

Minutes

Transportation Committee



Meeting date: January 8, 2024

Time: 4:00 PM

Location: Robert St Chambers

Members present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chair, Deb Barber, D4 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Pacheco Jr., D5 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Susan Vento, D12 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vice Chair, Reva Chamblis, D2 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anjuli Cameron, D8 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toni Carter, D14 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tyrone Carter, D3 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diego Morales, D9 | <input type="checkbox"/> Tenzin Dolkar, D15 |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> = 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.

Approval of minutes

It was moved by Morales, seconded by Vento to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2023, regular meeting of the Transportation Committee. **Motion carried.**

Reports

1. Metropolitan Transportation Services Director
Director Carlson reported on the TRB meeting taking place in DC and staff presentations. Carlson shared grants announced last week by the Minnesota Governor.
2. Metro Transit General Manager
General Manager Kandaras reported on listening sessions taking place.

Consent business

1. 2024-9 SW: TIP Amendment Request – Six Project Adjustments (Joe Barbeau 651-602-1705)
2. 2024-10 SW: TIP Amendment Request – Five New Projects and Additional Funding to a Past Project (Joe Barbeau 651-602-1705)
3. 2024-3: License for Right-of-Way Acquisition Loan Shoreview Property (Amy Vennewitz, Tony Fischer 651-602-1703)

It was moved by Morales, seconded by Chamblis.

Council Members had no questions or comments.

Motion carried.

Non-consent business

1. 2024-5: Review of Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) 2024-2030 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) (Joe Widing 651-602-1822)

It was moved by Cameron, seconded by Vento, that the Metropolitan Council:

Find that the Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) had an adequate public participation process for the development and review of its 2024-2030 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), including preparation of an assessment of environmental effects (AOEE) for 2024 projects with potential environmental effects.

Find that the 2024 CIP projects are in conformance with the region's Aviation System Plan in the 2040 Transportation Policy Plan and consistent with Council policy.

Dr. Carter asked about the Customs and Border Protection line item. Rief said a facility may be constructed for C&B staff. Vento asked about grounding rules and the Lake Elmo airport, Rief shared the creation of an advisory group.

Motion carried.

2. 2024-11: Airport Employee Dial-a-Ride Service, 23P201 (John Harper 651-602-1744)

It was moved by Carter, seconded by Dr. Carter, that the Council authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute contract 23P201 with Transportation Plus, Inc. to provide Airport Employee Dial-a-Ride Service in an amount not to exceed \$3,165,000.

Carter voiced appreciation for the service and asked about employer coverage. Cameron asked about the model for other employers.

Motion carried, Consent to Council.

3. 2024-14: METRO Green Line Extension Amendment No. 11 to the Hennepin County and Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority Capital Grant Agreement (Jim Alexander 612-373-3880)

It was moved by Morales, seconded by Dr. Carter, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 11 to the Capital Grant Agreement with Hennepin County and Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority (Contract # 181094) to add \$100,000,000 bringing the total grant amount to \$1,078,080,704 and extend the grant term to January 31, 2025, to fund METRO Green Line Extension Project activities.

Vento asked for clarification on funding, Alexander referenced the business item that passed last year at the Council. Chamblis, Cameron, and Dr. Carter commented on project progress.

Motion carried.

Information

1. There were no information items on the agenda.

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 4:49 p.m.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Transportation Committee meeting of January 8, 2024.

Council contact:

Jenna Ernst, Recording Secretary

