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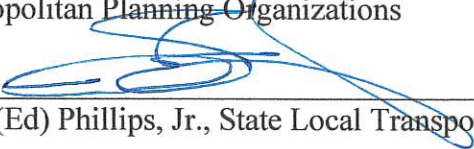
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LOCAL TRANSPORTATION BUREAU MEMORANDUM FY 2018-28

TO: Metropolitan Planning Organizations

FROM: 
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Reference: Project Resolutions

This memorandum is to address changes to resolutions amending a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). These changes are needed to correspond with the State's submittal process.

ALDOT submits all MPO resolutions to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) once a month, usually between the 2nd and the 5th, as an amendment to its Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Resolutions that have not been received will be postponed to the next STIP amendment. To expedite this process, ALDOT will receive resolutions electronically, preferably via the ALDOT sftp site. Also of significance is that FHWA will only accept resolutions for which every project has complete and accurate information. If any project in a single resolution has incorrect information, every project in that resolution will not be approved to be added to the STIP.

Budgets and dates change quickly throughout the life of a project. While it may be impossible to catch every change, ALDOT would like an opportunity to verify the MPOs resolutions one week in advance of an MPOs public involvement period. Regarding date changes, ALDOT often receives resolutions moving a project to an unknown date outside of the TIP. Moving forward through FY 2019, ALDOT will move projects to October of 2022 if the date is not known or provided. Finally, ALDOT recently increased the cost by 1% of all projects not authorized in fiscal year 2018. Auto-generated emails were not generated for these changes and nothing will be required of the MPO. Changes are summarized in the MPO Portal as well as Erin Parker's monthly spreadsheet.

FHWA no longer allows project descriptions to include "Various City Streets." Contact the Local Transportation Bureau if this wording is evident on any ALDOT project. All resolutions should include a project number, description, dollar amount, start date, phase/scope, as well as the old and new information for the item being adjusted.

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