Business Item

Transportation Committee



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Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS) Agency Safety Plan (ASP)

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: 49 CFR Part 673

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Division/Department: Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council adopt Revision 3 of the Agency Safety Plan for Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS) as required by 49 CFR Part 673.

Background

The Transportation Committee and the Metropolitan Council first adopted the MTS Agency Safety Plan in 2020 as required by the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Final Rule (49 CFR part 673). The above cited regulation requires the safety plan to be reviewed annually, updated, and approved annually by the governing body. This year's annual review included the new structure of the Safety Department. Other modifications included in the proposed amended plan include performance target updates based on historical data as required by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

Rationale

Under 49 CFR Part 673 the MTS Agency Safety Plan, and subsequent updates, must be signed by the Accountable Executive, designated Chief Safety Officer and approved by the agency's Safety Committee and Board of Directors.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action promotes multiple Thrive MSP 2040 outcomes. Equity and Livability are supported through the plan's focus on strategies to continue a safe transit infrastructure, the safe transport of all customers and promote the well-being of transit employees. The plan's role in mitigating risk and promoting proactive planning to responsibly manage the region's finite resources fosters the outcome of Stewardship.

Funding

None required

Small Business Inclusion

Not applicable