



**Board of Commissioners**  
**Resolution**  
B2022-055

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**Sponsor:** Property Management

**Meeting Date:** 2/22/2022

**Title:** Amendment Number One to Lease Agreement with Metropolitan Council at Ramsey County Metro Square Building

**File Number:** 2022-112

**Background and Rationale:**

The Metropolitan Council has leased space at Metro Square since March 2018. The initial use of the space was for the Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project Office. The Metropolitan Council now requests to use half of the space in support of the Purple Line BRT Project Office.

The Purple Line is a 15-mile BRT line serving the communities of St. Paul, Maplewood, Vadnais Heights, Gem Lake, White Bear Township and White Bear Lake. The line will connect with existing and future light rail BRT service of the Metro System, including direct connections to the Green Line, Gold Line, B Line, G Line and H Line, as well as local and express bus routes. The line will serve 21 neighborhood-scaled, high amenity stations with frequent, comfortable, and convenient daily service from early morning to late evening in both directions allowing more available use of transportation.

The Metropolitan Council intends to co-locate staff from these two transit projects in the existing leased space. All other terms of the lease remain in effect through expiration February 28, 2025.

**Recommendation:**

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

1. Approve the Amendment Number One to the Lease agreement with Metropolitan Council, 390 Robert Street North, St. Paul, MN for space at Metro Square, 121 7th Place East, St. Paul, MN, for the period of January 1, 2022 through February 28, 2025.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the lease amendment.
3. Authorize the County Manager to execute amendments to the lease to address changes in use by the Metropolitan Council, provided that there are no changes to the general terms and conditions and that there is no financial impact to revenue from the amendment.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner McGuire, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Motion passed.

Aye - 7: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

By:   
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Mee Cheng, Chief Clerk - County Board