# **Committee Report**

Business Item No. 2017-57

# **Management Committee**

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of March 8, 2017

**Subject:** Resolution supporting disclosure, evaluation, and accountability reporting in solicitations for rolling stock

## **Proposed Action**

That the Metropolitan Council adopt Resolution 2017-2 supporting employment information disclosure, evaluation, and accountability reporting in solicitations for rolling stock.

# **Summary of Committee Discussion/Questions**

Mary Bogie (Chief Financial Officer) and Micky Gutzmann (Procurement Director) presented the item. Mary discussed the Council's most recent Light Rail Vehicle solicitation and the employment information requested and received through that solicitation. She discussed a commitment to a more robust disclosure request in future solicitations while maintaining the Council's independence in the solicitation process and evaluation of proposals. She also reflected upon an outcome focus that values increasing access to jobs that is consistent with the Council's Thrive Principles.

This item was approved unanimously as part of the March 8, 2017 Consent Agenda at the Management Committee.

Motion made by Katie Rodriguez seconded by Sandy Rummel. Motion Carried



# **Management Committee**

Meeting date: February 22, 2017

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of March 8, 2017

**Subject**: Resolution supporting disclosure, evaluation, and accountability reporting in solicitations for rolling stock

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Council Procurement Policy/MS § 473.129 subd. 12; 49 U.S.C § 5325(a); 2

C.F.R. § 200.319

Staff Prepared/Presented: Mary Bogie, Chief Financial Officer, 651-602-1359; Micky Gutzmann,

Procurement Director, 651-602-1741

Division/Department: RA Finance; Metro Transit

# **Proposed Action**

That the Metropolitan Council adopt Resolution 2017-2 supporting employment information disclosure, evaluation, and accountability reporting in solicitations for rolling stock.

# **Background**

The Council procures rolling stock, including Light Rail Vehicles and Buses used in our transit operations, through a solicitation for proposals for fabrication and delivery. Resulting proposals are evaluated with the intention to award a contract to the responsible offeror whose conforming offer provides the best value to the Council.

#### **Rationale**

The Council has an opportunity, through its rolling stock purchases, to further the Thrive MSP 2040 Principles by emphasizing the importance of job creation in the context of public spending.

#### **Thrive Lens Analysis**

The Thrive Outcomes recognize the value using our infrastructure investments in advancing economic competitiveness and providing opportunities to people facing significant barriers to employment.

#### Funding

No funding is tied to the proposed action. Funding for rolling stock procurements are considered in the Council's capital program.

### **Known Support / Opposition**

There is no known opposition to the proposed action.



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# RESOLUTION NO. 2017-2 RESOLUTION SUPPORTING EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION DISCLOSURE, EVALUATION, AND ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTING IN SOLICITATIONS OF ROLLING STOCK

#### WHERE AS:

- 1. The Metropolitan Council has adopted *Thrive MSP 2040* Principles to further stewardship, prosperity, equity, livability, and sustainability; and
- 2. The US Employment Plan encourages manufacturing job creation in the United States; and
- 3. The outcomes sought from the US Employment Plan align with the Met Council's *Thrive* Principles:
  - The US Employment Plan promotes the creation and retention of manufacturing jobs for US workers and investment in new and existing US manufacturing facilities;
  - Thrive acknowledges the importance of increasing access to job concentrations and manufacturing/distribution locations in the region;
  - Both the US Employment Plan and Thrive recognize the value of making employment opportunities available to people facing significant barriers to employment, including in low-income communities; and
- 4. The Council recognizes an opportunity, through its rolling stock purchases, to further the *Thrive MSP 2040* Principles adopted by the Council by emphasizing the importance of job creation in the context of public spending.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE METROPOILTAN COUNCIL, that the Regional Administrator, in consultation with the Chair and General Counsel, is authorized to take appropriate actions, consistent with federal and state laws and regulations, to incorporate disclosure, evaluation, and accountability reporting of job creation and retention information as appropriate to the Council's best interests in its solicitations for rolling stock valued at over \$5M.

Adopted this 8th day of March, 2017.	
Adam Duininck, Chair	Emily Getty, Recording Secretary