

Regional Railroad Authority Minutes

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April 13, 2021 - 10 a.m.

Council Chambers - Courthouse Room 300

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 13D.021 and 13D.04 Subd. 3, the Chair of the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners has determined that an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent because of the COVID-19 pandemic and the declared state and local emergencies. Commissioners will participate by telephone or other electronic means. In addition, it may not be feasible to have any commissioner, staff, or members of the public present at the regular meeting location due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the declared emergencies. The meeting broadcast will be available online and linked via ramseycounty.us/boardmeetings. Members of the public and the media will be able to watch the public meeting live online.

ROLL CALL

Present: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

1. Agenda of April 13, 2021 is Presented for Approval.

R2021-197

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the agenda of April 13, 2021.

Motion by McDonough, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

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

2. Minutes from March 2, 2021 are Presented for Approval

R2021-190

Sponsors: Regional Railroad Authority

Approve the March 2, 2021 Minutes.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by MatasCastillo. Motion passed.

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

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

3. Staffing Agreement with the Metropolitan Council for the Environmental Analysis Phase of the Rush Line Bus Rapid Transit Project

2021-106

Sponsors: Public Works

- 1. Approve a Staffing Agreement with the Metropolitan Council for the Environmental Analysis Phase of the Rush Line Bus Rapid Transit Project for the purchase of professional and technical supportive services.
- Authorize the use of Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority fund balance in the amount not to exceed \$280,000 for staffing services for the Environmental Analysis Phase of the Rush Line Bus Rapid Transit Project.
- 3. Authorize the Chair to execute the Agreement.
- 4. Authorize the County Manager to approve and execute amendments to the Staffing Agreement, in accordance with the County's policies and procedures, provided the

amounts are within the limits of the project funding.

Motion by MatasCastillo, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Resolution: R2021-009

2021 Funding Commitment to the Great River Rail Commission 4.

2021-155

Sponsors: Public Works

Accept the Great River Rail Commission's 2021 Work Plan and Budget.

2. Approve the payment of \$8,606 to the Great River Rail Commission as the Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority funding commitment to the Great River Rail Commission 2021 Work Plan and Budget.

This Administrative Item was approved.

Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Resolution: R2021-010

5. Transitway Impacts Research Program Presentation and 2021 Funding 2021-143

Request

Sponsors: Public Works

Approve the expenditure of \$25,000 for Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority's share of the Transitway Impacts Research Program for 2021.

Motion by MatasCastillo, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Resolution: R2021-011

CORRIDOR UPDATES

Discussion can be found on archived video.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Ortega declared the meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m.