

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGIONAL RAILROAD AUTHORITY
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
OCTOBER 12, 2010

The Washington County Regional Railroad Authority (RRA) met in regular session at 10:30 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Hegberg, Kriesel, Pulkrabek, Peterson, and Weik. Absent none. RRA Chair Peterson presided. Also present were James Schug, County Administrator; Molly O'Rourke, Deputy Administrator; George Kuprian, Assistant County Attorney; Doug Johnson, County Attorney; Don Theisen, Public Works Director; Wayne Sandberg, Deputy Public Works Director; John Elholm, Parks Director; Ted Schoenecker, Transportation Manager; Greg Wood, Building Services Manager; Tom Adkins, Community Corrections Director; Kay McAloney, Human Resources Director; Dan Papin, Community Services Director; Cindy Rupp, Community Services Division Manager; Mjyke Nelson, Information Technology Director; Kevin Corbid, Director of Property Records and Taxpayer Services; and Yvonne Klinnert, Public Information Coordinator II.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

REGIONAL RAILROAD AUTHORITY MINUTES

Commissioner Weik moved to approve the Regional Railroad Authority minutes from September 14 and 21, 2010. Commissioner Kriesel seconded they motion and it was adopted unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS TO THE GATEWAY CORRIDOR ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS STUDY

Gateway Corridor Technical Advisory Committee Appointments

Commissioner Kriesel moved to appoint Ted Schoenecker, Transportation Manager, to the Gateway Corridor Alternatives Analysis Study Technical Advisory Committee, and appoint Andy Gitzlaff, Associate Planner, as alternate. Commissioner Weik seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

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Gateway Corridor Policy Advisory Committee

Commissioner Weik moved to appoint Commissioner Gary Kriesel as a member to the Gateway Corridor Alternatives Analysis Study Policy Committee, and Commissioner Lisa Weik as an alternate. Commissioner Hegberg seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

AMENDED JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT FOR THE I-94 (GATEWAY) CORRIDOR COMMISSION

Commissioner Weik moved to adopt **Resolution No. RRA-2010-008** as follows:

Resolution for Approval of the Revised and Amended
Interstate 94 Corridor Joint Powers Agreement
Dated September 9, 2010

WHEREAS, the I-94 Corridor currently carries 90,000 to 150,000 vehicles per day from the St Croix River Bridge to downtown St Paul; and

WHEREAS, the 2030 Transportation Policy Plan has been approved by the Metropolitan Council and shows that traffic and congestion are forecast to increase substantially by 2030 resulting in the entire length of I-94 from downtown St Paul to the St Croix River as being congested; and

WHEREAS, the 2030 Transportation Policy Plan identifies the I-94 Corridor as a Transitway Corridor in need of additional analysis;

WHEREAS, the transitway analysis is needed to identify how mobility can be maintained and improved in the corridor; and

WHEREAS, the I-94 Corridor Commission was created on March 3, 2010 with the Regional Railroad Authorities of Ramsey and Washington County approving the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA); and

WHEREAS, in addition to the County Regional Railroad Authorities, the communities of St Paul, Maplewood, Oakdale, Woodbury, Lake Elmo, West Lakeland Township, Afton and Lakeland also approved the JPA; and

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WHEREAS, the I-94 Corridor Commission approved changing its name to the Gateway Corridor Commission on July 12, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the existing JPA may be amended by unanimous agreement of the Parties as evidenced by resolutions adopted by the respective governing bodies.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Regional Railroad Authority approves the revised and amended Joint Powers Agreement of the Gateway Corridor Commission dated September 9, 2010.

Commissioner Kriesel seconded the motion and it was adopted 5-0 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Hegberg, Kriesel, Pulkrabek, Weik, and Peterson; Nays, none.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Weik moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Hegberg and it was adopted unanimously. The Regional Railroad Authority meeting adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

Myra Peterson, Chair
Regional Railroad Authority

Attest:

James R. Schug
County Administrator

