

## **ACTION TRANSMITTAL 2018-46**

**DATE:** September 12, 2018

**TO:** TAB Members

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**SUBJECT:** TAB review and recommendation of proposed final update to the 2040 Transportation Policy Plan

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the TAB recommend the update of the 2040 Transportation Policy Plan for final adoption by the Metropolitan Council

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION:**

The Council and its partners began the process of updating the 2040 Transportation Policy Plan in February 2017. Regional transportation partners were represented on the TAC Planning committee, Technical Advisory Committee and Transportation Advisory Board. These groups reviewed and commented on portions of the draft document throughout its development. In addition, Council staff met with the technical staff and policy boards of each of the seven metropolitan counties, cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul, and representatives of the urbanized portions of Wright and Sherburne counties. Additional meetings and discussions were held with the Council's Transportation Accessibility Advisory Committee and Land Use Advisory Committee, Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux community and staff from the Department of Transportation, Metropolitan Airports Commission and regional parks agencies.

In May 2018, TAB recommended that the Council approve the release of the draft update for public comment. The Council approved and released the draft update to the 2040 TPP on June 27<sup>th</sup>. A public hearing was held on August 1st and the public comment period closed on August 13th.

The Council received comments from 150 individuals, organizations and local units of government via letters, e-mails, and public testimony. About 300 total comments were received. The Council provided policy direction on some of the overarching comments at its September 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. Recommended revisions in response to the comments and other minor text edits have been incorporated into the plan. A Public Comment Report documenting the comments, Council responses and proposed changes to the draft TPP in response to comments is available on the Council's website.

The proposed final 2040 Transportation Policy Plan and Public Comment report can be found at: <https://metro council.org/Transportation/Planning-2/Key-Transportation-Planning-Documents/Transportation-Policy-Plan/2018-Transportation-Policy-Plan-Update.aspx>.

**RELATIONSHIP TO REGIONAL POLICY:**

The Metropolitan Council, in consultation with the Transportation Advisory Board, is required under both state and federal law to develop a multimodal long-range regional transportation plan that identifies transportation system goals and investment priorities over at least a 20-year period. The plan must be updated every four years, be fiscally constrained and meet air quality conformity standards. The proposed final 2040 Transportation Policy Plan meets these requirements.

**COMMITTEE COMMENTS AND ACTION:**

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**ROUTING**

<b>TO</b>	<b>ACTION REQUESTED</b>	<b>DATE COMPLETED</b>
Transportation Advisory Board	Review and recommend	
Metropolitan Council Transportation Committee		
Metropolitan Council		