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The 35W Solutions Alliance Meeting
Thursday, March 12, 2026
Bloomington Public Works, Training Room, 1700 W 98th St

Minutes

Members and Guests Present

Megan Alford, Renee Christianson, Matt Fyten, Debbie Goettel, Adam Harrington, Sean Hayford Oleary, Mary Liz Holberg, Adam Jessen, Zach Johnson, Dan Kealey, Erin Laberee, Kim Larson, Michelle Leonard, Julie Long, Mark Ray, Danielle Robertson, Megan Thielfoldt, Seng Thongvanh, Rob Vanasek, Ryan Wilson, Tom Wolf, Dan Wolter, Wendy Wulff

Call to Order

Chair Kealey called the meeting to order at 7:33 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

M/Hayford Oleary, S/Wolf to approve the February 12, 2026 meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Audit Committee

M/Z Johnson, S/Wolf to approve audit report. Motion carried unanimously.

Budget Committee

No update; will be added to future agenda.

I-494 Project 1 Construction and Project 2 Delivery Updates – Ryan Wilson, MnDOT

Ryan Wilson, MnDOT, presented.

Legislative Update

Rob Vanasek provided a legislative update.

Project Updates

- Orange Line (35W) – improved efficiency and ridership continues to grow.
- Green Line Extension (SW) – in testing mode; opening in 2027.
- Nicollet Ave approved for bus rapid transit through Richfield.
- Commuter Services – webinar scheduled for 2026 494 projects.
- Nicollet/Hwy 13 – design/build; Nicollet closed across 13, and 13 down to one lane.
- I-35W Bridges in Burnsville – round 2 this coming summer with eastbound 13 bridge to come down and northbound 35W the last one to be done.

Potential Future Agenda Items

- April: Mobility, Accessibility in Transit and Transportation – Eric Lind, Center for Transportation Studies, University of Minnesota
- May: South Area Outlook following MHFP and TED grant awards: HWY 13, Cty Rd 50/5, Cty Rd 2 – Bryant Ficek, MnDOT
- June/September: Red Line Study, Metro Transit

Next Meeting

The next Alliance meeting will be held April 9, 2026, back at Richfield City Hall.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 a.m.