



Experience LIFE in the Park

March 25, 2024

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

Dear Mr. Stark:

The City of St. Louis Park strongly supports the application by the coalition cities of Saint Paul and Minneapolis for a Climate Pollution Reduction Grant to "Create a Regional Electric Vehicle Carshare Service."

St. Louis Park is a leader in local clean energy initiatives, having passed the most ambitious municipal Climate Action Plan in Minnesota in 2018, which outlines a path to achieve carbon neutrality by 2040. The plan calls for a reduction of vehicle emissions by 25% by 2030. The city is actively working to accelerate the adoption of electric vehicles while also supporting a strong pedestrian, bicycling and transit network.

The proposal by Minneapolis and Saint Paul would help us achieve these goals.

The proposal describes how the cities of Minneapolis and Saint Paul will work with regional stakeholders, including other cities such as St. Louis Park, to locate electric carshare hubs at or near Metro Transit high frequency lines.

St. Louis Park is served by many Metro Transit lines and will soon be home to three Metro Transit Green Line Extension stops. Locating carshare hubs at or near existing and future transit stations would provide needed connectivity for our residents and to people traveling to destinations in St. Louis Park that are not currently easily reached by transit.

St. Louis Park endorses this approach, and should this proposal be selected, will be an enthusiastic partner in evaluating locations for possible hubs here.

For all these reasons, St. Louis Park strongly supports the coalition application by the cities of Saint Paul and Minneapolis to "Create a Regional Electric Vehicle Carshare Service."

Sincerely,

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Kim Keller

City Manager

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