

U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Transit Administration REGION V Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio. Wisconsin

200 West Adams Street Suite 320 Chicago, IL 60606-5253 312-353-2789 312-886-0351 (fax)

December 5, 2025

Ms. Nicole Foss, Environmental Review Transportation Liaison Minnesota State Historic Preservation Office Administration Building 50 Sherburne Avenue, #203 St. Paul, MN 55155-1402

RE: METRO Purple Line (formerly Rush Line) Bus Rapid Transit, Ramsey County, Minnesota; Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) Notice of Termination, SHPO #2019-0958

Dear Ms. Foss:

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) is writing to inform you of our intent to terminate the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the FTA and the Minnesota State Historic Preservation Office (MnSHPO) for the Rush Line Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project, now known as the METRO Purple Line BRT Project (Project). The Metropolitan Council (Council), in conjunction with Ramsey County, has decided to no longer pursue federal funding for the Rush Line BRT Project. Pursuant to the terms of the MOA Stipulation XIX (Termination), any signatory or invited signatory may terminate the MOA by providing a thirty (30) calendar day notice to all Consulting Parties and this letter serves as that notice.

Per the terms of MOA Stipulation XIX, MOA signatories and concurring parties have thirty (30) calendar days from receipt of this termination notice to seek agreement on amendments or other actions that would avoid termination. However, without the Council pursuing federal funding there are currently no federal funding or approvals for the Project from FTA or another Federal Agency pending. Also, per the terms of MOA Stipulation XIX, in the event of MOA termination, FTA, USACE, FHWA, and any other Federal agencies invited to be a Consulting Party under MOA Stipulation I (Applicability) shall comply with 36 CRF §§ 800.3-800.13 with regard to the undertaking covered by the MOA. For your reference, a copy of the MOA is available at: Purple Line BRT Project

If you have any questions, please contact Dan Digiuseppe at daniell.digiuseppe@dot.gov.

METRO Purple Line Bus Rapid Transit Project, SHPO #2019-0958 MOA Notice of Termination December 5, 2025 Page 2 of 2

Sincerely,

Anthony W. Greep

Director, Office of Planning and Program Development

Federal Transit Administration, Region 5

Inty W Gro

cc (via email): Tony Greep, Federal Transit Administration

Susan Weber, Federal Transit Administration Anshu Singh, Federal Transit Administration Dan DiGiuseppe, Federal Transit Administration

Alex Meincke, United States Army Corps of Engineers

Philip Forst, Federal Highway Administration Joe Campbell, Federal Highway Administration

Kelcie Young, Metro Transit Craig Lamothe, Metro Transit Barb Suciu, City of Gem Lake

Michael Martin, City of Maplewood

TJ Malaskee, Maplewood Historical Society

Joe Sheeran, Maplewood Heritage Preservation Commission

Stephen Smith, Ramsey County Bill Dermody, City of Saint Paul

George Gause, Saint Paul Heritage Preservation Commission

Nolan Wall, City of Vadnais Heights Jason Lindahl, City of White Bear Lake

Pat Christopherson, White Bear Lake Township