

T&PW - Your Committee recommends approval of the Access Minneapolis: Downtown Ten-Year Transportation Action Plan, as set forth in Petn No 272107 on file in the office of the City Clerk, with the following directions:

- 1) That references pertaining to the proposed four options listed for the East-West transit spine be replaced with the following language: "Continue to explore multiple options or combinations of sub-options to serve and improve the East-West transit spine."
- 2) That staff further explore with Metro Transit, the Bicycle Advisory Committee, bicycle community, and others as appropriate to allow:
 - a) Bicycles on Nicollet Mall all the time as part of the 2nd and Marquette dual bus lane improvement; and
 - b) Bicycles to use the 2nd and Marquette dual bus lanes during off-peak periods; and
 - c) Reallocation of the five feet of space shown in the plan as bike lane on 2nd and Marquette Avenues to the sidewalk area in order to provide an improved pedestrian-way for green landscaping, transit amenities, and front door hotel guest drop-off bays; and
 - d) Exploration of 24 hour-a-day bike use of the bus passing lanes on 2nd and Marquette Avenues, including through implementation of a pilot project.
- 3) That City staff work with Metro Transit to accelerate the implementation of all hybrid buses on the Nicollet Mall (currently shown as five years in the plan) to more quickly bring relief from bus noise and odor issues for the pedestrian, bicyclist, and dining environment while still meeting the local and visitor transit needs.

Gordon moved that the report be amended by adding the following language: "That staff be directed to explore new designs for bicycle facilities/treatments, including, but not limited to, bicycle lanes between the parking lane and sidewalk, curbed bicycle lanes and bicycle signalization, and identify appropriate locations, in downtown if possible, for testing these designs." Seconded.

Adopted upon a voice vote.

Goodman moved to amend recommendation #2 in the report by deleting the phrase "further explore" and inserting in lieu thereof, "implement" as applied to 2a, 2b, and 2c. Seconded.

Adopted upon a voice vote.

Goodman moved that Petn No 272107 referred to in the report be amended by adding to the list of "Transit Challenges in Downtown" on page 16 of the Plan, the following language: "The perception and reality of safety at bus stops and on routes." Seconded.

Adopted upon a voice vote.
Declining to vote - Colvin Roy.

Goodman moved that staff be directed to involve a Project Steering Committee, to include members of the business community, residents, business associations, neighborhood organizations, and others from appropriate subgroups when there is a modification or adjustment to the Access Minneapolis Plan that will impact bus routes, lane configuration, pedestrian and bike plans. Seconded.

Hodges moved to amend the motion to read as follows:

That staff be directed to involve a the Project Steering Committee, ~~to include~~ including members of the business community, residents, business associations, neighborhood organizations, and others from appropriate subgroups when there is a modification or adjustment to the Access Minneapolis Plan that will impact bus routes, lane configuration, pedestrian and bike plans.

Adopted upon a voice vote.

Goodman's motion, as amended, was adopted upon a voice vote.

Goodman moved that IGR and legal staff be directed to change the City's policy that only sworn police officers may direct traffic exiting buildings and draft language to allow a suitable, non-sworn officer to perform these duties. Seconded.

Ostrow moved to amend the motion to read as follows:

That the appropriate IGR and legal staff bring forward necessary changes to the City's policies that only sworn police officers may direct traffic exiting buildings and draft language to allow a suitable non-sworn officer to perform those duties. Any ordinance changes shall be introduced at the July 20, 2007 City Council meeting, and any state law changes shall be incorporated into the City's 2008 legislative agenda. Seconded.

Adopted upon a voice vote.

Goodman's motion, as amended, was adopted upon a voice vote.

Goodman moved that staff be directed to complete a pedestrian and bike plan, with implementation steps, timeline, and funding source, and include this plan in the Access Minneapolis: Ten-Year Transportation Action Plan within one year. Seconded.

Colvin Roy moved to amend the motion to delete the phrase "one year", and insert in lieu thereof, "December 31, 2008." Seconded.

Adopted upon a voice vote.

Ostrow moved to amend the motion to delete the phrase "funding source" and insert in lieu thereof "potential funding sources." Seconded.

Adopted upon a voice vote.

Goodman's motion, as amended, was adopted upon a voice vote.

Goodman moved that Petn No 272107 referred to in the report be amended to add the condition that Metro Transit remove buses from Nicollet Mall from 6:30 p.m. to midnight daily, between May 1 and October 31, except for those buses that are both hybrid AND free to all riders on Nicollet Mall after the realignment on Marquette and 2nd Avenues is complete. Seconded.

Lilligren moved to call the question on Goodman's motion. Seconded.
Adopted upon a voice vote.

Goodman's motion lost. Yeas, 6; Nays, 7 as follows:
Yeas - Benson, Goodman, Hofstede, Schiff, Remington, Johnson.
Nays - Hodges, Samuels, Gordon, Ostrow, Lilligren, Colvin Roy, Glidden.

Goodman moved that Petn No 272107 referred to in the report be amended to remove 8th Street from future consideration as an East-West transit spine option and to reconsider 4th Street for the East-West transit spine. Seconded.

Benson moved to separate the motion so as to consider separately (a) that portion relating to the reconsideration of 4th Street as the East-West transit spine and (b) that portion relating to the removal of 8th Street from consideration as the East-West transit spine. Seconded.
Adopted upon a voice vote.

Portion (a) of the motion relating to the reconsideration of 4th Street as the East-West transit spine was adopted upon a voice vote.

Goodman withdrew portion (b) of the motion.

The report, as amended, was adopted 6/29/2007. Yeas, 12; Nays, 1 as follows:
Yeas - Benson, Hodges, Samuels, Gordon, Hofstede, Ostrow, Schiff, Lilligren, Colvin Roy, Glidden, Remington, Johnson.
Nays - Goodman.