Business Item No. 2014-23

Management Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of February 12, 2014

Subject: Authorization to enter into a Labor Agreement with the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), District Council 5, Local Union No. 668

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to enter in an agreement with the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), District Council 5, Local Union No. 668 effective for the period January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2015.

Summary of Committee Discussion/Questions

The American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) represents approximately 514 employees. The agreement between AFSCME and the Metropolitan Council expired on December 31, 2013. A tentative agreement for a new contract was reached on November 20, 2013. The agreement reached is consistent with direction provided by the Management Committee and is within the financial parameters previously set by the committee.



Management Committee

Meeting date: January 22, 2014

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of February 12, 2014

Subject: Authorization to Enter into a Labor Agreement with the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), District Council 5, Local Union No. 668

District(s), Member(s): ALL

Policy/Legal Reference: Minn. Stat. 179.a (PELRA)

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Division/Department: Human Resources/Labor Relations

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to enter in an agreement with the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), District Council 5, Local Union No. 668 effective for the period January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2015.

Background

The AFSCME contract expired on December 31, 2013. AFSCME represents 513 employees.

Rationale

The parties reached a tentative agreement on November 20, 2013 and AFSCME membership ratified the agreement on December 20, 2013. Council policy requires the Council to approve all labor agreements.

Funding

The labor agreement was negotiated within the parameters set by the Management Committee.

Known Support / Opposition