

## Transportation Committee

Meeting date: February 24, 2020

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of March 11, 2020

**Subject:** SWLRT (Green Line Extension) Amendment 1 to Subrecipient Agreement with the City of Eden Prairie

**District(s), Member(s):** All

**Policy/Legal Reference:** Income Grants 3-2-2

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### Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council (Council) authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute the first Amendment to Subrecipient Agreement with the City of Eden Prairie (City), the grant subrecipient, related to the funding and construction of Eden Prairie Town Center (EPTC) Station as part of the Southwest Light Rail Transit (SWLRT) Project.

### Background

In 2015 EPTC Station was deferred from the SWLRT Project due to budget reductions. In 2016 the City applied to the Council for federal funding and in 2017 the Council's Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) awarded funding in the amount of \$7,676,950 to the City to build out the EPTC Station as part of the SWLRT project and the Council entered into a Subrecipient Agreement with the City. The City will provide \$1.53 million of local matching funds to the CMAQ grant for a total of \$7.67 million toward the cost of the station. The First Amendment to the Subrecipient Agreement addresses costs above the grant amount to be funded by the SWLRT Project.

### Rationale

The Subrecipient Agreement memorializes the terms governing: (1) the Subrecipient's receipt and expenditure of the grant funds; (2) the amount and responsibility of the local match; and (3) how grant funds and local match funds will be used to reimburse the Council for the EPTC Station construction costs. The amendment addresses costs above the grant amount to be funded by the SWLRT Project.

### Thrive Lens Analysis

- **Livability**  
The Green Line Extension will increase the region's prosperity as it will provide access to 80,900 forecasted jobs and a new transportation option for 55,800 forecasted residents within ½ mile of the planned new stations in addition to the 145,300 forecasted jobs and 35,600 forecasted residents in downtown Minneapolis.
- **Prosperity**  
The Green Line Extension reflects strategic investment in regional infrastructure that will promote economic competitiveness and create prosperity for the region.

## **Funding**

The Council received \$6,141,560 (80% of cost estimate) federal funding on behalf of the Subrecipient's request from the FTA. The City, as the subrecipient, is responsible for \$1,535,390 (20%) local match. Costs above the grant amount will be funded through the SWRLT Project.

## **Known Support / Opposition**

There is no known opposition to this action. The City of Eden Prairie is scheduled to act on this amendment at their March 2020 City Council meeting.