

Call to Order

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Barber called the regular meeting of the Transportation Committee to order at 4:00 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 Carter, Toni to approve the minutes of the March 27, 2023 regular meeting of the Transportation Committee. **Motion carried**.

Reports

- Metropolitan Transportation Services Director MTS had nothing to report.
- 2. Metro Transit General Manager

Kandaras reported on community outreach efforts.

3. Transportation Accessibility Advisory Board (TAAC)

The TAB report was deferred to a future meeting.

Consent Business

Consent Business Adopted

1. There were no items on the consent agenda

Non-Consent Business

1. 2023-80: Right-of-Way Acquisition Loan repayment from City of Bloomington and write-off for parcels south of I-494 (Tony Fischer 651-602-1703)

It was moved by Cameron, seconded by Morales, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the City of Bloomington to sell five parcels purchased with Right-of-Way Acquisition Loan Fund loan numbers L0804, L0402, L0406, L0607 and L0606 for the appraised values and forward those funds to the Council in satisfaction of these loans, and direct staff to write-off the

remaining loan balances.

Council Members asked for clarification on the loan process.

Motion carried. Chair Barber stated this item could go consent to Council.

2. 2023-24: METRO Blue Line Extension Engineering Services Contract #22P103A (Chris Beckwith 651-602-1994, Nick Thompson 612-349-7507)

It was moved by Morales, seconded by Carter, Tyronne, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute the Engineering Services Consultant (ESC) contract #22P103A with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. for consultant services for the METRO Blue Line Light Rail Transit Extension (BLRT Project) in an amount not to exceed \$96,375,448 and issue Limited Notice to Proceed #1 in an amount of \$9,300,000.

Council Members asked about DBE sub-contractor relationships. Council Members discussed the financial implications and outreach. Council Member Vento voiced concern for county and city engagement. Council Members discussed the anti-displacement work.

Motion carried.

3. 2023-25: METRO Blue Line Extension Project Management Services Contract #22P103B (Chris Beckwith 651-602-1994, Nick Thompson 612-349-7507)

It was moved by Carter, Toni, seconded by Chamblis, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute the Project Management Services Consultant (PMC) contract #22P103B with WSP USA, Inc. for consultant services for the METRO Blue Line Light Rail Transit Extension (BLRT Project) in an amount not to exceed \$24,185,383 and issue Limited Notice to Proceed #1 in an amount of \$1,500,000 through.

Motion carried.

4. 2023-26: METRO Blue Line Extension Risk Management Services Contract #22P103C (Chris Beckwith 651-602-1994, Nick Thompson 612-349-7507)

It was moved by Morales, seconded by Carter, Toni, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute the Risk Management Services Consultant (RMC) contract #22P103C with HDR, Inc. for consultant services for the METRO Blue Line Light Rail Transit Extension (BLRT Project) in an amount not to exceed \$3,216,641 and issue Limited Notice to Proceed #1 in an amount of \$240,000.

Motion carried.

5. 2023-72 SW: METRO B Line – Authorization to Award Construction Contract 22P365 (Frank Alarcon 612-349-7692)

It was moved by Carter, Toni, seconded by Carter, Tyronne, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute contract 22P365 with Thomas and Sons Construction, Inc. for construction of the METRO B Line East Construction Package in an amount not to exceed \$18,681,581.

Council Members asked about project DBE and workforce goals and OEO Assistant Director Ashanti Payne responded with current set goals.

Motion carried.

6. 2023-75: METRO Green Line Extension Construction Cost Estimating Services Contract 22P336 (Jim Alexander 612-373-3880)

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Pacheco, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute contract 22P336 with HNTB to provide construction cost estimating services for the METRO Green Line Extension Project in an amount not to exceed \$12,708,234.98.

Council Members had no comments or questions.

Motion carried.

7. 2023-73 JT SW: April Special Transportation Budget Amendment (Ed Petrie 612-349-7624)

It was moved by Carter, Toni, seconded by Vento, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the 2023 Unified Budget amendment as indicated, and in accordance with, the attached tables.

There were no questions or comments from Council Members.

Motion carried.

Information

1. There were no items on the information agenda

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Transportation Committee meeting of April 10, 2023.

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