12. PROJECT SELECTION PROCESS UPDATE

BACKGROUND

At the March 2020 Transportation Policy Council (TPC) meeting, the Council approved goals, priorities, and policies for selection and prioritization of projects to be programmed in Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), 10-Year Plan, and the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). These goals, priorities and policies guide the H-GAC staff, Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), and the TIP Subcommittee in development of project selection criteria and evaluation methodologies for project planning and programming. At the January 2023 meeting, TPC authorized the MPO staff to initiate the Project Selection Process.

CURRENT SITUATION

Draft evaluation criteria (5 – Investment Categories)

At the September 2023 TIP Subcommittee and TAC meetings, staff presented the draft evaluation criteria for the projects considered under the next 5 investment categories. These 5 investment categories include:

- Major Projects
- High Growth Area Needs
- Operational Improvements and Congestion Management
- Resiliency and State of Good Repair
- Transit

Based on the comments provided by committee members and sponsors, the draft evaluation criteria for the next 5 investment categories was revised and published on the website <u>here</u>.

Potential sponsors can request an online account to access the evaluation criteria questionnaires by sending an email to <u>Vishu.Lingala@h-gac.com</u>. These questionnaires are due by 5:00 PM on February 5, 2024.

ACTION REQUESTED

For Discussion and Possible Action. [No Action Requested]