

Minutes

Community Development Committee



Meeting Date: September 6, 2022

Time: 4:00 PM

Location: 390 Robert Steet

Members Present:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Chair, Robert Lilligren, D7 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reva Chamblis, District 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Peter Lindstrom, District 10 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vice Chair, Susan Vento, D11 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Molly Cummings, District 5 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chai Lee, District 13 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Judy Johnson, District 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Abdirahman Muse, District 8 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wendy Wulff, District 16 |
| | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> = present |

Call to Order

A quorum being present, Committee Vice Chair Vento called the regular meeting of the Community Development Committee to order at 4:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Chamblis to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2022 regular meeting of the Community Development Committee. **Motion carried.**

Consent Business

Consent Business Adopted (Item 2022-240)

- 2022-240 City of Medina Cates Industrial Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Review No. 21831-5 (Eric Wojchik 651-602-1330)

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Cummings.

Motion carried.

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

Non-Consent Business – Reports of Standing Committees

- 2022-242 Funding Recommendations for 2022 Livable Communities Act Pre-Development Grants (Hannah Gary 651-602-1633)

It was moved by Cummings, seconded by Chamblis, that the Metropolitan Council award four Livable Communities Act Predevelopment Grants totaling \$542,900 as shown Table 1 below.

Table 1. Recommended Grant Projects and Funding Amounts

Applicant	Recommended Project	Award Amount
City of Brooklyn Center	Immigrant Opportunity Center - Center for Asian and Pacific Islanders (CAPI)	\$125,000
City of Minneapolis	Nic@Lake	\$150,000
City of Minneapolis	14 th Ave Townhomes	\$60,000
City of Saint Paul	965 Payne Ave. / Inclusive Design	\$207,900

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Council Member Chamblis asked about the nature of the inclusive design center in the 965 Payne Ave. / Inclusive Design Center project in the City of Saint Paul. Ms. Gary will get more information from the project team and respond to Council Member Chamblis. Council Member Cummings asked about both the Pre-Development application process and why the Little Canada project that was not funded. Ms. Gary explained the annual survey process and timeline for gathering information on the impact of combining the Pre- Development applications. Regarding the Little Canada project, Ms. Gary noted that the application did not clearly describe the tangible development project that would result from the Pre-Development work. The applicant was given the opportunity to meet with program staff and will be encouraged to re- apply to the program.

Motion carried.

2. 2022-243 Funding Recommendation Awards for Livable Communities Act Policy Development Program (Hannah Gary 651-602-1633)

It was moved by Lee, seconded by Chamblis, that the Metropolitan Council award two Livable Communities Act Policy Development Grants totaling \$94,000 as shown Table 1 below.

Table 1. Recommended Grant Projects and Funding Amounts

Applicant	Recommended Project	Award Amount
City of Mahtomedi	Mahtomedi Sustainability Policies	\$44,000
City of Minnetonka	Minnetonka Policy Grant	\$50,000

Council Member Cummings asked how the guidelines for the Policy Development program were developed. Ms. Gary outlined the process of developing the guidelines, noting that the same scoring criteria were used for Policy and Pre-Development, and that this will be a subject of program evaluation this year. Council Member Chamblis asked about the nature of the parking requirement changes in the application from the City of Mahtomedi, noting challenges that are associated with removing parking. Ms. Gary will seek clarification from the project team and offer specifics to Council Member Chamblis. The committee had conversation about parking requirements in the region, over-parking related to requirements, and concerns about eliminating parking availability.

Motion carried.

3. 2022-239 Diamond Lake Regional Trail and Dakota Rail – Luce Line Connector Master Plan, Three Rivers Park District (Colin Kelly 651-602-1449)

It was moved by Cummings, seconded by Lee, that the Metropolitan Council:

1. Approve Three Rivers Park District’s Diamond Lake Regional Trail and Dakota Rail – Luce Line Connector Master Plan.
2. Require Three Rivers Park District, prior to initiating any construction of new or updating of existing paths, trails, bridges, or any other construction project, to send preliminary plans to the Metropolitan Council Environmental Services Interceptor Engineering Assistant Manager.
3. Recommend that Three Rivers Park District coordinate with Steve Mahowald, 612-349-7775, at Metro Transit, regarding potential impacts to bus stop(s) along Wayzata Boulevard between Ferndale Road and Barry Avenue. Please insert your proposed action using the normal text style.



Motion carried.

The Community Development Committee recommended approval of the proposed action without questions.

Information

none

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Community Development Committee meeting of September 6, 2022.

Approved this 9 day of September 2022.

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