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Staff Report

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To: Executive B

FY 2020 Wake Transit Work Plan - 3 rd Quarter Amendments Bret Martin, MPO Staff

Six (6) FY 2020 Wake Transit Work Plan amendment requests were submitted for the 3rd quarter of the fiscal year. Of the six (6) amendment requests, five (5) were recommended for approval by the Wake County Transit Planning Advisory Committee (TPAC) at its January 15th regular meeting, while one (1) was tabled for further consideration at the TPAC's February regular meeting. The five (5) requests that were recommended for approval are proceeding for consideration by the Executive Board in February. The tabled request is anticipated to be considered by the TCC and Executive Board at their March regular meetings.

The five (5) requests under consideration for February all fall into the 'Major Amendment' category and include:

- Advancing I-540 Bus on Shoulder Improvements from their original programmed year in FY 2022 to FY 2020 and increasing the budget from \$43,264 to \$156,000;
- Addition of three (3) separate implementation elements for project development/final design for each of the western, southern, and northern bus rapid transit (BRT) corridors, which disaggregates a Work Plan project and corresponding funding allocation that combined all three (3) of the corridors; and
- Change in scope to GoRaleigh Route 20/20L: Garner to increase frequency.

The amendment requests were released for public comment on December 13, 2019. The public comment period closed on January 12, 2020. One public comment was received for the amendment requests involving the BRT corridors and is provided as **Exhibit A** in the attachment to this item.

The TPAC recommended approval of these amendment requests to the Executive Board after a finding that any financial or scope impacts associated with the amendment requests are appropriate for the continued implementation of the Wake Transit Plan. However, the amendment request for advancing I-540 bus on shoulder improvements was recommended for approval by the TPAC with the condition that if the project is funded through the Locally Administered Projects Program (LAPP), the Wake Transit share of funding would be reduced to 20 percent of the reflected cost. More detailed correspondence on the amendment requests was provided to the TPAC for its consideration and is included as an attachment to this item.

Requested Action: Consider approval of the FY 2020 Wake Transit Work Plan 3rd quarter amendment requests.