

# 2017 Legislative Session Update

Management Committee

June 14, 2017

# State Appropriations - \$ in ,000s

Purpose	SFY 18	SFY 19	Total	Notes
TRANSPORTATION				
Transit Operations	121,031	129,820	250,851	<b>2020-21 base is 89,820</b>
Technician Training Program	497		497	
REGIONAL PARKS				
Operating & Maintenance	8,540	8,540	17,080	
Land Acquisition	1,500		1,500	Requires 40% match
Capital Improvement Program	16,584	18,891	35,475	Parks & Trails Legacy Funds
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES				
Emerging Drinking Water Threats	950	950	1,900	Clean Water Legacy Funds
Waste to Biofuel	300		300	Grant from Pollution Control Agency

# State Bonding - \$ in ,000s

Capital Project	Amount
Parks & Trails Capital Improvements	5,000
Inflow & Infiltration Grants	3,739
Metro Orange Line BRT (limited to 10% of project cost)	12,100
Mall of America Station	8,750
Pass-Through Grants	
Como Zoo	15,000
Multiuse path around White Bear Lake	255
West St. Paul: River to River Greenway	200
<b>Total Bonding</b>	<b>45,044</b>

# Other Outcomes

- Received \$126 M in Transit Bonding Authority
- Removed the State from future light rail projects
- Established a Metro Mobility Task Force
- Amended Statutes regarding minimum MVST payments to STPs
- Increased financial oversight
  - Legislative Auditor to audit Metropolitan Council
  - Legislative Budget Office opens in January 2019
  - Metro Area Transit Investment Report
  - State budget requests

# Legislative Auditor – Transit Financial Activity Review

- Summary of monthly balance sheets and operating statements
  - Income, expenditures and fund balances
- List of obligations and agreements entered into for a transit purpose
  - Operating and capital
  - Including but not limited to bonds, notes, grants, and future funding commitments
  - The amount that has been committed
- Analysis of the fiscal viability or revenues and fund balances compared to expenses
  - All expenditure commitments
  - Cash flow
  - Sufficiency of estimated funds
  - Financial solvency of anticipated transit projects
- Notification concerning where the Council complied with requirements
- Due within 14 days of the end of each quarter
- First review includes all activity back to January 1, 2016

# Metro Area Transit Investment Report

- All funding sources and uses related to transit, including but not limited to:
  - Sources and uses from regional rail authorities, joint powers agreements, cities, counties
  - Expenditures for transit planning, feasibility studies, alternatives analysis and other project development
  - Expenditures for guideways, busways, regular route, demand-response and Metro Mobility
- Performance Section
  - Ridership, farebox recovery, per-passenger operating subsidy
  - By each guideway, busway, regular route, demand-response and Metro Mobility
  - At least the past three years
- Systemwide Capacity Analysis Section
  - Funding projections over the next ten years, all sources, committed and proposed
  - Total operating, maintenance and capital expenditures
  - Analysis of the availability and distribution of sources
- Busway Status Section
  - Busways in revenue operations
  - Busway projects currently in study, planning, development or construction

# Metro Area Transit Investment Report (cont'd)

- **Guideway Status Section: Operates primarily on separate right-of-way or rails**
  - Guideways in revenue operation
  - Guideway projects
    - Currently in study, planning, development or construction
    - In the Transportation Policy Plan
    - In the statewide freight and passenger rail plan
  - **For guideway projects wholly or partially in the metro area**
    - Project description to include projected ridership
    - Current status
    - Timeline
    - Summary of progress since last report
    - Expenditures to date and projected and sources by committed and projected
    - Estimated operating and maintenance sources and uses by committed and projected
- **Report due October 15<sup>th</sup> in even-numbered years**

# Upcoming Legislative Sessions

## **2018 - Capital**

- Transit Financial Activity Review
- Metro Mobility Task Force
- Guideway project financial plans

## **2019 - Operating**

- Transit Financial Activity Review
- Metro Area Transit Investment Report