

Minutes of the

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

Committee Members Present: Chair; Steven Chávez, Vice Chair; Deb Barber, Gary Cunningham, Harry Melander, Katie Rodriguez

Committee Members Absent: Richard Kramer, Sandy Rummel

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Chavez called the special meeting of the Council's Management Committee to order at 3:04 p.m. on Wednesday, March 14, 2018.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Cunningham and seconded by Barber to approve the March 14, 2018 amended agenda. **Motion Carried**

It was moved by Rodriguez and seconded by Melander to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2018 Meeting of the Management Committee.

BUSINESS

2018-66 Labor Agreement with the Metropolitan Council Management Association, MANA

It was moved by Cunningham and seconded by Barber that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into a labor agreement with the Metropolitan Council Management Association, effective January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020. Marcy Cordes, Chief Labor Relations Officer presented the item.

Motion Carried

2018-35 Unified Budget Amendment – Regular Carry Forward

It was moved by Rodriguez and seconded by Cunningham that the Metropolitan Council authorizes the 2018 Unified Budget as indicated and in accordance with the attached tables. Paul Conery, Director of Budget presented the item.

Motion Carried

2018-59 JT: Southwest Light Rail Transit (Green Line Extension) Joint and Cooperative Exercise of Powers Agreement with Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority

It was moved by Cunningham and seconded by Rodriguez that the Metropolitan Council (Council): (1) authorize its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Joint and Cooperative Exercise of Powers Agreement with the Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority (HCRRA) related to common carrier freight rail obligations in the Kenilworth Corridor and Bass Lake Spur and performance of duties and responsibilities under the existing Trackage Rights Agreements (TRAs); and (2) authorize its Regional Administrator or the Regional Administrator's designee(s) to negotiate and execute ancillary agreements necessary to implement the Joint and Cooperative Exercise of Powers Agreement. Dave Theisen, Deputy General Counsel, presented the item.

Motion Carried

2018-60 JT: Southwest Light Rail Transit (Green Line Extension) Freight Rail Agreements, Surface Transportation Board Filings, and Any Settlement or Other Agreement with TC&W Railroad

It was moved by Rodriguez and seconded by Barber that the Metropolitan Council (Council) authorize the Regional Administrator to:

- Negotiate and execute a Real Estate Purchase Agreement between the Council and Canadian Pacific (CP) related to the acquisition of the Bass Lake Spur for an amount not-to-exceed \$27.45M;
- Negotiate and execute a Property Transfer Agreement between the Council and Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority (HCRRA) related to the transfer of ownership of the Kenilworth Corridor as a permanent, in-kind property transfer for the SWLRT Project;
- Negotiate and execute ancillary documents necessary for closing on the Bass Lake Spur and Kenilworth Corridor
- Petition the Surface Transportation Board (STB) to acquire the rights-of-way and physical freight rail assets of the Bass Lake Spur and Kenilworth Corridor (collectively referred to herein as “Corridors”) subject to the freight rail easements and existing trackage rights agreements; and
- Negotiate any settlement or other agreement with TC&W related to the acquisition of these properties or utilization for the construction of the SWLRT Project.

Jim Alexander, SWLRT Project Director, presented the item.

Motion Carried

2018-65 JT: Third Amendment to the CTIB Capital Grant Agreement Southwest LRT (Green Line Extension)

It was moved by Barber and seconded by Rodriguez that the Metropolitan Council (Council) authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute the third amendment to the 2017 Counties Transit Improvement Board (CTIB) Capital Grant Agreement to extend the grant activity period to May 31, 2018 and increase the amount of matching funds from Hennepin County by \$2,740,465. Jim Alexander, SWLRT Project Director, presented the item.

Motion Carried

2018-61 JT: Second Amendment to the Cooperative Funding Agreement with HCRRA Southwest LRT (Green Line Extension)

It was moved by Rodriguez and seconded by Cunningham that the Metropolitan Council (Council) authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute the Second Amendment to the Cooperative Funding Agreement with HCRRA for the Southwest LRT (Green Line Extension) to extend the funding agreement to May 31, 2018 and increase the amount of HCRRA’s share of project funding by \$3,969,282. Jim Alexander, SWLRT Project Director, presented the item.

Motion Carried

INFORMATION

State Budget/Forecast Briefing (February/November Forecast, End of Session)

Paul Conery, Director of Budget, presented the information item with an information slide.

2018 Workplan Draft

Mary Bogie asked for any final updates and additional topics for 2018 Workplan be sent to either her or Lori Connery.

ADJOURNMENT

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 4:36 p.m.

Lori Connery
Recording Secretary