TIP PROCESS: The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is a 4 year program that lists all the regional transportation projects and programs. The TIP will next be updated in 2016. During the program life, changes can occur in three ways:

- **Staff Modifications = minor scope changes, additional funds (<500k/<25%), corrections**
- **Board Modifications = new projects, additional funds (500k≥/25%≥), major scope change**
- **Board Amendments = new regionally significant projects not in first phase of the RTP**

BACKGROUND: Bulldog Boulevard is an important part of Provo City’s transportation network. Many different types of travelers use this road including passenger cars, trucks, freight, pedestrians, and bicyclists. It hosts a wonderful mix of businesses catering to a wide range of our community’s needs. From restaurants and shopping, to recreation, health care, and schools, Bulldog Boulevard is a vibrant part of our City. As Provo City continues to grow, Bulldog Boulevard will remain an important thoroughfare and one that should safely accommodate all users.

In recent years, crashes on Bulldog Boulevard have increased. A recent traffic study showed that the crash rate on Bulldog Boulevard is over three times the statewide average. Additionally, vehicle/bicycle accidents are higher here than most other parts of Provo.

PROPOSAL: Before the MPO Technical Advisory Committee is a Board Modification to the TIP adding the new Bulldog BLVD Provo project to the TIP. To improve safety on Bulldog Boulevard, Provo City plans to add center-running planted medians and protected bicycle lanes. Bulldog Boulevard would be reduced to two lanes in each direction to accommodate these improvements. This project is anticipated for construction during Spring-Fall 2017.

FUNDING: This project has received $1m in FFY 2016 federal safety funds by UDOT to get preliminary work done. Additional funding of $2m is still need to be secured to fund the $3m dollar project.

RECOMMENDATION: MPO staff recommends the TIP be modified to add Bulldog BLVD as a new project with the federal safety funds programmed by UDOT. Staff understands that Provo is currently searching for the additional funds needed to fully fund this project.

SUGGESTED MOTION: I move that the MPO Technical Advisory Committee recommend to the MPO RPC that the TIP be modified to add $1m FFY2016 federal safety funds to Bulldog BLVD, Provo.

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