

Council Chair Adam Duinick

Council Members

Katie Rodriguez	Jennifer Munt	Gary Cunningham	Edward Reynoso	Sandy Rummel	Richard Kramer	Steven Chávez
Lona Schreiber	Steve Elkins	Cara Letofsky	Marie McCarthy	Harry Melander	Jon Commers	Wendy Wulff
Deb Barber	Gail Dorfman					

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 23, 2015 4:00PM Council Chambers

IN ATTENDANCE

Rodriguez, Schreiber, Munt, Barber, Elkins, Dorfman, Cunningham, Letofsky, McCarthy, Rummel, Melander, Kramer, Commers, Chávez, Wulff, Duinick

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Duinick called the meeting to order at 4:00PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Kramer.

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Letofsky.

BUSINESS

Joint Reports of the Transportation and Management Committees

1. 2015-207 SW Authorize the amendment of the 2015 Unified Budget as indicated and in accordance with the attached tables.

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Elkins.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Rodriguez, Schreiber, Munt, Barber, Elkins, Cunningham, Letofsky, McCarthy, Rummel, Melander, Kramer, Commers, Chávez, Wulff, Duinick

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Reynoso, Dorfman (arrived after roll call)

2. 2015-201 SW-amended Adoption of Resolution 2015-22 approving a 2015 capital grant agreement for the purchase of light rail vehicles between the Metropolitan Council and the Counties Transit Improvement Board.

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Elkins.

Motion carried.

Report of the Transportation Committee

1. 2015-202 Authorize the Regional Administrator to exercise the contract option with Siemens Industry, Inc. for the purchase of 5 light rail vehicles for the METRO Blue Line. This will increase the existing Siemens LRV Contract 09P157 by \$20.3 million, for a revised contract value not to exceed \$237,964,820.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Munt.

Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1-5)

Consent Agenda Adopted

1. 2015-209 Approve changes to the Metropolitan Council Policy 3-2-5 Sewer Availability Charge Management so that the General Manager, MCES, and Council CFO may have discretion in the frequency of community reviews in the event of excessive SAC determination requests or SAC staff shortages.
2. 2015-214 Authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract to construct North Area Interceptor (NAI) Rehabilitation Phase 6, Project No. 808660, Contract 15P059, to Insituform Technologies for their low, responsive bid of \$9,628,733.00.
3. 2015-215 Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an agreement to purchase land adjacent to the Empire Wastewater Treatment Plant.
4. 2015-216 Authorize the Regional Administrator to amend Contract 12P004 with Allied Barton Security Services for an additional \$200,000 from \$786,245 to \$986,245.
5. 2015-217 Authorize the Regional Administrator to reject all proposals for Contract 15P014 titled MTS Electronic Equipment Maintenance.

BUSINESS

Community Development

2015-223 SW Accept the public hearing report for the 2016-2021 regional parks capital improvement program (CIP); adopt the 2016-2021 regional parks capital improvement program as an amendment to the 2040 Regional Parks Policy Plan in accordance with Minn. Stat. 473.147, Subd. 1; and authorize staff to submit a request to the legislature for \$11 million in state bonds for 2016.

It was moved by Cunningham, seconded by Wulff.

Motion carried.

Environment

2015-226 SW Adopt the 2015 Twin Cities Metropolitan Area Master Water Supply Plan.

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Letofsky.

Motion carried.

2015-227 SW Approve the Clean Water, Land & Legacy Water Efficiency Grant Program design and guidelines.

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Chávez.

Motion carried.

Management—Reports on Consent Agenda

Transportation

2015-208 Authorize the Regional Administrator to allow the assignment of 4 Light Rail Vehicle contract options with Siemens Industry, Inc. to Hampton Roads Transit under the existing Siemens LRV Contract 09P157.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Barber.

Motion carried.

2015-211 Authorize the Regional Administrator to award, negotiate, and execute Power Purchase Agreements and Facility License Agreements with Solar City Corporation.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Rummel.

Motion carried.

2015-212 Concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to adopt the 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area. Certify that the Twin Cities Metropolitan Planning Process is addressing major issues facing the metropolitan planning area and is being carried on in conformance with all applicable federal requirements of: 23 U.S.C. 134 and 49 U.S.C. 5303, and this subpart; Sections 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506 (c) and (d)) and 40 CFR part 93; Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 USC 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21; 49 USC 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity; Sections 1101 (b) of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (Pub. L. 112-141) and 49 CFR Part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in US DOT funded projects; 23 CFR Part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts; The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance; Section 324 of title 23, U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities. Certify the TIP conforms to the provisions of 49 CFR part 20 regarding lobbying restrictions on influencing certain federal activities. Find that the TIP is consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan, which is in conformance with applicable federal transportation and air quality regulations. Find that the TIP meets all applicable federal requirements. Find that the TAB provided adequate opportunity for involvement from the public, agency, and transit operators through its regular process and public comment period. Transmit the 2016-2019 TIP along with these comments to the Minnesota and Wisconsin Departments of Transportation and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Rodriguez.

Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

2015-213 Adopt Resolution 2015-19 acknowledging the contributions of the Community Engagement Steering Committee in the creation of the Council's Public Engagement Plan.

It was moved by Duinick, seconded by Cunningham.

Motion carried.

2015-218 Approve the appointment of Karl Drotning to represent District 16 on the Land Use Advisory Committee.

It was moved by Commers, seconded by Wulff.

Motion carried.

REPORTS

Council Members:

Letofsky—Attended her first MAC meeting as the Council’s liaison where the long term comprehensive plan was on the agenda. Has been asked to participate in the Center for Prevention’s food access planning guide.

Munt—Attended the municipal consent hearings for SWLRT. The City of Minnetonka and the City of Eden Prairie granted municipal consent.

Chávez—Has been meeting with executives regarding the Vikings development in Eagan. Attended the Eagan Planning Commission meeting.

Commers—Attended the Economic Development Committee of the Midway Chamber of Commerce; they’ve been supportive of the business community in the midway during the construction of the Green Line. Katie Roth gave an excellent presentation on the A-Line. The Green Line surpassed 1 million riders in August. Participated in Metro Transit’s bus rodeo.

Rodriguez—Attended the planning meeting for the Equity Workshops which will be held for all TAB and Council members who would like to attend.

Cunningham—Met with the Everybody In group and discussed racial equity in the region. They also discussed the Governor’s executive order to increase procurement opportunities for groups that have not been represented in the State procurement system. Attended the Greater MSP meeting.

Chair: Attended the EQB meeting where they discussed the State’s water plan. Participated in the CTIB meeting; the FTA was in town and spent time learning about CTIB and how the Met Council and CTIB work together. The Green Line ridership has been excellent and has been growing now that school is back in session at the U of M. Hosted a tour of the transitway projects for MMB. The Council has been doing our due diligence regarding the possible soccer stadium; Council members should contact Chair Duinick with questions.

Regional Administrator: No report.

General Counsel: No report.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:18PM.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of September 23, 2015.

Approved this 14th day of October, 2015.

Emily Getty
Recording Secretary