Summary Report

MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD

Wednesday | January 16, 2019 Metropolitan Council, Chambers | 12:30 PM 390 Robert Street North, Saint Paul, MN 55101

REPORTS

- 1. TAB Chair's Report Chair Hovland introduced new TAB members and alternates:
 - Deb Barber, Metropolitan Council
 - Nickolas Fox, Non-motorized representative (was Transit Alternate)
 - Amr Jabr, MnDOT (Acting District Engineer for Metro District)
 - Debbie Goettel, Hennepin County (previous Alternate, Jan Callison will be alternate)
 - Council member Mark Eiden, Alternate for Bruce Gorecki, Rogers
 - Mayor Myron Bailey, Cottage Grove
 - Mayor Mark Windschitl, Chaska
- 2. Agency Reports -

MnDOT – Amr Jabr reported that Margaret Anderson Kelliher was appointed commissioner of Department of Transportation. A posting is out to fill Scott McBride's position.

MPCA – Todd Biewen reported that Laura Bishop was appointed commission of Minnesota Pollution Control agency.

MAC – Carl Crimmins reported that there has been no disruption at the TSA checkpoints with the federal workers. The airlines provided 1,000 meals for the federal workers. For future flights, check the MSP website (http://mspairport.com) for security wait times.

Metropolitan Council – Deb Barber reported applications for Council members closed on January 9. Applicants will be interviewed and three recommendations for each District will be made to the governor to select from. Council members must be seated by March 4. The Council held a public hearing on January 9 for the Riverview Corridor. Comments are due by Monday, January 20.

BUSINESS

TAB approved the following items and they will be forwarded to the Transportation Committee on the dates indicated.

- 1. 2019-01: 2019 TAB Executive Committee The following TAB members were selected to serve on the Executive Committee for 2019:
 - 1. TAB Chair James Hovland, Edina
 - 2. MnDOT Amr Jabr
 - 3. Metropolitan Council Deb Barber, District 4
 - 4. County Randy Maluchnik, Carver County
 - 5. County Mary Jo McGuire, Ramsey County
 - 6. City of First Class Kevin Reich, Minneapolis
 - 7. City Mary Hamann-Roland, Apple Valley
 - 8. City Dick Swanson, Blaine
 - 9. Citizen Doug Anderson, District A
 - 10. Modal Bill Goins, Freight

- 2019-06: Streamlined TIP Amendment: Eden Prairie Railroad Crossing, MnDOT (TC January 28)
 - MnDOT was granted a TIP amendment to its Valley View Road rail signal project to add a second project location (Eden Prairie Public Pathway).
- 3. 2019-02: Program Year Extension: Ramsey County. Ramsey County was granted an extension of the program year to 2020 following delays to design after a pilot project on Maryland Avenue was performed in response to a nearby traffic fatality in 2016.
- 4. 2019-05: Program Year Change: City of Brooklyn Center. The City of Brooklyn Center received two projects on Highway 252 in the 2016 Regional Solicitation: \$7 million for construction of an interchange at 66th Avenue North and \$1,902,640 for a pedestrian overpass at 70th Avenue North. Both projects are programmed for 2021. MnDOT recently received Corridors of Commerce funding for converting Highway 252 to a freeway and adding MnPASS to Highway 252/I-94 in 2023. In an effort to coordinate all the Highway 252 projects, the two Regional Solicitation projects were moved from 2021 to 2023.
- 5. 2019-03: 2018 Highway Safety Improvement Project Selection (TC January 28 as an Information Item)
 - TAB approved 25 projects for funding through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) for inclusion in the 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program.
- 6. 2019-04: 2018 Regional Solicitation Project Selection (TC January 28 as an Information Item)
 - TAB approved projects to receive STBGP and CMAQ federal funding for program years 2022 and 2023; 22 roadway and bridge projects, 15 transit and travel demand management projects, 17 bicycle and pedestrian projects, and two unique projects.

TAB member Maluchnik said it doesn't seem like we serve the equity mission part of transportation, areas of disparity need to be targeted better. Maluchnik suggested a task force with TAB members, Transportation Committee members, etc., to assess areas of disparity and talk to community leaders.

OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS OF TAB MEMBERS

TAB approved a motion to congratulate Brian Lamb for a job well done over all the many years he has worked for and run Metro Transit.

Link to January 16, 2019, TAB agenda and materials - https://metrocouncil.org/Council-Meetings/Committees/Transportation-Advisory-Board-TAB.aspx