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### **The 35W Solutions Alliance Meeting**

Thursday, March 10, 2016  
Richfield Bartholomew Room  
6700 Portland Avenue

### **Minutes**

#### **Members and Guests Present**

Board members present were Vice Chair-Tom Wolf, Secretary/Treasurer-Gene Abbott, Mary Liz Holberg, Michael Howard, Zach Johnson, Karl Keel, Jon Oleson, Jeff Pearson, Ryan Peterson, Mary Sherry, Thomas Terry, and Trish Timmons; and member staff and visitors, Steve Devich (Richfield), Kristine Elwood (Dakota County), Steve Hay (Minneapolis), Ray Hoover (Hennepin County), Mike Huntington (New Market Township), Representative Jon Koznick (Minnesota House of Representatives), Brad Larsen (MnDOT), Joe Marble (House Transportation Committee Administrator), Shelly Pederson (Bloomington), Joseph Scala (Hennepin County), Jon Solberg (MnDOT), Kim Larson (Bloomington), and Rob Vanasek (Vanasek Consulting).

#### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 a.m. by Vice Chair Tom Wolf.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Upon motion made and seconded, the minutes of the February 11, 2016 meeting were approved.

#### **Acceptance of Treasurer's Report / Audit Report**

Upon motion made and seconded, the treasurer's report was approved subject to audit, and the Audit Report for 2015 was approved.

#### **Administrative Support**

Upon motion made and seconded, the administrative support proposal from the City of Bloomington was approved effective March 2016. Bloomington will continue to provide administrative support at the new rate of \$75/hour. Graphic services are also available if needed.

#### **Orange Line**

The following information was presented from an update Charles Carlson provided via email ahead of the meeting:

- Design and engineering work is continuing and the pace is increasing for design work and interagency collaboration.
- Remains on schedule for environmental clearance and a Small Starts application to the FTA this summer.

- Critical to the federal application is lining up remaining state/local funding commitments, particularly \$12.1M needed from the state in 2016. This is supported by Governor Dayton through the sales tax proposal, but could be filled other ways by legislative initiatives.
- Perhaps at a future meeting, a bit more detailed update on current design/engineering status could be done.
- Collaboration with Dakota County staff on the Orange Line Extension to Lakeville continues, including work this week on submittals to CTIB to consider the extension project in its annual Program of Projects update.

### **Legislative Update**

Rob Vanasek discussed recent legislative items.

### **MnPASS Presentation**

Brad Larsen, MnDOT, presented information on the MnPASS express lane system including an update for system development; new features; use and performance; hours of operation; funded MnPASS corridor improvements; planning and development; objectives; and revenues and expenditures.

### **Project Updates**

There were no project updates.

### **Future Topics**

- NW Passenger Rail (Dan Krum, MnDOT)

### **Next Meeting**

The next Board meeting is scheduled for April 14, 2016.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:41 a.m.