## **BALTIMORE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

## BALTIMORE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION BOARD RESOLUTION #25-27

## AMENDMENT TO THE 2025-2028 BALTIMORE REGION TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, encompassing the Baltimore Urban 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, the Maryland Transit Administration, and the RTA of Central Maryland; and

**WHEREAS**, the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, approved the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program for the Baltimore region at its July 23, 2024 meeting, with federal approval on August 8, 2024; 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 Transit Administration (MDOT MTA) has requested approval of one amendment to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program through the approved Transportation Improvement Program amendment process; and

**WHEREAS**, MDOT MTA is requesting to amend the FY 2025-2028 TIP for the Rural Transit Systems – Operating Assistance project. MDOT MTA is adding \$1.556 million in FY 2025 to support transit operations in Baltimore and Carroll counties. The total estimated cost for the project is \$3.470 million; 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 Infrastructure and Investment Jobs Act are met; and

**WHEREAS**, these projects are consistent with the federal emphasis on performancebased planning and programming, specifically the federal requirements pertaining to transit safety and maintaining transit assets in a state of good repair; and WHEREAS, the Interagency Consultation Group has determined that these projects are exempt according to the Conformity Rule (40 CFR Parts 51 and 93); and

**WHEREAS,** the proposed Transportation Improvement Program amendment was presented to the Technical Committee on April 1, 2025.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, approves the attached amendments to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program for the Baltimore region and finds them 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 April 25, 2025.

4/25/2025	Alf Russell
Date	Anthony Russell, Chair
	Baltimore Regional Transportation Board