

Transportation Finance and Policy Committee
Tuesday, March 15, 2022
3:00 PMLivestream YouTube

Minutes

Present: Senator Scott J. Newman - Chair, Senator John R. Jasinski - Vice Chair, Senator Jim Carlson, Senator Julia E. Coleman, Senator D. Scott Dibble, Senator Jeff R. Howe, Senator Ann M. Johnson Stewart, Senator Susan Kent, Senator Mary Kiffmeyer, Senator Jennifer A. McEwen, Senator David J. Osmeck, Senator Eric R. Pratt

Absent: No Members Absent

Senator Scott J. Newman called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

S.F. 3859: Senator Chamberlain: Municipal approval requirement for guideway plans.

Testifiers:

Bill Collins

Tim David

Diana Longrie

Judd Schetnan, Government Affairs Director, Metropolitan Council

Nick Thompson, Assistant General Manager for Capital Projects, Metropolitan Council

Senator Newman moved that S.F. 3859, be laid over and maybe considered for omnibus bill.

S.F. 3991: Senator Coleman: Metropolitan Council publishing of monthly ridership numbers and quarterly crime statistics requirement.

Testifiers:

Nick Thompson, Assistant General Manager for Capital Projects, Metropolitan Council

Senator Coleman has the A-1 author's amendment.

A-1 author's amendment passes voice vote.

A-1 author's amendment is adopted.

Senator Newman moved that S.F. 3991, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 3494: Senator Kiffmeyer: Commissioner of Transportation and the Metropolitan Council request approval to discontinue Northstar passenger rail operations requirement.

Testifiers:

Scott Schulte, Chair, Anoka County Board of Commissioners

Scott Kickok, Community Development Director, City of Fridley

Judd Schetnan, Government Affairs Director, Metropolitan Council

Senator Kiffmeyer has the A-1 author's amendment.

A-1 author's amendment passes voice vote.

A-1 author's amendment is adopted.

Senator Newman moved that S.F. 3494, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

S.F. 3992: Senator Osmek: Metropolitan Council's authority suspension to take action or spend money on proposed guideways.

Testifiers:

Irene Fernando, Commissioner, Hennepin County

Senator Newman moved that S.F. 3992, be laid over and maybe considered for omnibus bill.

S.F. 3990: Senator Pratt: Metropolitan Council issuance of certificates of participation in certain situations prohibition; host county funding of specified aspects of guideways requirement.

Testifiers:

Irene Fernando, Commissioner, Hennepin County

Jim McDonough, Commissioner, Ramsey County

Judd Schetnan, Government Affairs Director, Metropolitan Council

Senator Pratt has the A-1 author's amendment.

A-1 author's amendment passes voice vote.

A-1 author's amendment is adopted.

Senator Newman moved that S.F. 3990, as amended, laid over for possible inclusion in the omnibus bill.

Senator Newman passes the gavel to Senator Jasinski.

S.F. 3989: Senator Newman: Guideway cost-benefit analysis requirement.

Senator Newman moved that S.F. 3989, be laid over and maybe considered for omnibus bill.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.



Senator Scott J. Newman, Chair



Matt Wooldridge, Legislative Assistant