

To: Riverview Corridor Policy Advisory Committee

From: Riverview Corridor Project Staff

RE: Community Advisory Committee and Station Area Planning Task Force Appointments

Date: July 8, 2021

Introduction

On April 1, 2021, The Riverview Modern Streetcar Project's Policy Advisory Committee appointed members to serve the project's Community Advisory Committee and Station Area Planning Task Force to advise technical staff and policymakers during the Environmental and Pre-Engineering (EPE) Phase of the project. To provide the Policy Advisory Committee with the broadest and most representative input, member recommendations focused on providing broad geographic representation, racial and cultural diversity, and representation of businesses, residents and transit users.

The list of appointed members was recommended by subgroups of the Policy Advisory Committee who reviewed applications in January and again in March 2021. Both subgroups recommended that the Policy Advisory Committee remain open to the possibility of adding additional Community Advisory Committee or Station Area Planning Task Force members in the future to address gaps in representation.

Recent Membership Changes

Shortly after the Policy Advisory Committee meeting on April 1, staff was notified that Amelia English is a candidate to join the Community Advisory Committee. Amelia is a Minneapolis resident who has worked at the Mall of America for over 20 years, the majority of which she was car-free, biking and taking the light rail to work. Amelia's appointment to the Community Advisory Committee would help to fill the gap in representation from the Bloomington area.

In late June, Adam Yust notified staff that he was resigning from the Community Advisory Committee effective immediately.

Also in June, staff was notified that Nate Hurse was a candidate to join the Station Area Planning Task Force. Nate is a Highland resident who lives near West 7th Street. Nate's appointment to the Station Area Planning Task Force would help fill the gap in racial and cultural diversity among its members.

Both applications were reviewed by the Policy Advisory Committee subgroups who endorsed appointment of both to the respective committees.

Recommended Policy Advisory Committee Action

- Approve the appointment of Amelia English to the Community Advisory Committee and Nate Hurse to the Station Area Planning Task Force as recommended by Policy Advisory Committee subgroups.