

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date: June 13, 2011
Item No.: 12.e

Department Approval

Acting City Manager Approval

Christopher L. Miller

Item Description: Appoint City Representative to Metro Transit Arterial Transitway
Corridors Study Stakeholder Workshop

BACKGROUND

Metro Transit is establishing a stakeholder group to work in an advisory capacity for their Arterial Transitway Corridors Study. The city and Metro Transit have a substantial interest in providing adequate transportation options for our residents. Snelling Avenue is one of the corridors being considered for a Bus Rapid Transit corridor.

Metro Transit has asked the City of Roseville to appoint an elected City Representative to be a part of the Metro Transit Arterial Transitway Corridors Study Stakeholder group. The representative along with the staff representative will provide public support to Metro Transit in preparing the Arterial Transitway Corridors Study and serve as a link between the project and Roseville residents.

The stakeholder group will hold a workshop on June 30 at 8:30 -11:30 a.m. and another date later in 2011.

POLICY OBJECTIVE

Ensure that the City has an elected representative at the Metro Transit Arterial Transitway Corridors Study Stakeholder Workshop.

FINANCIAL IMPACTS

None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Appoint a City representative to the Metro Transit Arterial Transitway Corridors Study Stakeholder Workshop.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

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Prepared by: Duane Schwartz, Public Works Director

Attachments: A: Metro Transit Letter



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May 20, 2011

Via Email and U.S. Mail
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Re: Arterial Transitway Corridors Study Stakeholder Workshop Invitation

Dear Duane Schwartz:

Metro Transit is committed to delivering environmentally sustainable transportation choices that link people, jobs and community conveniently, consistently and safely. One of our guiding principles calls us to engage the community in our decision making as we strive to provide well crafted communication and offer opportunities for public involvement.

To help us achieve this goal, we reach out to community leaders and ask them to work with us in an advisory capacity to influence our planning, programming and facilities. We are pursuing this goal by forming a committee of stakeholders representing policy and technical interests.

Your organization is engaged in the Arterial Transitway Corridors Study. As the staff representative for your organization, please recruit and identify the appropriate elected or policy-level stakeholder to participate in the stakeholder group. By participating on this committee, your organization will have an opportunity to provide public support to Metro Transit in preparing the Arterial Transitway Corridors Study, while serving as a link between the project and your constituents. Broader public engagement activities will follow this meeting. The workshop will introduce the project, describe bus rapid transit concepts explored, and provide an interactive workshop to solicit community discussion and input.

The stakeholder workshop will be held at Hiway Federal Credit Union at 840 Westminister Street in St. Paul from 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 30, 2011. A second, shorter stakeholder meeting will occur late in 2011 to review study results and draft recommendations.

Please indicate the representatives from your organization by completing the attached form and signing where indicated. Return this letter to Jill Hentges, Community Outreach, at Metro Transit via USPS at 560 Sixth Avenue North, Minneapolis, 55411; via email (jill.hentges@metc.state.mn.us) or FAX to 612-349-7548 by June 10, 2011.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Charles Carlson', written over a horizontal line.

Charles Carlson, AICP
Project Manager, Arterial Transitway Corridors Study
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