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The 35W Solutions Alliance Meeting

Thursday, February 08, 2018

Richfield City Hall, Bartholomew Room, 6700 Portland Ave S

Minutes

Members and Guests Present

Board members present were Chair – Liz Workman, Vice Chair-Trish Timmons, Secretary/Treasurer-Gene Abbott, Rob Vanasek, Dan Kealey, Ryan Peterson, Dan Gustafson, Kristine Elwood, Mary Liz Holberg, Joe Gladke, Zach Johnson, Colleen LaBeau, Debbie Goettel, Charles Carlson, Jon Solberg, Andrew Lutaya, Jen Lehmann, Jeff Pearson, James Colclasure and Joe Morneau

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 a.m. Chair Liz Workman

Approval of Minutes

Upon motion made and seconded, the minutes of the January 11, 2018 meeting were approved.

Acceptance of Treasurer's Report

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

Orange Line Extension (Phase II to Lakeville)

Joe Morneau presented information regarding the Orange Line Extension and potential BRT stations at the Burnsville Mall.

Potential 494 Corridor Commission Partnership on Communications and Online Presence

Looking into tapping 494 resources to increase communications services to commuters and businesses in the 35W corridor for relatively low cost. Needing to update 35W website for more "current" look, improving online presence and possibly rebuild website.

Update on 35W/494 Interchange Project Support and Corridors of Commerce Process

Phase I submitted across 7 applications led by Bloomington. Over 200 applications have been received and about 90 of those applications are for the metro area overall.

Legislative Update

Session is starting. Aligning the Minnesota tax structure to conform with the new federal tax code is a priority. There is not much interest in spending money outside of bonding. State budget – Feds did enact CHIP, should help create a balanced budget.

Project Updates

- Orange Line – study process is expected completion in June, 2018. Currently halfway through. Waiting on news of Federal Appropriation.
- 35W Bridge over River – Supposed to go to RFP January 31st. Might be next week.
- Fed. Transportation Updates – FY19 budget due next Monday. 2018 dollars are not in place yet.

Next Meeting

The next Board meeting is scheduled for March 8, 2018.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.