

T **Transportation Committee**
For the Metropolitan Council meeting of January 13,
2010

Item: **SW** 2010-6

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date January 11, 2010
Prepared:
Subject: Adopt Amended Resolution No. 2009-11R Authorizing an Interagency Agreement with MnDot to Fund the TBI

Proposed Action:

That the Council adopt amended Resolution 2009-11R 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.

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. Chair McFarlin informed the Committee that as the item was being processed same week to the Council, the item was not eligible for the consent list

Business Item

T Transportation Committee

Item: SW 2010-6

Meeting date: January 11, 2010

Metropolitan Council January 13, 2010

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	December 28, 2009
Subject:	Adopt Amended Resolution No. 2009-11R 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) Amy Vennewitz, Dep. Dir. Finance & Planning (651-602-1058) Mark Filipi, Mgr. Tech. Planning Support, (651-602-1725)
Division/Department:	Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS)

Proposed Action

That the Council adopt amended Resolution 2009-11R 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
390 Robert Street North, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1805

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.

Peter Bell, Chair

Pat Curtiss, Recording Secretary

Committee Report

Item: 2009-235

Consent

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

ADVISORY INFORMATION

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.

Business Item

T Transportation Committee

Item: 2009-235

Meeting date: July 13, 2009

Council Meeting July 22, 2009

ADVISORY INFORMATION

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

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.