

A Resolution supporting Three Rivers Park District efforts to apply for federal funding in the 2024 Regional Solicitation Process

Date: November 20, 2023

Motion: Moved by: Lou Dzierzak Seconded by: Lou Miranda

WHEREAS; The Metropolitan Council released the 2024 Regional Solicitation application for metro agencies to apply for federal grant funding to construct and/ or reconstruct Multiuse Trails and Bicycle Facilities; and,

WHEREAS; Three Rivers Park District intends to submit 11 applications, for federal grant funding for construction and reconstruction on regional trails throughout Hennepin County; and,

WHEREAS; The projects include:

- CP Rail Regional Trail – North Segment (New Construction)
- CP Rail Regional Trail – Middle Segment (New Construction)
- CP Rail Regional Trail – South Segment (New Construction/Reconstruction)
- Crow River Regional Trail (New Construction)
- Dakota Rail – Luce Line Connector (New Construction)
- Lake Independence Regional Trail (Reconstruction)
- Medicine Lake Regional Trail – East Segment (Reconstruction)
- Medicine Lake Regional Trail – West Segment (Reconstruction)
- North Cedar Lake Regional Trail (Reconstruction)
- Shingle Creek Regional Trail (Reconstruction)
- West Mississippi River Regional Trail – East Segment (New Construction)

WHEREAS; These projects are consistent with the 2040 Hennepin County Bicycle Transportation Plan; Pedestrian Plan; Complete and Green Streets Policy; Climate Action Plan; and,

WHEREAS; Physically separated trails and bicycle facilities provide greater safety and comfort for people riding bikes, walking and rolling; and,

WHEREAS, trails connecting as directly as possible to destinations are recognized as preferable; and,

WHEREAS; The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee (ATC) has reviewed the proposed application efforts and discussed its merits with County staff;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED;

The Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee supports Three Rivers Park District in efforts to secure federal funds through the Metropolitan Council's Regional Solicitation process.

Hennepin County Active Transportation Committee:

Tammy McLemore – District 1	Aye	Larissa Lavrov – District 4	Aye
Gilbert Odonkor – District 1	Absent	Courtney Costigan – District 5	Aye
Jenny Ackerson – District 2	Aye	Lou Dzierzak – District 5	Aye
Billy Binder – District 2	Aye	Luke Van Santen – District 6	Aye
Dave Carlson – District 3	Aye	Lou Miranda – District 6	Aye
Laura Groenjes Mitchell – District 3	Aye	Greg Anderson – District 7	Absent
Haley Foydel – District 4	Aye	Lee Newman – District 7	Aye

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Attest: 

Jordan Kocak, Hennepin County Pedestrian & Bicycle Coordinator