# **Other Business**

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of October 27, 2021

**Subject**: Adopting the Metropolitan Council's Public Comment Draft of the 2022 Unified Budget **District(s), Member(s):** All

Policy/Legal Reference: Minnesota Statutes Section 275.065, Section 473.121 and Section 473.13

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**Division/Department: All** 

### **Proposed Action**

That the Metropolitan Council adopt the Public Comment Draft of the 2022 Unified Budget.

### Background

Adoption of the public comment draft establishes the basis for gathering public input. The public comment draft combines the Council's proposed operating budget and proposed capital program into one consolidated budget document. The public comment draft is consistent with the budget presentations to the Council and Policy Committees and is consistent with the preliminary budget adopted on August 25, 2021. Changes to the operating budget and capital program and reductions to levies may occur prior to final adoption on December 8, 2021.

The Metropolitan Council will accept public comments on the 2022 Unified Budget at 6:00 PM on December 8, 2021.

Comments may also be submitted for the official record via phone, mail or email through 5:00 PM on December 8, 2021.

### Rationale

In accordance with Minnesota Statutes 275.065, the Metropolitan Council shall solicit public comment on the proposed 2022 Unified Budget.

## Known Support / Opposition

None

