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

At the April 19, 2023, meeting, staff will discuss the following three items presented to the TIP Subcommittee at their April 5, 2023, meeting.

- Status of regional goods movement investment category evaluation criteria questionnaire: Staff
 emailed a pdf version of the evaluation criteria to the potential sponsors on April 6, 2023. The
 online questionnaire will be posted on April 13. The deadline to respond to the online
 questionnaire is extended to May 05, at sponsor's request.
- 2. Funding Instructions: Staff will present revised draft funding instructions developed by reviewing 2018 Call for Projects selections and the Statements of Projects Interest submitted.
- 3. Detailed evaluation criteria for operational improvements and congestion management: Staff will email draft detailed criteria for operational improvements and congestion management investment criteria projects and seek comments from TIP Subcommittee members by April 27. Staff will present the draft detailed evaluation criteria for the operation improvements and congestion management investment category.

ACTION REQUESTED

For Information and Discussion.