Metropolitan Council

Minutes

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Meeting Date: March 8, 2023 Time: 4:00 PM Location: 390 Robert Steet

Members Present:

- ⊠ Reva Chamblis, District 2
- ☐ Deb Barber, District 4

- ⊠ Robert Lilligren, District 7
- □ Diego Morales, District 9
- □ Peter Lindstrom, District 10
- ⊠ Gail Cederberg, District 12
- ✓ Willetha (Toni) Carter, District14

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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.

Prior to the meeting Chair Zelle administered the oath of office to 15 of the reappointed/newly appointed Council members. Council member Barber was not able to attend the meeting and will be sworn in at a later date.

Agenda Approved

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

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Johnson to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2023 regular meeting of the Metropolitan Council. **Motion carried**.

Public Invitation

There was no public comment.

Chair Zelle commented on the excitement of seeing family members in attendance and the energy displayed by all appointed Council Members during the swearing ceremony.

Chair Zelle gave every Council Member the opportunity to introduce themselves, describing their background, interests, and goals for their term.

Joint Reports

2023-35: 2023 Budget Amendment - Carryforward Amendment - ROLL CALL
 That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the 2023 Unified Budget as indicated and in accordance with the tables.

It was moved by Johnson, seconded by Vento on the following roll call vote.

Aye

16 Cameron, Carter, Carter, Cederberg, Chamblis, Dolkar, Johnson Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Morales, Osman, Pacheco, Vento,

		Wulff, Zelle	
Nay	0		
Absent	1	Barber	

Motion carried.

Consent Business

Consent Business Adopted (Items 1-10)

- 1. 2023-01: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute master contracts 21P339 A-C for water resources planning, design, and consultation services with not to exceed amounts as follows:
- 2. 2023-02: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute Contract 21P055A (Metro Plant Fourth Incinerator System Supplier Services) with Veolia Water Technologies & Solutions in an amount not to exceed \$600,000.00.
- 3. 2023-03: That the Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Golden Valley for the relocation of the Plymouth Forcemain (Interceptor 8655-384) as part of the City's Douglas Drive at TH 55 Underpass and Intersection Improvements project.
- 4. 2022-17: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute agreement 22I053 with Ramsey County to receive approximately \$900,000 of funds for County-requested improvements along the METRO B Line corridor.
- 5. 2023-42: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute Contract 23P032 with Motor Coach Industries for up to four replacement electric motor coach buses in an amount not to exceed \$5,395,968 This action is contingent upon Council approval of the authorized capital program amendment on March 8 through business item 2023-35 JT.
- 6. 2023-55: That the Metropolitan Council adopt an amendment to the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add three projects.
- 7. 2023-56: That the Metropolitan Council adopt an amendment to the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to change the cost and scope of three projects.
- 8. 2023-53: That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator to execute a grant agreement with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority (MVTA) for Transportation Facility Projects consisting of various customer and support facility modernizations and enhancements in the amount of \$500,000 and an amendment to an existing project to increase the grant award from \$350,000 to \$600,000 for Bus Stop Amenities improvements (SG-2022-004).
- 9. 2023-50: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute Amendment 1 to contract 20P322 with Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. for engineering and construction administration services for the METRO B Line BRT project, to increase the contract value by \$1,649,389, for a revised contract not to exceed amount of \$11,407,899.
- 10. 2023-52: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute Contract 23P030 with Creative Bus Sales for up to 18 accessible minivans in an amount not to exceed \$1,350,000.

It was moved by Chamblis, seconded by Cederberg.

Motion carried.

Non-consent - Reports of Standing Committees

Community Development

No Report

Environment

No Report

Management

No Report

Transportation

 2023-49: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Reciprocal Easement and Operating Agreement with Beltline Mixed Use LLC, their successors and assigns, and the St. Louis Park Economic Development Authority and modify the associated transit easement for the Beltline Boulevard Station Park-and-Ride. It was moved by Chamblis, seconded by Lilligren.

Motion carried.

Other Business

- 2023-30: That the Metropolitan Council approve the following appointments 2-year and 4year terms to the Audit Committee:
 - 2-year term (Appointment through January 1, 2025)
 - o District 14 Quinn Gaalswyk Chief Auditor, University of Minnesota
 - District 16 Amy Jorgenson Chief Audit Officer, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
 - 4-year term (Appointment through January 1, 2027)
 - o District 6 Andra Roethler Chief Auditor, Hennepin County
 - District 12 Grace George Risk, Compliance and Audit Quality Assurance, US Bank

Motion included approval of Council Member Reva Chablis as Council Vice Chair It was moved by Lee, seconded by Johnson.

Motion carried.

2. 2023-61: That the Metropolitan Council adopt Revision 5 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.

It was moved by Chamblis, seconded by Toni Carter.

Motion carried.

3. 2023-63: That the Metropolitan Council authorizes to extend the existing Builders Risk Property Insurance Policy related to the Green Line Extension LRT project, in an amount not to exceed \$3,800,000.

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Morales.

Motion carried.

4. 2023-65: That the Metropolitan Council approve the following standing committee assignments recommended by the Chair, pursuant to Council Bylaws, Article III.

Community	Environment	Management	Transportation
Development			
Lilligren, Chair	Lindstrom, Chair	Johnson, Chair	Barber, Chair
Vento, Vice Chair	Wulff, Vice Chair	Lee, Vice Chair	Chamblis, Vice Chair
Carter, Toni	Cameron	Barber	Cameron
Chamblis	Carter, Tyronne	Cederberg	Carter, Toni
Dolkar	Cederberg	Lilligren	Carter, Tyronne
Johnson	Morales	Osman	Dolkar
Lee	Osman	Pacheco	Morales
Lindstrom		Pacheco	
Wulff		Vento	

It was moved by Johnson, seconded by Wulff.

Motion carried.

Information

First Term Accomplishments:
 Each Metropolitan Council Executive Division Directors provided a PowerPoint presentation on their division's accomplishments.

Reports

The Council Members, Regional Administrator, and General Counsel did not have any reports.

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council meeting of March 8, 2023.

Approved this 22nd of March 2023.

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