

## Other Business

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of July 28, 2021

**Subject:** Appointment to the Land Use Advisory Committee

**District(s), Member(s):** All

**Policy/Legal Reference:** MN Statutes 473.127 and 473.853

**Staff Prepared/Presented:** Charlie Zelle, Chair

**Division/Department:** Chair's Office

## Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council approve the following appointments to the Land Use Advisory Committee (LUAC):

### Appointment through 2023

- **District 15** – William Droste – Mayor, City of Rosemount

## Background

The Land Use Advisory Committee (LUAC) was established by the Metropolitan Council under MN Statutes 473.127 and 473.853. The committee's purpose is to assist the Council in regional land use planning and undertake other responsibilities as delegated by the Council or required by law. The committee's advisory duties include giving advice and assistance on metropolitan land use, comprehensive planning, and matters of metropolitan significance.

The LUAC membership consists of at least 16 members, plus a chair. As required by state statute, membership shall include at least one member from each Council district and provide representation from each metropolitan county. Because both Scott and Carver counties are located within Council District 4, two members are needed from the district. At least half of the members must be elected officials of local governmental units. Members serve the same period as the term of their appointed Council member.

## Rationale

The district 15 position is vacant due the former committee member needing to leave their appointment early. This position has been vacant since February. Since early spring notices of the vacancy were on our website and emailed to community partners via Council newsletters. During this period, we received one application from Mayor Droste of Rosemount. Mayor Droste was recommended to Chair Zelle for consideration by the LUAC Chair and staff, which he accepted.

If approved, the district 15 appointment would serve the remainder of the original four-year term ending on January 1, 2023.

## Thrive Lens Analysis

Appointing a member to LUAC is necessary to keep the committee functioning. LUAC work advances all five Thrive Outcomes through shaping regional land use policy and assisting with the comprehensive planning process.

## Funding

N/A

**Known Support / Opposition**

N/A