# Metropolitan Council

# **Minutes**

**Environment Committee** 



Meeting Date: January 14, 2025 Time: 4:00 PM Location: 390 Robert Steet

#### **Members Present:**

- E Yassin Osman, District 7
- E Diego Morales, District 9
- ⊠ Gail Cederberg, District 11
- ⊠ = present, E = excused

#### Call to Order

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

# **Agenda Approved**

It was moved unanimously to approve the agenda. Council Members did not have any comments or changes to the agenda. **Motion carried**.

# **Approval of Minutes**

It was moved by CM Wulff, seconded by CM Carter to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2024 regular meeting of the Environment Committee. **Motion carried**.

#### **Consent Business**

Consent Business Adopted (Items 2025-8)

1. **2025-8:** Security Officer Services, Contract 24P168 (John Young, 651-602-8281) that the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute contract 24P168 with Securitas to provide security officer services for the Council in an amount not to exceed \$11,287,728.

It was moved by CM Wulff, seconded by CM Cederberg

Motion carried.

#### **Non-Consent Business**

1. 2024-9: Adoption of Facility Plan for Coon Rapids Interception Rehabilitation, No. 808609 (Tim Wedin, 651-602-4571)

It was moved by CM Wulff, seconded by CM Carter, that the Metropolitan Council adopt the Facility Plan for the Coon Rapids Interceptor Rehabilitation, Project Number 808609, per the attached Resolution Number 2025-1.

#### Discussion

CM Carter asked: When they use the cure in place pipe method what is its lifespan?

Staff responded: At least 50 years.

#### Motion carried.

2. 2025-10: Adoption of Facility Plan for the Forest Lake Interceptor 7029 Rehabilitation Project, Project No. 808603 (Chris Remus, 651-602-4538)

It was moved by CM Cederberg, seconded by CM Wulff, that the Metropolitan Council adopt the Facility Plan for the Forest Lake Interceptor 7029 Rehabilitation, Project Number 808603, per the attached Resolution Number 2025-2.

#### Discussion

CM Lindstrom asked: What is a doghouse maintenance hole?

Staff responded: The pipe has a larger diameter on the bottom and then it has a flat top. Then they build the remaining top or manhole with a smaller diameter. It's a means of access but not at a large diameter all the way to the bottom.

Motion carried.

#### Motion carried.

3. **2025-11**: **Metro Plant Fourth Incinerator Design-Build Project, Contract 21P055** (Rene Heflin 651-602-1077, Stephen Norton 651-602-1551)

It was moved by CM Wulff, seconded by CM Cederberg, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute contract 21P055 with McGough Construction for the Metro Plant Fourth Incinerator Design-Build Project in an amount not to exceed \$258,732,297.

#### Discussion

CM Lindstrom asked: Can you address the evaluation criteria? Were they given equal weight?

Staff responded: Yes, price was approximately equal in importance to the combination of the other criteria listed, which were project technical approach, project delivery approach, and quality of the proposal.

Motion carried.

4. 2025-26: Ratification of Emergency Declaration of Interceptor 1-SP-234 (Tim Wedin, 651-602-4571)

It was moved by CM Wulff, seconded by CM Carter, that the Metropolitan Council ratify the Emergency Declaration for repairs of the brick liner for Interceptor 1-SP-234 between George Street and Stevens Street in Saint Paul, in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000.

#### Discussion

CM Lindstrom asked: How deep is this area roughly?

Staff responded: The pipe is approximately 35 to 40 feet deep in this area.

CM Lindstrom asked: Do they monitor the amount of oxygen for employee safety?

Staff responded We have ventilation systems and air monitors to ensure adequate airflow and safety in this station.

CM Wulff asked: Are we going to bill the City of St. Paul since their pipe was a part of the failure?

Staff responded: We will discuss this with the City of St. Paul.

#### **Motion carried**

# Information

None at this time.

# Reports

**General Managers Report:** General Manager of Environmental Services, Leisa Thompson, shared the 2025 Environment Committee workplan with Council members.

# **Adjournment**

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 4:44 p.m.

# Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Environment Committee meeting of January 14, 2025.

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