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**GOLD LINE JOINT POWERS BOARD
MINUTES
May 23, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Commissioner Ortega called to order the Gold Line Joint Powers Board (JPB) meeting at 9:20 a.m. The meeting was held in a Conference Room at the Gold Line Project Office, located at 121 7th PI E #102, St. Paul, MN 55101.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chair Rafael Ortega, Ramsey County Commissioner
Victoria Reinhardt, Ramsey County Commissioner
Stan Karwoski, Washington County Commissioner
Michelle Clasen, Washington County Commissioner

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jamie Petersen, Lyssa Leitner, Sara Allen, Mike Rogers, Morgan Abbott, Sara Favreau, John Ristad

Others Present: Alicia Vap, Brian McClung, Mary Richardson

Announcements

None.

ACTION ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

Action Items

Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was moved by Commissioner Reinhardt, seconded by Commissioner Clasen. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

A motion to approve the minutes from the March 22, 2023, Meeting was moved by Commissioner Karwoski, seconded by Commissioner Clasen. All in favor. Motion carried.

GLJPB Legal Counsel, John Ristad, gave an overview of Amendment #5, explaining the amendment will authorize funding through Met Council for the remainder of the year.

Approval of Amendment #5 to the Gold Line Joint Powers Board Capital Grant Agreement for Engineering and Construction of the Metro Gold Line with the Metropolitan Council.

Motion by Commissioner Reinhardt to approve, seconded by Commissioner Karwoski, to approve Amendment #5 to the Gold Line Joint Powers Board Capital Grant agreement. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Amendment #1 to the Gold Line Joint Powers Board Bylaws.

John Ristad, explained this Amendment was presented at the previous meeting as required under article 10. The overview of the Amendment is the first meeting of the year not having to take place in the month of January, providing flexibility in scheduling as well as the appointment of the Chair nomination.

Motion by Commissioner Karwoski, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt, to approve Amendment #1 to the Gold Line Joint Powers Board Bylaws. Roll call vote; all in favor. Motion carried.

INFORMATION/UPDATES

Joint Powers Board Roles and Responsibilities - Overview of Organizational Documents

John Ristad Highlighted the four documents that govern the Gold Line.

1. Joint Powers Agreement
2. Bylaws
3. Executive Change Control Board Operating Procedures
4. Capital Grant Agreement

He gave an overview of roles and responsibilities and how these documents are used.

He also went over emergency meeting definitions. A brief discussion took place, regarding reasons and situations when this may be needed.

Commissioner Reinhardt asked how many members are needed for an emergency meeting? This would require two commissioners. One from each of the Counties.

Gold Line Joint Powers Board Financial Update

Jamie Petersen, Washington County Finance staff, provided an update on both the Administrative Budget and the Capital Grant Agreement Budget (CGA). budget. On April 4th, 2023, the Federal Transit Administration authorized the use of federal funding for the Gold Line project. According to the current cash flow, the 2023 Gold Line Joint Powers Board Capital Grant Agreement is also under the execution of this agreement – meaning, another payment from the Joint Powers Board will not take place until at least September 2023. Current estimated amounts through 2023 show a total of \$17,045,801 of future Joint Powers Board payments in 2023.

Gold Line Joint Powers Board Communications and Government Relations Update

Brian McClung from Park Street Public provided a legislative update.

OTHER BUSINESS

Next Meeting – June 28, 2023, 11:00 am at the Gold Line Project Office, 121 7th Pl E #102, St. Paul, MN 55101.

ADJOURNMENT

*Motion by Commissioner Ortega, seconded by Commissioner Clasen to adjourn the meeting. All in favor.
Motion Carried.*

Meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Favreau, Clerk
