# Minutes of the

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

February 16, 2016

Committee Members Present: Cunningham, Chávez, Dorfman, Elkins, Kramer, Letofsky, Munt, Wulff

**Committee Members Absent: Commers** 

## **Committee Members Excused:**

#### CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Cunningham called the regular meeting of the Council's Community Development Committee to order at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 16, 2016.

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

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

It was moved by Letofsky, seconded by Dorfman to approve the minutes of the December 21, 2015 regular meeting of the Community Development Committee. Motion carried.

#### **BUSINESS**

#### A. Consent

**2016-24** Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund Grant Request for Lake Elmo Regional Park Reserve (Reardon) from Washington County (Tori Dupre 651 602-1621)

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

- Authorize a grant of up to \$159,818 to reimburse Washington County for acquisition of a oneacre property for Lake Elmo Park Reserve when funds are available in the Parks and Trails Legacy fund account of the Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund.
  - The Metropolitan Council's grant finances up to 75 percent of the total acquisition costs from the Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund (PAOF) using the Fiscal Year 2017 Parks and Trails Legacy Fund account (60 percent) and Metropolitan Council Bonds (40 percent).
  - Washington County will finance at least 25 percent of the total acquisition costs. If the total acquisition costs are higher than estimated, Washington County is responsible for the difference.
- 2. Authorize the Community Development Director to sign the grant agreement including the restrictive covenant.

Motion carried.



**2016-25** Bunker – Chain of Lakes Regional Trail Master Plan, Anoka County (Michael Peterka 651 602-1361)

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

- 1. Approve the Bunker Chain of Lakes Regional Trail Master Plan.
- 2. Require that prior to initiating development, Anoka County must send preliminary plans to Scott Dentz, Interceptor Engineer Manager at Metropolitan Council Environmental Services, so he may assess the potential impacts to the regional interceptor system.

#### Motion carried.

**2016-26** Reimbursement Consideration for 11 Projects, Dakota County (Michael Peterka, 651 602-1361)

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

- 1. Consider reimbursing Dakota County up to \$2,450,211 from its share of future Regional Parks Capital Improvement Programs (CIP) for the 11 projects described in *Attachment 1*.
- 2. Acknowledge that the Council does not, under any circumstances, represent or guarantee that reimbursement will be granted, and expenditure of local funds never entitles a park agency to reimbursement.

### Motion carried.

**2016-32** City of Fridley Northstar TOD Master Plan Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Review No. 20387-3 (Eric Wojchik 651 602-1330)

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

- 1. Adopt the attached Review Record and allow the City of Fridley to place the Northstar TOD Master Plan Comprehensive Plan Amendment (CPA) into effect.
- 2. Revise the City's forecasts for population and households for 2020, 2030, and 2040, as shown in Table 1 of the Review Record.
- 3. Revise the City's share of the region's need for affordable housing for the 2011-2020 decade to 420 units, and for the 2021-2030 decade as shown in Table 2 of the Review Record.
- 4. Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Wastewater, Transit, Forecasts, and Land Use.

### Motion carried.

**2016-33** City of Edina CAC Density and Gateway Point Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Review File No. 20413-8 (Michael Larson 651 602-1407)

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

- 1. Adopt the attached Review Record and allow the City of Edina to place the CAC Density and Gateway Point Comprehensive Plan Amendment (CPA) into effect.
- 2. Revise the City's forecasts for population and households for 2020, 2030, and 2040, as shown in Table 1 of the Review Record.
- 3. Advise the City to implement advisory comments related to transit and surface water management, as indicated in the attached Review Record.

#### Motion carried.

**2016-34** Approval of an Amendment to the 2015 Annual Livable Communities Fund Distribution Plan (Paul Burns 651 602-1106)

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Elkins, that the Metropolitan Council approve an amendment to the 2015 Annual Livable Communities Fund Distribution Plan to increase the funds available for award through the Local Housing Incentives Account by \$200,000.

Motion carried.

## **B. Non-Consent**

2015-297 Metro HRA Administrative Plan Revision

HRA Manager Terri Smith presented the report to the Community Development Committee.

It was moved by Dorfman, seconded by Elkins, that the Metropolitan Council approve the proposed revision to the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Administrative Plan. **Motion carried.** 

Council member Dorfman thanked staff for the extra effort and revisions to the Business item report.

2016-35 Forecast Changes and the Allocation of Affordable Housing Need

Researcher Todd Graham and Housing Analyst Tara Beard presented the report to the Community Development Committee.

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Dorfman, that the Metropolitan Council approve changes to its forecasts for four cities and adjust 2021-2030 Allocations of Affordable Housing Need for two cities.

#### Motion carried.

Council staff presented that four cities requested forecast modifications during the 60 days following issuance of system statements. Council staff have achieved reconciliation of the cities' forecasts issues, as allowed by Minn. Stat. 473.857.

Council Member Letofsky asked why the calculation of the Allocation of Affordable Housing Need is based only on forecasted household growth. Council staff explained that the Allocation of Affordable Housing Need informs how cities use their local comprehensive plans to guide land for projected housing need.

Council Member Chávez asked for confirmation that Council staff support the modification of the Robbinsdale population forecast. Council staff confirm: these forecast revisions are recommended.

2016-36 Authorization to Amend 2016 Unified Budget - Regular Carry Forward Amendment

Community Development Director Beth Reetz presented the report to the Community Development Committee.

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Letofsky, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the amendment of the 2016 Unified Operating Budget as indicated below.

During the first quarter of each year, staff requests changes to the Unified Operating and Capital Budgets adopted by the Council the previous December. Requests are to continue or complete projects initiated in the previous year. This amendment carries forward the previously budgeted expenses from the 2015 Unified Budget to the 2015 Unified Budget. The changes are described below.

# **Operating Budget (Carry Forward)**

	Amount	Description
1.	\$ 77,800	Activities in support of Fair Housing
2.	\$141,500	Activities in support of Climate Change Work (mitigation, adaptation and resiliency)
3.	\$ 10,000	Development of Parks Equity Toolkit and Parks Ambassador Program
4.	\$ 25,500	Metro Residents Survey (U of M Omnibus Survey)
Total	\$254,800	

Motion carried.

The Community Development Committee had no questions.

## **INFORMATION**

- 1. Southwest Light Rail Transit Community Works Corridor-wide Housing Strategy (presentation by Kerri Pearce Ruch, Hennepin County Community Works and Cathy Bennett, Urban Land Institute Minnesota; introduction by Tara Beard 651 602-1051) [SW LRT presentation]
- 2. Housing Choice Vouchers: Where Residents Choose to Live (Panel Presentation: Terri Smith; Libby Starling; Matt Schroeder; Steve Victorey; Jennifer Keogh; Terry Hardin; Corina Serrano) [Housing Choice presentation]
- 3. 2016 Community Development Committee Work plan Discussion (Beth Reetz 651 602-1060)

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Michele Wenner Recording Secretary