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.
RESOLUTION NO.: 12564

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

Jo Emerson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of White Bear, Minnesota that White Bear Township provides its support for the 15 percent plans for the Rush Line BRT Project.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly seconded by Supervisor McCune, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Prudhon, Ruzek, McCune; and the following voted against the same: None.

Whereupon said Resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

STATE OF MINNESOTA )
COUNTY OF RAMSEY ) ss.
TOWN OF WHITE BEAR )

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Town of White Bear, Minnesota, DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have carefully compared the attached and foregoing Extract of Minutes of a Special meeting of the Town Board of the said Town held on the 20th day of April, 2020, with the original on file in my office, and that the same is a full, true and complete transcript therefrom, insofar as the same relates to a Resolution relating to the Rush Line Corridor 15% Plan.

WITNESS my hand as such Clerk and the Town Clerk’s seal this 20th day of April, 2020.

PATRICK CHRISTOPHERSON, Clerk-Treasurer
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 11th 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 11th 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 13th Day of May, 2020.

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 19th day of May, 2020.

Attest:

Heidi Gunderson, Mayor

Kevin Watson, City Administrator

(SEAL)
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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.