

Management Committee

Meeting date: February 22, 2017

Subject: 2017 Salary Adjustments for the Regional Administrator and General Counsel

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Minn. Stat. § 473.129, subd 2 (Powers of Metropolitan Council); Non-Represented Plan, § 10.9

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Division/Department: Human Resources

Proposed Action

That the Management Committee accept Chair Duininck's 2017 salary adjustment recommendation for Wes Kooistra, Regional Administrator, and Don Mueeting, General Counsel, and authorize staff to implement salary increases effective December 31, 2016.

Background

Unclassified positions are designated, appointed and compensated under the authority of the Regional Administrator. Salary increases for unclassified and classified executive positions have been determined for 2017.

Rationale

With respect to annual salary increases for the Regional Administrator and General Counsel, both appointed by the Metropolitan Council, section 10.9 of the Non-Represented Plan states:

"The Council chair may propose starting salary and salary adjustments for the Regional Administrator and General Counsel. The Chair will advise the Management Committee and obtain its consent before implementing any salaries or adjustment."

Thrive Lens Analysis

Stewardship – This action falls within the financial parameters established by the Council for managing labor costs and demonstrates efficient and effective management of public financial resources.

Prosperity – This action also represents a fair and reasonable wage increase and demonstrates the Council's commitment to investment in its employees.

Funding

The recommended salary increases are within the 2017 adopted operating budget and are consistent with the parameters established by the Management Committee for represented bargaining units

Known Support / Opposition

None known.