

# Minutes

Transportation Committee



**Meeting date:** February 26, 2024

**Time:** 4:00 PM

**Location:** Robert St Chambers

## Members present:

Chair, Deb Barber, D4

Vice Chair, Reva Chamblis, D2

Tyronne Carter, District 3

John Pacheco Jr., District 5

Anjuli Cameron, District 8

Diego Morales, District 9

Susan Vento, District 12

Toni Carter, District 14

Tenzin Dolkar, District 15

= present, E = excused

## Call to order

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Barber called the regular meeting of the Transportation Committee to order at 4:02 p.m.

## Agenda approved

Council Members did not have any comments or changes to the agenda. **Motion carried.**

## Approval of minutes

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Pacheco to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2024, regular meeting of the Transportation Committee. **Motion carried.**

## Employee recognition – Metro Transit

### 1. Metro Transit General Manager

Kandaras introduced:

Sophia Ginnis who presented an award to Jeremiah Cox;

Ben Rajkowski who presented awards to Kelly Morrell and Leah Janz;

Cassandra Tabor who presented awards to Beverly Brown, Janice Jorenby, Chastity Cooper, Lou Wang, Aaron Koski, Thomas Scott, Kris Erickson, Amy Sherman, Melissa Johnson, Siri Kuenster, Simon Jarcho, Luis Martinez.

## Reports

### 1. Metropolitan Transportation Services Director

Carlson reported that Regional Solicitation listening sessions are starting and Council Members are welcome to attend.

### 2. Metro Transit General Manager

Kandaras reported on the positive turnout for the Great Day in Transit and introduced two new Metro Transit staff members, Jillian Linnell and Alyssa Haugen.

### 3. Transportation Advisory Board (TAB)

Dugan reported on the recent MSP awards received, program year extensions and scope

changes.

## Consent business

Consent business adopted

1. 2024-48 SW: TIP Amendment Request – Four Project Adjustments (Joe Barbeau 651-602-1705)
2. 2024-62: Metro Mobility Radio Upgrade, Contract 23P203 (Christine Kuennen 651-602-1689)

It was moved by Chamblis, seconded by Carter, Toni.

Motion carried.

## Non-consent business

1. 2024-49: METRO Green Line Extension Civil Construction Change Order – Additional Contaminated Soil Disposal Contract 15P307A (Jim Alexander 612-373-3880)

It was moved by Carter, Toni, seconded by Vento, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a change order for Contract 15P307A with Lunda McCrossan Joint Venture (LMJV) for additional contaminated soil disposal in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000.

**Motion carried. Hearing no objection, Chair Barber stated the item could go consent to Council.**

2. 2024-50 SW: Metro Transit Agency Safety Plans (Andrew Brody 651-602-1671)

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Chamblis, that the Metropolitan Council adopt Revision 6 of the Bus Transportation Agency Safety Plan and the Light Rail Transportation Agency Safety Plan for Metro Transit as required by 49 CFR Part 673.

Chamblis voiced appreciation for the thorough safety plans.

**Motion carried.**

3. 2024-59 SW: Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS) Agency Safety Plan (ASP) (Andrew Brody 651-602-1671)

It was moved by Carter, Toni, seconded by Cameron, that the Metropolitan Council adopt Revision 3 of the Agency Safety Plan for Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS) as required by 49 CFR Part 673.

**Motion carried.**

## Information

1. Micro Transit Planning (Adam Harrington 612-349-7797, John Harper 651-602-1744)  
Council members asked about the selection of area prioritization and strategy implementation. Harrington expounded on factors evaluated.
2. Transportation Committee Work Plan (Lesley Kandaras 612-349-7513, Charles Carlson 651-602-1761)  
Chair Barber shared the upcoming finance presentation.

## Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 5:29 p.m.

## Certification



I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Transportation Committee meeting of February 26, 2024.

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