

# Minutes

Metropolitan Council



**Meeting Date:** July 27, 2022

**Time:** 4:00 PM

**Location:** 390 Robert Steet

## Members Present:

- Chair, Charlie Zelle
- Judy Johnson, District 1
- Reva Chamblis, District 2
- Deb Barber, District 4
- Molly Cummings, District 5

- John Pacheco, District 6
- Robert Lilligren, District 7
- Abdirahman Muse, District 8
- Raymond Zeran, District 9
- Peter Lindstrom, District 10
- Susan Vento, District 11

- Francisco Gonzalez, District 12
- Chai Lee, District 13
- Kris Fredson, District 14
- Phillip Sterner, District 15
- Wendy Wulff, District 16
- = present, E = excused

## Call to Order

A quorum being present, Council Chair Zelle called the regular meeting of the Metropolitan Council to order at 4:00 p.m.

## Agenda Approved

Council Members did not have any comments or changes to the agenda.

## Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Barber to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2022, regular meeting of the Metropolitan Council. **Motion carried.**

## Public Invitation

Add any notes of conversation here.

## Consent Business

Consent Business Adopted (Items 1-10)

1. **2022-159A:** That the Metropolitan Council ratify the updates for the emergency repairs of the sinkhole and Interceptor 7015 A&B in Brooklyn Park.
2. **2022-170:** That the Metropolitan Council adopt FM 8-1 Management of Regional Assets Policy.
3. **2022-180:** That the Metropolitan Council adopt Revision 3 of the Bus Transportation Agency Safety Plan and the Light Rail Transportation Agency Safety Plan for Metro Transit as required by 49 CFR Part 673.
4. **2022-189:** That the Metropolitan Council:
  1. Approve Three Rivers Park District's Lake Independence Regional Trail Master Plan.
  2. Approve Three Rivers Park District's Lake Minnetonka LRT Regional Trail Master Plan.
  3. Approve Three Rivers Park District's Minnesota River Bluffs LRT Regional Trail Master Plan.

4. Approve Three Rivers Park District's Cedar Lake LRT Regional Trail Master Plan.
  5. Approve Three Rivers Park District's North Cedar Lake Regional Trail Master Plan.
  6. Advise Three Rivers Park District to implement advisory comments for Lake Independence Regional Trail and Cedar Lake LRT Regional Trail master plans.
  7. Require Three Rivers Park District, prior to initiating any construction of new or updating of existing paths, trails, bridges, or any other construction project, to send preliminary plans to the Metropolitan Council Environmental Services Interceptor Engineering Assistant Manager.
5. **2022-190:** That the Metropolitan Council:
1. Approve a grant of up to \$81,328 to Dakota County to acquire the 5.06-acre Adelman property located at 4755 220th Street West, Farmington, for Lake Marion Greenway Regional Trail.
  2. Authorize the Community Development Director to execute the restrictive covenant on behalf of the Council.
6. **2022-191:** That the Metropolitan Council:
1. Approve a grant of up to \$120,229 to Dakota County to acquire the 10.2-acre Ferguson property located in Randolph Township for Lake Byllesby Regional Park.
  2. Authorize the Community Development Director to execute the restrictive covenant on behalf of the Council.
7. **2022-193:** That the Metropolitan Council adopt FM 10-1 Accounts Payable Method Policy.
8. **2022-195:** That the Metropolitan Council adopt Revision 2 of the Agency Safety Plan for Metropolitan Transportation Services (MTS) as required by 49 CFR Part 673.
9. **2022-200:** That the Metropolitan Council authorize the regional Administrator to execute a sole source contract 22P196 with Alfa Laval Inc., to provide parts, labor, refurbishments, and services for Alfa Laval Sharples DS-706 Dewatering Equipment for MCES facilities in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 dollars.
10. **2022-203:** That the Metropolitan Council adopt revised payment standards as shown in Table 1 for the Housing Choice Voucher and other rent assistance programs effective August 1, 2022.

It was moved by Cummings, seconded by Gonzalez.

**Motion carried.**

## Non-Consent Business – Reports of Standing Committees

### *Community Development*

1. Reports on consent agenda

### *Environment*

1. **2022-201:** That the Metropolitan Council adopts the following wastewater rates and charges to be effective January 1, 2023:
  - Regional Wastewater Charge (total of municipal wastewater charges) of \$263,702,525;
  - Sewer Availability Charge (SAC): \$2,485 (\$3,185 for East Bethel and \$4,685 for Elko/New Market);
  - Temporary SAC: \$1.25 per thousand gallons (\$1.60 for E. Bethel, \$2.36 for Elko/NM);

- Industrial Capacity Charge: \$2.25 per 1,000 gallons (\$2.88 for E. Bethel, \$4.24 for Elko NM);
- Industrial Strength Charge: \$.292 per excess pound of TSS (total suspended solids);
- Industrial Strength Charge: \$.146 per excess pound of COD (chemical oxygen demand);
- Brewery Strength Charge: \$.916 per barrel; • Standard Load Charge: \$60.24 per thousand gallons;
- Holding Tank Load Charge: \$11.69 per thousand gallons;
- Portable Toilet Waste Load Charge: \$77.46 per thousand gallons;
- Collar County Load Charge: \$75.24 per thousand gallons;
- Strength component of Industrial Load Charge \$.4130 per excess pound of TSS;
- Strength component of Industrial Load Charge \$.2065 per excess pound of COD;
- Out-of-Region Load Charge Component for hauled waste: \$15.00 per thousand gallons;
- Industrial Permit Fees as shown on Attachment A; and
- Inflow and Infiltration (I&I) Surcharge Exceedance Rate: \$483,000 per million gallons per day (rate of maximum measured flow within an hour over allowed flow rate).

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Chamblis.

Council Member Vento commented the Environmental staff does exceptional job engaging and providing information.

**Motion carried.**

### ***Management***

1. **2022-194SW:** That the Metropolitan Council authorizes to bind coverage of its property insurance effective 8/1/22-8/1/23, in an amount not to exceed \$3,660,000.

It was moved by Johnson, seconded by Lilligren.

**Motion carried.**

### ***Transportation***

1. **2022-181:** That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute contract 21P364 with HDR, Inc. for design, engineering, and construction administration for the METRO E Line project in the amount not to exceed \$10,741,845.

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Cummings.

**Motion carried.**

### ***Information***

1. Arterial Bus Rapid Transit Update (Katie Roth, 612-349-7772)

Katie Roth, Director of Arterial BRT, provided an update on the Arterial Bus Rapid Transit. She presented the network of eight (A-H) arterial BRT lines planned by 2030 and the status of each line.

Council Member Johnson commented on the 50th and France station stating the Business Association and the City of Edina supports having the station location move to 51st and France. Council Member Pacheco said he's been getting questions regarding 43rd and Upton, stating the neighborhood groups have split the decision and have raised some issues. Chair Zelle stated Katie Roth and staff are responsive to concerns. Council Member Cummings stated integrating or expanding systems is a challenge but important. Cumming said we need to service the most

people in the most efficient matter and work with the city to address the concerns in the area. Council Member Barber expressed thanks to Katie for the presentation and is proud to build a robust transit system. Council member Fredson asked how the temporary stations compare to the permanent stations. Roth stated the temporary stations are movable. Council Member Chamblis asked about the plans for the C Line and coordination with MnDOT. Roth said MnDOT is working to further develop its plan. Council Member Gonzalez stated the new bus shelters enhance the neighborhood around Broadway. Council Members expressed excitement for the Lines and thanked Katie for the presentation and the staff for their outreach and engagement.

## Reports

Regional Administrator Mary Bogie reported the combination budget presentation is on Aug.10, and adoption will be on August 24.

General Counsel Ann Bloodhart provided an update on litigation involving the 2040 Minneapolis plan and introduced new employees to the department.

## Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 4:56 p.m.

## Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council meeting of July 27, 2022.

Approved this 10 day of August 2022.

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