

T **Transportation Committee**
For the Metropolitan Council meeting of November 4,
2009

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: October 27, 2009
 Prepared:
 Subject: Authorization to Execute Grant Agreements with Dakota County, Ramsey County Regional Rail Authority, SouthWest Transit, and the City of Shakopee

Proposed Action:

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Agency:	Project:	Existing Amount:	Initial or Amended Amount:
Dakota County	Cedar Avenue 2009 State G.O. Bonds	-	\$3,287,000
RCRRA	Union Depot 2009 State G.O. Bonds	-	\$500,000
SouthWest Transit	Market Station CMAQ Match	-	\$1,393,750
City of Shakopee	Shakopee/Prior Lake - Eagle Creek Transit Station	-	\$292,000

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

Chair Meeks asked if all of these items had been through the Transportation Committee for expenditure authorization. Sean Pfeiffer replied that all items had been previously approved by the Transportation Committee. No further questions were asked.

Hearing no objection, Chair Meeks stated that this item could proceed to the full Council as a Consent Item.

Business Item

Transportation Committee

Item: 2009-382

Meeting date: October 26, 2009

Council Meeting: November 4, 2009

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Date: October 13, 2009
Subject: Authorization to Execute Grant Agreements with Dakota County, Ramsey County Regional Rail Authority, SouthWest Transit, and the City of Shakopee
District(s), Member(s): All
Policy/Legal Reference: 2009 Capital Program and Business Items 2009-253 and 2009-327
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Division/Department: Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

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Background

Dakota County will receive \$3,287,000 in state bond funds (from the \$21 M allocated to the Met Council in 2009) to conduct work related to bus lane improvements along Cedar Avenue in Apple Valley and Lakeville.

RCRRA will receive \$500,000 in state bond funds from the 2009 amount allocated to the Met Council to match federal funds to acquire land for the Union Depot multimodal hub in St. Paul.

SouthWest Transit will receive \$1,393,750 in RTC funds to match an awarded CMAQ federal grant to construct a park and ride facility at Market Boulevard in the City of Chanhassen.

The City of Shakopee will receive \$292,000 in RTC funds to match federal funds from MnDOT to construct a surface park and ride at CR16 and CR21 in Shakopee.

Rationale

These grants allow regional transit providers and transit capital sponsor agencies to fund transit capital projects using state bonds, regional transit capital funds, and federal funds distributed by the Metropolitan Council.

Funding

The funding for these grants includes \$3,787,000 in state bond funds, \$1,773,250 in regional transit capital bond funds, and \$350,000 in federal funds for projects that are included in the 2009 Authorized Capital Program.

Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.