

# Regional Railroad Authority

## Minutes

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**March 19, 2024 - 10 a.m.**

**Council Chambers - Courthouse Room 300**

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The Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority met in regular session at 10:12 a.m. with the following members present: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Moran, Reinhardt, Xiong and Chair Ortega. Also present was Johanna Berg, County Manager.

### ROLL CALL

Present: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

1. Agenda of March 19, 2024 is Presented for Approval [2024-088](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the agenda of March 19, 2024.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by Xiong. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

2. Minutes from February 6, 2024 are Presented for Approval [2024-089](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the February 6, 2024 Minutes.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by Xiong. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

### ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

3. First Amendment to the Operating Agreement with National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) [2024-007](#)

Sponsors: Public Works

1. Approve the first amendment between National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak), 60 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Washington, DC 20002, and the Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority to provide use of the terminal tracks and platform associated with storage of one train overnight at Union Depot for the term of the agreement.
2. Authorize the Chair to execute the first amendment.

Discussion can be found in archived video.

Aye: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Resolution: [R2024-006](#)

4. Second Amendment to Station Lease Agreement with National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) [2024-006](#)

Sponsors: Public Works

1. Approve the second amendment between National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak), 60 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Washington, DC 20002, and the Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority to provide additional space and services associated with storage of one train overnight at Union Depot for the term of the lease.
2. Authorize the Chair to execute the second amendment.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Resolution: R2024-007

**5. Lease Agreement with Double Track Interactive, LLC dba Choo Choo Bob's Train Store for Retail Space at Union Depot**

[2024-073](#)

Sponsors: Property Management

1. Approve the lease agreement with Double Track Interactive, LLC dba Choo Choo Bob's Train Store, 4065 Jersey Avenue North, Crystal, MN, 55427, for space at Union Depot, 214 East 4th Street, Saint Paul, MN, Suites 140 and 150, for the period from March 25, 2024, through March 31, 2026, for the total amount of \$39,000, with two additional option years at an increased rate.
2. Authorize the Chair to execute the lease agreement.

Motion by Martinson, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Resolution: R2024-008

## **CORRIDOR UPDATES**

Discussion can be found on archived video.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Ortega declared the meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.