Minutes

Community Development Committee



Meeting Date: September 3, 2024

Time: 4:00 PM

Members Present:

- ⊠ Chair, Robert Lilligren, D7
- ☑ Vice Chair, Susan Vento, D11
- ☑ Judy Johnson, District 1
- Reva Chamblis, District 2
- \Box Peter Lindstrom, District 10
- Chai Lee, District 13
- \boxtimes Toni Carter, District 14

- Location: 390 Robert Steet
- ☑ Tenzin Dolkar, District 15
- ⊠ Wendy Wulff, District 16

Call to Order

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

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Approval of the Agenda

Council Members did not have any comments or changes to the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Vento, to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2024, regular meeting of the Community Development Committee. **Motion carried**.

Consent

1. **2024-232** City of Norwood Young America 2024 Future Land Use Map Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Review File 22238-5 (MacKenzie Young-Walters 651-602-1330) It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Carter that the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Review Record and take the following actions:

1. Authorize the City of Norwood Young America to place its comprehensive plan amendment into effect.

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

3. Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Water Resources.

Motion carried

2. **2024-233** Signature Authorization for State Fiscal Year 2025 Regional Parks Grant Programs (Erin Acton 651-602-1938)

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Carter that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Community Development Executive Director to execute grant agreements and amendments for:

1. State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2025 Parks and Trails Legacy Fund Program (Legacy), and 2. SFY 2025 Legislatively Designated Pass-through Program (Pass-Through), and in accordance with, Tables 1 and 2.

Motion carried

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

Non-Consent

1. **2024-234** Funding Recommendations for 2024 Round Two Livable Communities Act Pre-Development Grants (Marcus Martin 651-602-1054)

It was moved by Carter, seconded by Chamblis that the Metropolitan Council

1. Award seven (7) Livable Communities Act Pre-Development Grants totaling \$1,050,000 as shown in Table 1 below.

2. Authorize the Executive Director of Community Development to execute the grant agreements on behalf of the Council.

Table 1. Recommended GrantProjects and Funding Amounts

City of Minneapolis	Remnant	\$150,000
City of Minneapolis	The Resolute	\$150,000
St. Louis Park EDA	Loeffler Crossing	\$293,500
	Predevelopment	
City of Richfield	Penn Station	\$100,000
City of St. Paul	East Side Tennis &	\$100,000
	Community Center	
City of St Paul	Hamm's Brewery	\$200,000
	Redevelopment West End	
City of Blaine	Blaine Manufactured Home	\$56,500
	Replacement Need &	
	Feasibility Assessment	

Motion carried

Council Member asked for more information about the prior pre-development awards to current application sites in Richfield and St Paul and requested an explanation of the evaluation score and clarification of the partial funding amount recommended for the project in Blaine. Council Members expressed their support for preservation of manufactured housing as part of the solution to our regional need for affordable housing.

2. **2024-235** Funding Recommendation for 2024 Round Two Livable Communities Act Policy Development Grants (Hannah Gary 651-602-1633)

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Wulff that the Metropolitan Council award one (1) Livable Communities Act Policy Development Grant totaling \$50,000 as shown Table 1 below.

Table 1. Recommended Grant Projects and Funding Amounts

City of Hugo

Single Family and Multi- \$50,000 Family Residential Standards and Policy Revisions

Motion carried

Council Member Johnson asked about returning applications from the 2024 Round One Policy Development funding round. Staff agreed to speak with grantees from the previous round to inquire about interest in future applications.

3. **2024-242** Amend Grant Term for the 927 Building LCA Development Grant (SG-12572) (Nicole Clapp 651-602-1723)

It was moved by Carter, seconded by Chamblis that the Community Development Committee approve extending the term of the 927 Building (SG-12572) Livable Communities Act Development Grant Award by an additional six months to June 30, 2025.

Motion carried

Council Members requested an explanation for the extension and grant terms. Staff explained the precedents and issues of grant from 2019.

Information

1. Livable Communities Act Program Update (Sarah Berke 651-602-1198)

Consultants Ellen Watters and Mary Kay Bailey facilitated an informal unstructured discussion regarding the Livable Communities Act programs. Homework was assigned to the Council Members in preparation of 2025 FDP.

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 6:00 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 3, 2024.

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