

## Minutes of the

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 21, 2017

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

**Committee Members Absent: Commers, Dorfman**

**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 4:10 p.m. on Tuesday, February 21, 2017.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

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

It was moved by Munt, seconded by Elkins to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2017 regular meeting of the Community Development Committee. Motion carried.

### BUSINESS

#### A. Consent

**2017-40** Lake Waconia Regional Park Master Plan, Carver County (Jan Youngquist 651 602-1029)

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

1. Approve the Lake Waconia Regional Park Master Plan.
2. Require that prior to initiating development within the main portion of the regional park, Carver County must send preliminary plans 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 Carver County that Metropolitan Council Environmental Services has a proposed project scheduled for 2018 to replace Forcemain Interceptor 7508 that travels through the regional park property.

#### Motion carried.

The Community Development Committee recommended approval of the proposed action without questions or discussion as part of its consent agenda.

**2017-53** City of Minnetonka Crest Ridge Senior Housing Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Review File No. 20543-5 (Michael Larson 651 602-1407)

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

1. Adopt the attached Review Record and allow the City of Minnetonka to place the Crest Ridge Comprehensive Plan Amendment into effect.

2. Find that the amendment does not change the City's forecasts.

Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Land Use.

**Motion carried.**

The Community Development Committee recommended approval of the proposed action without questions or discussion as part of its consent agenda.

**2017-54** City of St. Louis Park Beltline Boulevard Station Redevelopment Area Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Review File No. 20619-12 (Michael Larson 651 602-1407)

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

1. Adopt the attached Review Record and allow the City of St. Louis Park to place the Beltline Boulevard Station Redevelopment Area Comprehensive Plan Amendment into effect.
2. Revise the City's forecasts for population and households 2030 and 2040, as shown in Table 2 of the Review Record.
3. Revise the City's allocation of the regional affordable housing need for 2021-2030 as shown in Table 3 of the Review Record.
4. Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Wastewater, Land Use, and Forecasts.

**Motion carried.**

The Community Development Committee recommended approval of the proposed action without questions or discussion as part of its consent agenda.

## **B. Non-Consent**

**2017-55** 2017 Community Development Committee Work Plan

Lisa Barajas, Local Planning Assistance Manager, presented the business item to the Community Development Committee.

It was moved by Letofsky, seconded by Elkins, that the Community Development Committee adopt this work plan with the understanding it serves as a guide for its work but is subject to revision as needed or directed by its Chair and the Committee. **Motion carried.**

A committee member asked about the Equity Advisory Committee and if some of the Community Development Committee work is also part of this committee's activities.

A request by the committee to have a list of suggestions/topics for the work plan sent to them in which they can rank in importance.

## **INFORMATION**

1. Updating Guidelines for Reviewing Changes to the Geography or Staging of the Metropolitan Urban Service Area - Lisa Barajas, Local Planning Assistance Manager, presented the information item to the Community Development Committee.

At a policy overview at committee meetings on October 17, 2016, and December 6, 2016, about the area in which the Council provides and plans for regional service (i.e. Metropolitan Urban Service Area, MUSA), staff indicated the need to update the guidelines used when reviewing changes to the geography or staging of the MUSA. The existing MUSA Implementation Guidelines (Attachment 1) were last revised in 2007 in preparation for the Council's review of the 2030 comprehensive plans, due in 2008. Updating the guidelines is needed to reflect how the Council will implement the policies in Thrive and the *2040 Water Resources Policy Plan*. The guidelines outline how the Council will

consider plan amendment requests for MUSA staging and service expansion from communities already in the Metropolitan Urban Service Area and how the Council will consider density in its review of comprehensive plan updates. Updating the guidelines will:

- Reflect the Council's adoption of *Thrive MSP 2040*, in which the Council's methodology for calculating density is defined (p. 117);
- Clarify the density calculation process for communities as they prepare their 2040 comprehensive plan updates; and
- Incorporate considerations from the *2040 Water Resources Policy Plan* and staff's experience implementing the existing guidelines over the last 9 years.

Staff have identified the following revision needs:

- Housekeeping to reflect *Thrive MSP 2040* and current practice implementing existing guidelines
- Consideration for failing subsurface sewage treatment systems (SSTS)
- Incorporate into density calculations publicly-owned stormwater management facilities that use best management practices (BMPs)

Staff are seeking Committee direction on proposed updates to the guidelines.

The Community Development Committee members had questions regarding lot sizes and densities per acre. The Committee members agreed to bring back for further discussion.

2. Businesses Owned by Entrepreneurs of Color in the Twin Cities metro area – Libby Starling, Policy and Research Manager presented the information item and PowerPoint presentation.

At the request of Community Development Committee Chair Cunningham, Council staff have compiled the most recent data on entrepreneurs of color in the Twin Cities metro area, using the 2014 Annual Survey of Entrepreneurs and the 2012 Survey of Business Owners. This presentation will provide a brief overview of the data, providing both county-specific data and comparisons with peer regions across the country.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Michele Wenner  
Recording Secretary