

MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD

Wednesday | August 19, 2020
12:30 PM

REPORTS

1. Chair's Report – Hovland reported that the Regional Solicitation Policymaker Work Group reconvened to discuss Metro Transit's request to delay the selection of the specific Arterial Bus Rapid Transit project from December to April to allow for additional outreach prior to selection. The information was also presented as an information item.
2. MnDOT Report – Barnes information about upcoming dates for the Minnesota Highway Freight Program Solicitation:
 1. [Informational webinar](#) August 20, 2020 from 3:00 - 4:00 pm, CST
 2. Applications due to MnDOT Sept. 28, 2020

More info and link to the webinar is here: <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/ofrw/mhfp/>.

Highway 5 construction is proceeding; eastbound is now open and westbound is closed.

MPCA Report – no report

MAC Report – Crimmins reported that the passenger levels are down but airport work is being completed quickly due to the lack of traffic. The airport has not need to touch reserves and has been able to give rent waivers. Delta remains the only airline committed to not selling the middle seat.

Metropolitan Council Report - Barber reported on the advancement of the SWLRT, the Metropolitan Council budget, and transit service levels.

BUSINESS

TAB approved the following items and they were forwarded to the Transportation Committee.

1. 2020-26: 2021-2024 TIP Public Comments. (September 14, 2020, Transportation Committee)
Transportation Advisory Board accepted the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Public Comment Report.
2. 2020-27: Adopt 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (September 14, 2020, Transportation Committee)
Transportation Advisory Board recommended adoption of the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to the Metropolitan Council.

INFORMATION

1. Regional Solicitation: ABRT Update
Nick Thompson and Charles Carlson presented this item. An action item will go through the committee process.

2. Regional Solicitation: Scoring Process Update

Elaine Koutsoukos, TAB Coordinator, presented this item.

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