

T Transportation Committee

Meeting date: January 25, 2010

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: January 19, 2010
Subject: Approval of Transportation Committee 2010 Work Plan
District(s), Member(s): All Districts
Policy/Legal Reference: N/A
Staff Prepared/Presented: Brian Lamb, General Manager, Metro Transit (612-349-7510)
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Division/Department: Metro Transit and Metropolitan Transportation Services

Proposed Action/Motion

That the Metropolitan Council Transportation Committee approve the attached Plan as its Work Plan for 2010.

2010 TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAM

Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

STAFF-INITIATED ROUTINE/OVERSIGHT FUNCTIONS

Transit System Operations (on-going)

- Approve transit operating contracts/expenditures (fuel contracts, marketing contracts, advertising contracts, etc.)
- Approve capital contracts/construction updates (land acquisition, construction, design issues, scoping studies, vehicle purchases, etc)
- Monitor ridership – Quarterly regional ridership reports
- Approve major service level changes when needed
- Technology updates and purchases
- VanGO!, Transit Link, Metro Mobility Briefings

Transportation Budget

- Operating Budget Approval
 - Strategic Discussion: June/July
 - Preliminary Budget Review: July/August
 - Operating Budget Approval: December
- Quarterly Operating Amendments: March/July/October/December
- Capital Budget
 - CIP Review: August-October
 - CIP Approval: December
- Quarterly Capital Amendments: April/July/October/December
- Approve private provider contracts as required for Metro Mobility, Transit Link and fixed route transit service.
- CTIB operating and capital grant applications and agreements – Summer/Fall
- RALF Annual Plan – March/April

Legislative Program

- Update on Governor's Bonding recommendations - February
- Legislative Updates: February – June
- Discussion of relevant bills/updates: February – June
- FY2012-13 State Biennial Budget Request - Fall

MPO Activity

- Regional Solicitation process update and action – March/April
- Approve 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program: September
- TIP Amendments: On-going
- UPWP Approval: September

Aviation Planning

- Approve MAC Capital Improvement Program: February

KEY POLICY ISSUES

In 2010, the major focus will be on the Metropolitan Highway System Investment Study (MHSIS), Travel Behavior Inventory (TBI) and amending the TPP in both the spring (for SW Transitway and I-94) and the fall (broader highway and aviation amendments).

The key staff work breaks out into three areas: funding, planning, and implementation.

Funding Issues

- Potential Economic Recovery Funding - Policies and Project Selection
- Regional Transit Operating and Capital Revenue Allocation Policy
- Regional Service Improvement Plan
- MVST Performance Monitoring
- Counties Transit Improvement Board (CTIB) Investment Policies and Process
- JARC/New Freedoms Coordination Plan Update
- Progress reports on Federal Transportation Reauthorization
- Long-distance fare policy evaluation and recommendation

Planning Issues

- Southwest Transitway LPA selection and TPP amendment - Jan-May
- Amend the 2030 Transportation Policy Plan - Fall
- Metropolitan Highway System Investment Study – periodic reports
- Approve LTCP Updates for MAC airports (MSP, St Paul, Anoka, Flying Cloud) - spring
- Congestion Safety and Management Plan - periodic reports (Mn/DOT lead)
- Travel Demand Management Strategic Plan – May
- TBI – periodic reports
- 2009 Transit System Performance Evaluation – March
- Regional Transitway Guidelines (including Project Development/Governance, Technology, Fleet, Branding, Station Spacing, Facilities, Fare Collection, Service Operations)– periodic reports; action fourth quarter

Implementation

- Distribution of Economic Recovery Funds - first/second quarter
- Regional Fleet Policy Adoption
- Service Delivery – Metro Mobility and Transit Link
- Highway Corridor Studies and Projects – as needed
- Transitway Studies and Project Updates: including I-35W BRT, Cedar, I-94 East, Bottineau, Rush Line, Mpls. Interchange, Union Depot - as needed
- Southwest Transitway Preliminary Engineering application- Summer
- Regional Fleet Security Camera System
- Regional Fleet AVL Project
- Metro Mobility electronic fare payment system development initiation

OUTREACH TO KEY CONSTITUENCY GROUPS

- Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) –March (in conjunction with the solicitation approval)
- Transportation Accessibility Advisory Committee (TAAC) – May
- TMOs – September – Central Corridor Committee – On-going
- Suburban Transit Association
- CTS Transportation Research Update
- MnDOT
- Counties Transit Improvement Board (CTIB)

METRO TRANSIT
2010 WORK PLAN - TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
INFORMATION ITEMS

01/20/10

<u>Month</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Presenter</u>
January 25	2030 Park-and-Ride Plan	Charles Carlson
February 8	Nicollet Mall Changes Update	Steve Mahowald
February 8	Northstar Quarterly Update w/Operations, Ridership, Vehicle Delivery	Ed Byers
February 22	Potential Rider Survey	Bruce Howard
February 22	Downtown Minneapolis Layover Study	Tom Thorstenson
March 8	Bio Diesel and Market conditions Update	Jan Homan
March 8	New Metro Transit Website	Bob Gibbons, John Sigveland
March 22	2030 Regional Park-and-Ride Plan Update Analysis	Charles Carlson
March 22	Target Field Opening, Downtown Related Improvements	Sheri Gingerich, John Levin, Maria Cone
March 22	Virtual Tour FTHeywood Garage to Observe Internal Garage Bus Locator	Christy Bailly, Kevin Sederstrom
March 22	Northstar Customer Origin Analysis Before-and-After Study	Adam Harrington
April 12	Commuter Challenge	Bruce Howard, John Sigveland
April 12	Urban Partnership Agreement Final Quarterly Technology Projects, w/Information Signs Demonstration	Tom Thorstenson, Gary Nyberg
April 26	Ride to Rewards Loyalty Program	Bruce Howard, Kelci Stones
April 26	I-35W and 46 th Street Station Service Restructuring Public Hearing	John Levin
May 10	Hiawatha Light Rail Construction Projects (Platform Extensions, etc.)	Sheri Gingerich, MarySue Abel
May 24	Northstar Quarterly Update w/Operations, Ridership, Vehicle Delivery	Ed Byers
May 24	Employee Development	Jan Homan, Don Davis
June 14	Central Corridor Update	Mark Fuhrmann
June 28	Light Rail Vehicle Procurement Briefing	Chris Gran
July 12	Hiawatha Rail Overhaul Update	Ed Toomey, Gene Sheldon
July 12	I-35W Bus Rapid Transit and Station Construction Update	Tom Thorstenson
July 26	2011 Transportation Operating Budget	Brian Lamb, Arlene McCarthy
July 26	2010 Emission Technology – Hybrid Buses, HVAC, Super Bus	Jan Homan
August 9	Hiawatha Light Rail Construction Projects (Platform Extensions, etc.)	Sheri Gingerich, MarySue Abel
August 9	State Fair Update	Bruce Howard, Maria Cone
August 23	Northstar Quarterly Update w/Operations, Ridership, Vehicle Delivery	Ed Byers
August 23	Regional Fare Structure	Ed Petrie, John Levin, Tom Randall
September 13	Bus Annunciators w/Ride Demonstration	Christy Bailly
September 13	Subscription Service Technology	Bruce Howard
September 27	2011-2016 Capital Improvement Program Budget	Brian Lamb, Arlene McCarthy
November 8	Energy Conservation Projects for Metro Transit	Pat Jones, Robert Rimstad
November 8	Arterial Bus Rapid Transit Study	Adam Harrington, Charles Carlson
November 22	Northstar Quarterly Update w/Operations, Ridership, Vehicle Delivery	Ed Byers
November 22	Customer Survey	Bruce Howard
December 13	Annual Park-and-Ride System Survey	Tom Thorstenson