Metropolitan Council

Summary Report

Transportation Advisory Board



Meeting Date: August 16, 2023

Reports

- 1. Chair's Report Hovland reported on his appointment as the Chair of the Transportation Committee for the US Conference of Mayors. He requested some bullet points on IIJA as it relates to cities (successes and challenges). He would like any ideas back to him by around the end of August. Some of the new federal discretionary funds are specific to planning activities to help get projects ready for future implementation. Coming up with funding for this early planning work for cities can be difficult without a grant.
- 2. MnDOT Report Barnes had nothing to report.
- 3. MPCA Kohlasch reported that the electric vehicle school bus grant program has been extended, the MPCA is also exploring stacking grants to provide additional funding for programs. Kohlasch shared information about water infrastructure grant proposals.
- **4.** *MAC Report* Crimmins reported on an ongoing public comment period for the MSP Long-Term Comp Plan, *Long-Term Planning* | *MSP Airport*. Comments will be received until August 21. The success of the TNC companies was disrupting traffic at the dropoff at the departure level. The airport is adding an additional lane and it should be completed soon. MAC is reviewing dynamic pricing for parking.
- **5. Metropolitan Council Report** Barber reported that on the work of the TPP workgroup and is asking for an additional member who represents that cities on TAB. Barber also announced that Lesley Kandaras has been hired to permanently fill the role of Metro Transit General Manager. Barber reported that transit service is increasing and shared State Fair service updates.
- **6. Suburban Transit Association** Hansen reported that State Fair service and Renaissance Fair service is being planned for and MVTA will have an increased service come September.

Business

TAB approved the following items (forwarded to the Transportation Committee).

1. 2023-33: Accept Public Comments and Adopt 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (August 28, 2023, Transportation Committee)

The Transportation Advisory Board accepted the public comments and recommended adoption of the 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

2. 2023-38: Urban Area Boundary (August 28, 2023, Transportation Committee)

The Transportation Advisory **Board** recommended adoption of the proposed smoothed urban area boundary map.

3. 2023-40: 2040 Transportation Policy Plan Amendment #2 (August 28, 2023, Transportation Committee)

The Transportation Advisory Board recommended the release of the attached draft 2040 Transportation Policy Plan Amendment #2, which adds five regionally significant projects, for public review and comment.

4. 2023-41: Scope Change Request for Minneapolis E Line Route Signal and Pedestrian Safety Project

The Transportation Advisory Board approved Minneapolis' scope change request to remove the Upton Avenue S/Sheridan Avenue S and 43rd Street intersection from Minneapolis' E Line route signal and pedestrian safety project (SP# 141-030-058) with no federal funding reduction.

5. 2023-42: Program Year Shift Request for Brooklyn Park CSAH 103 and CSAH 50 Projects

The Transportation Advisory Board approved Brooklyn Park's request to shift its CSAH 103 roadway project (110-020-041), its CSAH 103 streetscape/trail project (110-020-042), and its CSAH 30 roadway project (110-020-043) to 2028.

6. 2023-39: Regional Bicycle Transportation Network (RBTN) Map for the Regional Solicitation

The Transportation Advisory Board adopted the updated RBTN with administrative adjustments for use in the 2024 Regional Solicitation.

7. 2023-43: Release 2024 Regional Solicitation and HSIP Applications (August 28, 2023, Transportation Committee)

The Transportation Advisory Board recommended approval of the release of the 2024 Regional Solicitation and Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Solicitation.

Information

1. Transportation System Performance Evaluation

Liz Roten, MTS, presented this item.

Link to August 16, 2023, TAB agenda and materials, <u>081623 Agenda - Transportation Advisory Board (metrocouncil.org)</u>.