Business Item

Metropolitan Council



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Metro Transit Agency Safety Plans

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: 49 CFR Part 673

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Division/Department: Metro Transit/Safety Department

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council adopt Revision 5 of the Bus Transportation Agency Safety Plan and the Light Rail Transportation Agency Safety Plan for Metro Transit as required by 49 CFR Part 673.

Background

The Metropolitan Council first adopted the Metro Transit Agency Safety Plans in 2020 as required by the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Final Rule (49 CFR part 673). The above cited regulation requires the safety plans to be reviewed and approved by the Joint Labor Management Safety Committee (JLMSC) prior to the governing body approving. The Council approved Revision 4 of the Agency Safety Plans on February 15, 2023, with an agreement to start on Revision 5 and address items ATU had raised.

Rationale

On March 3, 2023, the Joint Labor Management Safety Committee voted to approve Revision 5 of the plans. The Bus Transportation Agency Safety Plan was approved by a vote of 10 yes votes and 0 no votes. The Light Rail Transportation Agency Safety Plan was also approved by a vote of 10 yes votes and 0 no votes.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action promotes multiple Thrive MSP 2040 outcomes. Equity and Livability are supported through the plan's focus on strategies to continue a safe transit infrastructure, the safe transport of all customers and promote the well-being of transit employees. The plan's role in mitigating risk and promoting proactive planning to responsibly manage the regions finite resources fosters the outcome of Stewardship.

Funding

None required

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