

Business Item

Transportation Committee



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For the Metropolitan Council: Oct. 22, 2025

Business Item: 2025-254

Authorize Grant Agreement with Plymouth for their NW Greenway Park and Ride Transit Facility Improvements

District(s), Member(s): 1 - Judy Johnson

Policy/Legal Reference: FM 15-2 Grant/Loan Approval Policy, FM 14-2 Expenditures for the Procurement of Goods and Services Policy

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Division/Department: Transportation / Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator to execute a grant agreement with the City of Plymouth, a Replacement Service Provider (Suburban Transit Provider), for improvements at the Northwest Greenway Park and Ride in the amount of \$1,121,386.

Background

Plymouth has requested to use their available undesignated funding held in the Council's Authorized Capital Budget to complete this project. These funds are available to Plymouth to use at their discretion for eligible public transportation projects. Plymouth will use funds in the grant agreement to enhance year-round transit access at the Northwest Greenway Park & Ride Facility by developing a permanent transit facility for transit users that will provide restrooms for riders, a seating area, Wi-Fi capabilities, security cameras and will be fully ADA accessible.

Rationale

Council action is required for the Regional Administrator to execute agreements over \$500,000. The requested action will allow the Regional Administrator to execute the grant agreement with the City of Plymouth. The Metropolitan Council may award grant funds to meet specific public purpose needs.

Thrive Lens Analysis

On Feb. 12, 2025, the Council adopted Imagine 2050, which builds on policy direction in Thrive MSP 2040. Under the Thrive lens, these projects promote stewardship, equity, sustainability, and livability by furthering access to transit.

Funding

Funding for this grant agreement is MVST in lieu of Plymouth federal formula earnings. Plymouth has available undesignated funds in the Council's Authorized Capital Program.

Small Business Inclusion

The Council does not apply Metropolitan Council Underutilized Business (MCUB) goals to locally funded grant agreements.

