

RESOLUTION

Board of Hennepin County Commissioners

RESOLUTION: 25-0167

At a meeting of the Board of Hennepin County Commissioners, a motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, and seconded by Commissioner Goettel, that the Resolution be adopted. The motion passed.

WHEREAS, service for Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit began on March 22, 2025, as a mostly dedicated transitway between Woodbury and downtown St. Paul; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Council has, through the Metro Transit Capital Improvement Plan, recommended the establishment of a Gold Line Extension with services to and through downtown Minneapolis; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Council is in the process of amending the Transportation Policy Plan to add the Gold Line Extension; and

WHEREAS, public outreach has been done through the Minnesota Department of Transportation's Rethinking I-94 study and the Metro Transit Network Now study; and

WHEREAS, public engagement will continue in 2025 to gather community input on station locations, preliminary designs, project impacts, and ensuring the extension aligns with local needs and priorities; and

WHEREAS, Hennepin County requests that the Metropolitan Council evaluates transit priority improvements along the project route to ensure a fast and reliable transit system.

Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners supports the Gold Line Extension and supports Metro Transit continuing with community engagement, the development of preliminary and final plans, and right-of-way acquisition necessary for the construction of the Gold Line Extension project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution adopted by the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners be forwarded to the Metropolitan Council for its consideration.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED ON 5/6/2025

The question was on the adoption of the resolution with the votes as follows:

Aye: 7 Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Greene, Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Lunde, Commissioner Edelson, Commissioner Anderson, and Commissioner Goettel

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