INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: TRANSIT AND PARKING COMMISSION

FROM: METRO TRANSIT

SUBJECT: STAFF RECOMMENDATION RE: ADATS MOTION TO EXPAND SERVICE

DATE: 6/5/14

CC:

A request was made to the Transit and Parking Commission by Fred Kropp to extend paratransit service to The Jefferson, a senior living community located at 9401 Old Sauk Road. This address is beyond the ³/₄ mile paratransit boundary of the current fixed route service. The matter was referred by the TPC to the ADA Transit Subcommittee. They made the following motion:

Alder Subeck moved that ADATS recommend to the TPC that they pursue a bus route extension in order to accommodate The Jefferson with public transportation and paratransit service within the ³/₄ mile paratransit boundary and consult with Alder Skidmore. Mr. DuRocher seconded.

The motion carried by voice vote/other.

Staff has examined this issue. Expanding fixed route service so this location would be included within the boundary is not a priority identified in the Transit Development Plan, nor has such an expansion been noted as part of the normal public input process.

With these considerations in mind, along with fairness to other entities that have requested similar extensions, staff cannot currently recommend this extension of the paratransit boundary for The Jefferson.

However, staff will continue to look at possibilities for and feasibility of expanding fixed route service in the far west neighborhoods located adjacent to Old Sauk Road. As there would be a budgetary impact for such an expansion, this would not be considered as a change to occur during 2014.