

Metro Cities News

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RSVP for Metro Cities Policy Adoption Meeting November 21st!

Metro Cities' legislative policies will receive final adoption at the Policy Adoption Meeting **Thursday, November 21st at 4:00 p.m.** The meeting will be virtual and will feature Distinguished Professor David Schultz of Hamline University, as our guest speaker. Draft legislative policies can be viewed <u>HERE</u>. A quorum is required for the adoption of policies. Please plan to attend! RSVP to Jennifer Dorn at <u>Jennifer@metrocitiesmn.org</u>.

SMC Quarterly Convening: Winter 2024

The Minnesota Shared Mobility Collaborative is holding its quarterly convening on **Thursday**, **December 12**. The event will be held virtually via Zoom from 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM. <u>This convening</u> will focus on new research about shared micromobility. North American Bikeshare and Scootershare Association's Membership & Engagement Director Laura Mallonee will share information from NABSA's <u>5th Annual Shared Micromobility State of the Industry Report for North America</u>. The only report of its kind for North America, this report demonstrates shared micromobility's continued viability and strength as an important mode in the public transportation ecosystem.

<u>Accessibility Observatory</u> Director Eric Lind will share recent findings that demonstrate how enhancing the infrastructure for safe active travel can improve the usefulness of transit, as well as how integration of bicycles, e-bikes, and shared micromobility with public transit is crucial for expanding accessibility and encouraging multi-modal travel behaviors.

The webinar is free to attend, but <u>registration is required</u>. Once you have registered, you will receive an email confirmation with a Zoom link. The link should not be shared with others; it is unique to you.

Contact Mike Lund at michael@metrocitiesmn.org or 651-215-4003 with any questions.

Local Government Housing Programs Information Session

The Local Government Division at Minnesota Housing Finance Agency will be hosting an information session about new programs and timing of funding distribution, with time for questions at the end of the session. It will include updates on the Local Housing Trust Fund Grant Program, the Local and Statewide Affordable Housing Aid, and some Greater Minnesota Grant Programs.

The information session will be held virtually on Tuesday, November 19th from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm. Click <u>HERE</u> to register.

Contact Ania McDonnell at ania@metrocitiesmn.org or 651-215-4001 with any questions.

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