

Minutes

Special Management Committee



Meeting date: April 9, 2025

Time: 3:00 PM

Location: 390 Robert Street

Members present:

E Chair, Judy Johnson, D1

☒ Vice Chair, John Pacheco Jr., D5

☒ Deb Barber, District 4

☒ Robert Lilligren, District 6

☒ Yassin Osman, District 7

☒ Gail Cederberg, District 11

☐ Vacant, District 15

☐ = 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 Vice Chair Pacheco called the special meeting of the Management Committee to order at 3:00 p.m.

Agenda approved

Council Members did not have any comments. Vice Chair Pacheco adjusted the order of the non-consent business items to hear BI 2025-99 first. **Motion carried.**

Approval of minutes

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Barber to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2025, regular meeting of the Management Committee. **Motion carried.**

Non-consent business

1. **2025-99:** MNIT Services Authorization for Circuit Management, Contract 25P247

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Lilligren, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute contract 25P247 with Minnesota IT Services (MNIT) for Information Services' circuit management, installation of new circuits, and reoccurring monthly costs of services in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000.

Motion carried.

Gretchen White, Chief Information Officer, Information Services (IS), 651-602-1443, presented the item.

2. **2025-90:** Amendment to Employee Strategies LLC Contract 23P115

It was moved by Cederberg, seconded by Osman, that the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an amendment to contract 23P115 with Employee Strategies, LLC for consulting services that will add \$715,000, for a total contract value not to exceed amount of \$1,362,000.

Motion carried.

Mee Cheng, Senior Manager, Admin Services, 651-602-1222 and Phil Walljasper, Deputy Regional Administrator, 651-602-1787 presented the item.

Information

1. 2025 Workplan

There was a discussion on updates and changes.

Presented by Phil Walljasper, Deputy Regional Administrator, 651-602-1787.

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Management Committee meeting of April 9, 2025.

Approved this 23 day of April 2025.

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