

**T** Transportation Committee  
Meeting date: January 11, 2010  
Metropolitan Council January 13, 2010

**ADVISORY INFORMATION**

**Date:** December 28, 2009  
**Subject:** Adopt Amended Resolution No. 2009-11 Authorizing an Interagency Agreement with MnDOT to Fund the TBI  
**District(s), Member(s):** All  
**Policy/Legal Reference:** 2030 TPP Work Program Task  
**Staff Prepared/Presented:** Arlene McCarthy, Director, MTS (6541-602-1754)  
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**Division/Department:** Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

**Proposed Action**

That the Council adopt amended Resolution 2009-11 authorizing the execution of an Interagency Agreement with MnDOT to accept Federal Funds for the Travel Behavior Inventory (TBI) and authorize the Regional Administrator to execute said agreement with MnDOT.

**Background**

The Council previously adopted Resolution 2009-11 authorizing the execution of an Interagency Agreement with MnDOT to accept ARRA funds for the TBI (see attached Business Item 2009-235). In late November, FHWA notified MnDOT that the TBI was deemed ineligible for ARRA funding. Subsequently, MnDOT and FHWA identified other federal funding for the study. Staff is asking for a same-week action by the Council in order to expedite getting the work underway. A consultant has already been selected for the study and work will begin when the interagency agreement with this amended resolution is executed.

**Rationale**

On April 22, 2009, the Council added the TBI to the regional TIP. On July 8, 2009 the Council amended the 2009 Unified Operations Budget to include funding for the TBI. On July 23, 2009 the Council released a Request for Proposals to perform the TBI and on October 14, 2009 the Council authorized the execution of a contract (Business Item #2009-311). Before the contract for the services can be executed, an agreement with MnDOT to receive the funds must be in place.

**Funding**

The \$3.5 million being received from MnDOT will be federal State Planning and Research part 1 funds rather than federal ARRA funding as previously proposed. The remaining \$500,000 for the TBI comes from budgeted Council UPWP funds, federal Section 5339 funds, and the necessary local match.

**Known Support / Opposition**

There is no known opposition to this item.

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL  
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**AMENDED RESOLUTION NO. 2009-11**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT WITH THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ACCEPT ~~ARRA~~ FEDERAL FUNDS FOR THE TRAVEL BEHAVIOR INVENTORY (TBI)

- WHEREAS, An up-to-date travel survey is vital to understanding and analyzing the underlying issues in personal and commercial transportation; and
- WHEREAS, Travel surveys are essential to maintaining and updating the regional travel demand forecasting models, used in air quality planning and long-term highway and transit investment forecasting; and
- WHEREAS, The Region has regularly conducted a travel behavior inventory since 1949; and
- WHEREAS, the Transportation Advisory Board and the Council have designated \$3,500,000.00 in ~~American Reinvestment and Recovery Act~~ federal funds for the purpose of conducting the Travel Behavior Inventory in 2010 as of April 22, 2009, and;
- WHEREAS, An interagency agreement between the Council and Mn/DOT is necessary to release these funds to the Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. THAT the Regional Administrator is authorized to execute an Interagency Agreement with MN/DOT to Accept Federal ~~ARRA~~ Funds for the Travel Behavior Inventory (TBI).

Amended Resolution Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

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Peter Bell, Chair

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Pat Curtiss, Recording Secretary

**T** Transportation Committee  
For the Metropolitan Council meeting of July 22, 2009

**Date Prepared:** July 14, 2009

**Subject:** Authority to Execute an Interagency Agreement with MnDOT for Travel Behavior Inventory federal ARRA funds, Resolution 2009-11

**Proposed Action:**

That the Council adopt the attached resolution authorizing the execution of an Interagency Agreement with MnDOT to accept Federal ARRA Funds for the Travel Behavior Inventory (TBI) and authorize the Regional Administrator to execute said agreement with MnDOT.

**Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:**

The committee had no questions on the item and no discussion occurred. The motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously. Hearing no objections, Chair Meeks stated that this item could go to the full Council as a Consent Item.

**T** Transportation Committee  
**Meeting date: July 13, 2009**  
**Council Meeting July 22, 2009**

**ADVISORY INFORMATION**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>July 7, 2009</b>
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Authority to Execute an Interagency Agreement with MnDOT for Travel Behavior Inventory federal ARRA funds</b>
<b>District(s), Member(s):</b>	<b>All</b>
<b>Policy/Legal Reference:</b>	<b>2030 TPP Work Program Task</b>
<b>Staff</b>	<b>Arlene McCarthy, Director, MTS (6541-602-1754)</b>
<b>Prepared/Presented:</b>	<b>Mark Filipi, Mgr. Tech. Planning Support, (651-602-1725)</b>
<b>Division/Department:</b>	<b>Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)</b>

**Proposed Action**

That the Council adopt the attached resolution authorizing the execution of an Interagency Agreement with MnDOT to accept Federal ARRA Funds for the Travel Behavior Inventory (TBI) and authorize the Regional Administrator to execute said agreement with MnDOT.

**Background**

The Travel Behavior Inventory (TBI) is a collection of surveys that has been conducted approximately every ten years since 1949 that is intended to provide an accurate and current picture of travel in the region, and to update the regional travel demand forecasting models that are used in long range transportation forecasting and air quality planning. The TBI in 2010 will consist of the following components:

- Home Interview Survey of Personal Travel
- Transit On-Board Survey
- External Origin-Destination Survey
- Highway and Transit Speed Survey
- MnPASS Mode Survey
- Special Generator Studies at the U of M, MSP Airport, and Mall of America
- Commercial Traffic Survey
- Regional Travel Demand Forecast Model Development and Update

**Rationale**

On April 22, 2009, the Council added the TBI to the regional TIP. On July 8, 2009 the Council amended the 2009 Unified Operations Budget to include the TBI. \$3.5 million of the cost of the TBI was designated from the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 (ARRA). In order to release these funds to the Council and bid the project, an interagency agreement to transfer the funds from MnDOT to the Council needs to be executed.

**Funding**

The \$3.5 million being received from ARRA represents 85% of the projects expected \$4.1 million budget. The rest of the funding for the TBI comes from budgeted UPWP funds.

**Known Support / Opposition**

There is no known opposition to this item.