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The 35W Solutions Alliance Meeting

Thursday, February 9, 2023

Richfield City Hall, Bartholomew Room, 6700 Portland Ave S

Minutes

Members and Guests Present

A quorum was present. Attendees included: Dwayne Lowman, Liz Workman, Mary Liz Holberg, Erin Laberee, Bryce Schuenke, Debbie Goettel, Mark Lindeberg, Patrick Chilton, Sean Hayford O’Leary, Seng Thongvanh, Tom Wolf, Rob Vanasek, Britta Torkelson, Ryan Peterson, Joe Powers, Phil Sterner, Zach Johnson, Lisa Freese, and Scott Dibble

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 a.m. by Chair Workman.

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made and seconded to approve the January meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Treasurer’s Report

Treasurer role transition progressing; motion was made and seconded to approve the December 2022 Treasurer’s Report pending approval of audit.

A Conversation with Senate Transportation Chair Scott Dibble

Transportation Chair Scott Dibble provided an update on transportation bills and potential funding brought forward within the legislature.

Legislative Update

Rob Vanasek provided a legislative update.

Appointment of Audit Committee

Motion made and seconded for Zach Johnson, Seng Thongvanh and Karl Keel for appointment to the Audit Committee.

Corridors of Commerce Letter of Support

Members who reached out to Rob Vanasek with projects they would like included in the letter have had their requests placed into the draft letter. Letter to be sent within the next week or so.

Project Updates

- 494: Airport to 169 – found way to bridge funding gap. Finalizing agreements and then can award project. Projected to start mid-spring.
- Hwy 77 Congestion Mitigation Study – looking at RFP for origin and destination of shifting travel patterns.
- Green Line Extension (SW) – 75% completion; still in construction phase.
- Hwy 169 Corridor Coalition – event held at legislature showcasing three active projects.
- I-35 Corridor Evaluation Study – began public engagement process in February.

Future Agenda Items

- I-35W/Cty Rd 2 Interchange Development – Renee Christianson and Tom Terry, Elko New Market
- 2023 Transit Needs and Challenges & Review of 2022 Ridership – Met Transit/MVTA/STA
- MNSHIP Update – MnDOT
- I-35 Burnsville to Lakeville Study Data and Local Engagement and/or Pavement Project Update - MnDOT

Next Meeting

The next Alliance meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 9, 2023.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 a.m.