

## Minutes of the

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Monday, July 20, 2015

**Committee Members Present: Cunningham, Chávez, Commers, Elkins, Letofsky, Munt**

**Committee Members Absent: Dorfman, Kramer, Wulff**

#### Committee Members Excused:

Due to a lack of a quorum, Chair Cunningham requested the information item on the agenda be presented first.

#### 1. Overview of 2014 Population Estimates (Matt Schroeder 651 602-1513)

Matt Schroeder, Senior Researcher provided the Community Development Committee an Overview presentation of 2014 Population Estimates.

#### CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Cunningham called the regular meeting of the Council's Community Development Committee to order at 4:20 p.m. on Monday, July 20, 2015.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Elkins, seconded by Munt to approve the agenda. **Motion carried.**

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Munt to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2015 meeting of the Community Development Committee. **Motion carried.**

#### BUSINESS

##### A. Consent

**2015-166** City of Minneapolis request for a Project Change to the TBRA Grant, 602 Residences, Grant No. SG01691 (Deb Jensen 651 602-1554)

It was moved by Commers, seconded by Elkins, that the Metropolitan Council approve a change in the Tax Base Revitalization Account grant for the 602 Residences project in the City of Minneapolis, acknowledging an increase in the number of housing units, a change from ownership to rental, and a lower than anticipated increase in net tax capacity. **Motion carried.**

The Community Development Committee recommended approval of the proposed action as part of its consent agenda with no discussion.

**2015-168** Coon Creek Regional Trail Master Plan, Anoka County (Michael Peterka 651 602-1361; Jan Youngquist 651 602-1029)

It was moved by Commers, seconded by Elkins, that the Metropolitan Council approve the Coon Creek Regional Trail Master Plan. **Motion carried.**

The Community Development Committee recommended approval of the proposed action as part of its consent agenda with no discussion.

**2015-171** City of Eagan Gates of Eagan Apartments Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Review File No. 20606-17 (Patrick Boylan 651 602-1438)

It was moved by Commers, seconded by Elkins, that the Metropolitan Council:

1. Adopt the attached Review Record and allow the City of Eagan to place the Gates of Eagan Apartments comprehensive plan amendment (CPA) into effect.
2. Find that the CPA revises the City's forecasts by -200 for jobs in each of 2020, 2030, and 2040.
3. Advise the City to consider the technical comments for Aviation, Forecasts, and Transit as described in the Review Record. **Motion carried.**

The Community Development Committee recommended approval of the proposed action as part of its consent agenda with no discussion.

**2015-174** St. Louis Park Bridgewater Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Review File No. 20619-9 (Ryan Garcia 651 602-1832)

It was moved by Commers, seconded by Elkins, that the Metropolitan Council:

1. Adopt the attached Review Record and allow the City of St. Louis Park to place the *Bridgewater* comprehensive plan amendment (CPA) into effect.
2. Find that the CPA does not change the City's forecasts.

**Motion carried.**

The Community Development Committee recommended approval of the proposed action as part of its consent agenda with no discussion.

## **B. Non-consent**

**2015-138** Accept the public comment report and adopt the amendment to the 2040 Housing Policy Plan (Libby Starling 651 602-1135)

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Elkins, that the Metropolitan Council

- Amend the *2040 Housing Policy Plan*;
- Accept the public comment report.

**Motion carried.**

The Community Development Committee requested more concise language. It was suggested a sentence from slide 8 page 12 2<sup>nd</sup> to last paragraph "and are not directly acknowledged be removed.

The chair thanked the Council member Chávez for his work on the Housing Policy Plan, also remarking this is the 1<sup>st</sup> HPP in 30 years.

Chávez commented on implications of the changes in the Federal HUD rules and Title 8.

**2015-167** Nokomis-Hiawatha Regional Park Master Plan, Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (Jan Youngquist 651 602-1029)

It was moved by Letofsky, seconded by Munt, that the Metropolitan Council:

1. Approve the Nokomis-Hiawatha Regional Park Master Plan.
2. Require that prior to initiating development within the regional park, preliminary plans must be sent to Scott Dentz, Interceptor Engineering Manager at Metropolitan Council Environmental Services for review in order to assess the potential impacts to the regional interceptor system.
3. Inform the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board that costs associated with the development of a skate park and modifications or improvements to the Nokomis Community Center and the athletic fields are not eligible for regional parks funding.
4. Encourage the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board to incorporate the necessary staff changes and training to properly manage and support natural landscapes as soon as feasible, so that naturalization/restoration projects described in the master plan can begin to be carried out when funding becomes available. **Motion carried.**

The Community Development Committee discussion was complimentary of the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board for the master plan.

## **INFORMATION**

2. Strategic Land Acquisition Discussion – Community Development Director Beth Reetz opened a discussion to the Community Development Committee on Strategic Land Acquisitions looking for guidance and direction. The Community Development Committee inquired about the Land Bank, which programs assist communities in site acquisitions, how the developers are involved and the revolving nature of the funding.

3. 2016 Community Development Division – Community Development Director Beth Reetz provided to the Community Development Committee information on the 2016 Community Development Division budget and proposed changes. Activities include a Fair Housing FTE, planning for the regional parks equity grant program, and the new HRA mobility counseling program.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Michele Wenner

Recording Secretary