

Minutes

Transportation Committee



Meeting date: December 9, 2024

Time: 4:00 PM

Location: Heywood Chambers

Members present:

Chair, Deb Barber, D4

Vice Chair, Reva Chamblis, D2

Tyronne Carter, District 3

John Pacheco Jr., District 5

Anjuli Cameron, District 8

Diego Morales, District 9

Susan Vento, District 12

Toni Carter, District 14

Tenzin Dolkar, District 15

= present, E = excused

Call to order

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Barber called the regular meeting of the Transportation Committee to order at 4:01 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 Chamblis, seconded by Morales to approve the minutes of the November 25, 2024, regular meeting of the Transportation Committee. **Motion carried.**

Reports

1. Metropolitan Transportation Services Director

Carlson reported on the recent MTS staff appreciation event and the active recruitment for Council-appointed TAB members.

2. Metro Transit General Manager

Kandaras reported that the quarterly service changes have now gone into effect.

3. Transportation Accessibility Advisory Board (TAAC)

There was no TAAC report.

Consent business

Consent business adopted

1. There were no items on the consent agenda.

Non-consent business

1. **2024-317 SW:** METRO G Line – Cooperative Construction Agreement with Ramsey County for Rice Street Visioning & Reconstruction (Adam Smith 612-349-7160, Reed Sherlock 612-349-7455)

It was moved by Morales, seconded by Carter, Tyronne, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute Agreement 24I001

("Agreement") with Ramsey County ("County") for the County's construction of METRO G Line BRT station platforms in conjunction with the County's Rice Street Visioning and Reconstruction Project in an amount not to exceed \$1,800,000.

Vento asked about the impact on community members.

Motion carried. Hearing no objection, Chair Barber stated the item may proceed Consent to Council.

2. **2024-318 SW:** METRO G Line – Cooperative Construction Agreement with the City of St. Paul for Robert Street Reconstruction Adam Smith 612-349-7160, Reed Sherlock 612-349-7455)

It was moved by Carter, Toni, seconded by Morales, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute Agreement 24I013 ("Agreement") with the City of St. Paul ("City") for construction of METRO G Line BRT station platforms in conjunction with the City's Robert Street Reconstruction Project in an amount not to exceed \$1,400,000.

Motion carried. Hearing no objection, Chair Barber stated the item may proceed Consent to Council.

3. **2024-315 SW:** METRO E Line - Amendment 1 to Hennepin County Joint Powers and Cooperative Construction Agreement (Katie Roth 612-349-7772)

It was moved by Morales, seconded by Carter, Toni, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute Amendment One (1) to Agreement 23I083, Joint Powers and Cooperative Construction Agreement with Hennepin County, to receive up to \$1,700,000 in additional funds for construction of improvements along the METRO E Line corridor.

Council Members voiced appreciation for staff work.

Motion carried. Hearing no objection, Chair Barber stated the item may proceed Consent to Council.

4. **2024-316 SW:** METRO G Line - Ramsey County Funding Agreement (Katie Roth 612-349-7772)

It was moved by Morales, seconded by Chamblis, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute Agreement 24I059 ("Agreement"), an income agreement in an amount exceeding \$500,000, with Ramsey County for the METRO G Line project.

Motion carried. Hearing no objection, Chair Barber stated the item may proceed Consent to Council.

5. **2024-335 JT SW:** METRO B Line – Resolution 2024-26 Establishing Obligation for Project Contingency (Katie Roth 612-349-7772, Ed Petrie 612-349-7624)

It was moved by Morales, seconded by Vento, that the Metropolitan Council pass Resolution 2024-26 establishing obligation for METRO B Line project contingency through December 31, 2025.

Motion carried.

6. **2024-332 JT SW:** 4th Quarter Budget Amendment (Ed Petrie 612-349-7624)

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.

Motion carried.

7. **2024-338 SW:** TSP Mobile Hardware Upgrade, Contract 24P288 (Juan Villanueva, 612-349-7574; Claire Curd, 612-349-7574)



It was moved by Morales, seconded by Carter, Tyronne, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a sole source contract 24P288 with ACT Traffic Solutions to provide and install vehicle computer units (VCUs) and bus antennas used for transit signal priority (TSP) for bus upgrades in an amount not to exceed \$697,300.

Motion carried. Hearing no objection, Chair Barber stated the item may proceed Consent to Council.

Information

1. 2024 3rd Quarter Ridership Report (John Harper 651-602-1744, Joey Reid 612-349-7535)
Council Members asked for clarification on services provided by the Council.
2. Imagine 2050 Transportation Policy Plan Draft Changes in Response to Comments (Cole Hiniker 651-602-1748, Jed Hanson 651-602-1716)

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Transportation Committee meeting of December 9, 2024.

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