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Purpose of the Park-and-Ride Plan

This Park-and-Ride Plan is part of the ongoing planning and implementation for transit service and facilities in the region. The 2030 Transportation Policy Plan, adopted in January, 2009, presents the Metropolitan Council’s policies and plans to guide development of the region’s transportation system to the year 2030. It addresses problems and issues in preserving the region’s mobility and describes actions which will be undertaken to preserve, improve and expand the region’s highways, transit and other transportation modes. Several policies address transit facilities, such as Policies 12 and 14 and strategies 12a and 14e included below:

Policy 12: Transit System Planning

Regional transit providers should plan, develop and operate their transit service so that it is cost-effective, reliable and attractive, providing mobility that reflects the region’s diverse land use, socioeconomic conditions and travel patterns and mitigating roadway congestion with the goal of doubling regional transit ridership by 2030 and a 50% increase in ridership by 2020.

Strategy 12a. Transit Services Tailored to Diverse Markets: Diverse transit markets need different transit service strategies, service hours, operating frequencies, and capital improvements. To tailor transit service to these diverse market needs, regional transit providers will follow the standards and service delivery strategies as outlined in Appendix G: Transit Market Areas and Service Standards.

Policy 14: Transit System Operations and Management

The regional transit providers will promote innovation, efficiency, flexibility and greater diversity of options in operating and managing transit services.

Strategy 14e. Fleet and Facilities Policy: The Council will develop, in consultation with regional providers, CTIB and other partners, regional fleet and facilities policies to guide investments in regional fleet and facilities.

Source: Metropolitan Council 2030 Transportation Policy Plan (2009)

Chapter 7 of the 2030 Transportation Policy Plan is the long range transit plan for the region. While it includes some general discussion of existing and planned park-and-ride facilities in the section titled Transit Passenger Facilities, this Park-and-Ride Plan is intended to go a step further and serve as a more detailed guide to selecting, prioritizing and implementing those facilities. Although the Park-and-Ride Plan provides long-range planning and implementation guidance, it is subject to change both periodically and when a community joins the Transit Capital Levy Communities.