

MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD

Wednesday | February 17, 2021
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REPORTS

1. Chair's Report – Hovland welcomed incoming TAB alternates.
 - o Que Vang (District E alternate)
 - o Amanda Hemmingsen-Jaeger (District F alternate)
 - o Shannon Watson (District G alternate)

A Work Group is being formed to set up criteria for a Unique Project application for the 2022 Regional Solicitation. TAB Executive Committee Debbie Goettel as selected first vice-chair and Mark Windschitl was selected second vice-chair.

2. MnDOT Report – Barnes reported that the federal COVID funding coming to the state is still being evaluated, reporting requirements are being looked into.

MPCA Report – Biewen reported on ongoing public notice period for the Clean Cars Minnesota Rule Making. All materials on the rule can be found on mn.gov/cleancars under the "rulemaking" tab. All comments must be submitted to the Administrative Law Judge so that they can be addressed as part of the public rulemaking process. Comment period ends March 15. The City of Edina passed resolution supporting the Clean Car rulemaking.

The Climate Change Subcabinet is hosting a series of monthly climate forum events, called the Our Minnesota Climate Forum Series, that provide an opportunity to discuss key issues around climate change and opportunities to reduce emissions and improve resiliency. Information on the Forums can be found at mn.gov/climate under "get involved".

MAC Report – Crimmins reported the CDC is not requiring COVID testing for domestic flights at this time. Testing is required for incoming and outgoing international flights. Delta has set up a COVID testing site on concourse G for all outgoing international flights. Negative test result will be allowed to fly. A positive test result will require a second test. A negative result will allow to fly. A second positive result, the passenger must go into quarantine.

Metropolitan Council Report – Barber reported service on D Line will start in December 2022. Public comment for Orange Line is open until February 22. On the website there is a link to survey. <https://metro council.org/News-Events/Transportation/Newsletters/Orange-Line-connecting-bus-service-study-2021.aspx>

TAC Chair Report – Solberg reported that the TAC finalized the membership for the TAC Funding and Programming Committee and the TAC Planning Committee.

BUSINESS

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

1. 2021-10: 2021-2024 Streamlined TIP Amendment for MnDOT: US 212 Lighting Improvement (*March 8, 2021, Transportation Committee*)

Transportation Advisory Board recommended that the Metropolitan Council adopt an amendment to the 2021-2024 TIP to include funding for MnDOT's lighting upgrade on US 212 (SP# 2763-62).

2. 2021-11: 2021-2024 Streamlined TIP Amendment for Richfield: Railroad Gate Installation (*March 8, 2021, Transportation Committee*)

Transportation Advisory Board recommended that the Metropolitan Council adopt an amendment to the 2021-2024 TIP to add an additional location and additional cost to Richfield's West 77th railroad gates installation (SP# 27-00327).

3. 2021-04: Proposed 2021 Safety Targets (*February 22, 2021, Transportation Committee*)

Transportation Advisory Board recommended Council adoption of 2021 safety performance targets.

4. 2021-05: Scope Change Request for St. Louis Park's CSAH 25/Beltline Blvd Pedestrian Improvements

Transportation Advisory Board approved St. Louis Park's request to eliminate two segments from its CSAH 25/Beltline Blvd Pedestrian Improvements project (SP# 163-291-08) with no reduction in federal funds.

5. 2021-06: TIP Amendment for St. Louis Park: CSAH 25/Beltline Blvd Pedestrian Improvements (*March 8, 2021, Transportation Committee*)

Transportation Advisory Board recommended that the Metropolitan Council adopt an amendment to the 2021-2024 TIP to reduce the scope and increase the cost of St. Louis Park's CSAH 25 Beltline Boulevard Pedestrian project (SP# 163-291-008).

6. 2021-08: Highway 252 Program Year Change

Transportation Advisory Board recommended approval of moving the following four TH 252-related Regional Solicitation grants to 2026:

- TH 252/66th Ave intersection improvements
- TH 252/70th Ave pedestrian overpass
- TH 252/85th Ave intersection improvements
- TH 252/Brookdale Dr intersection improvements

7. 2021-09: CSAH 103 Program Year Change

Transportation Advisory Board recommended approval of moving the following two CSAH 103-related Regional Solicitation grants to later program years:

- CSAH 103 from 85th Ave to 93rd Ave reconstruction/lane expansion from 2022 to 2025 (110-020-041)
- CSAH 103 from 74th Ave to 93rd Ave streetscape and transit improvements from 2023 to 2026 (110-020-042)

INFORMATION

1. 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Development Schedule

Joe Barbeau, Metropolitan Transportation Services, presented this item.

2. Equity – General Information

Amy Vennewitz, Metropolitan Transportation Services, and Roderic Southall, Learning and Development, presented this item. The powerpoint is linked to the TAB agenda and attached.

Link to February 17, 2021, TAB agenda and materials - <https://metro council.org/Council-Meetings/Committees/Transportation-Advisory-Board-TAB.aspx>