

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM
THE TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE MINNEAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL
July 28, 2015

A regular meeting of the committee was convened at 9:33a.m. on this date.

Members Present: Council Members Kevin Reich (Chair), Linea Palmisano; Cam Gordon, Blong Yang, Elizabeth Glidden, and Lisa Bender

Matters listed below are hereby submitted with the following recommendations; to-wit:

1. Snow storage agreement with Metro Transit ([15-00903](#))

Authorizing execution of a "Permission to Use Metro Transit Property" Letter Agreement, including a hold harmless agreement, with Metro Transit for the City's use of property located at 834 N 7th St for snow storage for the 2015-2016 winter season.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

2. Lowry Ave NE Corridor Plan and Implementation Framework ([15-00905](#))

Approving the Lowry Ave NE Corridor Plan and Implementation Framework and amending the policy guidance for the area into the City's Comprehensive Plan with the following conditions:

- a. The Comprehensive Plan amendment is subject to final review and approval by the Metropolitan Council.
- b. Additional transportation planning and design work will be necessary for development and implementation of the Nicollet-Central Streetcar. The features and recommendations of this plan will be referenced in that planning process and reevaluated in conjunction with the larger project. They may be adjusted, refined, or updated if necessary.
- c. The features and recommendations of this plan will be used to guide preparation of an updated comprehensive plan in upcoming years. As with all small area plans, features and recommendations of this plan will be reevaluated and may be adjusted or updated in the next update to the Comprehensive Plan.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved and referred to the Zoning & Planning Committee.

3. Minneapolis Impound Lot: Short-Term lease for Minnesota State Patrol vehicles ([15-00906](#))

Authorizing negotiation and execution of a short-term lease between the City of Minneapolis and the State of Minnesota Department of Administration to provide the Minnesota State Patrol with secure storage of up to 25 vehicles at the City of Minneapolis Impound Lot for up to one year, for a total amount not to exceed \$50,000.

Staff presentation by Ellen Dosedall, Assistant Parking Systems Manager.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

4. Special Service Districts: 2015 operating plan and budget amendments ([15-00907](#))

Approving amendment to the 2015 operating plans and budgets for the Bloomington-Lake, Central Avenue, Chicago-Lake, Dinkytown, Lyndale-Lake, and Uptown Special Service Districts to incorporate 2014 year-end budget surpluses.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved and referred to the Ways & Means Committee.

5. Quarterly submittal of traffic zones, restrictions, and controls: First quarter 2014 ([15-00908](#))

Receiving and filing report.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was received and filed.

6. Quarterly submittal of traffic zones, restrictions, and controls: Second quarter 2014 ([15-00909](#))

Receiving and filing report.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was received and filed.

7. Quarterly submittal of traffic zones, restrictions, and controls: Third quarter 2014 ([15-00910](#))

Receiving and filing report.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was received and filed.

8. Quarterly submittal of traffic zones, restrictions, and controls: Fourth quarter 2014 ([15-00911](#))

Receiving and filing report.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was received and filed.

9. Loring Greenway Association Partnership Agreement ([15-00912](#))

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Loring Greenway Association (a 501c3 non-profit organization) allowing them to perform installation and maintenance of landscape and hardscape amenities, provide for tree care, and sponsor events within the Loring Greenway.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

10. Minnesota Department of Transportation Routine Maintenance Agreement ([15-00929](#))

Approving resolution authorizing execution of Agreement No. 1001240 for the Biennial Routine Maintenance Agreement between the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation and the City of Minneapolis, effective July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2017.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved and referred to the Ways & Means Committee.

11. Bid for thermoplastic pavement marking materials ([15-00913](#))

Accepting low responsive bid of Flint Trading, Inc. (OP No. 8131) for an estimated annual expenditure of \$103,708.88 to furnish and deliver pre-formed thermoplastic pavement marking materials, and authorizing the proper City officers to execute a contract for the services.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved and referred to the Ways & Means Committee.

12. Bid for leach and loadmaster packer parts and service ([15-00914](#))

Accepting single bid of ABM Equipment and Supply, LLC (OP No. 8133) for an estimated expenditure of \$200,000 to furnish and deliver parts and service for leach and loadmaster equipment, and authorizing the proper City officers to execute a contract for the services.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved and referred to the Ways & Means Committee.

13. Bid for bicycle lane improvements ([15-00915](#))

Accepting low bid of Thomas and Sons Construction, Inc. (OP No. 8141) in the amount of \$777,474.12 for Minneapolis bicycle lane improvements, and authorizing the proper City officers to execute a contract for the services.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved and referred to the Ways & Means Committee.

14. Penn Ave N Corridor Concept Plan and Implementation Framework ([15-00916](#))

Approving the Concept Plan for Penn Ave N.

Staff presentation by Donald Pflaum, Public Works Transportation Planner; Kelly Hoffman-Orth, Hennepin County Community Works; Kelsey Dawson Walton, Hennepin County, Penn Avenue Community Works; and Katie Roth, Metro Transit.

On motion by Yang, carried on voice vote, the matter was sent forward without recommendation.

15. Tree Failure Study Report: Response to staff direction ([15-00917](#))

Receiving and filing response to February 3, 2015, staff direction resulting from the findings of the Tree Failure Study conducted by the University of Minnesota following 2013 storm damage.

Staff presentation by Michael D. Kennedy, Director, Public Works Transportation Maintenance and Repair.

On motion by Gordon, carried on voice vote, Public Works staff was directed to return to the Transportation and Public Works Committee no later than January 15, 2016, with a recommended policy to replace the 2004 Urban Forestry Policy, to be considered for adoption by the City Council and a report on best management practices for trees being incorporated into Construction Standards and Specifications. Staff further directed to seek the formal input of the Minneapolis Tree Advisory Commission, the Minneapolis Advisory Committee on People with Disabilities, and the Pedestrian Advisory Committee on the content of this policy.

16. Federal Highway Safety Improvement funds for bicycle projects ([15-00918](#))

- a. Authorizing acceptance of Federal Highway Safety Improvement funds in the amount of \$806,000 for colored bicycle conflict zones (\$153,000), additional colored bicycle conflict zones (\$149,000), bicycle traffic signal detection (\$297,000), and wide bicycle lanes (\$207,000) per Minnesota Department of Transportation Agency Agreement No. 99903 – State of Minnesota Agency Agreement between the Department of Transportation and the City of Minneapolis for Federal Participation in Construction. This is a blanket agreement for federally-funded projects whereby the Commissioner of Transportation is allowed to accept federal funds on behalf of the City.
- b. Approving resolution increasing the appropriation for Fund 04100 – Department 9010943 – Project CTR1521 by \$806,000 and increasing revenue (04100-9010943-CTR1521-Source 321012) by \$806,000 for funding from the Federal Highway Administration.
- c. Approving resolution decreasing the appropriation for Fund 04100 – Department 9010943 – Project CTR1522 by \$272,700. Decreasing revenue (04100-9010943-CTR1522SG900-Source 321012) by \$177,700 and decreasing revenue (04100-9010943- CTR1522TS900-Source 322001) by \$95,000.

Staff presentation by Simon Blenski, Public Works Associate Transportation Planner.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved and referred to the Ways & Means Committee.

With no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Reported by Peggy Menshek, Committee Coordinator