Transportation Committee

Item: 2010-171

Metropolitan Council meeting: May 26, 2010

Date May 11, 2010

Prepared:

Subject: Central Corridor Light Rail Transit: Cooperative Funding

Agreement with Minnesota Department of Transportation

Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Cooperative Funding Agreement with Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) relative to the Civil East Construction bridge work in Saint Paul of \$500,000.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

Mark Fuhrmann presented the item. Motion made by Councilmember Scherer, seconded by Councilmember Hilker, and approved unanimously. Councilmember Leppik requested that this item go as consent on the Council agenda.

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Transportation Committee Meeting date: May 10, 2010

Metropolitan Council Meeting of May 26, 2010

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: April 29, 2010

Subject: Central Corridor Light Rail Transit: Cooperative

Funding Agreement with Minnesota Department of

Transportation

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: MN Statutes 473.3999 and 473.405

Staff Prepared/Presented: Brian J. Lamb, General Manager, 612-349-7510

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Division/Department: Metro Transit / Central Corridor Project Office

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Cooperative Funding Agreement with Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) relative to the Civil East Construction bridge work in Saint Paul of \$500,000.

Background

Construction of the Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (CCLRT) project includes bridge work and other associated construction on the Cedar Street bridge over Interstate 94 and on the University Avenue Bridge over Trunk Highway 280.

Mn/DOT has requested the Council and its Civil East contractor to undertake certain bridge capital bridge maintenance desired by Mn/DOT at its expense while CCLRT construction is underway.

Metropolitan Council and Mn/DOT recognize that performing both the required CCLRT construction and the bridge maintenance concurrently is in the best interest of both parties and the public.

Rationale

Mn/DOT has agreed to compensate the Council in full for the cost of Mn/DOT requested bridge maintenance.

Agreements over \$250,000 require Metropolitan Council authorization.

Funding

Mn/DOT will reimburse the Metropolitan Council for the bridge maintenance work through the Bridge Improvements Program.

Known Support / OppositionNo known opposition.