

Union Park District Council Transportation Committee Meeting

Monday, 02.09.2026, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm, Via Zoom

Committee Members Present: Lisa Nelson, April King, Barb Thoman, Scott Berger, Allen Saunders, Jim Johnson, Mary Morse Marti

Guests:

Staff: Leah Timberlake Sullivan, Finley, Everett

1. Agenda and Minutes

- Approve Agenda and Minutes, moved scott second barb. Approved unanimously.

2. Updates and Open Forum


- New Skyline Tower representative. Skyline is still recovering from water damage last year.
- Working w/ Pastor Fryer & County on mental health support
- Letter sent out about I-94. Discussion of sending out more letters to mailing list when UPDC takes a position or takes an important action
- Executive Committee approved working with some neighbors on developing a neighborhood relief fund
- Board discussed variances at United Village
- CIB proposals due Feb 20th talk to Scott if you need

3. Work Plan

- Needs to get done in February
- Discussion of Work plan
 - Engage with Snelling & Selby businesses - may be able to do this as part of 10 year planning process.
 - Topics for another year - parking meters.
- Scott moves to approve amended work plan, Mary seconds, approved unanimously.

4. Rethinking I-94

- Barb suggests writing and sending a letter from UPDC:
 - Oppose expansion, want them to study the boulevard, flawed modeling, conformity w/ NEPA & MEPA , traffic evaporation
 - Asking them to extend comment period. Get other DCs, elected officials, etc. Clear metric of end point?
 - Our streets is preparing a letter focusing on ICE occupation affecting
 - District councils are involved in responding to ice and haven't been able to respond
 - 3 months past some proxy for when ice leaves - when federal employees return to work at the whipple building?
 - Letter should also go to governor
 - Ask to suspend process entirely and restart when it's safe for people to attend state run public meetings.
- Suspension of public comment period until drawdown and community members feel comfortable Security of city stabilized

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- Motion to draft letter based on previous, with additional info as discussed above, to be approved by board, Motion scott, second Barb, to go to the board. Approved unanimously.
 - Barb moves, scott seconds. Letter to ask for suspension of comment period to go through exec. Passed unanimously.

Adjourned: 8:11 pm

Next Meeting:

Next meeting Monday February 9th, 2025 via zoom.