

TRANSPORTATION FINANCE AND POLICY

MINUTES

Representative Koznick, Chair of the Transportation Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:01 PM on March 3rd, 2025, in Room 123 of the Capitol Building. A quorum was present.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll:

Members present:

KOZNICK, Jon, Chair  
MYERS, Andrew, Vice- Chair  
ANDERSON, Patti  
BERG, Kaela  
FOGELMAN, Marj  
GREENE, Julie  
JONES, Katie  
JOY, Jim  
KRAFT, Larry  
MURPHY, Tom  
OLSON, Bjorn  
REHM, Lucy  
SENCER-MURA, Samantha  
SKRABA, Roger  
TABKE, Brad

Non-voting member present:

KOEGEL, Erin, Lead

Members excused:

Representative Olson moved to approve the minutes of February 26, 2025. **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

**HF1214 (Hansen) Minneapolis; transportation advancement account funds directed to be used for suicide prevention measures on Washington Avenue Bridge.**

Chair Koznick moved **HF1214** be placed on the General Register.

Chair Koznick moved to adopt the A1 Amendment. **THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

The following individuals testified on **HF1214**:

MJ Weiss Blair, Mother of Kayla Rae Gaebel, co-founder of Kayla's HOPE  
Erich Mische, Chief Executive Officer, Suicide Awareness Voices of Education (SAVE)  
Riley Hetland, Student, University of Minnesota  
William Luther, Student, University of Minnesota  
Jeff Lunde, Commissioner, Hennepin County

Chair Koznick renewed the motion that HF1214, as amended, be placed on the General Register.

Representative Olson requested a roll call vote. The results were as follows:

AYES:

KOZNICK, Jon Chair  
MYERS, Andrew, Vice Chair  
ANDERSON, Patti  
BERG, Kaela  
FOGELMAN, Marj  
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On a vote of 15 Ayes and 0 Nays, **THE MOTION PREVAILED.**

**HF192 (Burkel) Requirements governing cost participation on trunk highway projects established, and money appropriated**

Chair Koznick moved **HF192** before the committee.

The following individuals testified on **HF192**:

Dan Fabian, Mayor, City of Roseau  
Mary Supple, Mayor, City of Richfield (on behalf of the League of Minnesota Cities  
Justin Femrite, Public Works Director/Chief Engineer, City of Elk River,  
April Graves, Mayor, City of Brooklyn Center  
Marcus Culver, Engineer, City of Brooklyn Park  
Phillip Schaffner, Director, Minnesota Department of Transportation

Chair Koznick laid over **HF192**.

**HF494 (West) ReConnect Rondo project expenditures prohibited.**

Chair Koznick moved HF494 before the committee.

Chair Koznick moved to adopt the A1 Amendment. **THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

Chair Koznick moved to adopt the A2 Amendment. **THE AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED.**

The following individuals testified on **HF494**:

John Phelan, Economist, Center of the American Experiment  
Rasheda Jenkins, President and Founder, Growth Industries  
Keith Baker, Executive Director, Reconnect Rondo  
Marvin Roger Anderson, Executive Director, Rondo Center of Diverse Expressions  
Sharon Garth, Community Chair, The Central Village Neighborhood and Park  
Robert Harper, Founder, RDTH Consulting  
Jonathan Palmer, Founder, Heros for Hire LLC

Chair Koznick laid over HF 494, as amended.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:52PM

  
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Representative Jon Koznick, Chair

  
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Cyndy Wallin, Committee Legislative Assistant