Metropolitan Council

Council Chair Charles Zelle

Council Members

Abdirahman Muse 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 January 22, 2019 4:00 p.m. Council Chambers

IN ATTENDANCE

Johnson, Chamblis, Ferguson, Barber, Cummings, Lilligren, Zeran, Lindstrom, Vento, Gonzalez, Lee Sterner, Wulff

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Zelle the meeting to order at 4:02pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

Agenda was moved by Vento, seconded by Wulff

Minutes was moved by Barber, seconded by Cummings

PUBLIC INVITATION

Richard Neumeister and Cass Whelan shared concerns regarding the privacy of the new camera surveillance system for Light Rail Vehicles including facial recognition, microphones, sharing with other agencies, retention, high technology surveillance, real time and monitoring rooms. They would like the Council to consider having a practice and policy in place before the technology is implemented.

BUSINESS

Joint Report of the Management, Community Development, Environment, and Transportation Committees

2020-26 JT SW: That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the 2020 Unified Budget as indicated and in accordance with the attached tables.

It was moved by Ferguson, seconded by Johnson. Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 14 Johnson, Chamblis, Ferguson, Barber, Cummings, Lilligren, Zeran, Lindstrom,

Vento, Lee, Gonzalez, Fredson, Sterner, Wulff,

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Atlas-Ingebretson, Muse

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1-8)



Consent Agenda Adopted

- 2019-317: Subject to the Legislative Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources approving the purchase price, the Metropolitan Council:
 - 1. Approve a grant of up to \$2,228,599.65 to Washington County to acquire the 102-acre Rowe property located on St. Croix Trail south of 90th Street, Denmark Township, for St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park.
 - 2. Authorize the Community Development Director to execute the grant agreement and restrictive covenant on behalf of the Council
- 2020-5: The Metropolitan Council approves the 2020 Metropolitan Council Title VI Program Update and adopts Resolution 2020-02 the updated Title VI Program and signs the Title VI Policy Statement and Assurances as required by the USDOT.
- 2020-8: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator amend contract 15P130 with Taxi Services, Inc for an additional \$704,000. The new contract total will be \$3,483,293.
- 2020-20: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a sole source amendment to contract 14P010 with Midwest Paratransit Services to provide Transit Link service in Dakota County to add \$300,000, for a total contract value of \$5,209,396, and to extend the contract term to September 25, 2020.
- 2020-24: That the Metropolitan Council:
 - 1. Find that the Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) had an adequate public participation process for the development and review of its 2020-2026 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), including preparation of an assessment of environmental effects (AOEE) for 2020 projects with potential environmental effects.
 - 2. Approve the Crystal Airport runway extension project since it meets both the funding level and "significant effects" criteria specified in state statute.
 - 3. Find that the 2020 CIP projects are in conformance with the region's Aviation System Plan and consistent with Council policy.
- That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to approve the attached Regional Solicitation package, including the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Solicitation for 2024-2025 funding (2022-2023 funding for TDM projects) and to release the solicitation.
- 2020-27: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute five contracts for Appraisal Services for the METRO Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit Project (Gold Line), in a total amount not to exceed \$680,000 and allocated as follows:
 - Patchin Messner Valuation Counselors not to exceed \$200,000
 - Integra Realty Resources not to exceed \$200,000
 - Lake State Realty Services, Inc. not to exceed \$120,000
 - BRKW Appraisals, Inc. not to exceed \$80,000
 - GTRE Commercial not to exceed \$80,000

2020-29: That the Metropolitan Council ratify the attached Justification for the Declaration of Emergency for the repair of Interceptor 1-SP-200 in Saint Paul.

It was moved by Ferguson, seconded by Vento

Motion carried.

BUSINESS

Community Development

- 2020-1: That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record and take the following actions:
 - 1. Authorize the City of Oak Grove to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
 - 2. Revise the Community Designation for the southeastern portion of the City to Rural Residential, as shown in Figure 3, in accordance with the Special Law from the first Special Session, section 126, article 3 of the 2017 session laws (first special session).
 - 3. Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for wastewater, surface water management, land use, and water supply.

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Zeran

Motion carried.

- 2020-11: 1. Authorize Ramsey County to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
 - 2. Advise the County:
 - a. To adopt the Mississippi River Corridor Critical Area Plan within 60 days after receiving DNR final approval, and to submit a copy of the final adopted plan and evidence of adoption to the DNR, Council, and National Park Service within ten days after the adoption.
 - b. That authorization of the County's Plan does not commit the Council to funding expansion or improvements to State Trunk Highway 36, the interchange at I-35E/County Road J, and Anoka County's interchange at County Road J/I-35W, as these projects are not in the Current Revenue Scenario of the TPP.
 - c. To implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Forecasts and Transportation.

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Lee

Motion carried.

2020-15: That the Metropolitan Council:

- 1. Award 11 Tax Base Revitalization Account grants as shown in Table 1 below.
- 2. Authorize its Community Development Division Director to execute the grant agreements on behalf of the Council.

Table 1. Tax Base Revitalization Account Grant Recommendations

Recommended Projects - Contamination Investigation	Recommended amount
Saint Paul – 1222 University	\$49,200

Recommended Projects - Contamination Cleanup	Recommended amount
Minneapolis - 14th and Central	\$370,500
Minneapolis - RBC Gateway	\$425,000
Roseville - Twin Lakes Station	\$722,500
Edina - Amundson Flats	\$400,500
Minneapolis - 907 Winter Street NE	\$185,000
Minneapolis - Amber Apartments	\$180,700
Minneapolis – Stonehouse Square Apartments	\$140,700
Minneapolis - Creekside at Van White	\$367,000
Saint Paul - Waterford Bay	\$316,900
Saint Paul - Stryker Av	\$179,800

TOTAL Recommended (All Grant Categories) \$3,337,800

Total Available \$3,394,500

Total Remaining \$56,700

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Cummings.

Council member Chamblis abstained because she has connection with a company.

Motion carried.

2020-33 SW: That the Metropolitan Council:

- 1. Approve the attached Joint Powers Agreement between the Metropolitan Council and the Minneapolis Public Housing Authority (MPHA) for the administration of Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program rent assistance in the City of Minneapolis.
- 2. Authorize the Community Development Director to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Council.

Council Member Lilligren thanked staff for their work.

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Chamblis.

Motion carried.

Environment

2020-30: That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to execute the contract amendment for contract 14I007 with the Minnesota Technical Assistance Program (MnTAP) at the University of Minnesota in Attachment A in the amount of \$315,000 making the contract total \$747,500.

Brian Davis gave a presentation on Business Item 2020-30: Metro Water Conservation Utilizing MnTAP Interns.

Council members had questions and discussion around recruiting companies to hire interns, outreach, selection of students and share best practices with businesses.

It was moved by Lindstrom, seconded by Vento

Motion carried.

2020-31: That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to execute the contract amendment for contract 15I103 with the University of Minnesota in Attachment A in the amount of \$268,393 making the contract total \$591,205.

Brian Davis gave a presentation on Business Item: 2020-31: Turfgrass Irrigation Efficiency Project with University of Minnesota Turfgrass Science Program.

Council members had questions regarding irrigation and if communities have ordinances and programs in place.

It was moved by Lindstrom, seconded by Wulff.

Motion carried.

Management

2020-13 SW: The Metropolitan Council authorize an internal loan to cover the cashflow needs of Parks capital funds.

It was moved by Ferguson, seconded by Lee.

Motion carried.

Transportation

2020-9: That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a sole source Contract 19P218 with IBI Group to provide software implementation, support and maintenance services for an Alerts Manager and Real Time Concentrator system for a three-year period in an amount not to exceed \$800,000.

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Chamblis

Motion carried.

2020-12: That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator to negotiate Contract 18P322 with Cambridge Systematics, Inc. to provide real-time departure prediction software implementation, support, hosting and maintenance services in an amount not to exceed \$972,000.

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Sterner

Motion carried.

2020-14: That the Metropolitan Council approve staff's recommended alignment for the METRO E Line.

The recommended alignment will run from the University of Minnesota area to Southdale Transit Center via 4th Street and University Avenue SE, Hennepin Avenue through downtown and uptown Minneapolis, 36th Street, Richfield Road, Sheridan Avenue, 44th Street, France Avenue, and 65th Street.

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Vento

Motion carried.

2020-21: That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a sole source contract with Hitachi Vantara Corporation for the purchase and installation of a new camera surveillance system for 91 Light Rail Vehicles for an amount not to exceed \$1,300,000.

Council members voiced concerns regarding privacy policy, facial recognition and requested to review the policy and discuss at future meeting. They would like the provision are incorporated unintentional consequences.

Council Member Barber stated there is a current policy in place for privacy and data practice and there is time to review the current policy. If changes are made to a policy, it would come back before the Committee.

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Wulff

Council Member Johnson opposed.

Motion carried.

2020-22: That the Metropolitan Council authorizes award and execution of contract 19P000A with Heywood Bus Garage Constructors, a Joint Venture, in the amount of \$113,115,915.00 for the construction of the Minneapolis Bus Garage (Heywood Expansion/Electric Bus Infrastructure – Project #62312).

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Fredson

Motion carried.

2020-23: That the Metropolitan Council authorizes award and execution of Contract 18P430 with Braun Intertec Corporation in the amount of \$918,898.64 for independent testing agency services for construction of the Minneapolis Bus Garage (Heywood Expansion/Electric Bus Infrastructure – Project #62312).

Council Member Chamblis stated there are 400 plus living wage jobs when faciliaity is at capacity and 300 plus construction jobs.

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Sterner

Motion carried.

Joint Reports of Environment and Community Development Committees

2019-331 JT: 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 Carver County to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
- 2. Revise the Laketown Township's forecasts upward as shown in Table 2 of the attached Review Record.
- 3. Revise the Laketown Township's sewer-serviced employment forecasts upward as shown in Table 3 of the attached Review Record.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee

1. Approve Laketown Township's Comprehensive Sewer Plan.

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Barber

Motion carried.

2020-2 JT: 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 the City of Waconia to put into effect the portion of its 2040 Comprehensive Plan pertaining to areas within the City's boundaries as of November 19, 2019, and those portions of Laketown Township for which the City has existing Orderly Annexation Agreement (OAA).
- 2. Advise the City of Waconia that the Council has reviewed the remainder of the Plan and has found no regional system conformance or policy consistency issues at this time. Because the City does not have the legal authority to plan and zone for areas within Waconia Township in the absence of an OAA, the City may not put those portions of the Plan into effect at this time. At such time as the City of Waconia acquires jurisdiction of the lands planned for future urbanization in Waconia Township either through an Orderly Annexation Agreement or annexation by ordinance, the City will need to submit appropriate plan amendments to the Council for further review and action.
- 3. Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Surface Water Management, Land use, and Water Supply.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee

1. Approve the City of Waconia's Comprehensive Sewer Plan.

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Barber

Motion carried.

2020-3 JT: 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 the City of Brooklyn Park to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
- 2. Revise the City's forecasts downwards as shown in Table 1 of the attached Review Record.
- 3. Revise the City's Affordable Housing Need Allocation to 795.
- 4. Advise the City to adopt the Mississippi River Critical Corridor Area (MRCCA) Plan within 60 days after receiving final DNR approval, and submit a copy of the final adopted plan and

- evidence of adoption to the DNR, Council, and National Park Service within 10 days after the adoption.
- 5. Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Forecasts, Housing, and Water Supply.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee

- 1. Approve the City of Brooklyn Park's Comprehensive Sewer Plan.
- 2. Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for wastewater.

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Barber.

Motion carried.

2020-4 JT: 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 the City of Golden Valley to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
- 2. Revise the City's forecasts upward as shown in Table 1 of the attached Review Record.
- 3. Revise the City's allocation of affordable housing need to 222 units.
- 4. Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for surface water management.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee

1. Approve the City of Golden Valley's Comprehensive Sewer Plan.

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Johnson.

Motion carried.

2020-10 JT: That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record and take the following actions:

Recommendations of the Community Development Committee

- 2. Authorize the City of Chanhassen to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
- 3. Revise the City's forecasts upward as shown in Table 1 of the attached Review Record.
- 4. Revise the City's sewer-serviced forecasts upward as shown in Table 2 of the attached Review Record.
- 5. Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Surface Water Management.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee

- 2. Approve the City of Chanhassen's Comprehensive Sewer Plan.
- 3. Implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Wastewater.

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Ferguson.

Motion carried.

REPORTS

Council Members:

Cummings: Attended the Tribal-State Relations training and recommends council members to attend.

Barber: Attended a bus operators 40 years of service with Council Member Wulff.

Vento: Attended ISD 623 School District Elected Local Officials meeting and discussed homelessness and impact of schools.

Lindstrom: Stated Roseville area schools have hundreds of homeless children, but there is a program to help called Homelessness States at Home.

Chair: Thanked Council Members for their thoughts on the committees they serve.

Regional Administrator: Reminder the retreat is Jan. 29.

General Counsel: None

Council Member Sterner moved to adjourn, seconded by Lee.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Motion carried.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of January 22, 2019.

Approved this 12th day of February 2020.

Liz Sund Recording Secretary