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AGENDA ITEM 6 A 5

**FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2019 – FY 2023
STARMETRO
PRIORITY PROJECT LIST (PPL)**

TYPE OF ITEM: Action

STATEMENT OF ISSUE

Staff is seeking Board approval of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 – FY 2023 StarMetro Priority Project List, included as ***Attachment 1***.

CRTPA COMMITTEE ACTIONS

The Technical Advisory Committee recommended that the CRTPA adopt the StarMetro Priority Project List at its June 6, 2017 meeting. Although a quorum wasn't present, the Citizens Multimodal Advisory Committee also recommended the CRTPA adopt the StarMetro Priority Project List at its June 6, 2017 meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Option 1: Adopt the FY 2019 – FY 2023 StarMetro Project List.

HISTORY AND ANALYSIS

Annually, the Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA) provides a listing of projects to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), in priority order, for funding consideration. One of these lists is the StarMetro Project Priority List.

Unlike other lists adopted by the CRTPA, this list is developed by the City of Tallahassee's transit agency, StarMetro. Projects contained on this list are consistent with StarMetro's 2016-2026 Transit Development Plan Major Update, adopted on June 8, 2016.

FY 2019 - FY 2023 StarMetro PPL

The Draft FY 2019 – FY 2023 StarMetro PPL is comprised of capital projects identified in StarMetro’s 2016-2026 Transit Development Plan Major Update.

Changes from last year’s (FY 2018 - FY 2022) StarMetro PPL

The Draft FY 2019 - FY 2023 StarMetro PPL contains five (5) capital projects and reflects a change from last year’s PPL. Specifically, last year’s StarMetro PPL (and years previous to that) largely reflected formula funding that the agency was scheduled to receive in the State Work Program. This year’s PPL focuses on funding identified capital projects.

PUBLIC INPUT

Public meetings to present the CRTPA’s Draft FY 2019 - FY 2023 Priority Project Lists (in conjunction with agency’s Draft Transportation Improvement Program) were held on May 22 – 24, 2017 throughout the CRTPA Region (in Monticello, Crawfordville, Quincy and Tallahassee). Information regarding the meeting was published in the region’s newspapers, placed on the CRTPA’s website (www.crtpa.org) and an e-mail message regarding the meeting was sent to the agency’s transportation partners and interested citizens.

NEXT STEPS

Subsequent to adoption of the CRTPA FY 2019 - FY 2023 PPLs, the lists will be provided to the FDOT for use as the agency proceeds with development of the Draft FY 2019 - FY 2023 Annual State Work Program.

Following development of the Draft State Work Program, CRTPA staff will initiate development of the CRTPA FY 2019 - FY 2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) incorporating those transportation projects in the CRTPA region that have received state and federal funding.

OPTIONS

Option 1: Adopt the FY 2019 – FY 2023 StarMetro Priority Project List.
(Recommended)

Option 2: Provide other direction.

ATTACHMENT

Attachment 1: DRAFT FY 2019 – FY 2023 StarMetro Priority Project List

StarMetro
DRAFT Priority Project List
Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 - FY 2023

Priority Rank	Project	Description*	Funding Sought
1	SE Quadrant SuperStop	Construct multi-bay SuperStop in southeastern Tallahassee.	\$650,000
2	C.K. Steele Plaza Planning Study	Planning study of C.K. Steele Plaza that identifies opportunities for redevelopment of the site.	\$200,000
3	Bus Stop Upgrades	This project proposes upgrading at least 50 stops to include boarding and alighting areas for bus wheelchair ramps use and will also connect bus stops to sidewalks and add shelter pads to prepare for the future placement of an amenity.	\$500,000
4	Bus Transit Signal Prioritization	This project provides for the addition of global positioning system (GPS) based system devices on StarMetro buses to improve transit system performance.	\$250,000
5	NW Quadrant SuperStop	Construct multi-bay SuperStop in northwestern Tallahassee.	\$650,000

* - see other side for full project descriptions

Project Name	Project Details
SE Quadrant SuperStop	Construct multi-bay SuperStop in southeastern Tallahassee. This SuperStop will provide an off-street location for customer to transfer between multiple routes and will serve as a layover point for operators to improve system performance with the inclusion of public restrooms and possibly a Tallahassee Police Department substation. In addition, the SuperStop will allow StarMetro to develop neighborhood circulators to efficiently provide transportation options for disabled and low income individuals located in south Tallahassee and improve service to the Veteran’s Administration Clinic.
C.K. Steele Plaza Planning Study	Planning study of C.K. Steele Plaza to identify the needs, challenges, opportunities, and funding options to transform the Plaza from a single-use transit facility into a mixed-use, multistory intermodal facility with opportunities for house StarMetro Administrative Staff; leasable space for office, restaurants, and retail activities; and connections to intercity transportation such as Amtrak, Greyhound, and/or Megabus.
Bus Stop Upgrades	StarMetro has approximately 900 active stops. Many of these stops are not compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) as compliance is only required when an amenity such as a bench or a shelter is added to the stop. This project proposes upgrading at least 50 stops to include boarding and alighting areas for bus wheelchair ramps use and will also connect bus stops to sidewalks and add shelter pads to prepare for the future placement of an amenity.
Bus Transit Signal Prioritization	The City of Tallahassee is starting to replace the existing infrared based traffic signal preemption system for emergency vehicles with a more advanced global positioning system (GPS) based system. This system will provide a more efficient routing of emergency vehicles with less disruption to the traffic signal network. The GPS system also allows for adding signal prioritization to transit vehicles. Signal prioritization extends the green time or shortens the red time for approaching buses depending on the system parameters such as a bus running behind schedule. Signal prioritization is shown to improve overall transit system performance and efficiency by at least 10%. It costs approximately \$3,000 per bus for the signal prioritization devices.
NW Quadrant SuperStop	Construct multi-bay SuperStop in northwestern Tallahassee. This SuperStop will provide an off-street location for customer to transfer between multiple routes, serve as a layover point for operators to improve system performance, public restrooms, and possibly a Tallahassee Police Department substation. In addition, the SuperStop will allow StarMetro to develop neighborhood circulators to efficiently provide transportation options for disabled and low income individuals located in north Tallahassee.