



Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority

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REGIONAL RAILROAD AUTHORITY MEETING

February 7, 2012

Immediately following the County Board Meeting
Council Chambers - Third Floor Court House

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ROLL CALL and Call to Order

AGENDA of the February 7, 2012 Regional Railroad Authority Meeting is presented for approval.

MINUTES of the January 10, 2012 Regional Railroad Authority Meeting is presented for approval.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

1. Legislative Position: Request for \$1 million in State Bond Funds for the Gateway Corridor – Support Item

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approve the legislative position to support the Gateway Corridor in their request to the Legislature for \$1 million in State Bond Funds.
- 2) Authorize Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority staff to work with members of the Legislature and other interested parties to seek the necessary legislation for this proposal.

2. Legislative Position: 2012 State Bond Funds for high-speed and passenger rail – Support Item

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approve the legislative position to support the inclusion of bond funding in the 2012 bonding bill for the advancement of the Twin Cities to Milwaukee segment of the Twin Cities to Chicago corridor, the Northern Lights Express corridor, Zip Rail, and a second train between the Twin Cities and Chicago.
- 2) Authorize Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority staff to work with members of the Legislature and other interested parties to seek the necessary legislation for this proposal.

3. Approval of the Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority's Funding Commitment to the Minnesota High Speed Rail Commission for 2012

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Accept the Minnesota High Speed Rail Commission's 2012 Budget.
- 2) Approve the Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority's payment of \$17,625 to the Minnesota High Speed Rail Commission as its funding commitment to the 2012 budget.
- 3) Authorize the County Manager to make all necessary budget adjustments including increasing estimated revenues and appropriations.

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4. Amended Subrecipient Agreements with the Metropolitan Council for the Corridors of Opportunity projects

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approve amended Subrecipient Agreement SG011-031 with the Metropolitan Council for the Corridors of Opportunity Gateway Corridor Project, effective upon signature by parties through January 31, 2014, in the amount of \$150,000 in federal funds.
- 2) Approve revised Subrecipient Agreement SG011-045 with the Metropolitan Council for the Corridors of Opportunity Workforce/Economic Development Project, effective upon signature by parties through January 31, 2014, in the amount of \$247,000 in federal funds.
- 3) Authorize the Chair to execute the revised Subrecipient Agreements.
- 4) Authorize the County Manager to make all necessary budget adjustments including increasing estimated revenues and appropriations.

5) Amendment One to the Central Corridor Funding Agreement for Construction with the Metropolitan Council

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approve Amendment One to the Cooperative Funding Agreement for Construction with the Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority and the Metropolitan Council.
- 2) Authorize the Chair to execute the Amendment.

6) Funding request by the City of St. Paul for a Streetcar Feasibility Plan

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approve the financial commitment of up to \$16,500 for the completion of a Streetcar Feasibility Plan.
- 2) Authorize the County Manager to make all necessary budget adjustments including increasing estimated revenues and appropriations.

7) Release of Solicitation Document Seeking Artists for Union Depot Public Art Program

Board Action Requested:

Authorize the issuance of a Call to Artists (Request for Proposals) for Public Art Commissions at the Union Depot in accordance with Ramsey County policies and procedures on Requests for Proposals, with direction to staff to return to the Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority with a selection of artists for contracting authorization.

CORRIDOR UPDATES

ADJOURNMENT