



SouthWest Transit Presents Annual Leadership Awards to Rep. Cindy Pugh & Carver County Commissioner Tom Workman

Eden Prairie, MN – Jan. 26, 2017 – SouthWest Transit presented its 2016 leadership awards for Outstanding Political Champion and Distinguished Service to Representative Cindy Pugh and Carver County Commissioner Tom Workman. These annual awards are presented to leaders who have been instrumental in assisting SouthWest Transit’s efforts to meet the transit needs in their communities.

The Outstanding Political Champion Award was presented to Representative Cindy Pugh, who represents legislative district 33 in Chanhassen. Representative Pugh has been a strong supporter of SouthWest Transit throughout her two terms in the Minnesota House of Representatives. She was instrumental in passing legislation that provides sales tax exemption to joint powers organizations. This exemption will allow SouthWest Transit to net over \$100,000 each year, which will be directed towards new service initiatives and capital needs.

The Distinguished Service Award was presented to Carver County Commissioner Tom Workman. Commissioner Workman has been an advocate and supporter of SouthWest Transit for over 25 years. He played a key role in helping SouthWest Transit secure funding for SouthWest Station, SouthWest Village, Chanhassen Station, and multiple bus purchases. He has been a strong protector of suburban transit throughout his career in politics, and he continues to support SouthWest Transit by leading Carver County’s effort in providing support for the organization as they navigate their future.

“SouthWest Transit is grateful for the continued support that Representative Pugh and Commissioner Workman provide to our organization,” said SouthWest Transit Commission Chair Jay Rohe. “Their hard work and dedication make it possible for us to continue to effectively serve our communities.”



SouthWest Transit Commission Members with Carver County Commissioner Tom Workman and Representative Cindy Pugh. From left to right: Jay Rohe, Nancy Tyra-Lukens, Tom Workman, Jody Collis King, Cindy Pugh, Brad Aho, Bob Roepke

SouthWest Transit (SWT) provides express and local bus service to residents of Eden Prairie, Chanhassen, Chaska, Carver, and surrounding communities. SWT operates seven park-and-ride lots, including its main hub, SouthWest Station in Eden Prairie. Additional information and complete schedules for SWT can be found at www.swtransit.org or by calling our customer service line at 952-949-2BUS (2287).

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