

T Transportation Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of December 12, 2012

CONSENT

Date Prepared: November 30, 2012

Subject: Property Acquisition for the I-35E and County Road 14 Park-and-Ride Facility, Lino Lakes

Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and purchase a six-acre portion of a property in the northwest quadrant of I-35E and County Road 14 in Lino Lakes from Alino LLC for development as a park-and-ride facility at the appraised value and with up to \$250,000 in settlement costs as authorized in the Council's Policy 3-3 - Expenditures.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

Metro Transit Manager of Facilities Planning, Maurice Roers, presented the Business Item. Council Member Đoàn asked about the disposition of four current park-and-rides that are to be closed when the two new park-and-rides on I-35E open for service. Mr. Roers responded that the four park-and-rides are leased by Metro Transit and not owned by the Council. These leases will be vacated by Metro Transit at the appropriate time.

A motion was made by Council Member Commers, seconded by Council Member Đoàn and the Business Item was approved unanimously. Chair Elkins stated this item can proceed to the full Council as a Consent Item.

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Meeting date: November 26, 2012
Metropolitan Council Meeting: December 12, 2012

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	November 20, 2012
Subject:	Property Acquisition for the I-35E and County Road 14 Park-and-Ride Facility, Lino Lakes
District(s), Member(s):	District 11, Sandy Rummel
Policy/Legal Reference:	Minnesota Statutes MN Statutes 473.129, 473.405, 117.025 and 117.042
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Brian Lamb, General Manager, 612-349-7510 Marilyn Porter, Director, E&F, 612-349-7689 Maurice Roers, Facilities Planning, E&F, 612-349-7684
Division/Department:	Metro Transit/Engineering & Facilities

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Background

Metro Transit proposes to construct a 300-space surface park-and-ride lot in the northwest quadrant of the I-35E and County Road 14 interchange in Lino Lakes, Minnesota. This facility will operate in conjunction with a second park-and-ride being planned at I-35E and County Road E in Vadnais Heights. Metro Transit received a Chapter 152 grant from Minnesota Department of Transportation to construct both park-and-rides in 2014.

The project in Lino Lakes involves purchasing approximately six acres of a larger 26-acre parcel from one owner. The six acres will be developed to contain a 300-space park-and-ride facility. This facility will accommodate projected 2030 demand for park-and-ride users to downtown St. Paul with additional flexibility for service to Minneapolis. The property to be purchased from Alino LLC and a concept plan is shown in **Figure 1**.

Rationale

The proposed location is the best available option for establishing a park-and-ride along I-35E in Lino Lakes. The property owner is a willing seller. The cities of Lino Lakes and Centerville endorse the concept of constructing a park-and-ride in this location.

Funding

Funding for this property acquisition will be available from Regional Transit Capital and Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 funds available in Project 62013. The

construction of the park-and-ride will be funded via State of Minnesota, Chapter 152 Trunk Highway bonds.

Known Support / Opposition

The City of Lino Lakes and the City of Centerville (which borders the site) support the development of a park-and-ride facility at the proposed location.

Figure 1 – Map of Project Area and Concept Plan

