

Business Item 2016- 237:
**Establish 2016-2017 Sewer
Availability Task Force, Appoint
Chair and Members**

Ned Smith, Finance Director

Metropolitan Council: November 30, 2016



Background

- MCES regularly convenes customer group to examine and evaluate SAC issues
- 2016 House and Senate bills introduced to exclude outdoor seating from SAC charges (did not pass)
- MCES and Metro Cities committed to convene a task force
- Task force is opportunity to look at a few other outstanding issues

Scope

- Provide report to Legislature by end of January on outdoor seating approach
- Evaluate options for manufactured home SAC affordability issues
- Explore options to simplify SAC application process for business owners
- Explore options to simplify credit verification for communities

Membership

Chair: Wendy Wulff

	<u>Community</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>
1.	St. Louis Park	Brian Hoffman	Inspections Director
2.	Cottage Grove	Bob LaBrosse	Chief Building Official
3.	Roseville	David Englund	Building Codes Coordinator
4.	Brooklyn Park	Al Peterson	Building Official
5.	Eden Prairie	Robert Ellis	Public Works Director
6.	St. Paul	Steve Ubl	Senior Building Inspector
7.	Minneapolis	Loren Olson	Gov't Relations Representative
8.	Minneapolis	Katrina Kessler	Director, Surface Water and Sewers
9.	Andover	Jim Dickinson	City Administrator
10.	Apple Valley	Ron Hedberg	Finance Director
11.	Minnetonka	Merrill King	Finance Director
12.	Golden Valley	Sue Virnig	Finance Director
13.	Metro Cities	Patricia Nauman	Executive Director

Pending Representative Selection

14.	MN Manufacturers Association	Pending Selection
15.	MN Restaurant Association	Pending Selection
16.	MN Chamber of Commerce	Pending Selection

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council approve Chair Duininck's recommendation to establish a 2016 Sewer Availability (SAC) Task Force to evaluate and make specific recommendations about the existing SAC Program, and to discuss, study and recommend programmatic changes in order to ensure fair and equitable collection of SAC fees in the metropolitan area. Furthermore, that the members listed in the business item be appointed with Council Member Wendy Wulff as Chair of the Task Force

Questions