



## **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2024-26**

### **RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING OBLIGATION FOR METRO B LINE PROJECT CONTINGENCY THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2025**

- WHEREAS,** in 2020, the Minnesota State Legislature appropriated \$55 million in bonding for the D Line, B Line, and to the extent funding remained after completion of those projects, the E Line;
- WHEREAS,** \$12,909,177 of the total bond appropriation is authorized in the D Line project effective as of the 2024 4th Quarter budget amendment, of which \$12,909,177 will be expended or encumbered in contracts before December 31, 2024, leaving an encumbered balance of \$0;
- WHEREAS,** \$42,090,823 of the total bond appropriation is authorized in the B Line project effective as of the 2024 4th Quarter budget amendment, of which \$38,059,727 will be expended or encumbered in contracts before December 31, 2024, and the balance of \$4,031,096 is budgeted contingency on the project;
- WHEREAS,** Minnesota Statutes section 16A.642 requires the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget (MMB) to report to the Legislature by January 1 of each year regarding capital appropriations enacted more than four years prior to that date. The reported amounts that are unencumbered or otherwise not obligated automatically cancel unless re-authorized by the Legislature. All funding from the 2020 bonding bill that has not been obligated or expended by December 31, 2024 will be cancelled effective July 1, 2025 unless it is re-appropriated by the Legislature.
- WHEREAS,** the B Line is scheduled to enter revenue service on June 14, 2025 and the Council has entered into multiple contracts for the B Line that will continue to be active through the construction final completion date of December 31, 2025;
- WHEREAS,** industry best practice and Council procedure requires budgeted contingency to be held on active projects through completion;
- WHEREAS,** as part of the Minnesota Statutes section 16A.642 process, unencumbered funds may avoid becoming subject to cancellation if the Council establishes that contingency is otherwise obligated for potential changes as the project progresses toward 2025 completion.

### **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. THAT \$4,031,096 of unencumbered state bonds in the METRO B Line (Project 62802) budget be established as project contingency to be otherwise obligated for potential changes through the construction final completion date of December 31, 2025.

Adopted this 11th day of December, 2024.