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The 35W Solutions Alliance Meeting

Thursday, May 8, 2025

Richfield City Hall, Bartholomew Room, 6700 Portland Ave S

Minutes

Members and Guests Present

Jonathan Ahn, John Bermel, Mark Christianson, Lisa Freese, Joe Gladke, Sean Hayford Oleary, Mary Liz Holberg, Matt Johnson, Erin Laberee, Kim Larson, Julie Long, Dwayne Lowman, Mark Ray, Heidi Scholl, Megan Thielholdt, Rob Vanasek, Ryan Wilson, Tom Wolf, Liz Workman, Wendy Wulff

Call to Order

Chair Workman called the meeting to order at 7:37 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Motion made and seconded to approve the April 10, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Budget Committee

Motion made and seconded to establish the budget committee with Matt Johnson, Mark Ray, and Tom Wolf. Motion carried unanimously.

Network Now and Orange Line Update

Jonathan Ahn and Mark Christianson with Metro Transit provided updates on Network Now and the Orange Line.

Legislative Update

Rob Vanasek provided a legislative update.

I-35/CSAH 2 Interchange Support Letter

Elko New Market staff, Chair Workman, and Rob Vanasek drafted and submitted a letter to the Transportation Conference Committee in support of the project. Elko New Market representatives will draft a support letter for the Corridors of Commerce Program for review and approval at the June meeting.

Project Updates

- Green Line Extension (SW) – Tunnel is done; proceeding on schedule.
- Hwy 169 Corridor Coalition – Meeting today; annual meeting next week with tour of amphitheater. Interchange by the candy store is expected to be completed prior to Scott County Fair. Work for Jordan interchange continues. At Bluff Drive should be completed in September.
- Highway 13 – Grant scaled back; seeking funding. Design is continuing.
- I-35/County Road 50 – In final design; seeking funding.
- I-35W bridges in Burnsville – Significant work heavily underway for this two-year project.

Potential Future Agenda Items

- Regional Solicitation Update Overview – Steve Peterson, Metropolitan Council (June)

Next Meeting

The next Alliance meeting will be held June 12, 2025.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 a.m.