



DATE: May 31, 2024
TO: Lexington Area MPO Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) and all TPC Subcommittees
FROM: Christopher Evilia, AICP: MPO Transportation Planning Manager/Executive Secretary
SUBJECT: Notification of **Amendment #5** to the FY 2021–FY 2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and 15 day public comment period.

ACTION PROPOSED: TIP Amendment #5:

This action proposes to update the previously published TIP document and tables. Contingent upon approval by the Lexington Area MPO Transportation Policy Committee scheduled for June 26, 2024, this amendment adds the following project from the adopted 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan.

Newtown Pike Extension (NPE) – Scott Street Connector (MTP ID FAY-002, KYTC Item# 7-593.30)

The Scott Street Connector (aka Newtown Pike Extension Phase III) is the final phase of this major transportation improvement project in Lexington, Kentucky. When completed, the Newtown Pike Extension project will improve the routing and flow of through traffic, reduce congestion in downtown Lexington, and improve access to the University of Kentucky central campus, surrounding hospitals, and retail locations for vehicles, pedestrians and bicycles.

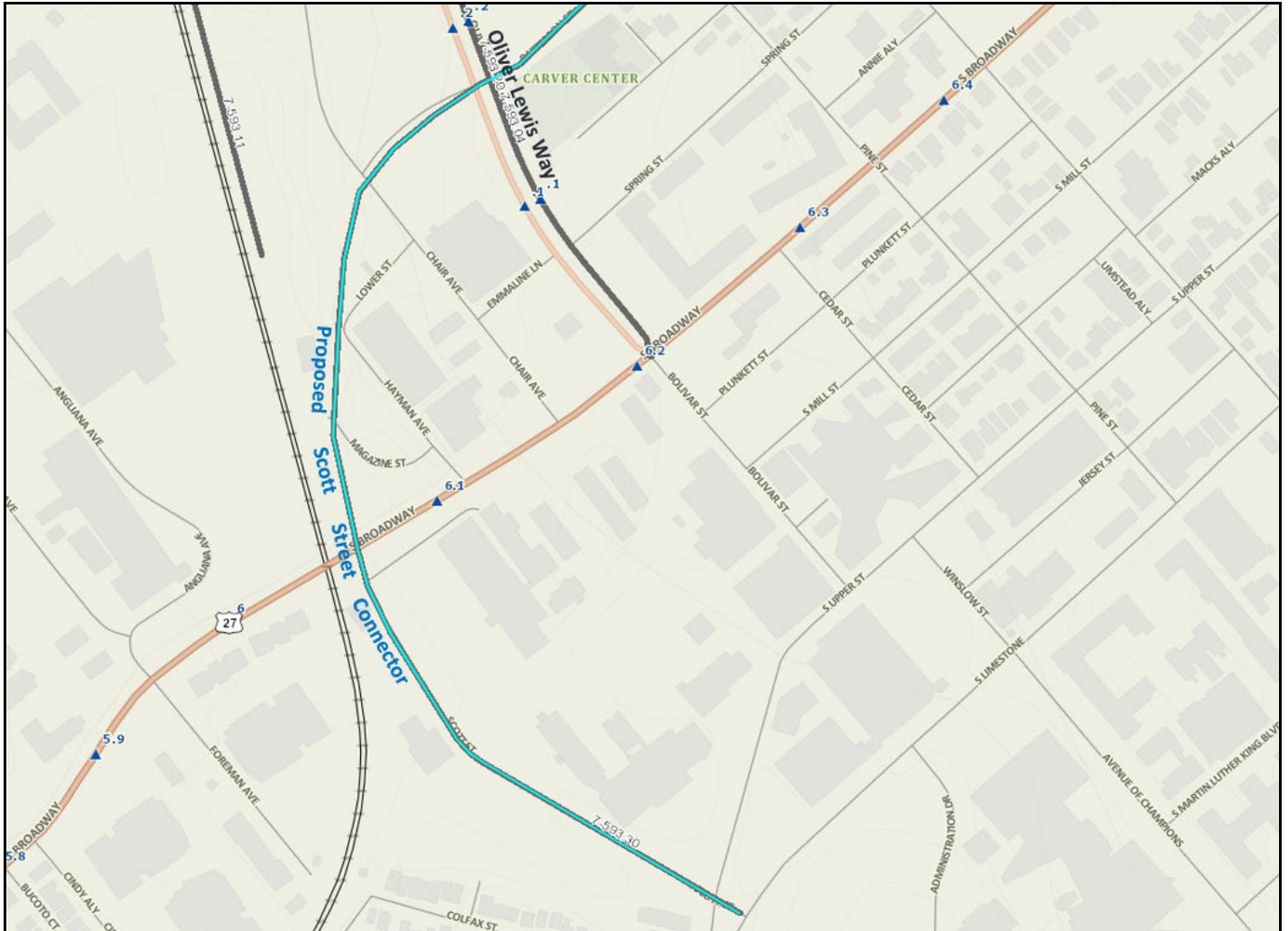
Budget

The estimated total budget for the *NPE - Scott Street Connector* is \$41.5 million, as outlined in the following table. This amendment adds only the design phase to the current FY 2021 – FY 2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Funding will need to be identified for the future phases and added to the upcoming FY 2025 – FY 2028 TIP, which will go into effect on October 1, 2024. It should be noted that the cost estimates for the future phases will likely need to be updated after the design phase is completed.

| Phase | Fiscal Year | Federal (80%) | Local (20%) | Total |
|--------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Design | 2024 | \$1,200,000 | \$300,000 | \$1,500,000 |
| Right-of-Way | FUTURE | \$10,400,000 | \$2,600,000 | \$13,000,000 |
| Utilities | FUTURE | \$4,800,000 | \$1,200,000 | \$6,000,000 |
| Construction | FUTURE | \$16,800,000 | \$4,200,000 | \$21,000,000 |
| Total | | \$33,200,000 | \$8,300,000 | \$41,500,000 |

Project Map

The following map shows the general proposed alignment for the Scott Street Connector. The final alignment will be determined in the design phase.



The proposed amendment has been posted on the MPO website at www.lexareampo.org and has been released for public review and comment. Public comments regarding this amendment will be accepted through Tuesday, June 18, 2024.

Contact Information for Questions or Comments

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