

RAMSEY COUNTY REGIONAL RAILROAD AUTHORITY

June 15, 2010

The Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority met with the following members present: Bennett, Carter, Ortega, Parker, Reinhardt, Rettman, McDonough – 7. Absent: 0 Also present were Julie Kleinschmidt, County Manager, and Darwin Lookingbill, Director, Civil Division, County Attorney's Office.

Chair McDonough called the meeting to order at 9:53 a.m.

AGENDA

Commissioner Carter moved approval of the Agenda of the June 15, 2010 Board Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, Ortega, Parker, Reinhardt, Rettman, McDonough – 7. Nays – 0.

MINUTES

Commissioner Reinhardt moved approval of the Minutes of the May 11, 2010 Board Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Parker. Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, Ortega, Parker, Reinhardt, Rettman, McDonough – 7. Nays – 0.

1. Approve agreement with Minnesota Department of Transportation to pass through Federal 1301 funding for Union Depot right of way purchase

Commissioner Bennett moved approval of the following resolution, seconded by Commissioner Ortega.

Commissioner Rettman pointed out a potential error in the Agreement, on page 2, Section B, item 3-c, where the word 'City' is used instead of 'County'.

Tim Mayasich, Director, Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority, confirmed this error and the need for the Minnesota Department of Transportation to make the correction in the Agreement.

Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, Ortega, Parker, Reinhardt, Rettman, McDonough – 7. Nays – 0.
(R10-34)

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority is developing Union Depot as a multi-modal transit and transportation hub; and

WHEREAS, Congress appropriated \$50,000,000 in funding for the Union Depot under Section 1301 of the Safe and Effective Transportation Act, a Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU); and

WHEREAS, Federal holdbacks will reduce the available funding to approximately \$45,000,000; and

WHEREAS, An Agency Agreement between the Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority and the Minnesota Department of Transportation is needed to access the Federal funds and:

WHEREAS, The 20% local match is provided by Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority funding already spent on the project, Now, Therefore Be It

RESOLVED, That the Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority approves the appointment of the Commissioner of Transportation as agent for the Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority to accept Federal funds in an amount up to \$14,000,000 which may be made available for eligible transportation related projects, and Be it Further,

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority authorizes the Chair and the Chief Clerk to execute and enter into an agreement with the Commissioner of Transportation

prescribing the terms and conditions of said Federal aid participation as set forth and contained in “Minnesota Department of Transportation Agency Agreement No. 96984”.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair McDonough declared the meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.