

Transportation Committee

Meeting date: October 23, 2017

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of October 25, 2017

Subject:	CTIB Capital Grant Agreement Second Amendment Southwest LRT (Green Line Extension)
District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	16 U.S.C. Section 470 (f); MN Stat. 297A.993
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Division/Department:	Metro Transit / Southwest Project Office

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council (Council) authorize the Regional Administrator to execute the second amendment to the 2017 CTIB Capital Grant Agreement to recognize Hennepin County's 20% funding share effective October 1, 2017.

Background

The Council and CTIB executed the 2017 CTIB Capital Grant Agreement for Southwest LRT on January 31, 2017 for a total of \$179,834,921 through March 31, 2018.

On September 13, 2017 the Council authorized the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute the first amendment to the grant to adjust downward the grant funding available for expenditures pursuant to pre-award authority or a Letter of No Prejudice to \$156,758,569.

With the dissolution of CTIB, Hennepin County will assume grantor responsibilities for the remainder of the grant period. This includes 20% local match funding responsibilities previously residing with the Council. For the period October 1, 2017 through March 31, 2018, grant disbursements from Hennepin County are forecasted to be approximately \$44M with local match requirements by the Council of \$0.

Rationale

Council consent to the assignment and assumption of the 2017 SWLRT Capital Grant Agreement to Hennepin County enables a seamless transition to the county and requires the county to assume the Council's previous 20% local match funding requirement effective October 1, 2017.

Thrive Lens Analysis

Construction of the Green Line Extension will increase the regions prosperity as it will provide access to 80,900 forecasted jobs and a new transportation option for 55,000 forecasted residents within ½ mile of the planned new stations in addition to the 145,300 forecasted jobs and 35,600 forecasted residents downtown Minneapolis.

Funding

Local funding for the project engineering phase is fully committed through March 31, 2018.

Known Support / Opposition

CTIB and Hennepin County support the assignment and assumption of the 2017 CTIB Capital Grant for Southwest LRT.