RESOLUTION 18-23

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTHWESTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO ADOPT PROGRAMMING RULES, APPROACH, SCORING CRITERIA, AND TARGETED FUNDING ALLOCATIONS TO PROGRAM THE 2020–2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

November 15, 2018

WHEREAS: Northwest Indiana’s citizens require a safe, efficient, resource-conserving regional transportation system that maintains and enhances regional mobility and contributes to improving the quality of life in Northwest Indiana; and

WHEREAS: The Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission, hereafter referred to as “the Commission”, being designated the Metropolitan Planning (MPO) for the Lake, Porter, and LaPorte County area, has established a regional, comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing (3-C) transportation planning process to develop the unified planning work program, a transportation plan, and a transportation improvement program to facilitate federal funding for communities, counties, and transit operators, and to provide technical assistance and expertise to regional transportation interests; and

WHEREAS: The Commission performs the above activities to satisfy requirements of the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act of 2015, applicable portions of all prior federal transportation program authorizing legislation, as well as other federal, state, and local laws mandating or authorizing transportation planning activities; and

WHEREAS: The Commission sets policy for the programming of the Transportation Improvement Program consistent with the Commission’s long-range plan, and allocates funding from the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transportation Administration pursuant to federal regulations and Indiana Department of Transportation requirements; and

WHEREAS: The Transportation Resources Oversight Committee has reviewed and advised the development of programming rules for the 2020–2024 Transportation Improvement Program; and
WHEREAS: The Topical Committees of the Commission have reviewed and advised the development of a programming approach with updated scoring criteria that more directly aligns the vision of the long-range plan for 2050, under concurrent development, with the 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS: The Technical Planning Committee has reviewed and advised on targeted funding allocations for all available federal funding sources in both urbanized areas for which the Commission has jurisdiction for the 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS: The Technical Planning Committee has recommended that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission adopt these programming rules, programming approach, scoring criteria, and targeted funding allocations to program the 2020–2024 Transportation Improvement Program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission hereby adopts the programming rules, programming approach, scoring criteria, and targeted funding allocations as shown on the attachment to this resolution to program the 2020–2024 Transportation Improvement Program.

Duly adopted by the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission this 15th day of November 2018.

Geof R. Benson
Chairperson

ATTEST:

Karen Freeman-Wilson
Secretary