June 28, 2021

The Honorable Melvin Carter Mayor, City of Saint Paul 15 Kellogg Boulevard West Saint Paul. MN 55102

RE: Livable Communities Demonstration Account Pre-Development Grant Award

Dear Mayor Carter,

I am pleased to inform you that the Metropolitan Council has awarded the City of Saint Paul a Livable Communities Demonstration Account (LCDA) Pre-Development grant in the amount of \$150,000 for the Rondo Restorative Development Overlay district project.

This project was among those that best met several goals in a competitive selection process. The process favors projects that create walkable, moderate to high density development with a mix of housing, retail and employment choices, and advance the goals of *Thrive MSP 2040*, the Council's comprehensive development guide.

The Livable Communities grants administrator, Josiah Waderich, will draft a grant agreement for the city's review within the next few weeks. The grant agreement will specify payment procedures and reporting requirements. If you have questions about the grant administration procedures, please contact Josiah at josiah.waderich@metc.state.mn.us.

Congratulations on your successful application. The Metropolitan Council is pleased to assist local communities through its Livable Communities programs with projects that help achieve both local and regional goals.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Zelle Chair

CC: Nicolle Goodman, Director of Planning and Economic Development, City of Saint Paul

Tony Johnson, Senior City Planner, City of Saint Paul Ross Currier, Principal Project Manager, City of Saint Paul Kris Fredson, Metropolitan Council Member, District 14 LisaBeth Barajas, Director, Community Development

