



## **The I-35W Solutions Alliance Meeting**

Thursday, September 13, 2012

Richfield Bartholomew Room

6700 Portland Avenue

### **Minutes**

#### **Members and Guests Present**

Board members present were Suzanne Sandahl, Gene Abbott, Tim Busse, Mike Eastling, Lisa Freese, Zach Johnson, Karl Keel, Robert Lilligren, John Quincy, Ryan Peterson, Thomas Terry, Tom Wolf, and Liz Workman; and member staff and visitors, Jack Broz (HR Green), Jim Carlson (Eagan), April Crockett (MnDOT), Jim Gates (Bloomington), Steve Elkins (Met Council), Steve Hay (Minneapolis), John Levin (Met Transit), Melissa Madison (I-494 Corridor Commission), Scott Pedersen (MnDOT), Ron Rauchle (MnDOT), Joseph Scala (Hennepin County), Kim Larson (Bloomington) and Bob Tennessen (Tennessen Law).

#### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 a.m. by Chair Sue Sandahl.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Upon motion made and seconded, the minutes of the August 9, 2012 meeting were approved.

#### **Acceptance of Treasurer's Report**

Upon motion made and seconded, the treasurer's report was approved subject to audit.

#### **Website Task Force**

John Quincy showed the site ([www.35WSolutions.com](http://www.35WSolutions.com)) to the group including projects, legislative priorities, meetings, and announcements. Upon motion made and seconded, an invoice in the amount of \$1,317.85 from Bufflehead Web Design will be paid.

#### **Technical Committee**

Ryan Peterson briefly discussed the project map as it relates to our legislative agenda.

#### **Legislative Update/Candidate Forums**

Bob Tennessen presented the Legislative Report, a copy of which was included with the agenda packet. Candidate forums are scheduled as followed: Bloomington, September 19<sup>th</sup>; Richfield, October 10<sup>th</sup>; and Burnsville, October 17<sup>th</sup>. Informational packets were sent to the candidates.

#### **I-35W/I-494 Interchange Project Presentation**

April Crockett, MnDOT, presented information on the I-35W/I-494 Interchange Project including project location, project objectives, the turbine concept, in-line transit concepts, park and ride concepts, vision layout selection considerations, and anticipated schedule.

#### **Project Updates**

- I-35W/I-494 – Four RFP responses were received.
- TH 13 –Corridor study meeting was held.

- I-494 Corridor Commission – Met yesterday and had chamber members as well as a representative from Eden Prairie on hand for a discussion similar to what the I-35W Solutions Alliance had in July. They also had a special session for candidates.
- Hwy 169 Corridor Coalition – Meets tonight in Bloomington and includes a panel discussion.
- Cedar BRT – Contracts let last night.
- I-35W BRT – Waiting to see what is happening with MAP-21.

**Future Topics**

- October – State Transportation, Commissioner Sorel

**Next Meeting**

The next Board meeting is scheduled for October 11, 2012, at the Richfield City Hall.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 a.m.