

Council Chair Charlie Zelle

Council Members

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Deb Barber

Kris Fredson

Molly Cummings

Phillip Sterner

Reva Chamblis

Susan Vento

Chai Lee

Francisco J. Gonzalez

Lynnea Atlas-Ingebretson

Peter Lindstrom

Raymond Zeran

Robert Lilligren

Wendy Wulff

Christopher Ferguson

Judy Johnson

## Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 14, 2020 4:00 p.m.

### IN ATTENDANCE

Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

**ABSENT:** Muse

### CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Zelle called the meeting to order at 4:06pm on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 14 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 Muse

Not Recorded: 2 Atlas-Ingebretson, Sterner

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Zelle noted that a roll call vote is not needed for approval of the agenda. Council Members did not have any comments or changes to the agenda.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Lindstrom, seconded by Wulff.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 14 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 Muse

Not Recorded: 2 Atlas-Ingebretson, Sterner

## CONSENT AGENDA

### Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1- 11)

#### Consent Agenda Adopted

- 2020-231: That the Metropolitan Council:
1. Approve the Coon Creek Regional Trail Master Plan Amendment.
  2. Encourage the County to implement the advisory comments in the "Consistency "with Other Council Policies and Systems" section regarding solar, transit, and transportation planning.
- 2020-241: That the Metropolitan Council approve changes to the Metropolitan Council Policy 4-2-2 Disability Management and Reasonable Accommodation.
- 2020-245: That the Metropolitan Council authorizes a sole source amendment to vector service contract number 18P127B with Goliath Hydro-Vac for an additional amount of \$100,000 increasing the total contract amount to \$980,000.
- 2020-246: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute agreement 20I064 with the City of Minneapolis in the amount of approximately \$4,700,000, for shared fiber communication infrastructure, and locally requested pedestrian and signal improvements at 19 intersections along the D Line BRT project.
- 2020-247: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute agreement 20I022 with the City of Bloomington in the amount of approximately \$500,000, for shared fiber communication infrastructure and locally requested pedestrian improvements in conjunction with the D Line BRT project.
- 2020-248: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute agreement 20I024 with Hennepin County in the amount of approximately \$3,500,000, for locally requested pedestrian and signal improvements at six intersections along the D Line BRT project.
- 2020-249: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute agreement 20I023 with Hennepin County in the amount of approximately \$1,250,000 for financial participation in the construction of the fiber optic communication network along the D Line BRT project corridor.
- 2020-250: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute Joint Powers Agreement 20I058 with the City of Richfield for easements, permits, and right-of-way management authority needed for construction of the D Line project.
- 2020-252: That the Metropolitan Council:
- Adopt the proposed 2021 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) with a budget of \$6,134,275;
  - Adopt the attached resolution (2020-18) authorizing the filing of an application with the Minnesota Department of Transportation for a planning grant under the FAST Act; and
  - Authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation, for distribution of FHWA and FTA planning funds.

- 2020-253: That the Metropolitan Council approve an amendment to the 2020-2023 and 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) to increase the cost of MnDOT's I-94 pedestrian Project.
- 2020-260: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Community Development Director to execute grant agreements for Ramsey and Washington Counties' FY21 Parks and Trails Legacy Fund projects in the amounts determined by formula defined in Minn. Stat. § 85.53.

It was moved by Cummings, seconded by Vento.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 14 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 Muse

Not Recorded: 2 Atlas-Ingebretson, Sterner

## BUSINESS

### Community Development

- 2020-238: That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record and take the following actions:

#### Recommendations of the Community Development Committee

1. Authorize May Township to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
2. Advise the Township to:
  - a. When available, provide to the Council the date that the Rice Creek Watershed District approved the Local Water Management Plan, the date the Township adopted the final Local Water Management Plan, and a copy of the final Local Water Management Plan if it differs from the version contained in the Township's November 27, 2019, Plan submission.
  - b. Implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Forecasts, Land Use and Water Supply.

- 2020-259: That the Metropolitan Council:
1. Award four Livable Communities Demonstration Account Transit Oriented Development grants as shown in Table 1 below, totaling \$4,500,000.
  2. Authorize its Community Development Division Director to execute the grant agreements on behalf of the Council.

Project Name	Applicant	LCDA-TOD Funding
Minneapolis American Indian Center Expansion	Minneapolis	\$750,000
Agra	Minneapolis	\$1,250,000
Union Park Flats	Saint Louis Park	\$1,900,000
1619 Dayton Avenue	St. Paul	\$600,000

<b>Total Recommended</b>	<b>\$4,500,000</b>
Total Available	\$4,500,000
Total Remaining	\$0

It was moved by Vento seconded by Fredson.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 13 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lindstrom, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Abstain: 1 Lilligren

Absent: 1 Muse

Not Recorded: 2 Atlas-Ingebretson, Sterner

2020-257: That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record and take the following actions:

1. Authorize the City of Forest Lake to place its comprehensive plan amendment into effect.
2. Find that the amendment does not change the City's forecasts.
3. Find that the amendment renders the City's comprehensive plan inconsistent with the Council's housing policy and that the City is therefore ineligible to participate in Livable Communities Act programs.
4. Advise the City:
  - a. That to be consistent with Council housing policy, the City needs to increase the inventory of land guided to support the development of low- and moderate-income housing for the 2021-2030 decade by at least 225 units by guiding enough residential acres with sufficient minimum densities.
  - b. To implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for land use, water supply, and natural resources.

It was moved by Lilligren seconded by Gonzalez.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 14 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 Muse

Not Recorded: 2 Atlas-Ingebretson, Sterner

Environment – Reports on consent agenda

## Management - Reports on consent agenda

### Transportation

2020-251: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to reject all bids received for the D Line System Wide Communication Conduit Construction project, contract number 20P156.

It was moved by Chamblis seconded by Barber.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 Muse

Not Recorded: 1 Atlas-Ingebretson

## OTHER BUSINESS

### 1. Information Item: Public Comment Budget Update and 2021-2026 Capital Program

Marie Henderson, Acting CFO started the presentation providing an update on the operating budget and changes to public comment budget form preliminary operating budget and the 2021-2026 capital program and public comment budget. Staff from each division provided an overview of their proposed 2021-2026 Capital Program.

Chair Zelle asked what the distinction is between expansion improvement and replacement. Jeannie Clancy provided examples. Council member Chamblis commented on how happy she is about the proposed changes for Brooklyn park and Fridley for treatment and mitigation. Council member Lindstrom stated there are 250 projects in the works with expanse across the region and for more information view the Environment Committee presentation. Chair Zelle asked a question regarding cost of electronic fleet. Council member Atlas-Ingebretson asked if the Met Council can purchase the other half of twin homes. Johnson responded stating she raised the same point at Management Committee. Lilligren responded they will see at CD and it raises other questions regarding affordable housing inventory. Thanked staff who shifted housing inventory into the capital budget.

## REPORTS

Chair Zelle thanked Sam O'Connell and Jim Alexander for coordinating Southwest LRT bike/walking tours.

Council Members: no reports

Regional Administrator: thanked finance department for the work on the budget and noted the conversation on goals was timely. The Governor's office is getting back strategic planning and wants update to our plan.

General Counsel: no report

The meeting was adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

**Certification**

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of October 14, 2020.

Approved this 28th day of October 2020.

Liz Sund  
Recording Secretary