## **ACTION TRANSMITTAL 2014-37**

**DATE:** May 29, 2014

**TO:** Technical Advisory Committee

**FROM:** TAC Planning Committee

PREPARED BY: Amy Vennewitz, MTS Deputy Director SUBJECT: Draft 2040 Transportation Policy Plan

**REQUESTED** Recommend approval of the Draft 2040 Transportation Policy Plan

**ACTION:** for release for public comment

**RECOMMENDED** Recommend that the Transportation Advisory Board recommend **MOTION:** the Draft 2040 Transportation Policy Plan for release for public

comment with the request that the Council address the attached

comments prior to its release

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION: MTS staff has worked with agency and local government stakeholders since April 2013 to create the Draft 2040 Transportation Policy Plan (TPP). Stakeholders have been represented on the Partner Agency Work Group (PAWG) and Policymaker Task Force (PTF) and include representatives from the TAB, TAC-Planning committee, cities, counties, MnDOT, MAC, MPCA, DNR, Suburban Transit Providers, the Minnesota Council on Disability, and CTIB. The two groups have reviewed and commented on various chapter and sections throughout the production of the draft document.

The full Draft 2040 TPP was released on May 9th on Dropbox and an FTP site for access and review by members of the aforementioned stakeholder groups.

**RELATIONSHIP TO REGIONAL POLICY:** The Metropolitan Council and its Transportation Advisory Board are required, under both state and federal law, to develop a multimodal long-range regional transportation plan that identifies transportation system goals, needs, and investment priorities over at least a 20-year period. The Draft 2040 TPP meets these requirements

**STAFF ANALYSIS:** The Draft 2040 TPP is proposed for review and recommendation for release for public comment. The document provides a vision for development of the regional transportation system based upon the outcomes and principles expressed in the regional development guide, Thrive MSP 2040 (to be adopted May 28, 2014). The document also responds to federal legislation passed in 2013 (MAP-21) that requires performance-based metropolitan transportation plans, by defining transportation system goals, objectives and strategies to achieve the desired outcomes for the regional transportation system.

Metropolitan Council

Upon review and recommendation of this draft document, the Metropolitan Council will make additional revisions in response to comments from TAB and TAC and release a revised draft document for the purpose of receiving public comment and holding a public hearing.

**COMMITTEE COMMENTS AND ACTION:** The committee's comments will be attached.

## ROUTING TO DATE COMPLETED **ACTION REQUESTED** May 29, 2014 TAC Planning or Funding & Review & Recommend **Programming Committee Technical Advisory Committee** Review & Recommend TAB Policy or Programming Review & Recommend Committee Transportation Advisory Board Review & Recommend Metropolitan Council Review & Recommend Transportation Committee

Review & Adopt