

**Minutes of the  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Monday, October 7, 2013

**Committee Members Present:** Cunningham, Chávez, Commers, Elkins, Kramer, Munt, Rummel, Wulff

**Committee Members Absent:**

**Committee Members Excused:**

**CALL TO ORDER**

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Cunningham called the regular meeting of the Council's Community Development Committee to order at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, October 7, 2013.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES**

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Elkins to approve the agenda. **Motion carried.**

It was moved by Elkins, seconded by Kramer to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2013 regular meeting of the Community Development Committee. **Motion carried.**

**BUSINESS**

**2013-249 Authorization to Amend the 2013 Unified Capital Program**

Regional Parks and Natural Resources manager Arne Stefferud presented the report to the Community Development Committee.

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Wulff, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the amendment of the 2013 Unified Capital Program.

The committee had no questions. **Motion carried.**

**2013-280 Mendota-Lebanon Hills Greenway Regional Trail Master Plan, Dakota County**

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Elkins, that the Metropolitan Council:

1. Approve the Mendota-Lebanon Hills Greenway Regional Trail Master Plan.
2. Require that prior to initiating development of the Mendota-Lebanon Hills Greenway Regional Trail, preliminary plans should be sent to Scott Dentz, Interceptor Engineering Manager (651-602-4503) at Metropolitan Council Environmental Services for review in order to assess the potential impacts to the regional interceptor system.

The committee had no questions. **Motion carried.**

**2013-281 Lake Marion Greenway Regional Trail Master Plan, Dakota County**

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Kramer, that the Metropolitan Council:

1. Approve the Lake Marion Greenway Regional Trail Master Plan.
2. Require that prior to initiating development of the Lake Marion Greenway Regional Trail, preliminary plans should be sent to Scott Dentz, Interceptor Engineering Manager (651-602-4503) at Metropolitan Council Environmental Services for review in order to assess the potential impacts to the regional interceptor system.

3. Notify Dakota County that approval of the Lake Marion Greenway Regional Trail Master Plan applies to the preferred trail route designated in the master plan and does not constitute approval of the long-term alternative identified along the MN&S line owned by Canadian Pacific Railway.

The committee had no questions. **Motion carried.**

### **2013-282 Amend Scope and Duration of Four Regional Park and Trail Grants to Dakota County**

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Chávez, that the Metropolitan Council amend the following four grant agreements and authorize the Community Development Director to sign the grant agreement amendments:

1. Amend SG2009-042, Grant Project (Section 2) to include “engineering, construction and construction administration for the Spring Lake Park Reserve segment of the Mississippi River Regional Trail,” and to delete “construction of the Pine Bend Rosemount segment of the Mississippi River Regional Trail”. Also, extend the agreement term to December 31, 2017 to accommodate the time needed to construct the Spring Lake Park Reserve segment and align with the expiration date of two Federal Transportation grants for the project.
2. Amend SG2010-032, Development Project to include “engineering, construction and construction administration for the Spring Lake Park Reserve segment of the Mississippi River Regional Trail,” and to delete “design, construction and construction administration of the Rosemount segment of the Mississippi River Regional Trail.” Also, extend the agreement term to December 31, 2017 to accommodate the time needed to construct the Spring Lake Park Reserve segment and align with the expiration date of two Federal Transportation grants for the project.
3. Amend SG2011-027, Development Project to include “engineering, construction and construction administration for the Spring Lake Park Reserve segment of the Mississippi River Regional Trail,” and to delete “construction and construction administration of the Rosemount segment of the Mississippi River Regional Trail.” Also, extend the agreement term to December 31, 2017 to accommodate the time needed to construct the Spring Lake Park Reserve segment and align with the expiration date of two Federal Transportation grants for the project.
4. Amend SG2011-108, Grant Project (Section 2) to include “engineering, construction and construction administration for the Spring Lake Park Reserve segment of the Mississippi River Regional Trail,” and to delete “construction and construction administration of the Rosemount segment of the Mississippi River Regional Trail.” Also, extend the agreement term to December 31, 2017 to accommodate the time needed to construct the Spring Lake Park Reserve segment and align with the expiration date of two Federal Transportation grants for the project.

The committee had no questions. **Motion carried.**

### **2013-283 Request for Reimbursement Consideration of five Dakota County Regional Park and Trails Projects**

That the Metropolitan Council consider reimbursing Dakota County up to \$918,000 from its share of future Regional Parks Capital Improvement Programs for the following projects:

1. Park System-wide furnishings and site amenities \$43,000

Benches, drinking fountains, signs, landscaping and miscellaneous site amenities in regional parks per approved master plans

2. Greenway System-wide furnishings and site enhancements \$90,000  
Benches, drinking fountains, signs, landscaping and miscellaneous site amenities in regional greenways per approved master plans
3. Big Rivers Regional Trail trailhead design \$75,000  
Design and engineering of trailhead building and associated site improvements at the Highway 13 trailhead
4. Lebanon Hills Regional Park connector trail construction \$420,000  
Design and construction for a year-round connector trail per the approved master plan
5. North Urban Regional Trail - Mendota Heights/West St. Paul construction \$290,000  
Design and construction for a trail from Hwy 110 and Warrior Drive to Garlough Park in West St. Paul

Acknowledge that the Council does not, under any circumstances, represent or guarantee that reimbursement will be granted, and expenditure of local funds never entitles a park agency to reimbursement.

The committee had no questions. **Motion carried.**

## INFORMATION

1. **Housing Policy Plan Update** – Council Member Steven Chávez provided an update to the Community Development Committee of the Housing Policy Plan and work groups. He shared a memo from Barbara Hawkins, the co-chair of the HPP. He discussed the Housing Policy Plan vision, outcomes, and Council authority.
2. **Land Use Advisory Committee Report** – Council Member Jon Commers provided information on the Land Use Advisory Committee and solicited suggestions for the next steps, shared work, time and resources. He discussed the roles, recommendations, and implications of LUAC.

## ADJOURNMENT

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Michele Wenner  
Recording Secretary