2024 Regional Solicitation

Transportation Committee

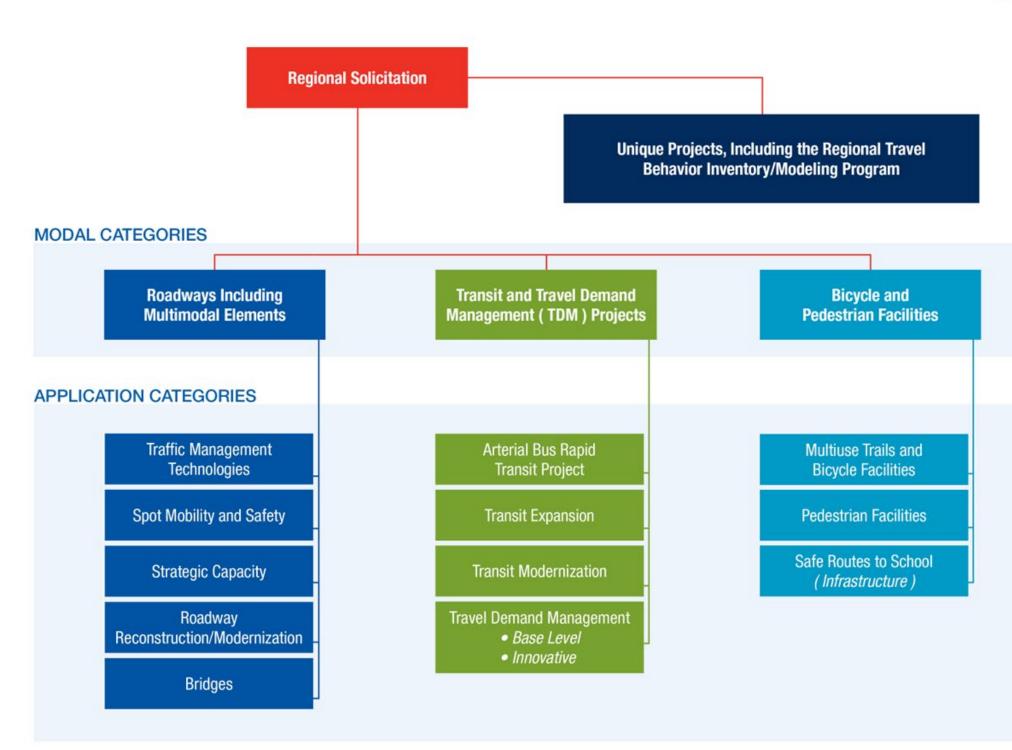
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REGIONAL SOLICITATION MODAL AND APPLICATION CATEGORIES





Metropolitan Council

Key Changes from 2022 Regional **Solicitation**



- Addition of 100 points to safety-related criteria for most application categories. Safety is the highest-valued criterion in most application categories.
- Allowing Bridges to be funded on a wider range or roadway functional classes, shifting the focus from road classification to bridge condition.
- Establishment of a tie-breaker in the ranking process.

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Public Comments







18 Comments from 13 commenters. A few themes:

- 5 commenters had specific comments regarding the application process, scoring criteria and guidance, and measure methodologies across several categories.
- 3 commenters offered positions on the Regional Solicitation's investment direction, including support for reducing carbon emissions and for improving safety for active transportation.
- 3 commenters mentioned support or opposition for projects in specific locations or cities.
- 4 additional comments were received on various topics.
- TAB recommended some minor technical changes to the applications to address the public comments.

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Proposed Action



Recommended Motion

That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to approve the attached Regional Solicitation package, including the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Solicitation for 2028-2029 funding (2026-2027 funding for Travel Demand Management and Unique Projects) and to release the solicitation.

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