Minutes of the
REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Monday, May 21, 2018

Committee Members Present: Barber, Chavez, Cunningham, Elkins, Kramer, Munt, Wulff

Committee Members Absent: Dorfman, Commers

Committee Members Excused:

CALL TO ORDER
A quorum being present, Committee Vice-Chair Munt called the regular meeting of the Council’s Community Development Committee to order at 4:05 p.m. on Monday, May 21, 2018.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES
It was moved by Elkins, seconded by Kramer to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Kramer to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2018 special meeting of the Community Development Committee. Motion carried.

BUSINESS
2018-126 SW: City of Shakopee Entertainment District Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Review File No. 20434-8 (Angela Torres 651 602-1566)

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Elkins, that the Metropolitan Council

1. Adopt the attached Review Record and allow the City of Shakopee to place the Entertainment District Comprehensive Plan Amendment (CPA) into effect.
2. Find that the proposed amendment does change the City’s forecasts. The City will address all forecast adjustments, community-wide and TAZ forecasts, through the City’s 2040 Plan Update.
3. Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Regional Parks, Forecasts, and Housing.

Motion carried.

The Community Development Committee recommended approval of the proposed action without questions or discussion.

2018-117 SW: Amend the Guidelines for Housing Policy Performance (Tara Beard 651 602-1051)

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Elkins, that the Metropolitan Council amend its Guidelines for Priority Funding for Housing Policy Performance (“Guidelines”).

Motion carried.
The Community Development Committee recommended approval of the proposed action without questions or discussion.

INFORMATION
1. Metro HRA Moving to Work Opportunity – HRA Director Terri Smith presented the information item to the Community Development Committee.

The purpose of this information item is to give a broad overview of the MTW program and the benefits of gaining this designation.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) designated 39 housing authorities in the country with program flexibilities to provide them the opportunity to design and test innovative, locally-designed strategies to use federal funds more efficiently. The designation is called Moving to Work (MTW). MTW agencies are permitted to seek exemptions from program rules.

The Minneapolis Public Housing Authority (MPHA) is designated as an MTW agency. The Council’s Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) has a potential to get MTW designation through MPHA.

The Community Development Committee expressed their interest in the program with its benefits and provided their support to proceed with this initiative.

2. 2040 Regional Parks Policy Plan Public Engagement Effort Update and Discussion – Housing Analyst Dan Marckel and Natural Resource Manager Emmett Mullin presented the information item to the Community Development Committee.

Minnesota Statute section 473.147 requires the Metropolitan Council to prepare and adopt a long-range system policy plan for regional recreation open space as part of the Council’s Metropolitan Development Guide. This Council’s long range system policy plan, known as the 2040 Regional Parks Policy Plan (RPPP), must include policies, strategies, and a system plan that guide the Regional Parks System as well as estimated costs for acquisition and development and a five year capital improvement program. The Council adopted the RPPP on February 11, 2015. Minnesota Statute section 473.147 also requires the Council to complete a comprehensive review of the plan every four years. The current update addresses this statutory requirement to complete a comprehensive review.

Attachment A provides a high-level overview of outreach efforts to date, as well as a listing of future meetings.

Overview of Regional Parks Policy Plan Public Engagement Activities

Internal Staff Teams
- Project Team (daily meetings)
- Finance team (weekly meetings)
- RPPP leadership team (weekly meetings)
- MTS bicycle planning staff

Council Member Work Group
• Council Members Wulff (Chair), Melander, and Elkins (monthly meetings)

Council Committees and Advisory Groups
• Metropolitan Parks and Open Space Commission (MPOSC) (monthly meetings)
• Equity Advisory Committee (three meetings including July)
• Community Development Committee (regular meetings)
• Land Use Advisory Committee (two meetings)

Community Engagement
• Survey of Park Implementing Agencies’ engagement formats and activities
• Follow-up interviews with community stakeholders engaged during 2014 RPPP
• Visioning exercise with Richfield Women’s group
• Visioning exercise with Adult Basic Education group (Refugee program MORE, Vietnamese Social Services)
• Focus group conversations with Early Childhood Family Education groups in suburban Hennepin, suburban Anoka, and Washington Counties
• On-site survey at regional parks

Park Implementing Agency Planning Sessions
• Regular sessions with staff from the 10 implementing agencies (~2 meetings/month)

Engagement with Park Agency Boards/Commissions
• Following the lead of staff from each implementing agency, Council staff and Council Members and MPOSC members are available to work with county boards and boards and commissions of each park implementing agency.

Public Hearing Process
• July 12, 2018 – MPOSC, share draft plan
• July 16, 2018 – CDC, release draft plan for public review
• September 17, 2018 – CDC, public hearing
• September 24, 2018 – Public comment period closes
• November 6, 2018 – MPOSC, present final plan for review, along with public comments
• November 19, 2018 – CDC, Present final plan for approval

Mr. Marckel and Mr. Mullin updated the Community Development Committee on the public engagement efforts surrounding the update.

The Community Development Committee thanked staff for presenting this information at CDC and the Equity Advisory Committee and the efforts producing an easy to read Regional Parks Policy Plan.

ADJOURNMENT
Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Michele Wenner
Recording Secretary