAMPO) TIP and the Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council (SIMPCO) TIP, which are incorporated into Nebraska's STIP by reference. NDOT received one comment on the proposed Amendment 2 to FY 2021 – 2024 STIP during the public comment period and responded to that comment on December 22, 2020.

The Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization Official's Committee approved Amendment 1 to the Lincoln TIP on November 16, 2020. NDOT found Amendment 1 to the Lincoln TIP to be fiscally constrained and in accordance with the Lincoln public participation plan. NDOT approved Amendment 1 for inclusion into the NDOT STIP on November 25, 2020.

The Grand Island Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's (GIAMPO) Policy Board approved the Amendment 1 to the GIAMPO TIP on November 24, 2020. NDOT found Amendment 1 to the GIAMPO TIP to be fiscally constrained and in accordance with the GIAMPO public participation plan. NDOT approved Amendment 1 for inclusion into the NDOT STIP on December 7, 2020.

The Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council (SIMPCO) Policy Board approved the Amendment 1 to the SIMPCO TIP on November 5, 2020. NDOT found Amendment 1 to the GIAMPO TIP to be fiscally constrained and in accordance with the SIMPCO public participation plan. NDOT approved Amendment 1 for inclusion into the NDOT STIP on December 16, 2020.

In accordance with 23 CFR Part 450.218(b) and 23 CFR Part 450.334(a), FHWA and FTA have determined that the highway and transit projects included in the Amendment 2 to the FY 2021-2024 STIP are based on a transportation planning process that substantially meets the requirements. Based on the FHWA review of the FY 2021 -2024 STIP, monitoring activities

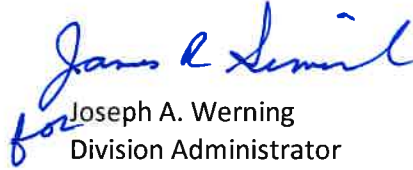
throughout the year, the MPO's self-certifications, and the planning finding, Amendment 2 to FY 2021-2024 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) is hereby approved.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Justin Luther, FHWA, at (402) 742-8464; or Gerri Doyle, FTA, at (816) 329-3928.

Sincerely,



Mokhtee Ahmad
Regional Administrator
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for Joseph A. Werning
Division Administrator
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cc: Cathy Monroe, FTA
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Pete Ricketts, Governor

November 25, 2020

The Honorable Leirion Gaylor Baird
Mayor of Lincoln
555 South 10th Street
Lincoln NE 68508

Dear Ms. Gaylor Baird:

SUBJECT: State Approval of Lincoln MPO FY 2021 – FY 2024 TIP Amendment #1

As the Governor's designee, I am approving the Lincoln MPO FY 2021 – FY 2024 TIP Amendment #1 as approved by the Lincoln MPO Technical Advisory Committee and approved by the Lincoln MPO Officials Committee on November 16, 2020.

The Nebraska Department of Transportation finds the amendment to be part of a fiscally constrained TIP and in accordance with Lincoln MPO's public participation process as outlined in their public participation plan.

Lincoln MPO's TIP is included in Nebraska's STIP by reference. These amendment projects get included in Nebraska's STIP when we notify FHWA of a STIP Revision and get their final approval. If you have any questions, please call Craig Wacker at 402-479-4623.

Sincerely,

Ryan Huff, P.E.
Chief Strategy Officer
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Nebraska Dept. of Transportation

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November 16, 2020

Mr. Craig Wacker, AICP
Planning Manager
Nebraska Department of Transportation
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RE: Amendment No. 1 to the Lincoln MPO FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program

Dear Mr. Wacker:

Enclosed is Resolution 2020-5 approved by the Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Officials Committee at the November 16, 2020 meeting. This resolution is for the 1st amendment to the Lincoln MPO FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Exhibit A of the resolution shows the changes to the projects of this amendment.

We are requesting State concurrence of this amendment for inclusion in the Nebraska Department of Transportation Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

Please contact me if you have questions.

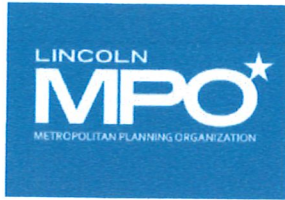
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Allan Zafft", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Allan Zafft, AICP
Transportation Planner

Enclosure

cc: David Cary, Lincoln-Lancaster Planning Department
Paul Barnes, Lincoln-Lancaster Planning Department



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Lincoln MPO Resolution: 2020-5 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTING THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization (Lincoln MPO) is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) responsible for undertaking the transportation planning process for the Lincoln Metropolitan Transportation Management Area (TMA), in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 134, 49 U.S.C. 5303, and 23 CFR Part 450; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln MPO, pursuant to 23 CFR 450.326, adopted on May 1, 2020 a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for federal Fiscal Years (FY) 2021 through 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln MPO has prepared an amendment to the MPO FY 2021-2024 TIP that makes changes to the projects as identified in Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the projects included in the amendment are consistent with the currently adopted MPO Long Range Transportation Plan, *2040 Long Range Transportation Plan - 2016 Update*; and

WHEREAS, the amendment has been reviewed and recommended for adoption by the Technical Committee of the MPO, and now requires adoption from the Officials Committee of the MPO;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization Officials Committee adopts the amendment to the MPO FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program.

Approved by a vote of the MPO Officials Committee and signed this 16th day of November 16, 2020.

Lincoln MPO Officials Committee Chair

ATTEST

David Cary, Planning Director and MPO Administrator
Lincoln MPO Technical Advisory Committee Chair

Exhibit A, page 1 of 3

2021-2024 LINCOLN CITY/LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM				AGENCY: Pedestrian, Bike & Trails DIVISION: Planning Area Projects		PROGRAMMED EXPENDITURES & FUNDING SOURCES (FS) (000's)					
PROJ NO (Map)	PROJECT (Location & Distance) (Improvement Description)	(Control Number)	(Project Number)	(Work Phase)	PRIORITY PROJECTS					COST BEYOND PROGRAM	TOTAL PROJECT COSTS
					PRIOR FISCAL YEARS FS	2020-21 FS	2021-22 FS	2022-23 FS	2023-24 FS		
City of Lincoln Parks & Recreation Department											
Amend	Beal Slough Trail Project Trail project to extend southeasterly along the Beal Slough Channel from 56th Street & London Road to 70th Street & Yankee Hill Road. The trail will be on city owned property to Pine Lake Road where it will connect with an underpass at Pine Lake Road (included with the street project). trail will continue southeast parallel to the railroad and the Beal Slough Channel, connecting to 70th Street. Ten foot concrete trail on 20 foot right-of-way. Total 2.22 miles.			PE PE ROW ROW Construction Construction CE CE	76.2 TA2 19.1 LN	8.0 TA2 2.0 LN	958.3 TA2 239.6 LN 143.8 TA2 35.9 LN				
		C.N. 13366	TAP-55(182)	TOTAL	95.3	10.0	1,377.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,482.9
Amendment Description: Reprogram ROW phase from Prior Fiscal Years to FY 2020-21 and Construction and Construction Engineering phases from FY 2020-21 to FY 2021-22. Budget updated to reflect latest estimates. <input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Deleted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Schedule <input type="checkbox"/> Budget <input type="checkbox"/> Scope											
Amend	Fletcher Landmark Trail Trail project for concrete trail to follow primarily alongside Fletcher Street from N. 14th Street to N. 27th Street.			PE PE ROW ROW Util Util Construction Construction CE CE		125.5 TA2 31.4 LN	20.5 TA2 5.1 LN	22.6 TA2 5.7 LN 545.7 TA2 136.4 LN			
		C.N. 13442		TOTAL	0.0	156.9	25.6	812.3	0.0	0.0	994.8
Amendment Description: Reprogram Preliminary Engineering from Prior Fiscal Years to FY 2020-21. <input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Deleted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Schedule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Budget <input type="checkbox"/> Scope											

Exhibit A, page 2 of 3

2021-2024 LINCOLN CITY/LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM				AGENCY: City of Lincoln		DIVISION: Transportation and Utilities		PROGRAMMED EXPENDITURES & FUNDING SOURCES (FS) (000's)				
PROJ NO (Map)	PROJECT (Location & Distance) (Improvement Description)			PRIORITY PROJECTS					COST BEYOND PROGRAM	TOTAL PROJECT COSTS		
	(Control Number)	(Project Number)	(Work Phase)	PRIOR FISCAL YEARS	FS	2020-21 FS	2021-22 FS	2022-23 FS			2023-24 FS	
Amend	Transportation System Optimization This program component focuses on optimization of transportation system assets including program delivery, intersection improvements, signal system optimization, street capacity (widening), structures within the built environment, turn lanes, complete streets concepts and technology enhancements. Federal funds will be requested where applicable and matched with City funds to maximize the number of locations where enhancements can be made. Projects include new intersection modifications (turn lanes, roundabouts) new signal system hardware, adding lanes to existing streets, access improvements, bike & ped improvements, signing, safety projects and transportation system management infrastructure. Intersection improvements not yet decided. See Appendix			All phases		10,146.4 LN	9,544.7 LN	8,992.7 LN	8,515.8 LN			
				All phases	923.4 LC	2,663.5 LC	3,503.5 LC	1,663.5 LC	7,655.5 LC			
				All phases		567.5 HS	1,014.5 HS	90.0 HS	4,104.0 HS			
				All phases		2.5 NE						
				TOTAL	923.4	13,379.9	14,062.7	10,746.2	20,275.3	0.0	59,387.4	
	Amendment Description: Revise the total HS funding for the Transportation System Optimization Program from \$1,061,500 \$5,776,000 as a result of adding the 84th St. and US-6 (Cornhusker Hwy project and reprogramming the phases for the North 27th Street project. See appendix.					5,776.0						
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