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Staff Report

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To: Executive B

FY 2022, Q2 Wake Transit Work Plan Amendment Requests

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A total of nine (9) amendments to the fiscal year (FY) 2022 or a prior year Wake Transit Work Plan have been requested by various project sponsors, including CAMPO, Research Triangle Foundation, and the City of Raleigh for consideration in the 2nd quarter of FY 2022. Documentation for the amendment requests, including more information on the nature of each request as provided to the Wake County Transit Planning Advisory Committee (TPAC), is provided in <u>Attachment 1</u>. The amendment requests were released for public comment between September 3, 2021, and October 3, 2021. No public comments were received in response to the amendment requests.

These amendment requests include the following:

- 1) Proposed changes to the budgeted amounts for CAMPO's funding allocations for lead agency staffing (Projects TO002-L, -V, and -W) to better align budgets with actual expenditure performance over the past couple of years;
- 2) The proposed removal of the FY 22 funding allocation for the 'Hold Harmless Subsidy for Implementation of Countywide Fare Strategy' (Project TO005-W), which is not needed during the fiscal year with the systemwide suspension of fares;
- 3) The proposed removal/reduction of the FY 22 allocations for the City of Raleigh's, Town of Cary's, and GoTriangle's Youth GoPass funding (Projects TO005-L1, -L2, -L3), which are mostly not needed during the fiscal year with the systemwide suspension of fares;
- 4) A proposed change in scope for the Research Triangle Foundation's Research Triangle Park Mobility Hub Enhancements (Project TC002-BH) to remove components of the project that were completed prior to the award effective date for the appropriated funds, which further results in a change in priority order of improvements to be made with the appropriated funds; and
- 5) A proposed change to the budgeted amount for the construction phase of the New Bern Corridor Bus Rapid Transit Facility (Project TC005-A1) to satisfy additional Federal Transit Administration (FTA) budget contingency requirements.

The TPAC recommended approval of the requests at its October 13th regular meeting with the following findings:

- 1) The proposed change in scope of work for the project requested to be modified is appropriate for the continued implementation of the Wake County Transit Plan;
- 2) Removing funding from projects that will not be used during the fiscal year will allow more funding to be encumbered to other projects; and
- 3) Modifying budgeted funding amounts to the amounts requested does not involve an unwarranted use of funds.

Requested Action: Approve the FY 2022, Q2 Wake Transit Work Plan amendment requests.