

**RESOLUTION NO.: 12564**

**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE RUSH LINE BUS RAPID TRANSIT PROJECT  
15 PERCENT PLANS WITHIN THE CITY OF WHITE BEAR LAKE**

**WHEREAS**, Ramsey County is leading the design of the Rush Line Bus Rapid Transit Project (“Project”) through the Environmental Analysis Phase; in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), the Metropolitan Council and its Metro Transit division (Metropolitan Council), Saint Paul, Maplewood, Vadnais Heights, Gem Lake, White Bear Lake and White Bear Township (“Municipalities”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Environmental Analysis Phase includes the preparation of an Environmental Assessment in partnership with MnDOT, the Metropolitan Council and the Municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, Ramsey County has been working collaboratively with MnDOT, the Metropolitan Council and the Municipalities and other stakeholders over the previous two years to resolve issues and develop a scope of work of project components (known as the 15% plans) for evaluation in the Environmental Assessment; and

**WHEREAS**, residents and businesses have participated in numerous committees, community meetings, pop-up events, and other public forums to provide feedback and assist with developing the 15 percent plans; and

**WHEREAS**, City of White Bear Lake staff has reviewed the 15 percent plans and has provided comments and direction on plan refinements; and

**WHEREAS**, Ramsey County has worked collaboratively with MnDOT, Metropolitan Council, and the Municipalities to address staff comments on the 15 percent plans; and

**WHEREAS**, Ramsey County is requesting that the Municipalities, as the agencies with local jurisdiction, provide a Resolution of Support or Letter of Support for the 15 percent plans; and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipalities will have additional opportunities to provide comments during the Environmental Assessment public comment period and on the subsequent 30%, 60% and 90% design plans prior to construction; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of White Bear Lake desires that Ramsey County, MnDOT, Metropolitan Council and the other Municipalities continue to work collaboratively with the City of White Bear Lake to address issues and work with City of White Bear Lake staff to satisfactorily resolve issues that have arisen or could arise as the Project design advances.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of White Bear Lake, Minnesota that the City of White Bear Lake provides its support for the 15 percent plans for the Rush Line BRT Project.

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The foregoing resolution offered by Council Member **Biehn** and supported by Council Member **Jones** was declared carried on the following vote:

Ayes: Biehn, Edberg, Jones  
Nays: Walsh, Engstran  
Passed: April 14, 2020

  
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Jo Emerson, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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Kara Coustry, City Clerk

EXTRACT OF MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TOWN  
BOARD OF THE TOWN OF WHITE BEAR, MINNESOTA,  
HELD ON APRIL 20, 2020

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of White Bear, Minnesota was duly held at the Township Administrative Office in said Town on April 20, 2020.

The following members were present: Prudhon, Ruzek, McCune; and the following members were absent: None.

Supervisor Ruzek introduced the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE RUSH LINE BUS RAPID  
TRANSIT PROJECT 15 PERCENT PLANS WITHIN WHITE BEAR  
TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, Ramsey County is leading the design of the Rush Line Bus Rapid Transit Project ("Project") through the Environmental Analysis Phase; in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), the Metropolitan Council and its Metro Transit division (Metropolitan Council), Saint Paul, Maplewood, Vadnais Heights, Gem Lake, White Bear Lake and White Bear Township ("Municipalities"); and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Analysis Phase includes the preparation of an Environmental Assessment in partnership with MnDOT, the Metropolitan Council and the Municipalities; and

WHEREAS, Ramsey County has been working collaboratively with MnDOT, the Metropolitan Council and the Municipalities and other stakeholders over the previous two years to resolve issues and develop a scope of work of project components (known as the 15% plans) for evaluation in the Environmental Assessment; and

WHEREAS, residents and businesses have participated in numerous committees, community meetings, pop-up events, and other public forums to provide feedback and assist with developing the 15 percent plans; and

WHEREAS, the White Bear Township staff has reviewed the 15 percent plans and has provided comments and direction on plan refinements; and

WHEREAS, Ramsey County has worked collaboratively with MnDOT, Metropolitan Council, and the Municipalities to address staff comments on the 15 percent plans: and



Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Maplewood, Minnesota, was duly called and held remotely via conference call of said City on the **11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020** at 7:05 p.m.

The following members were present:

Marylee Abrams, Mayor	Present
Kathleen Juenemann, Councilmember	Present
William Knutson, Councilmember	Present
Sylvia Neblett, Councilmember	Present
Bryan Smith, Councilmember	Present

**Rush Line Bus Rapid Transit Project, City Project 15-06 - Resolution of Support for 15 Percent Plans Within the City of Maplewood**

Councilmember Neblett moved to approve the resolution of support for the Rush Line Bus Rapid Transit Project 15 percent plans within the City of Maplewood.

Resolution 20-05-1816

**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE RUSH LINE BUS RAPID TRANSIT PROJECT 15 PERCENT PLANS WITHIN THE CITY OF MAPLEWOOD**

WHEREAS, Ramsey County is leading the design of the Rush Line Bus Rapid Transit Project (“Project”) through the Environmental Analysis Phase; in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), the Metropolitan Council and its Metro Transit division (Metropolitan Council), Saint Paul, Maplewood, Vadnais Heights, Gem Lake, White Bear Lake and White Bear Township (“Municipalities”); and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Analysis Phase includes the preparation of an Environmental Assessment in partnership with MnDOT, the Metropolitan Council and the Municipalities; and

WHEREAS, Ramsey County has been working collaboratively with MnDOT, the Metropolitan Council and the Municipalities and other stakeholders over the previous two years to resolve issues and develop a scope of work of project components (known as the 15% plans) for evaluation in the Environmental Assessment; and

WHEREAS, residents and businesses have participated in numerous committees, community meetings, pop-up events, and other public forums to provide feedback and assist with developing the 15 percent plans; and

WHEREAS, City of Maplewood staff has reviewed the 15 percent plans and has provided comments and direction on plan refinements; and

WHEREAS, Ramsey County has worked collaboratively with MnDOT, Metropolitan Council, and the Municipalities to address staff comments on the 15 percent plans: and

WHEREAS, Ramsey County is requesting that the Municipalities, as the agencies with local jurisdiction, provide a Resolution of Support or Letter of Support for the 15 percent plans: and

WHEREAS, the Municipalities will have additional opportunities to provide comments during the Environmental Assessment public comment period and on the subsequent 30%, 60% and 90% design plans prior to construction; and

WHEREAS, the City of Maplewood desires that Ramsey County, MnDOT, Metropolitan Council and the other Municipalities continue to work collaboratively with the City of Maplewood to address issues and work with City of Maplewood staff to satisfactorily resolve issues that have arisen or could arise as the Project design advances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Maplewood, Minnesota that the City of Maplewood provides its support for the 15 percent plans for the Rush Line BRT Project.

Seconded by Councilmember Smith

Ayes– All, via roll call

The motion passed.

STATE OF MINNESOTA )  
COUNTY OF RAMSEY ) SS  
CITY OF MAPLEWOOD )

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified and appointed City Clerk of the City of Maplewood, Minnesota, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the attached and foregoing extract of minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Maplewood, held on the **11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020** with the original on file in my office, and the same is a full, true and complete transcript therefrom insofar as the same relates to the Rush Line Bus Rapid Transit Project, City Project 15-06 - Resolution of Support for 15 Percent Plans Within the City of Maplewood.

WITNESS my hand and sealed this **13<sup>th</sup> Day of May, 2020.**

  
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Andrea Sindt, City Clerk  
City of Maplewood, Minnesota

**CITY OF VADNAIS HEIGHTS  
COUNTY OF RAMSEY  
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 20-05-94**

**A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE RUSH LINE BUS RAPID TRANSIT  
PROJECT 15 PERCENT PLANS WITHIN THE CITY OF VADNAIS HEIGHTS**

**WHEREAS**, Ramsey County is leading the design of the Rush Line Bus Rapid Transit Project (“Project”) through the Environmental Analysis Phase; in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), the Metropolitan Council and its Metro Transit division (Metropolitan Council), Saint Paul, Maplewood, Vadnais Heights, Gem Lake, White Bear Lake and White Bear Township (“Municipalities”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Environmental Analysis Phase includes the preparation of an Environmental Assessment in partnership with MnDOT, the Metropolitan Council and the Municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, Ramsey County has been working collaboratively with MnDOT, the Metropolitan Council and the Municipalities and other stakeholders over the previous two years to resolve issues and develop a scope of work of project components (known as the 15% plans) for evaluation in the Environmental Assessment; and

**WHEREAS**, residents and businesses have participated in numerous committees, community meetings, pop-up events, and other public forums to provide feedback and assist with developing the 15 percent plans; and

**WHEREAS**, City of Vadnais Heights staff has reviewed the 15 percent plans and has provided comments and direction on plan refinements; and

**WHEREAS**, Ramsey County has worked collaboratively with MnDOT, Metropolitan Council, and the Municipalities to address staff comments on the 15 percent plans; and

**WHEREAS**, Ramsey County is requesting that the Municipalities, as the agencies with local jurisdiction, provide a Resolution of Support or Letter of Support for the 15 percent plans; and

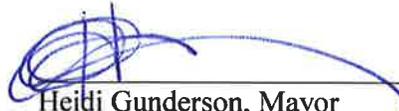
**WHEREAS**, the Municipalities will have additional opportunities to provide comments during the Environmental Assessment public comment period and on the subsequent 30%, 60% and 90% design plans prior to construction; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Vadnais Heights desires that Ramsey County, MnDOT, Metropolitan Council and the other Municipalities continue to work collaboratively with the City of Vadnais Heights to address issues and work with City of Vadnais Heights staff to satisfactorily resolve issues that have arisen or could arise as the Project design advances.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Vadnais Heights that the City provides its support to the Rush Line BRT Project for its 15 percent plans and, further, that the City encourages the Project to explore ways to find a no net loss of parking at the Vadnais Sports Center site, the Project completes a safety and security plan for the City to review before the next approval, and that the Project explore the possibility of having no right hand turn lane obstructions.

This Resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the Mayor and attested to by the City Administrator this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

Attest:

  
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Kevin Watson, City Administrator  
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Heidi Gunderson, Mayor

(SEAL)



## Legislation Details (With Text)

**File #:** RES PH 20- 165 **Version:** 1

**Type:** Resolution-Public Hearing **Status:** Passed  
**In control:** City Council  
**Final action:** 8/5/2020

**Title:** Supporting for the Rush Line Bus Rapid Transit Project 15 Percent Plans within the City of Saint Paul.

**Sponsors:** Nelsie Yang

**Indexes:**

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**Attachments:** 1. Rush Line Flyer - English, 2. 15% Plans\_20200702, 3. PC Resolution of Support for Rush Line 15 percent final, 4. PRC Resolution of Support for Rush Line BRT 15% plans - signed, 5. TC recommendation vote, 6. Rush Line 2020 08 05 Saint Paul City Council

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
8/7/2020	1	Mayor's Office	Signed	
8/5/2020	1	City Council	Adopted	Pass

Supporting for the Rush Line Bus Rapid Transit Project 15 Percent Plans within the City of Saint Paul.

WHEREAS, Ramsey County is leading the design of the Rush Line Bus Rapid Transit Project (“Project”) through the Environmental Analysis Phase; in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), the Metropolitan Council and its Metro Transit division (Metropolitan Council), Saint Paul, Maplewood, Vadnais Heights, Gem Lake, White Bear Lake and White Bear Township (“Municipalities”); and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Analysis Phase includes the preparation of an Environmental Assessment in partnership with MnDOT, the Metropolitan Council and the Municipalities; and

WHEREAS, Ramsey County has been working collaboratively with MnDOT, the Metropolitan Council and the Municipalities and other stakeholders over the previous two years to resolve issues and develop a scope of work of project components (known as the 15 percent plans) for evaluation in the Environmental Assessment; and

WHEREAS, residents and businesses have participated in numerous committees, community meetings, pop-up events, and other public forums to provide feedback and assist with developing the 15 percent plans; and

WHEREAS, City of Saint Paul staff have reviewed the 15 percent plans and have provided comments and direction on plan refinements; and

WHEREAS, the City of Saint Paul is pursuing design for the reconstruction of Robert Street between I-94 and the Mississippi River in 2024-2025, and its design may or may not accommodate dedicated bus lanes for the Rush Line project; and

WHEREAS, Ramsey County has worked collaboratively with MnDOT, Metropolitan Council, and the

Municipalities to address staff comments on the 15 percent plans; and

WHEREAS, Ramsey County is requesting that the Municipalities, as the agencies with local jurisdiction, provide a Resolution of Support or Letter of Support for the 15 percent plans; and

WHEREAS, the Municipalities will have additional opportunities to provide comments during the Environmental Assessment public comment period and on the subsequent 30%, 60% and 90% design plans prior to construction; and

WHEREAS, Saint Paul's Parks and Recreation Commission, Transportation Committee, and Planning Commission have all reviewed the 15 percent plans and recommended support, with any conditions incorporated into this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Saint Paul generally supports the 15 percent plans for the Rush Line BRT Project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that future iterations of the Rush Line project's design for Robert Street should reflect the City's ultimate Robert Street reconstruction design; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Saint Paul desires that Ramsey County, MnDOT, Metropolitan Council and the other Municipalities continue to work collaboratively with the City of Saint Paul to address issues and work with City of Saint Paul staff to satisfactorily resolve issues that have arisen or could arise as the Project design advances.