

**BALTIMORE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

**BALTIMORE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION BOARD  
RESOLUTION #17-10**

**AMENDMENT TO THE 2017 – 2020 BALTIMORE REGION  
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, encompassing the Baltimore Urbanized Area, and includes official representatives of the cities of Annapolis and Baltimore, the counties of Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, Howard, and Queen Anne’s as well as representatives of the Maryland Department of Transportation, the Maryland Department of the Environment, the Maryland Department of Planning, and the Maryland Transit Administration; and

**WHEREAS**, the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, approved the 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program for the Baltimore region at its July 26, 2016 meeting, with federal approval anticipated in early October 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, federal regulations require that all transportation-related projects must be listed in the approved Transportation Improvement Program with accurate funding schedules in order to be eligible for federal funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Improvement Program consists of projects included in, and in support of, the region's long-range transportation plan and ongoing short-range planning efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Maryland Department of Transportation on the behalf of the Maryland Transit Administration has requested approval of an amendment to the 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program through the approved Transportation Improvement Program amendment process; and

**WHEREAS**, the Maryland Transit Administration is requesting to incorporate a recent TIGER grant for the North Avenue Rising project (see attachment) that will revitalize the five-mile North Avenue corridor with a multimodal investment in bicycle, pedestrian, and transit improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Improvement Program, as amended, continues to display financial reasonableness and re-affirms the appropriate project selection criteria whereby all requirements for a Transportation Improvement Program in the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act are met; and

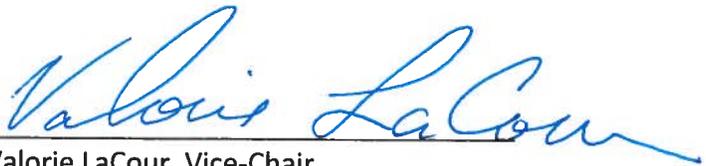
**WHEREAS**, the Interagency Consultation Group has determined that this project is exempt according to the Conformity Rule (40 CFR Parts 51 and 93); and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed Transportation Improvement Program amendment was publicized for a 30-day review from September 6, 2016 to October 7, 2016 with a public meeting on Wednesday, October 5 at BMC. Two comments were received on this project.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, approves the attached amendment to the 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program for the Baltimore region and finds it to conform to the applicable Maryland State Implementation Plan and requirements of the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region approved the aforementioned resolution on October 25, 2016.

10/25/16  
Date

  
Valorie LaCour, Vice-Chair  
Baltimore Regional Transportation Board

### North Avenue Rising

<b>TIP ID</b>	42-1702-09	<b>Year of Operation</b>	2020
<b>Agency</b>	MTA - Transit	<b>Project Type</b>	Other ERS
<b>Project Category</b>	Emission Reduction Strategy	<b>Functional Class</b>	Other Principal Arterial
<b>Conformity Status</b>	Exempt	<b>Physical Data</b>	5 miles
<b>CIP or CTP ID(s)</b>	1489	<b>Est. Total Cost</b>	\$27,330,000

**Description:**

MTA and the City of Baltimore are partnering to revitalize the critical North Avenue corridor with a multimodal investment in bicycle, pedestrian, and transit improvements. These include dedicated bus lanes to improve travel speeds, as well as enhanced bus stops with improved shelters, wayfinding and streetscaping to improve the passenger experience.

Note: Baltimore City will be contributing \$1 million in matching funds. The remainder of the matching funds are from the state.

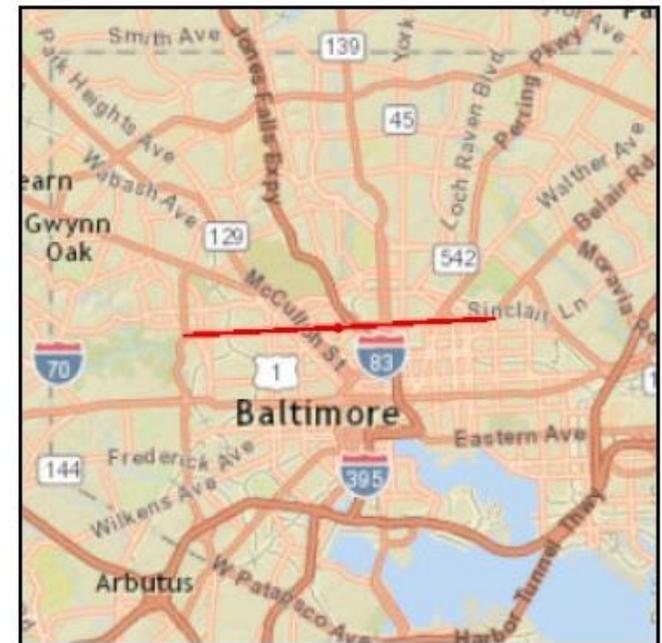
**Justification:**

North Avenue Rising will support economic revitalization along the corridor through increased mobility and will broaden access for residents of the corridor to economic opportunity throughout Baltimore.

**Amendment:** This amendment adds a new project to the 2017-2020 TIP utilizing federal TIGER discretionary grant program and STP funds. The amendment adds the following funds to the construction phase in FY 2017 – \$10 million in TIGER funds along with \$15.33 million in matching funds and \$1.6 million in STP funds along with \$400,000 in matching funds. The total project cost is \$27.33 million.

**Connection to Long-Range Transportation Planning Goals:**

- 3.A Improve Accessibility -- Increase transportation alternatives for all segments of the population.
- 3.E Improve Accessibility -- Provide or improve pedestrian and bicycle facilities that link to activity centers and public transit.
- 7.E Promote Prosperity and Economic Opportunity -- Improve access to existing communities and regional generators of economic activity.





**North Avenue Rising**

(Funding in Thousands)

**Surface Transportation Program (Surface Transportation, Bridge (Off-System))** NEW

Phase	FY 2017 Federal Funds	FY 2017 Matching Funds	FY 2018 Federal Funds	FY 2018 Matching Funds	FY 2019 Federal Funds	FY 2019 Matching Funds	FY 2020 Federal Funds	FY 2020 Matching Funds	Total Four-Year Funding Request
CON	\$1,600	\$400	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,000
OTH	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
PE	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
PP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
ROW	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,600</b>	<b>\$400</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>

**Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery** NEW

Phase	FY 2017 Federal Funds	FY 2017 Matching Funds	FY 2018 Federal Funds	FY 2018 Matching Funds	FY 2019 Federal Funds	FY 2019 Matching Funds	FY 2020 Federal Funds	FY 2020 Matching Funds	Total Four-Year Funding Request
CON	\$10,000	\$15,330	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,330
OTH	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
PE	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
PP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
ROW	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$15,330</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$25,330</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,600</b>	<b>\$15,730</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$27,330</b>