

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL
 Metropolitan Council Chambers, 390 North Robert St., St. Paul, MN 55101
REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD
 Wednesday, June 16, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Hargis, William	Bennett, Tony	Thornton, David
Petryk, Becky	Craig, Matthew	Ulrich, Jon	Have, Ron
Hovland, James	Meyers, James	Lilligren, Robert	Mussell, Richard
Swanson, Dick	Lampi, Steve	Hegberg, Dennis	Krause, Paul
Smith, Jill	Callison, Jan	Leppik, Peggy	Johnson, Ken
Gepner, David	Maluchnik, Randy	Heffelfinger, Thomas	Reinhardt, Andrew
Peilen, Lisa	Whalen, Julia		
ABSENT:	Wiski, Donn	Ward, Bart	McBride, Scott
Stark, Russ	Berg, Dennis	Haik, Chuck	Gustafson, Dan
Tjornhom, Bethany			
LIAISON/STAFF PRESENT:	Kevin Roggenbuck, TAB Coordinator		

I. CALL TO ORDER

A quorum was present when Chair Hargis called the meeting to order at 1:35 pm, June 16, 2010, Metropolitan Council Chambers, 390 North Robert St., St. Paul.

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Lilligren, seconded by Lampi, to adopt the agenda for the June 16, 2010 TAB meeting
Motion passed.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Peilen, seconded by Hegberg, to approve the minutes from May 19, 2010.
Motion passed.

Kevin Roggenbuck reported that the TAB agendas, minutes and meeting materials are being posted on the Metro Council website. He encouraged members to read and download materials. Whalen suggested making large documents with graphics a separate document on the website and mail those to members as a hard copy. Members should contact Kevin if they want to continue to receive hard copies in the mail.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Technical Advisory Committee

Tim Mayasich reported that the TAC met on June 2, 2010.
 The TAC heard updates on the St. Paul Union Depot project given by Steve Morris from RCRRA, and the Hennepin County Transportation Interchange near the Twins Stadium given by Dean Machalko from HCRRA. The TAC also acted on two action items that are part of the TAB agenda today.

B. Policy Committee

Ken Johnson reported that the Policy Committee met and heard the following items.

Information: Metropolitan Council Transportation Policy Plan Update – adoption schedule and TAB input. Kevin Roggenbuck provided the TPP Update Schedule to the TAB. Because of committee meeting dates and timing/scheduling issues, Roggenbuck asked the committee if they would be willing to hold the TAB Policy meeting on July 8 @ 12:30 (not 7/21) and the Programming Committee meet July 21 tentatively @ 12:00 (instead of 7/08). This would allow time to include comments into the Draft TPP prior to the 7/26

Transportation Committee. Committee members agreed, Roggenbuck will follow up with an e-mail to committee members.

Information: TH 77 Managed Lane Study

Johnson explained the concept of the “zipper” lane. This would be the first zipper lane in the metro area and could have the potential to save costs and relieve traffic.

Information: Complete Streets

The Policy Committee concluded that the Complete Streets policy is feasible. Legislation has directed the policy to be established and entities proceed with it. The Policy Committee discussed whether Complete Streets are affordable, albeit a nice amenity.

C. Programming Committee

Information: Regional Travel Demand Management Study

Hargis reported that the Programming Committee received a report on the study, the eight strategies, etc. The Funding & Programming Committee will hear this item tomorrow, the TAC will then hear, and the item will be on the July TAB agenda.

Hargis reported that the Programming Committee discussed and approved the following items,. There was no further discussion on the TIP amendments. The TAB agreed to act on the two items in one motion.

Item 2010-40: 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment: Include SP# 27-752-13, Lowry Avenue Bridge #2723 Replacement Phase II.

Motion by Hargis, seconded by Krause:

That the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) amends the 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement (TIP) to include SP#27-753-13 Lowry Avenue Bridge Replacement Phase II.

Motion passed.

Item 2010-41: 2010-2013 TIP Amendment to add local funds for SP#19-623-25, and Enhancements-funded SP#19-623-28; show new costs for SP#19-623-24 and reflect a change in scope for SP#19-623-23.

Motion by Hargis, seconded by Krause:

That the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) amends the 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add local funds for SP#19-623-25, and Enhancements-funded SP#19-623-28; show new costs for SP#19-623-24 and reflect a change in scope for SP#19-623-23.

V. SPECIAL AGENDA

2010 Travel Behavior Inventory

Mark Filipi, Manager Technical Planning Support - MTS, and Jonathan Ehrlich, MTS Senior Planner gave an update on the Travel Behavior Inventory. The inventory consists of many surveys that the Council conducts approximately every 10 years. The largest component is a household travel survey. The data from all of the surveys is used to update the Travel Demand Model that is used in regional planning, project development and air quality analysis. A consultant has been hired to work with the Council: Cambridge Systematics. Staff and consultants are developing the scope of the surveys, sample plans, survey plans. The first home survey will begin in the fall of 2010 to spring 2011. Larger studies will occur in spring 2011, with most of the data available for analysis and publication late 2011/early 2012. New regional models are projected to be ready for use and research in mid-2013. Filipi/Ehrlich answered questions from committee members regarding how the sample group is chosen, how data will be updated during the next 10 years, and changes anticipated by staff since the last TBI was conducted.

VI. ITEMS OF TAB MEMBERS

None.

VII. AGENCY REPORTS

None.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

TAB Bylaws Updates and Revisions

Hargis reviewed the changes/additions outlined in Roggenbuck's memo and the committee reviewed each page of the bylaws with the changes. The item will be at the July TAB meeting for action.

Discussion followed regarding the item providing public input opportunities, procedures, limits. Roggenbuck will send the proposed public participation procedures to TAB members to review. There was discussion about encouraging public comment at the committee level (for greater impact), before the item comes to the full TAB. The Executive Committee will consider the comments and make changes as needed prior to the July vote.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Hargis adjourned the regular meeting of TAB at 2:30 pm on Wednesday, June 16, 2010.

Respectfully submitted: LuAnne Major, Recording Secretary