



METRO BLUE LINE EXTENSION PROJECT Project Decision Board

Proposed Board Action

25-PDB-008

For the PDB Meeting: September 17, 2025

Item Description

Approval of an amendment to the METRO Blue Line Extension Engineering Services Contract to increase the contract value by \$42,900,000, for a not-to-exceed contract value of \$139,275,448.

Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED, that the PDB hereby approves the execution of an amendment to the METRO Blue Line Extension Engineering Services Contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. to increase the total contract value by \$42,900,000, for a not-to-exceed contract value of \$139,275,448.

Background

Section 6.01(D)(1) of the Capital Grant Agreement for Engineering and Construction of the Blue Line Extension Light Rail Transit (BLE) Project requires that the PDB “approve or authorize negotiation and execution of Transitway Project agreements, contracts, amendments, and change orders” providing for the use of more than \$500,000 in Transitway Project funds.

Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. was awarded a contract in 2023 to perform design and engineering services for the BLE Project. Following the award of the contract, design development and analysis led to a change in alignment from Lyndale Avenue to Washington Avenue. During the design and engineering process, additional scope changes and refinements were also made in response to community and stakeholder feedback received, leading up to and during the Municipal Consent process.

This contract amendment will allow the continuation of design and engineering services to reach the Civil and Systems construction contract award milestone, and subsequent issuance of notice to proceed to the construction contract in late 2027. The BLE Project will need a future contract amendment to support design and engineering services through construction.

This Resolution provides the approval from the PDB to execute an amendment to the METRO Blue Line Extension Engineering Services Contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. to increase total contract value by \$42,900,000.