

DRAFT RESOLUTION #25-5

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2025-2030 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Capital Region Transportation Council (Transportation Council) has been designated by the Governor of the State of New York as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) responsible for the comprehensive, continuing, and cooperative transportation planning process for the four-county metropolitan planning area of Albany, Rensselaer, Saratoga, and Schenectady counties, except the Town of Moreau and the Village of South Glens Falls, as required by Title 23 U.S.C. Section 134, Title 49 U.S.C. Section 5303, and 23 CFR Section 450; and,

WHEREAS, the Transportation Council, in cooperation with the New York State Department of Transportation, has reviewed and documented compliance of the Transportation Council's planning process with all existing federal rules and regulations; and,

WHEREAS, Title 23, U.S.C. Section 134, Title 49 U.S.C. Section 5303 and 23 CFR Section 450 states the Transportation Council, in cooperation with the State and any affected public transportation operator, shall develop a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the metropolitan planning area; and,

WHEREAS, the TIP contains projects consistent with the current metropolitan transportation plan, known as New Visions 2050; reflects the investment priorities established in the current metropolitan transportation plan; and once implemented, is designed to make progress toward achieving performance targets; and,

WHEREAS, the Transportation Council, in accordance with Federal requirements for a TIP, has developed an integrated program of federally funded highway, transit and other transportation projects for the metropolitan planning area; and,

WHEREAS, the TIP includes reasonable estimates of project cost and schedules, project scope descriptions, a description of the new project evaluation and programming process, and a summary of the public review process; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized the TIP document includes for informational purposes significant Thruway, state, local, and privately funded projects in addition to those metropolitan projects within the legal programming and responsibility of the Transportation Council; and,

WHEREAS, the Planning Committee, at its May 7, 2025 meeting, recommended approval by the Transportation Council of the 2025-2030 Transportation Improvement Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Transportation Council approves the five-year TIP for Federal Fiscal Years 2025-2026 through 2029-2030; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Transportation Council approves the 2025-2030 TIP as being consistent with all current plans and programs, including conformity with the State Implementation Plan for Air Quality in accordance with requirements of the Clean Air Act amendments of 1990, and recommends the initiation of those projects and plans so specified; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that projects listed in the committed column of the TIP are automatically incorporated into the 2025-2026 element if they are not obligated by September 30, 2025, as long as fiscal constraint is demonstrated; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Transportation Council directs the Secretary to submit this resolution and appropriate documentation of the program through the New York State Commissioner of Transportation to the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration as (1) amendments to the existing State Transportation Improvement Program as necessary and appropriate, and (2) a component of the new State Transportation Improvement Program to cover Federal Fiscal Years 2025-2026 through 2029-2030.

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