# **Business Item**

Metropolitan Council



Committee Meeting Date: None For the Metropolitan Council: November 9, 2022

### Business Item: 2022-306

Appointments to the Transportation Advisory Board

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Minnesota Statute 473.146
Staff Prepared/Presented: Molly Cummings, Vice Chair

**Division/Department:** Chair's Office

## **Proposed Action**

That the Metropolitan Council approve the following appointments to the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB):

Metropolitan Council Alternate – Reva Chamblis District G Alternate – Richard Holst

#### **Background**

The Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) was established by the Metropolitan Council pursuant to MN Statutes 473.146. The TAB's purpose is to advise and assist the Council, the Minnesota Dept. of Transportation, and all political subdivisions in accomplishing the responsibilities designated by state and federal law and regulation with regard to transportation planning and programming for the Twin Cities metropolitan area.

The TAB is a 34-member body composed of elected officials, representatives of government agencies involved in transportation issues, citizen members, and members who represent public transit, the freight industry and non-motorized transportation. The Metropolitan Council appoints 12 members – eight citizen members, two members representing public transit, one member representing non-motorized transportation, and one member of the Metropolitan Council. In addition, the Council is responsible for appointing the TAB Chair from among the advisory body membership. TAB members serve staggered two-year terms.

#### **Rationale**

The Council does not currently have an alternate member appointed to the TAB. To ensure participation in key decisions in the remainder of the current Council term, an alternate has been identified. Council Member Reva Chamblis serves as vice chair of the Council's Transportation Committee and is available to serve as the Council's TAB alternate.

TAB District G (Council Districts 11 and 12) has a vacant alternate and the primary District G member is unable to attend meetings in fall 2022 due to teaching schedule conflicts. Given the short remaining term, a formal process was not required or developed. A potential alternate was identified in the district, and staff worked with Council Member Deb Barber to evaluate the candidate's submitted application for a short-term, alternate appointment to TAB.

If appointed, the Council alternate and District G alternate will complete terms ending January 2023.

### **Thrive Lens Analysis**

Appointing members to TAB is necessary to keep the committee functioning. TAB work advances all five Thrive Outcomes through shaping regional and state transportation plans.

# **Funding**

N/A

# **Small Business Inclusion**

N/A