



Russ Stark
Chief Resilience Officer
City of Saint Paul
15 Kellogg Blvd. West
Saint Paul, MN 55102

March 14th, 2024

Dear Mr. Stark:

The City of Brooklyn Center strongly supports the Saint Paul and Minneapolis coalition's application for a Climate Pollution Reduction Grant (CPRG) to "Create a Regional Electric Vehicle Carshare Service."

The City of Brooklyn Center contains several Census tracts identified as "low-income or disadvantaged" for EPA Inflation Reduction Act programs such as CPRG. Brooklyn Center has a vibrant, diverse population. The City works closely with Metro Transit and other transit providers to provide affordable, sustainable transportation options for our residents and the many people who commute to Brooklyn Center. The Brooklyn Center Transportation Center is one of the busiest stations in the region, serving two Metro Transit Bus Rapid Transit lines.

While Metro Transit provides excellent service to this Transportation Center, many destinations are out of reach without access to a private vehicle.

Making electric carshare available to Brooklyn Center residents would help the City serve our residents and the many institutions in our City that people need to reach but cannot without a car.

Thus, we endorse the proposal to expand this proven, popular system to create a regional carshare system. However, the City of Brooklyn Center does not have any funding programmed in its Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for this project, and therefore, the City is unable to commit City cost participated in this project. Despite this, the City of Brooklyn Center looks forward to collaborating with the cities of Saint Paul and Minneapolis to do this work should this proposal be selected for funding.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Heyman, Public Works Director