# **Information Item**

2050 Transportation Policy Plan Advisory Work Group



Meeting Date: June 29, 2022

## **Topic**

2050 Regional Development Guide: Values, Vision, and Goals

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Minn. Stat. § 473.145

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Division/Department: Community Development / Regional Planning

#### Overview

The Values, Vision, and Goals for the 2050 Regional Development Guide (2050 RDG) will ground planning and policy development for the 2050 RDG and the Council's four policy plans (i.e., 2050 Transportation Policy Plan, 2050 Water Resources Policy Plan, 2050 Regional Parks Policy Plan, and the Council's Housing Policy Plan). Information on this process was presented at the Transportation Advisory Board on June 15<sup>th</sup> as well as at the first two meetings of the Transportation Policy Plan Technical Working Group on May 12<sup>th</sup> and June 9<sup>th</sup>. Engagement with other advisory groups, as well as the Metropolitan Council, have occurred as well.

At your first meeting, staff will present additional information on the Values, Vision, and Goals process. A major part of the meeting will be to participate in a small group exercise to obtain your input on how transportation system considerations can or should inform the region's vision.

#### Background

Staff will reiterate the process that the Council is using to develop the set of Values, Vision, and Goals. These elements include the following:

- Consideration of the visions articulated in community comprehensive plans.
- Ongoing regional research and discussion of evolving and emerging policy issues.
- Potential needs of individual policy plans in terms of focus and implementation.
- Outreach and engagement to different groups of stakeholders.

#### **Small Group Exercise**

Advisory group members will participate in a small group exercise like one conducted with the Metropolitan Council on May 18<sup>th</sup>. You will have a chance to speak with fellow group members around the following inter-related themes, and the existing or potential role that transportation plays:

- Equitable, affordable, and welcoming
- High quality and resilient environment
- Vibrant places and destinations
- Accessible and interconnected
- Prosperous and healthy

## **Preparation for Meeting**

To ensure a productive dialogue, please review the accompanying presentation, which includes input from the TPP Technical Working Group. As you contemplate the planning themes, please consider the following questions for each of them. These questions will be a focus of the small group discussion and reporting out:

- What values come to mind for this theme?
- How do you envision the transportation system supporting this theme?
- What stories or positive examples come to mind?

### Follow-Up

The input the Advisory Work Group provides will be shared with the Metropolitan Council at an upcoming regular briefing on the Values, Vision, and Goals process. Furthermore, the input you provide, including a synopsis memorandum and detail notes, will be shared with the Technical Working Group. Their charge will be to help plan for the next Advisory Group meeting based on this input.

As we move forward, the Advisory Group will provide input on more concrete recommendations to the Metropolitan Council on what should be included and incorporated into the 2050 RDG Vision, Values, and Goals. This will include a consideration of the role of each transportation mode in the lives of the region's residents and economy.

Thank you in advance and I very much look forward to our discussion.