



## Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

**Date:** September 14, 2010  
**To:** Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee  
**Subject:** **Metropolitan Council Draft 2030 Transportation Policy Plan Update**

**Recommendation:**

Approve and submit comments on the Metropolitan Council Draft 2030 Transportation Policy Plan Update

**Previous Directives:**

November 6, 2008: City Council approved and submitted comments on the previous version of the Metropolitan Council Draft 2030 Transportation Policy Plan Update

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**Reviews**

Permanent Review Committee (PRC):	Approval ____	Date _____
Civil Rights Approval	Approval ____	Date _____
Policy Review Group (PRG):	Approval ____	Date _____

**Community Impact**

Neighborhood Notification: Not Applicable  
City Goals: CONNECTED COMMUNITIES  
Comprehensive Plan: Not Applicable  
Zoning Code: Not Applicable

## **Background/Supporting Information**

Metropolitan Council is seeking public comments on a draft update to the 2030 Transportation Policy Plan (TPP), the region's long-range plan for transportation investment. The TPP is required by federal law to be updated every four years, and the previous update was completed in 2008. This update in advance of the four-year cycle is needed to incorporate significant revisions to the Highway chapter, based on results from the Metropolitan Highway System Investment Study (MHSIS), which evaluated options for long-term congestion mitigation and strategies for increasing capacity within the metro-area highway system, and significant revisions to the Aviation chapter, based upon the recently adopted 2030 long-term comprehensive plan for the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport. It also includes minor changes to other chapters.

Metropolitan Council has adopted a draft plan for public review and comments through October 7, 2010, which is available online at: <http://www.metrocouncil.org/planning/transportation/TPP/2010/index.htm>. Metropolitan Council is holding a series of informational open houses in late August and early September, and a public hearing is scheduled for September 27, 2010. Final adoption by Metropolitan Council is scheduled for November 2010.

CPED and Public Works staff has compiled the attached comments for city council approval and submission to the Metropolitan Council.

Attachments: Draft Comments on 2030 TPP Update