

Minutes

Transportation Committee



Meeting date: March 11, 2024

Time: 4:00 PM

Location: Robert St Chambers

Members present:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Chair, Deb Barber, D4 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Pacheco Jr., District 5 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Susan Vento, District 12 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vice Chair, Reva Chamblis, D2 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anjuli Cameron, District 8 | <input type="checkbox"/> Toni Carter, District 14 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tyronne Carter, District 3 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diego Morales, District 9 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tenzin Dolkar, District 15 |
- = present, E = excused

Call to order

A quorum being present, Committee Vice Chair Chamblis called the regular meeting of the Transportation Committee to order at 4:00 p.m.

Agenda approved

Council Members did not have any comments or changes to the agenda. **Motion carried.**

Approval of minutes

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Morales to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2024, regular meeting of the Transportation Committee. **Motion carried.**

Reports

1. Metropolitan Transportation Services Director

Carlson reported on the federal bill to keep the government from a shut-down. Carlson shared the impact to the upcoming small bus purchase.

2. Metro Transit General Manager

Kandaras shared the extended hours for Saint Patrick's Day.

3. Transportation Accessibility Advisory Board (TAAC)

This report was deferred to a future meeting.

Consent business

1. There were no items on the consent agenda

Non-consent business

1. 2024-23: Contract 22P305 & 22P372 Hoglund Bus - Amendment #1 (Paul Colton 651-602-1668)

It was moved by Carter, Tyronne, seconded by Morales, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute amendments to:

Contract 22P305 with Hoglund Bus for a price increase of \$376,700 for a cumulative not to

exceed amount of \$1,746,600; and

Contract 22P372 with Hoglund Bus for a price increase of \$905,142 for a cumulative not to exceed amount of \$4,014,178.

There were no comments or questions from Council Members.

Motion carried. Hearing no opposition, Chair Chamblis stated the item could proceed Consent to Council.

2. 2024-24: Contract 22P373 North Central Bus - Amendment #1 (Paul Colton 651-602-1668)

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Morales, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute Amendment #1 to Contract 22P373 with North Central Bus to increase the number of buses purchased from 75 to 104 at a price increase of \$6,162,373 for a cumulative not to exceed contract amount of \$14,531,763.

There were no comments or questions from Council Members.

Motion carried. Hearing no opposition, Chair Chamblis stated the item could proceed Consent to Council.

3. 2024-67: Minneapolis-St Paul International Airport 2040 Long Term Comprehensive Plan (LTCP) (Joe Widing 651-602-1822)

It was moved by Morales, seconded by Vento, that the Metropolitan Council find that the Final Draft Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport (MSP) 2040 Long-Term Comprehensive Plan (LTCP) has a multi-city impact as well as conforms to the Council systems and is consistent with Council policies.

Vento asked about public engagement for regional airports. MAC Senior Planner Eric Gilles noted the attention given to each individual airport.

Motion carried.

4. 2024-15 JT: 2024 Budget Amendment – Carryforward / 1st Quarter (Ed Petrie 612-349-7624, Heather Giesel 651-602-1715)

It was moved by Carter, Toni, seconded by Morales, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the 2024 Unified Budget amendment as indicated, and in accordance with, the attached tables.

There were no questions or comments from Council Members.

Motion carried.

5. 2024-45: METRO Purple Line Bus Rapid Transit Contract Amendment No. 3 to Contract 22P031 with HNTB (Craig Lamothe 651-602-1978, Edwin Awason 612-349-7562)

It was moved by Carter, Toni, seconded by Morales, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute amendment #3 to contract #22P031 with HNTB for Purple Line Bus Rapid Transit Environmental and Peer Review Services for a total contract value not to exceed \$7,272,394.93.

Dolkar asked for consultant and procurement process details.

Motion carried.

6. 2024-74: METRO Purple Line Bus Rapid Transit Rights of Entry, Resolution 2024-4 (Craig Lamothe 651-602-1978, Meghan Litsey 651-602-1982)

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Carter, Tyronne, that the Metropolitan Council adopt Resolution 2024-4 that authorizes access to properties for survey, environmental testing, geotechnical investigations including subsurface utility engineering, and archeological investigations in accordance with Minnesota Statutes §§473.129, subd. 9 and 117.041.

Cameron asked about the project timeline.



Motion carried. Hearing no opposition, Chair Chamblis stated the item could proceed Consent to Council.

- 2024-51: Master Contracts for Metro Transit Architecture and Engineering Design Services, Contract 23P112 (Julie Brenny 612-349-7444)

It was moved by Morales, seconded by Dolkar, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute contracts 23P112A – 23P112L for architecture and engineering design services that will support Metro Transit Engineering and Facilities in an amount not to exceed \$12,000,000 as follows:

Organization	Contract Number	Contract Amount
Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc.	23P112A	\$1,500,000
TKDA	23P112B	\$1,500,000
HDR Engineering, Inc.	23P112C	\$1,500,000
WSP USA, Inc.	23P112D	\$1,000,000
Rani Engineering, Inc.	23P112E	\$750,000
SRF Consulting Group, Inc.	23P112F	\$1,250,000
HNTB Corporation	23P112G	\$1,000,000
Kodet Architectural Group, Ltd.	23P112H	\$750,000
4RM+ULA	23P112I	\$750,000
Bolton & Menk, Inc.	23P112J	\$500,000
LHB, Inc.	23P112K	\$1,000,000
Toole Design Group	23P112L	\$500,000

There were no comments or questions from Council Members.

Motion carried. Hearing no opposition, Chair Chamblis stated the item could proceed Consent to Council.

- 2024-58: Designation of Potential TOD Sites (Michael Krantz 612-349-7392)

It was moved by Dolkar, seconded by Carter, Toni, that the Metropolitan Council designate the attached list of Council properties as potential TOD sites eligible for use of the TOD fund allocated to the TOD Office. Funds will be used for expenses necessary to advance TOD opportunities on these sites. Examples of expenses include due diligence work such as title reports, surveys, appraisals, market studies, engineering studies, etc.

Dolkar asked about the timing of information-sharing with local governments and how the collaboration works with Community Development.

Motion carried.

- 2024-66: Transportation Committee Work Plan (Lesley Kandaras 612-349-7513 & Charles Carlson 651-602-1761)

It was moved by Morales, seconded by Carter, Tyrone, that the Transportation Committee adopt the attached as its 2024 Work Plan.

There were no comments or questions from Council Members.

Motion carried.

Information

- Better Bus Stops 2023 Highlights (Berry Farrington 612-349-7378, Paul Lamb 612-349-7653)



Carter, Tyrone asked for the data used to determine the thresholds for shelter, heat, and light. Dolkar offered up personal recommendations for the stops and Chamblis asked for costs for various upgrades. Vento asked for an inventory of bus shelter amenities such as trash receptacles. Carter, Toni asked about light availability. Farrington noted that about 10 percent of bus stops have shelters and noted our comparison with peer agencies.

2. Introduction to the 2025 Arterial BRT Plan Update (Katie Roth 612-349-7772, Kyle O'Donnell Burrows 612-349-7749)

Vento asked for details on who comprises up the list the stakeholders.

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Transportation Committee meeting of March 11, 2024.

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