

Environment Committee

Meeting date: February 12, 2019

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of February 13, 2019

Subject: Acquisition of Rogers Wastewater Treatment Facility
District(s), Member(s): All
Policy/Legal Reference: 2040 Water Resources Policy Plan; Minnesota Statutes § 473.511
Staff Prepared/Presented: Jeannine Clancy, 651-602-1210
Division/Department: MCES c/o Leisa Thompson, 651-602-8101

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the acquisition of the Rogers Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF), per attached resolution 2019-2.

Background

Minnesota Statutes § 473.511 authorizes the Metropolitan Council to acquire all facilities needed to implement the Council’s Comprehensive Plan for the collection, treatment and disposal of sewage in the metropolitan area.

The 2040 Water Resources Policy Plan (“Plan”) states that the Metropolitan Council will “acquire wastewater treatment plants from suburban communities outside the current service area, based upon request through the community’s comprehensive plan and comprehensive sewer plan process, after soliciting customer input and conducting a public hearing on the request.” Furthermore, the Plan recognizes that “Rogers is a suburban community that owns and operates its own wastewater treatment plant” and that the Metropolitan Council anticipates Rogers will request that the Council acquire the Rogers WWTF as local growth occurs. In 2016, the Metropolitan Council approved the City of Rogers’ 2030 Comprehensive Plan Amendment, which identified the City’s intent to request acquisition of the existing Rogers WWTF by the Metropolitan Council.

On October 23, 2018, the City of Rogers’ City Council approved a resolution requesting the Metropolitan Council acquire the Rogers WWTF through an acquisition agreement.

On January 14, 2019, the Metropolitan Council held a public hearing on the proposed acquisition of the Rogers WWTF. The transcript from the public hearing is attached. A public comment period was held from December 16, 2018 – January 24, 2019.

Rationale

Acquisition of the Rogers’ WWTF is consistent with Minnesota Statutes § 473.511, the 2040 Water Resources Policy Plan, and the City of Roger’s 2030 Comprehensive Plan.

Thrive Lens Analysis

The acquisition supports the Thrive Outcome of Stewardship by providing regional wastewater infrastructure which protects public health and the environment and fosters the economic growth of the region. The Thrive Outcome of Accountability is demonstrated in that the acquisition will have a negligible impact on regional wastewater rates. The Thrive Outcome of Collaboration is noted through the ongoing partnership with the City of Rogers as the Council transitions to providing wastewater service to the community.



Funding

Funds for project planning and acquisition are included in the current authorized capital program.

Known Support / Opposition

Public comments indicate support for the acquisition. See attached documents related to public comments received.

- Transcript of public hearing (Exhibit A)
- Summary of public comments (Exhibit B)
- The City of Rogers' resolution requesting the Metropolitan Council acquire the Rogers WWTF. (Exhibit C)
- Copy of written comments (Exhibit D)

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RESOLUTION NO. 2019 - 2 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF THE ROGERS WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY MCES PROJECT 807861

WHEREAS, the City of Rogers' City Council approved a resolution requesting the Metropolitan Council acquire the Rogers Wastewater Treatment Facility through an acquisition agreement,

WHEREAS, the 2040 Water Resources Policy Plan identified the Council's intent to provide regional wastewater service by acquiring the City of Roger's Wastewater Treatment Facility, per a request from the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the acquisition of the Rogers Wastewater Treatment Facility is necessary and convenient for furtherance of the Metropolitan Council's statutory mission of fostering efficient and economic growth for a prosperous region; and
2. That the Metropolitan Council's 2040 Water Resource Policy Plan ("Plan") recognizes that the Council may acquire wastewater treatment plants from suburban communities outside the current service area, such as Rogers, per request through the comprehensive plan process, after soliciting public input and conducting a public hearing on the request; and
3. That the City of Rogers has officially requested acquisition of the Rogers Wastewater Treatment Facility through City Council action and through the comprehensive plan process; and
4. That a public hearing was held to take public comment on the acquisition of the Rogers Wastewater Treatment Facility; and
5. That, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Chapter 473, the Metropolitan Council may acquire treatment works which are needed to implement the Council's comprehensive plan for the collection, treatment, and disposal of sewage in the metropolitan area; and
6. That the Metropolitan Council hereby determines that the City of Rogers shall transfer to the Council all of its right, title and interest in and to any such treatment works and necessary appurtenances, and any contracts for the design or construction thereof. The City of Rogers shall execute and deliver to the Council all deeds, conveyances, assignments, bills of sale and other documents necessary to vest in the Council good and marketable title to all such treatment works, necessary appurtenances and contracts; and
7. That the Council hereby approves and certifies that the total just compensation for the Rogers Wastewater Treatment Facility will be determined and remitted to the City of Rogers in accordance with Minnesota Statutes Chapter 473.

Adopted this 13th day of February 2019.

Nora Slawik, Chair

Peter Grafstrom, Recording Secretary

1 METROPOLITAN COUNCIL ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
2 PROPOSED ACQUISITION
3 OF THE ROGERS WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY
4 PUBLIC HEARING

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ORIGINAL

TRANSCRIPT OF
PUBLIC HEARING

25 January 14, 2019 By Christine M. Clark, RPR

1 APPEARANCES FOR MCES:

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3 Jeannine Clancy, Assistant General Manager for Technical
4 Services

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Mark Lundgren, Senior Engineer and Project Manager

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Sandy Rummel, Metropolitan Council Governing Board,
Chair of Environment Committee

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1 The MCES Public Hearing is taken on this 14th day of
2 January, 2019, at Metro Cities (Association of
3 Metropolitan Municipalities), 145 University Avenue
4 West, Suite 125, St. Paul, Minnesota, commencing
5 at 3:00 p.m.

6 MS. RUMMEL: Well, good afternoon everyone.
7 I'm so pleased to see so many friendly faces here, and
8 I wanted to welcome you to the Met Council
9 Environmental Services Public Hearing. We appreciate
10 you taking time from your busy day to be here with us
11 this afternoon. My name is Sandy Rummel. I'm Chair of
12 the Environment Committee at Met Council, and I
13 represent District 11, which is really east of
14 St. Paul, but kind of north and south along the east
15 edges of the Metro area.

16 I would like to begin by recognizing some of our
17 Rogers' public officials. We have with us the mayor,
18 Rick Ihli, back there, and Steve Stahmer. Steve's our
19 City Administrator. John Seifert. John is Public
20 Works Director. Marcy --

21 MS. DALCHOW: Dalchow.

22 MS. RUMMEL: -- Dalchow is Administrative
23 Assistant for Public Works, and Brett Weiss, City
24 Engineer. Brett Weiss. Thank you.

25 At this time I would like to call to order the

1 hearing. The subject of this hearing is the
2 Metropolitan Council Environmental Services Proposed
3 Acquisition of the Rogers Wastewater Treatment Plant.
4 And Jeannine Clancy, Assistant General Manager for
5 Technical Services at MCES, will now provide us with
6 the agenda.

7 MS. CLANCY: Yes.

8 MS. RUMMEL: And a presentation; is that
9 correct?

10 MS. CLANCY: That's correct.

11 MS. RUMMEL: So welcome, Jeannine.

12 MS. CLANCY: Thank you, Sandy. Thank you,
13 Chair. Let me take this really quickly.

14 Again, my name is Jeannine Clancy. I'm the
15 Assistant General Manager for Technical Services at the
16 Metropolitan Council Environmental Services. Thanks
17 everyone for coming today. Thanks particularly to
18 Metro Cities for helping us host this public hearing,
19 as well as the League of Minnesota Cities.

20 I'd like to go over the agenda and then also
21 introduce staff. So this afternoon we had our open
22 house from 2:00 to 3:00. Mark Lundgren and I will give
23 a presentation on our overview of the Metropolitan
24 Council Environmental Services, our history with
25 wastewater treatment, the proposed acquisition,

1 estimated facility costs and revenue, some key
2 milestones, as well as planning for a future wastewater
3 treatment facility along the Crow River.

4 After the presentation, we will answer any
5 questions that you have, and then we will take official
6 public comments. We do have a person who's
7 transcribing all the record of this meeting. So
8 everything that we say here today will be entered into
9 the official public record. And then once we're done
10 with the public comment period, we'll adjourn.

11 So let's see. I'd like to introduce a couple of
12 Council staff people that are here. First of all, Anna
13 Bessel, who is an Assistant Manager in Kyle Colvin's
14 group with the Engineering Programs, and then, of
15 course, Kyle Colvin, Engineering Programs; Darcy
16 Erickson who is with our Office of General Counsel;
17 Rene Heflin, our Manager of Plant Engineering; Mark
18 Lundgren, a Senior Engineer in the Plant Engineering
19 group. And then Tim O'Donnell is here, and Tim is one
20 of our senior information specialists and works with us
21 on a lot of capital projects.

22 So Environmental Services is an organization that
23 chief's mission is to protect public health and safety,
24 protect the environment and foster the economic growth
25 of the region through a regional wastewater system. We

1 serve the seven-county Twin Cities Metropolitan Area.
2 Right now we have 109 customer communities, and that
3 serves -- the regional wastewater system serves
4 2.7 million people. Our wastewater facilities include
5 eight wastewater treatment plants; located up in the
6 northern area, East Bethel; one in St. Croix Valley,
7 located in the city of Oak Park Heights; Eagles Point,
8 located in Cottage Grove. We have a facility in
9 Hastings, located in the city of Hastings; Empire,
10 located in Empire Township. Our Blue Lake facility is
11 located in Shakopee. Our Seneca facility is located in
12 the city of Eagan, and of course our largest wastewater
13 treatment plant is the Metro plant, located in
14 St. Paul.

15 We have about 610 (miles of) interceptors that
16 collect wastewater from our 109 communities and convey
17 that wastewater to one of our eight wastewater
18 treatment plants, and we treat on average 250 million
19 gallons of wastewater every day. Our organization
20 consists of over 600 employees. We have \$7 billion in
21 assets, and our capital program is \$150 million per
22 year.

23 So one of the things I wanted to do is talk a
24 little bit about the history of wastewater treatment in
25 the Twin Cities because it's been a little bit of time

1 since the Council acquired a wastewater treatment
2 facility. So when we consider the proposed acquisition
3 I think it's important to consider this history. So,
4 first of all, in 1938, the Cities of Minneapolis and
5 St. Paul commissioned the Metropolitan Wastewater
6 Treatment Plant to address public health and water
7 quality concerns. At the time, the facility served
8 about a million people living predominantly in
9 Minneapolis and St. Paul.

10 During that same period of time, suburban
11 communities developed their own wastewater treatment
12 plants, and, over time, water quality in the region
13 continued to decline due to failing septic tanks,
14 combined storm and sanitary sewer collection systems
15 that routinely discharged contaminated water into the
16 environment, and inadequate treatment at the wastewater
17 treatment plants. Of course, the water issues facing
18 the region at that time transcended any political
19 boundary, whether it be local government boundary, as
20 well as county boundaries.

21 So, at the urging of many local government,
22 business and civic leaders, the 1967 Legislature
23 created the Metropolitan Council to address regional
24 concerns, and many of you know the regional concerns
25 were transportation, as well as water quality and other

1 concerns in the region.

2 And in 1969, the Minnesota Legislature established
3 the Metropolitan Sewer Board tasked with the
4 responsibility of building a modern wastewater
5 collection and treatment system and addressing water
6 quality concerns in the region.

7 Let's see. So from 1969 to -- whoops, I lost my
8 notes here. Just one second. Okay. I guess I have to
9 compete with the outside.

10 Over the next 40 years, local wastewater treatment
11 plants were acquired, and many were eventually
12 eliminated to meet the regional objectives of
13 supporting orderly development, fostering economic
14 growth and improving water quality across the region.
15 The last acquisition of a local wastewater treatment
16 plant occurred in 1975 from the City of Waconia. And
17 we kind of joke internally that during that period of
18 time, from 1960 - 1970 to about 1975, there were quite
19 a few plants that were acquired, and then we had our
20 last one in 1975. So we're a little bit out of
21 practice. The authority for the Council to acquire
22 wastewater treatment facilities is established in
23 Minnesota Statute 473.511.

24 Today, wastewater treatment has been consolidated,
25 as I mentioned before, to seven-wastewater treatment

1 plants and one water reclamation facility. The water
2 reclamation facility is our East Bethel plant. The
3 consolidation, in conjunction with improvements in
4 technology, inflow and infiltration mitigation, and
5 partnerships with local communities has resulted in
6 improved water quality throughout the region.

7 So now I'd like to speak a little bit about the
8 existing Rogers Wastewater Treatment Facility and
9 planning for wastewater treatment services in the
10 Northwest Metropolitan Area.

11 The City of Rogers has owned and operated their
12 wastewater treatment facility since 1960, and their
13 facility is located here on the map. It's located
14 north of I-94 and west of County Road 101.

15 At the time that the facility was built, it was
16 located at an optimal location in Rogers, but, since
17 construction, the city has expanded rapidly around the
18 site. The facility was last expanded in 1996, which
19 brought the wet weather capacity of the facility to 1.6
20 million gallons a day. The current flow to the plant
21 is just under 1 million gallons a day.

22 Of course, the Northwest Metropolitan Area,
23 including Rogers, is served by a number of highway and
24 transportation systems, and all of these transportation
25 systems support growth.

1 The Council's 2030 Water Resources Policy Plan,
2 which was adopted in 2005, anticipated the long-term
3 need to build a new wastewater treatment facility along
4 the Crow River that would do two things: One, would
5 serve the growing communities of Rogers and portions of
6 Dayton and Corcoran, and would preserve capacity in the
7 Elm Creek interceptor and other downstream interceptors
8 so that those facilities could serve growth in the
9 urban core.

10 In 2016, the Council purchased 105 acres right
11 over here, 105 acres of land south of I-94, near County
12 Road 144 and Territorial Road for a new wastewater
13 treatment plant or water reclamation facility, and the
14 cost of that acquisition was \$1.74 million.

15 The proposed facility would be built to treat
16 3 million gallons per day, with the opportunity to
17 expand to 6 million gallons per day. The estimated
18 cost of the new facility at a concept level planning
19 stage is about \$100 million, estimated to be built in
20 2030, which includes inflation. That is our planning
21 level number, but based on our recent experience with
22 similar sized facilities we believe that the actual
23 cost will be much less than what our planning number
24 was established at.

25 So, as previously mentioned, the 2030 Water

1 Resources Policy Plan indicated the long-term need for
2 a new regional wastewater treatment in the northwestern
3 portion of the Twin Cities area.

4 The 2040 Water Resources Policy Plan identified a
5 process for acquisition of wastewater treatment plants
6 from suburban communities outside of the current
7 service area, such as Rogers, and noted that the
8 Council should solicit input about the proposed
9 acquisition through a public hearing process, and
10 that's why we're here today.

11 In 2016, the Metropolitan Council approved the
12 City of Rogers' 2030 Comprehensive Plan Amendment,
13 which identified the City's intent to request
14 acquisition of the existing Rogers Wastewater Treatment
15 Facility by the Metropolitan Council.

16 And then, in October of 2018, October 23rd to be
17 exact, the City of Rogers approved a resolution
18 requesting that the MCES acquire its wastewater
19 treatment facility.

20 As noted on the slide, the Council would use the
21 same authority, Minnesota Statute 473.511, to acquire
22 the Rogers facility as we did in the 1970s to acquire
23 and consolidate wastewater treatment facilities in the
24 region.

25 So, with that, I'll turn it over to Mark Lundgren,

1 and he can run through the costs and the timeline.

2 MR. LUNDGREN: Thank you, Jeannine. As
3 Jeannine mentioned, my name is Mark Lundgren, and I'm a
4 Senior Engineer and Project Manager at MCES. And I
5 will be presenting on the estimated costs and revenues
6 with the Rogers acquisition.

7 The acquisition of the Rogers Wastewater Treatment
8 Plant will be done in accordance with state law which
9 requires the fair accounting of costs and provides the
10 framework for determining the value of existing
11 facilities. The value of the facility was determined
12 based on a 25-year depreciation calculation of the
13 facility capital assets. The record of capital
14 expenses for the Rogers Wastewater Treatment Facility
15 was submitted by Rogers' staff and reviewed by MCES
16 staff.

17 The capital improvements were determined by MCES
18 staff as potential upgrades necessary to carry the
19 facility through the next ten years of operation. The
20 upgrades will include chemical dosing equipment for
21 meeting new phosphorous regulations, SCADA and control
22 upgrades to interface with existing MCES systems, other
23 metering, telemetry and process control improvements.
24 The \$2.5 million estimate includes a potential solids
25 handling upgrade. Negotiations with the Minnesota

1 Pollution Control Agency over solids handling methods
2 will determine whether or not that's necessary.

3 The estimated annual operations and maintenance
4 budget was determined based on our experience operating
5 similar facilities.

6 With the acquisition of the facilities -- with the
7 acquisition of the facility, Rogers will be fully
8 served by MCES. They will be paying the municipal
9 wastewater charge based on their annual flow.
10 Additionally, the new connections to the Rogers
11 Wastewater Treatment Facility will be required to pay
12 the Sewer Availability Charge (or SAC) into the system.
13 Rogers will pay the same SAC and MWC rates as other
14 communities. Estimated revenues total an average of
15 \$1.8 million per year from the 2020 to 2030 time
16 period.

17 For simplicity, we have shown the capital and
18 acquisition costs to be spread over ten years.
19 However, the 2019 operating budget for MCES includes
20 adequate funds to pay for the expenses through our Pay
21 Go program.

22 Based on the annualized 2019 dollar values of the
23 acquisition price, the estimated capital improvements
24 and the annual estimated operation and maintenance, the
25 costs for the facility range from \$980,000 to

1 \$1,080,000 annually averaged over the ten year life
2 expectancy of this facility.

3 Therefore, based on this estimation, the
4 acquisition should have negligible impacts on SAC and
5 MWC rates.

6 A few key milestones for the acquisition. One of
7 them includes the public hearing here today. We plan
8 on executing the acquisition agreement with the City of
9 Rogers by June of this year, with operations assumed by
10 MCES in December of 2019. We will then initiate
11 planning for the future Crow River facility in 2020 and
12 anticipate a 2030 facility startup. After the startup
13 of the new facility, we will decommission the Rogers
14 Wastewater Treatment Facility by 2031. So that's more
15 or less what we have for you.

16 Jeannine and I will be happy to take questions on
17 the content of the presentation at this time, after
18 which we'll proceed to the formal public comment
19 period.

20 MS. CLANCY: Are there any questions for
21 Mark or me?

22 MR. LUNDGREN: Don't be scared.

23 MS. CLANCY: Well, if there's no questions,
24 I'll turn it back to the Chair of our Environment
25 Committee who will manage the public hearing. And I

1 would ask again so that we could make sure that we
2 capture your notes on the record, if you would please
3 just stand over in that area so that she could hear
4 you, that would be great. Thank you.

5 MS. RUMMEL: Thank you, Mark and Jeannine.
6 There are several ways for you to learn more about this
7 acquisition and also to provide feedback. There's a
8 poster over there that's got all the websites and
9 emails and snail mail addresses. So I'm not going to
10 read them to you. So, if you have written comments or
11 if you have thoughts after today, by all means contact
12 us, and we're listening right now. Our public comment
13 period is open until January 24th.

14 So at this moment we will take -- do we have a
15 list of people who want to speak?

16 MS. CLANCY: I don't know that we have a
17 list. I think we should just take hands, and there's
18 no list.

19 MS. RUMMEL: All right.

20 MS. CLANCY: So if people could just raise
21 hands if they would like to speak.

22 MS. RUMMEL: So all of you who are
23 interested in speaking, as Jeannine said, we would
24 appreciate if you would come forward so we can
25 transcribe your comments. I guess I'll just take

1 people in the order that they -- we're going to ask you
2 to give your name, your address, the organization you
3 represent, and if you have written comments that you
4 want to leave behind, you can do that also.

5 Individuals have three minutes to offer their remarks,
6 and designated representatives of groups or
7 organizations have five minutes.

8 So we begin with this person here. Name and
9 address.

10 MR. STAHMER: Yes. Hi. Thank you. I'm
11 Steve Stahmer. I'm the City Administrator for the City
12 of Rogers. Address is 22350 South Diamond Lake Road,
13 Rogers, Minnesota 55374.

14 Ms. Clancy earlier mentioned, noted the City's
15 formal resolution, the City of Rogers' formal
16 resolution requesting this process, from 2016. I won't
17 bore you with all of the details, but I did just want
18 to enter into the record the City's resolution. It
19 would be Rogers Resolution 2018-84. The gist of that
20 resolution being that the City Council of the City of
21 Rogers hereby formally requests that the Metropolitan
22 Council Environmental Services begin the acquisition
23 process of the City of Rogers publicly owned wastewater
24 treatment plant. So I would just leave this --

25 MS. RUMMEL: Excellent.

1 MR. STAHLER: -- as our contribution. Thank
2 you very much for your time.

3 MS. RUMMEL: Thank you.

4 Is there anyone else that wants to make a comment
5 or a suggestion? It's going to be the shortest hearing
6 on record. I've got smiles out here, but no. . .
7 Well, either Jeannine and Mark, you did such a fabulous
8 job that there are absolutely no questions or comments,
9 or the City of Rogers and all of the folks that have
10 done the preparations for this have done such an
11 excellent job that there are no comments coming
12 forward.

13 Again, I'll give you one more chance. If not, I
14 believe this hearing is adjourned.

15 (Whereupon, the MCES Public Hearing adjourns
16 at 3:21 p.m.)

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1 STATE OF MINNESOTA
2 CERTIFICATE
3 COUNTY OF CARVER

4 I, Christine M. Clark, RPR, hereby certify
5 that I reported the MCES Public Hearing, on this 14th
6 day of January, 2019, in St. Paul, Minnesota;

7 That I was then and there a notary public in and
8 for the County of Carver, State of Minnesota;

9 That the foregoing transcript is a true and
10 correct transcript of my stenographic notes in
11 said matter, transcribed under my direction and
12 control;

13 That the cost of the original has been
14 charged to the party who noticed the meeting and
15 that all parties who ordered copies have been
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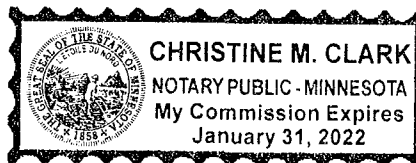
17 That I am not related to any of the
18 parties hereto, nor interested in the outcome of the
19 action and have no contract with any parties,
20 attorneys or persons with an interest in the action
21 that has a substantial tendency to affect my
22 impartiality;

23 WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL this 16th day of
24 January 2019.

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Christine M. Clark

Christine M. Clark, RPR
Notary Public



Comment #	Date Received	Comment Type	Name	Title	Organization	Summary
1	1/14/2019	Verbal Comment at Public Hearing	Steve Stahmer	City Administrator	City of Rogers	Entered into the record the City of Rogers' resolution requesting that MCES begin the acquisition process of the City of Rogers WWTF.
2	1/18/2019	Email to anna.bessel@me tc.state.mn.us	Brad Martens	City Administrator	City of Corcoran	Expressed support for the acquisition of the Rogers WWTF and future investments in the Crow River WWTP. Wanted to ensure that sufficient capacity will exist at the future plant to serve a significant portion of Corcoran.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-84

RESOLUTION REQUESTING METROPOLITAN COUNCIL ACQUIRE THE ROGERS PUBLICLY-OWNED WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT THROUGH AN ACQUISITION AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Rogers owns and operates a sanitary sewer system and a publicly owned wastewater treatment plant; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rogers has submitted its 2030 Comprehensive Plan and Comprehensive Sewer Plan to the Metropolitan Council; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Council has accepted the City of Rogers' 2030 Comprehensive Plan, as amended, and has approved its Comprehensive Sewer Plan that includes the future flow of the Rogers Wastewater Treatment Plant to a new Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant near the Crow River; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Council has adopted 2040 Water Resources Policy Plan and Thrive MSP 2040; and

WHEREAS; the Metropolitan Council's long-term wastewater system plan includes a new wastewater reclamation plant to serve the City of Rogers and neighboring communities, thereby replacing the need for the City's wastewater treatment plant and providing relief capacity to the Elm Creek Interceptor serving the regional wastewater needs of the area; and

WHEREAS; the Metropolitan Council's long-term capital improvement program, as stated in the 2040 Water Resources Policy Plan, projects construction of the Crow River wastewater reclamation plant by 2030; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rogers and Metropolitan Council have agreed to enter into an intergovernmental agreement that will facilitate the framework of the acquisition of the City of Rogers publicly owned treatment plant and the development of a future Metropolitan Council Environmental Services regional wastewater treatment plant.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Rogers hereby formally requests that Metropolitan Council Environmental Services begin the acquisition process of the City of Rogers publicly owned wastewater treatment plant.

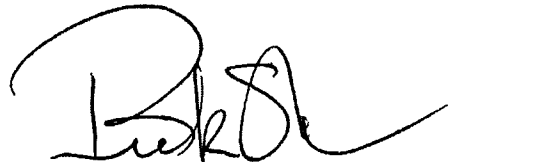
Moved by Councilmember *Klick* , seconded by Councilmember *Eiden*

The following voted in favor of said resolution: *Eiden, Gurecki, Ihli, Jankel, Klick*

The following voted against the same: *none*

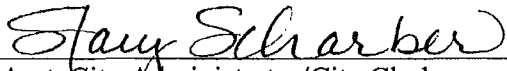
The following abstained: *none*

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted, and was signed by the Mayor, and attested by the Clerk dated this 23rd day of October 2018.



Mayor

ATTEST:



Asst. City Administrator/City Clerk

Bessel, Anna

From:
Sent:
To:
Subject:

Follow Up Flag:
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Anna,

I'm reaching out following the public hearing on Monday for the Met Council takeover of the Rogers wastewater treatment plant. Please accept the below remarks for the comment period.

The City of Corcoran is supportive of the Met Council investing wastewater resources in northwest Hennepin County including the takeover of the Rogers wastewater plant and future investments in the Crow River wastewater treatment plant. The City of Corcoran would like to ensure that sufficient capacity exists in the future plant to service a significant portion of Corcoran.

Thank you,

Brad Martens
City Administrator
City of Corcoran
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