

CITY OF NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA
CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2019-033
REQUESTING MINNESOTA STATE CAPITAL INVESTMENT BONDS FOR REGIONAL
TRANSIT HUB IN THE CITY OF NORTHFIELD

WHEREAS, Hiawathaland Transit, serving transit for Southeast Minnesota via Three Rivers Community Action, has been working with the City of Northfield and the Minnesota Department of Transportation to complete a transit hub station since the early 2000s. The transit station has been identified as a key priority in increasing ridership both in Northfield and connecting to neighboring communities including Lonsdale and Faribault; and

WHEREAS, the regional transit hub will include (public bathrooms and waiting area), access drive and parking lots to service this project; and

WHEREAS, the location is strategically located in the central part of the City of Northfield (a regional center) just off Highway 3. Additionally, the area surrounding the location has been identified as a likely redevelopment area and this project is expected to assist in spurring new economic development; and

WHEREAS, the City has already made major safety improvements by self-funding pedestrian crossing improvements in 2016 at their expense and MnDOT review and approval. The close proximity to major employment and destinations in downtown Northfield make this an ideal site for many reasons; and

WHEREAS, the City of Northfield has completed construction plans and specifications for transit hub and access drive. The parking lots proposed would need design completed. Phased development would be anticipated to begin as early as 2019 dependent upon funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL THAT:
The City of Northfield hereby requests State capital investment bond proceeds for a grant to the City of Northfield in the amount of \$2,500,000 for a grant to acquire real property; prepare the site, including any environmental remediation; and predesign, design, construct, furnish, and equip a regional transit hub.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Northfield on this 2nd day of April 2019.

ATTEST

City Clerk

Mayor

VOTE: ___ POWNELL ___ GRABAU ___ DELONG ___ NAKASIAN
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