

Minutes

Management Committee



Meeting date: October 22, 2025

Time: 2:31 PM

Location: 390 Robert Street

Members present:

Chair, Judy Johnson, D1

Vice Chair, John Pacheco Jr., D5

Robert Lilligren, District 6

Yassin Osman, District 7

Diego Morales, District 9

Gail Cederberg, District 11

Mark Jenkins, District 12

= present, E = excused

Dakota Land, Water, and People Acknowledgment

The Metropolitan Council acknowledges that the land we currently call Minnesota and specifically the seven-county region is the ancestral homeland of the Dakota Oyate who are present and active contributors to our thriving region. As part of the Metropolitan Council's commitment to address the unresolved legacy of genocide, dispossession, and settler colonialism and the fact that government institutions, including the Metropolitan Council, benefitted economically, politically, and institutionally after the forceable removal of the Dakota Oyate, the Metropolitan Council is dedicated to instilling Land, Water, and People Commitments in regional policy. These commitments support the Dakota Oyate, the eleven federally recognized Tribes in Minnesota, Ho-Chunk Nation, and the American Indian Communities representing over 150 diverse Tribal Nations that call the seven-county region home.

Call to order

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Johnson called the regular meeting of the Management Committee to order at 2:30 p.m.

Dakota Land, Water, and People Acknowledgment

The Dakota Land, Water, and People Acknowledgment was read by Council Member Morales.

Amended Agenda approved

Committee Chair, CM Johnson spoke to changes made to the agenda. Previously Bus item #2025-263 SW was item # 6. It was thought that logically it should be heard before the procurement policy items, so it was moved it up to item #3. No other changes or additions were made. Council Members did not have any more comments or changes to the agenda.

Approval of minutes

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Osman to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2025, special meeting of the Management Committee. **Motion carried.**

Non-consent business

1. **2025-126 SW:** Labor Agreement with the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades, District Council 82 AFL-CIO

It was moved by Morales, seconded by Jenkins, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into an agreement with the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades, District 82 ALF-CIO effective for the period of May 1, 2025 through April 30,

2028.

Motion carried.

Alexis Baker, Labor Relations Program Manager, 651-602-1437 presented the item.

2. **2025-258:** Benefit Consulting Services

It was moved by Jenkins, seconded by Morales, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute contract 25P058 with USI Insurance Services to provide benefits consulting services in the amount not to exceed \$1,225,000.

Motion carried.

Michelle Murray, Sr. Manager Benefits, 651-602-1390 presented the item.

3. **2025-263 SW:** 2025 Policy Update: OEE0 5-1

It was moved by Jenkins, seconded by Lilligren, that the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached updated version of the following policy:

- OEE0 5-1 Promoting Small Business Programs and Addressing Discrimination

Motion carried.

Jody Jacoby, Chief Procurement Officer, 651-602-1144; Ned Smith, Chief Financial Officer, Finance, 651-602-1162; Ashanti Payne, Assist. Director, Equity & Equal Opportunity, 612-349-7660 presented the item.

4. **2025-252 SW:** 2025 Policy Update: FM 14-1

It was moved by Morales, seconded by Jenkins, that the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached version of the following policy:

- FM 14-1 Procurement Policy

Changes to FM 14-1 Procurement Policy are driven by recent legislative updates that expanded procurement flexibilities related to small business programs and construction/maintenance contracts. These legislative updates allow certain thresholds (for “micro purchases” and “small purchases”) to be increased. These thresholds affect whether competitive quotes/proposals/bids are needed in order to purchase goods and services for the Council, as well as whether public solicitation is required. Additionally, language pertaining to small and disadvantaged businesses has been reworded.

The proposed changes to procurement-related thresholds are as follows:

- Increase the micro purchase limit from \$10,000 to \$25,000 for locally funded projects (non-MCUB)
- Increase the micro purchase limit for locally funded MCUB purchases from \$25,000 to \$100,000
- Increase the small purchase threshold for construction and maintenance projects from \$175,000 to \$250,000

Motion carried.

Jody Jacoby, Chief Procurement Officer, 651-602-1144; Ned Smith, Chief Financial Officer, Finance, 651-602-1162; Ashanti Payne, Assist. Director, Equity & Equal Opportunity, 612-349-7660 presented the item.



5. **2025-261:** 2025 Policy Update: FM 14-2

It was moved by Morales, seconded by Cederberg, that the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached version of the following policy:

- FM 14-2 Expenditures for the Procurement of Goods, Services and Real Estate Policy

These policy changes are driven by the need to update thresholds that were last changed more than a decade ago.

The changes to FM 14-2 increase the Regional Administrator's (RA's) signature authority from \$500,000 to \$2 million. This allows the RA to authorize new contracts for goods and services up to the new \$2 million threshold, including amendments up to 10% of the original contract price (aggregate). The RA will also be authorized to acquire real property, and interests in real property, for amounts not exceeding \$2 million. The RA's authority to enter into construction contracts remains the same at \$10 million.

Motion carried.

Jody Jacoby, Chief Procurement Officer, 651-602-1144; Ned Smith, Chief Financial Officer, Finance, 651-602-1162; Ashanti Payne, Assist. Director, Equity & Equal Opportunity, 612-349-7660 presented the item.

6. **2025-262:** 2025 Policy Update: 15-1

It was moved by Morales, seconded by Lilligren, that the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached version of the following policy:

- FM 15-1 Income/Grants Policy

This policy change brings the Regional Administrator's (RA's) authority to enter into income contracts/grant agreements from \$500,000

Motion carried.

CM Cederberg asked for more information on the pie chart in the presentation. Jody will follow up and send that information out.

Jody Jacoby, Chief Procurement Officer, 651-602-1144; Ned Smith, Chief Financial Officer, Finance, 651-602-1162; Ashanti Payne, Assist. Director, Equity & Equal Opportunity, 612-349-7660 presented the item.

7. **2025-270:** Risk Management Information System, Contract 19P142 - Amendment 3

It was moved by Cederberg, seconded by Morales, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute an amendment to contract 19P142 with Origami Risk, LLC that will add up to \$919,908.34 for software maintenance and support for a total contract amount not to exceed \$ 4,735,539.17.

Motion carried.

Josh Alswager, IS Manager, 651-602-1065, Ray Engler, Director, Risk Management, and Andrew Brody, Chief Safety Officer, 651-602-1671 presented the item.

8. **2025-272:** Securian Office Lease, Contract 25M098

It was moved by Osman, seconded by Morales, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute contract 25M098 with Securian Financial Group, for an 11-year lease which includes base rent, common area maintenance expenses, furniture, and tenant improvement allowance in the amount not to exceed \$9,200,000.



CM Jenkins abstained from voting. Motion carried.

Kelly Jameson, Real Estate Director (651-602-1556) Ben Bruenjes, Real Estate Leasing Specialist (651-602-1975 presented the item.

Information

1. No Items

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 3:44 p.m.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Management Committee meeting of October 22, 2025.

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