Action Transmittal

Transportation Advisory Board

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

Committee meeting date: November 4, 2026 **Date:** October 28, 2026

Action Transmittal: 2026-50

Program-Year Extension Request: Hennepin County Lyndale Ave South (CSAH 22) Reconstruction

To: Technical Advisory Committee

From: TAC Funding & Programming Committee

Prepared by: Joe Barbeau, Planning Analyst, 651-602-1750

Requested action

Hennepin County requests a program year extension to move its Lyndale Avenue South (CSAH 22) reconstruction project from 2027 to 2028.

Recommended motion

Recommend that the Transportation Advisory Board approve Hennepin County's request to move its Lyndale Avenue South (CSAH 22) reconstruction project from 2027 to 2028.

Project history

This project has not had any scope changes or program year changes.

Background and purpose

Hennepin County was awarded $7,000,000 in the 2022 Regional Solicitation to reconstruct Lyndale Avenue South (CSAH 22) from Lake Street (CSAH 3) to Franklin Avenue (CSAH 5) in Minneapolis (SP# 027-622-006).

The county is requesting that the project be moved from program year 2027 to 2028. The rationale for the requested extension is that an extended public engagement process exceeded typical timelines and ultimately delayed project development.

Relationship to regional policy

The Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) adopted the Program Year Policy in April 2013 (last updated in February 2025) to assist with management and timely delivery of transportation projects awarded federal funding through the TAB's Regional Solicitation. The policy includes a procedure to request one extension of one-year based on extenuating circumstances within certain guidelines along with the ability to request an exception to the policy to go beyond a one-time and/or one-year extension of there are extraordinary circumstances. The applicant is requesting a standard one-year extension for the first time with this project.

Staff analysis

This is a one-year request that is being made for the first time on this project. The Regional Program Year Policy states that the information under "Project Progress" (see page 5) will determine whether a project is eligible for an extension. This project is on track for 2028

completion. Therefore, staff recommends approval of the request.

An extension of the program year does not guarantee federal funding will be available in the new program year. If the request is approved, the project sponsor is responsible for completing the project in the new program year (2028) and covering the federal share of the project until federal funding becomes available. At this time the project would be in line for 2030 reimbursement of federal funds, though an earlier reimbursement may occur if funding becomes available.

Committee comments and actions

At its October 22, 2026, meeting the TAC Funding & Programming Committee recommended that the Technical Advisory Committee recommend approval of Hennepin County's request to move its Lyndale Avenue South (CSAH 22) reconstruction project from 2027 to 2028.

Routing

To	Action Requested	Date Completed *(Scheduled)*
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review and recommend	*October 22, 2026*
Technical Advisory Committee	Review and recommend	*November 4, 2026*
Transportation Advisory Board	Review and adopt	*November 18, 2026*

Hennepin County

Public Works

September 22, 2026

Mr. Jim Kosluchar
Chair, TAC Funding and Programming Committee
Metropolitan Council
390 Robert Street North
St. Paul, MN 55101-1805

RE: PROGRAM YEAR EXTENSION REQUEST FOR SP 027-622-006

Hennepin County's Lyndale Ave South (CSAH 22) Reconstruction Project

Dear Mr. Kosluchar,

Hennepin County respectfully requests that the Technical Advisory Committee's Funding and Programming Committee consider a one-year program year extension for the Lyndale Avenue South (CSAH 22) Reconstruction Project (SP 027-622-006). The project limits extend from Lake Street (CSAH 3) to Franklin Avenue (CSAH 5) in the City of Minneapolis. The current program year is 2027, and the county is requesting an adjustment to 2028.

Through the 2022 Regional Solicitation, Hennepin County was awarded $7,000,000 in Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program funds for the 2027 program year. Following the award in 2023, project work began immediately due to significant community interest along the corridor. Because of the potential impacts of the reconstruction, Hennepin County conducted an extended public engagement process to ensure community and stakeholder feedback was meaningfully incorporated into the final concept. This extended engagement period exceeded typical project timelines and delayed preliminary design completion and subsequent project development. Layout approval for the final concept was received in July 2026, allowing remaining project development efforts to move forward. This extension request reflects our commitments to the community and aligns with our intent to begin construction in calendar year 2028.

Shifting the program year from 2027 to 2028 minimizes community impacts by avoiding 2027 construction projects in the area and will allow for adequate time to complete remaining project development tasks—including right-of-way acquisition and environmental review—which were delayed due to the extended engagement period.

For these reasons, Hennepin County requests the TAC Funding and Programming Committee's support in extending the Lyndale Avenue South (CSAH 22) Reconstruction Project program year from 2027 to 2028. If additional information is needed, please contact me at (612) 596-0820 or Josh.Potter@hennepin.us.

Sincerely,



Josh Potter

CC: Colleen Brown, MnDOT Federal Aid

Joe Barbeau, Metropolitan Council

Attachments: Attachment 01 - Project Location Map

Attachment 02 – Minneapolis Letter of Support

Attachment 03 – MnDOT Letter of Support

Attachment 04 – Metro Transit Letter of Support

Hennepin County Public Works
Public Works Facility, 1600 Prairie Drive, Medina, MN 55340
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PROGRESS SCHEDULE FOR PROGRAM YEAR EXTENSION

Enter request date: September 22, 2026

1. Project Background (Project description, federal cost, non-federal cost, current program year, original program year):

The project will reconstruct Lyndale Avenue (CSAH 22) from Lake Street (CSAH 3) to Franklin Avenue (CSAH 5) in the City of Minneapolis. Federal funding was awarded as part of the 2022 Regional Solicitation and is tracked under SP 027-622-006. The total construction costs are currently estimated to be $18,195,000 based on 2026-2029 STIP/TIP. Per the notice of award, Hennepin County anticipates $7 million in federal funds, with the remainder of the project costs covered by local funds. The current program year is 2027 and the county is requesting a one year extension to 2028.

2. Project Progress; Requests must include an agency's anticipated schedule:
   - Environmental document approval date or anticipated approval date 9/3/2027
   - 100% plan approval date or anticipated approval date 12/17/2027
   - Right-of-way certificate approval date or anticipated approval date 11/19/2027

3. Justification for Extension Request. Please describe the circumstances of this request.

What circumstances have led to the need for an extension? What is unique about this project that requires an extension of the program year?

Following the award in 2023, project work began immediately due to significant community interest along the corridor. Because of the potential impacts of the reconstruction, Hennepin County conducted an extended public engagement process to ensure community and stakeholder feedback was meaningfully incorporated into the final concept. This extended engagement period exceeded typical project timelines and delayed preliminary design completion and subsequent project development. Layout approval for the final concept was received in July 2026, allowing remaining project development efforts to move forward towards starting construction in 2028.

What are the implications if the project does not obtain the requested extension? (e.g., withdraw the project, attempt to complete the project on time)?

If this program year extension request is not approved, the project's development timeline will become unattainable, and the project will need to be withdrawn. Hennepin County, in collaboration with the City of Minneapolis and Metro Transit, has invested significant resources to achieve an approved layout while honoring the commitment made to the public to begin construction in 2028. Ending this project would require additional adjustments to the county's and city's Capital Improvement Programs.

Will delaying the project negatively impact the affected area (e.g., would a longer delay allow for dangerous conditions to persist)? Are there interim steps that can be taken to address the project and mitigate impacts in the interim?

Delaying the project would undermine commitments made to the community to begin construction in 2028. Approving this Program Year Extension Request will help minimize community impacts, especially given other nearby improvement projects scheduled for 2027 (such as CSAH 33/Park Avenue and CSAH 35/Portland Avenue improvements, and the Franklin Avenue reconstruction). The project team will also coordinate closely with other programmed projects in 2028–2029, including the City of Minneapolis's reconstruction of 35th and 36th Streets from Blaisdell Avenue to Chicago Avenue, to further reduce disruptions.

CSAH 22 (Lyndale Ave) Reconstruction Project

Attachment 01 | Project Location Map

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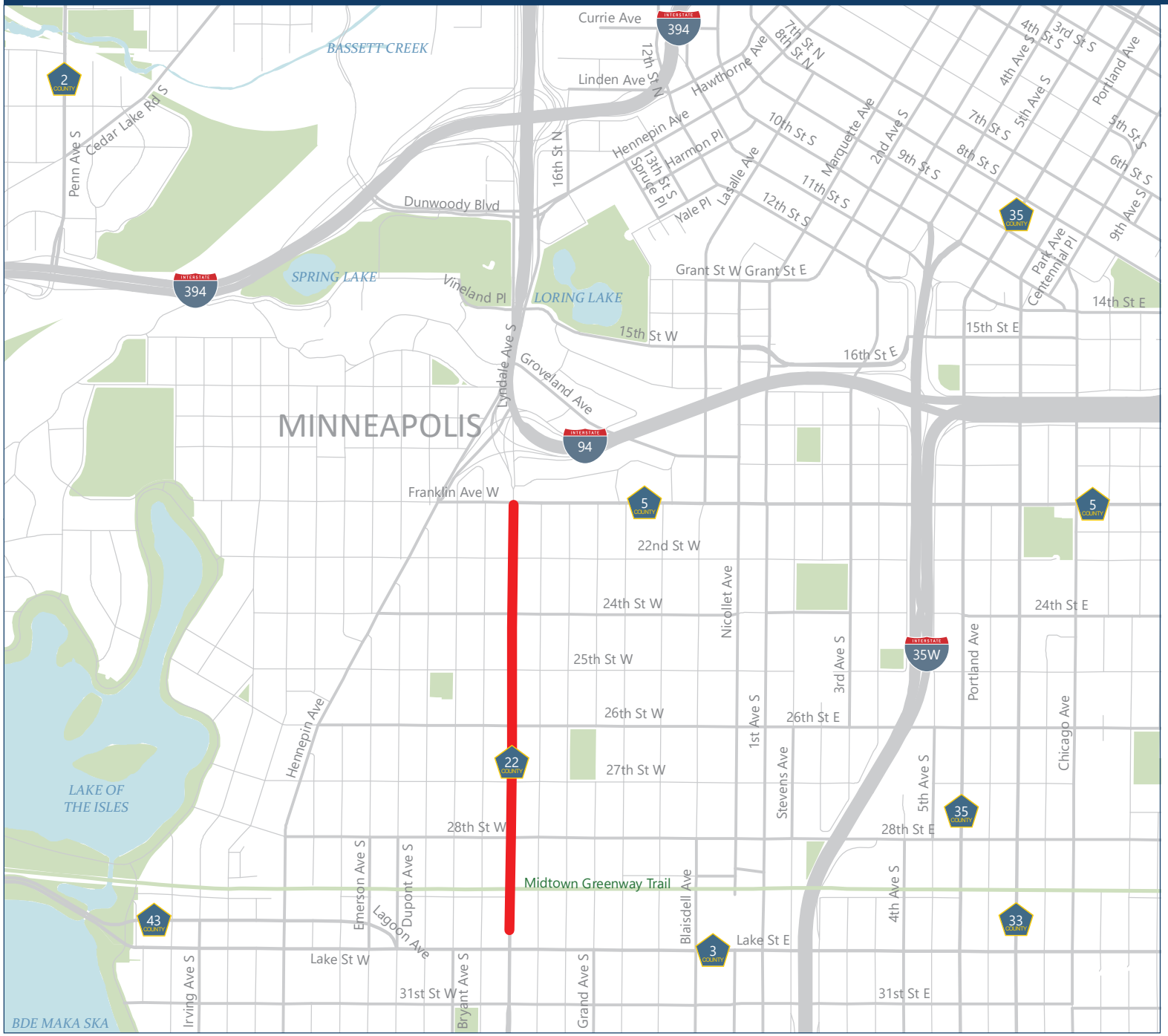

Key

Project Location

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Disclaimer: This map (i) is furnished "AS IS" with no representation as to completeness or accuracy; (ii) is furnished with no warranty of any kind; and (iii) is not suitable for legal, engineering or surveying purposes. Hennepin County shall not be liable for any damage, injury or loss resulting from this map.

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Attachment 2

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August 21, 2026

Mr. Jim Kosluchar
Chair, TAC Funding and Programming
390 Robert Street North
St. Paul, MN 55101

RE: Program Year Extension Request for Lyndale Avenue (SP 027-622-006)

Mr. Kosluchar:

The City of Minneapolis supports Hennepin County's request for a program year extension for the County's Lyndale Avenue (CSAH 22) reconstruction project. The County's request involves rescheduling this project from program year 2027 to program year 2028.

In 2022, Hennepin County was awarded $7 million in State Transportation Block Grant Program (STBGP) federal funding as part of the Regional Solicitation to reconstruct Lyndale Avenue (CSAH 22) from 29th Street to Franklin Avenue (CSAH 5) in the City of Minneapolis (as tracked under SP 027-622-006). Since being awarded the funding, Hennepin County's Lyndale Avenue reconstruction project has required additional time for public engagement and evaluation of concept alternatives. Of specific note has been consideration of Metro Transit's Arterial Bus Rapid Transit (ABRT) Plan Update that identified Lyndale Avenue (CSAH 22) as a candidate for the future L Line. A resolution of support for the Lyndale Avenue Reconstruction project from the City of Minneapolis was published on July 25, 2026, and represents a key milestone for minimizing risks and uncertainties as the project advances into final design.

Additionally, rescheduling the Lyndale Avenue (CSAH 22) reconstruction project will allow for improved coordination with other nearby City of Minneapolis, Hennepin County, and MnDOT-led projects in the 2026-2030 timeframe to minimize the extent and duration of construction impacts within the Uptown area.

We look forward to continued coordination with Hennepin County to improve Lyndale Avenue (CSAH 22) for all users.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Mayell, AICP
Director of Transportation Planning and Programming, Minneapolis Public Works

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

MnDOT Metro District
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Roseville, MN 55113

8/3/2026

Mr. Jim Kosluchar
Chair, TAC Funding and Programming
390 Robert Street North
St. Paul, MN 55101

RE: Program Year Extension Request for Lyndale Avenue (SP 027-622-006)

Dear Mr. Kosluchar,

This letter documents MnDOT Metro District's support for the Hennepin County's request for a program year extension for the county's Lyndale Avenue (CSAH 22) reconstruction project. The county's request involves rescheduling this project from program year 2027 to program year 2028.

In 2022, Hennepin County was awarded $7 million in State Transportation Block Grant Program (STBGP) federal funding as part of the Regional Solicitation to reconstruct Lyndale Avenue (CSAH 22) from 29th Street to Franklin Avenue (CSAH 5) in the City of Minneapolis (as tracked under SP 027-622-006). Since being awarded the funding, Hennepin County's Lyndale Avenue reconstruction project has required additional time for public engagement and evaluation of concept alternatives. Of specific note, has been consideration of Metro Transit's Arterial Bus Rapid Transit (ABRT) Plan Update, that identified Lyndale Avenue (CSAH 22) as a candidate for the future L Line. Municipal consent occurred on July 16, 2026, and represents a key milestone for minimizing risks and uncertainties as the project advances into final design.

Furthermore, rescheduling the Lyndale Avenue (CSAH 22) reconstruction project would allow for improved coordination with other nearby City of Minneapolis, Hennepin County, and MnDOT-led projects in the 2026-2030 timeframe; therefore, coordinating the location and duration of construction impacts within the Uptown area.

We look forward to continued coordination with Hennepin County to improve Lyndale Avenue (CSAH 22) for all users.

If you have questions or require additional information at this time, please reach out to me at Mackenzie.TurnerBargen@state.mn.us or 651-234-7879.

Sincerely,

Mackenzie Turner Bargen

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Mackenzie Turner Bargen
West Area Manager
MnDOT Metro District

CC:
Aaron Tag, Metro Program Management Director
Dan Erickson, Metro State Aid Engineer
Gina Mitteco, Planning Program Director

Attachment 4

Metro Transit
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8/11/2026

Mr. Jim Kosluchar
Chair, TAC Funding and Programming
390 Robert Street North
St. Paul, MN 55101

RE: Program Year Extension Request for Lyndale Avenue (SP 027-622-006)

Mr. Kosluchar:

Metro Transit supports Hennepin County's request for a program year extension for the county's Lyndale Avenue reconstruction project. The county's request involves rescheduling this project from program year 2027 to program year 2028.

In 2022, Hennepin County was awarded $7 million in State Transportation Block Grant Program federal funding as part of the Regional Solicitation to fully-reconstruct Lyndale Avenue from 29th Street to Franklin Avenue, part of a larger project that extends two additional blocks south to 31st Street. Hennepin County's Lyndale Avenue reconstruction project has required additional time to consider the needs of all users in the corridor, including transit riders. Municipal consent from Minneapolis occurred on July 16, 2026, and represents a key milestone for minimizing risks and uncertainties as the project advances into final design.

Rescheduling the Lyndale Avenue reconstruction project would allow for improved coordination with other nearby City of Minneapolis, Hennepin County, and MnDOT-led projects in the 2026-2030 timeframe. Additional coordination will help to mitigate the location and duration of construction impacts within this community.

We look forward to continued coordination with Hennepin County to improve Lyndale Avenue for all users.

Sincerely,

Katie Roth (Aug 13, 2026 11:07:15 CDT) 13/08/2026

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