

DESTINATION MEDICAL CENTER CORPORATION

RESOLUTION NO. 89-2019

Amending Prior Approval of Downtown Circulator Locally Preferred Alternative and Revising Project Development Funding for the Entry Letter into the Federal Transit Administration's Small Starts Program

The following Resolution was offered by James V. Bier, seconded by Nick Campion.

BACKGROUND RECITALS

A. On October 18, 2019, the Destination Medical Center Corporation ("DMCC") considered the route alignment and mode for the downtown transit circulator (the "Downtown Circulator") and adopted a locally preferred alternative ("Locally Preferred Alternative") for route and alignment (2nd Street and Broadway) and mode (bus rapid transit, or "BRT"), subject to approval by the City of Rochester (the "City") (Resolution No. 87-2019). The City subsequently approved the Locally Preferred Alternative on October 21, 2019. The DMCC also adopted a joint staff recommendation from the City and the Destination Medical Center Economic Development Agency ("EDA"), and approved \$3.872 million from the 2020 Capital Improvement Plan for the further design, engineering, environmental studies, additional analysis and application to the Federal Transit Administration Small Starts Program (the "FTA Small Starts Program") for funding of the Downtown Circulator. The DMCC further acknowledged that the Five Year Capital Improvement Plan contained \$7.59 million for furthering the project in 2021.

B. Staff has learned that additional transit projects identified in the Five Year Capital Improvement Plan may be eligible for funding through the FTA Small Starts Program. By memorandum dated November 6, 2019 (attached, Exhibit A), City and EDA staff now recommend that three additional project features be added to the application for the FTA Small Starts Program: 2nd Street Reconstruction and Streetscape; Saint Marys Transit Center and Subway Connection; and the East Parking Ramp (the "Additional Proposed Project Features"). Staff also recommend that the Five Year Capital Improvement Plan be amended to increase the 2021 budget to reflect an additional \$2.343 million to proceed with the next stages of development and engineering arising from the Additional Proposed Project Features, in order to include them in the Entry Letter into the FTA Small Starts Program.

RESOLUTION

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Destination Medical Center Corporation Board of Directors that it approves the addition of the following four project features (2nd Street Reconstruction and Streetscape; Saint Marys Transit Center and Subway Connection; the East Parking Ramp; and the costs of demolition for a parking ramp or ramps or other related site development), previously identified in the Five Year Capital Improvement Plan, for inclusion in an entry letter along with the Downtown Circulator Locally Preferred Alternative, to the FTA

Small Starts Program, subject to approval by the Rochester City Council. These four additional proposed features, together, referred to as “Amended Additional Proposed Project Features”.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that staff is directed to proceed with the engineering, project development and other studies necessary to prepare the submission of the Amended Additional Proposed Project Features to the FTA Small Starts Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Five Year Capital Improvement Plan is amended to include the total 2020-2021 budget in the amount of \$13.805 million, for the further design, engineering, environmental studies, additional analysis and application to the FTA Small Starts Program, and is approved in the amount of \$3.872 million in the 2020 Capital Improvement Plan, and in the amount of \$9.933 million in the 2021 Capital Improvement Plan, subject to approval by the Rochester City Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that staff is directed to recommend a revised Five Year Capital Improvement Plan budget to reflect this amendment, encompassing the Downtown Circulator Locally Preferred Alternative and the Amended Additional Proposed Project Features, and submit it to the DMCC at its next regular Board meeting, for its consideration and subsequent consideration by the Rochester City Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon receiving a request from the City to modify the Development District to incorporate the Downtown Circulator Locally Preferred Alternative or the Amended Additional Proposed Project Features, as set forth above, the Executive Committee is authorized to commence the modification process under Minnesota Statutes Section 469.43, subdivisions 1 and 4, including submitting the proposed modification to the City, making it available to the public, and arranging a public hearing. Any proposed modification will be considered by the DMCC after City approval and after holding a public hearing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the further evaluation, analysis, planning and recommendations with respect to the Downtown Circulator Locally Preferred Alternative and the Amended Additional Proposed Project Features, including preparation for and submission to the Federal Transit Administration, are deemed to be arising from and in furtherance of the Integrated Transit Studies, and the DMCC approves this work as a public infrastructure project within the meaning of Minnesota Statutes Section 469.40, subdivision 11, and consistent with the Development Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Committee is authorized to take such actions as are necessary and appropriate to effectuate the terms of this resolution and the timely progression of the approval process.

The question was on the adoption of the Resolution and there were 6 YEAS and 1 NAYS, as follows:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Destination Medical Center Corporation

	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>OTHER</u>
James V. Bier	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
James R. Campbell	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Nick Campion	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Michael E. Dougherty	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Kim Norton	_____	<u>X</u>	_____
R.T. Rybak	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Paul D. Williams	<u>X</u>	_____	_____

RESOLUTION ADOPTED on November 12, 2019.



ATTEST: _____
R.T. Rybak, Chair
Destination Medical Center Corporation

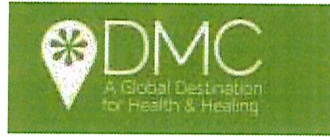


EXHIBIT A

November 6, 2019

TO: Destination Medical Center Corporation Board of Directors
FROM: Patrick Seeb, DMC Director of Economic Development and Placemaking
Aaron Parrish, Deputy City Administrator
RE: Revised Entry Letter Resolution

The Destination Medical Center Corporation (October 18th, 2019) and Rochester City Council (October 21st) have adopted resolutions approving the locally preferred alternative for a high amenity Rapid Transit Line on Broadway and 2nd Street Southwest. In addition to the locally preferred alternative, funding was designated in the resolution to complete project development and the necessary environmental review in 2020.

Since those approvals were granted, staff determined that additional transit projects identified in the DMC Five Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) may be eligible for funding through the FTA Small Starts Program. We recommend that three additional project features be added to the entry letter for the FTA Small Starts Program: 2nd Street Reconstruction and Streetscape; Saint Marys Transit Center and Subway Connection; and the East Parking Ramp. Staff also recommend that the Five Year DMC CIP be amended to increase the 2021 budget to reflect an additional \$2.343 million to proceed with the next stages of development and engineering arising from the inclusion of these projects in order to have them reflected in the Entry Letter into the FTA Small Starts Program.

Below is a summary of the funding that was authorized and the requested revision:

Project Development Funds Authorized	2020	2021
Original Resolution	\$3,872,000	\$7,590,000
Requested Revision	\$3,872,000	\$9,933,000

Including these projects in the FTA entry letter does not obligate the DMC Corp. board to proceed with a specific project feature, but it does define the full scope that will be considered during the environmental review. Final DMCC-approved project features will need to be reflected in the Small Starts application to the FTA in September 2020.

Attached is a summary of key milestones for various project features including the Transit Villages.