Metropolitan Council

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Gary Van Eyll James Brimeyer

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 14, 2015 4:00PM Room LLA

IN ATTENDANCE

Rodriguez, Schreiber, Munt, Van Eyll, Elkins, Brimeyer, Cunningham, Duininck, Reynoso, McCarthy, Rummel, Kramer, Commers, Chávez, Wulff, Haigh

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Cunningham, seconded by Munt.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1-9)

Consent Agenda Adopted

- 1. 2014-295 Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a professional services contract with Short Elliott Hendrickson (SEH) Inc. for design and construction support services for a median transit station and skyway at a contract amount of \$885,553.16.
- 2. 2014-298 Approve Resolution 2014-36 changing certain designated position titles in the Minnesota State Retirement System unclassified plan.
- 3. 2014-306 Approve Resolution 2014-35 adopting the Livable Communities Act Local Housing Incentives Account (LCA LHIA) Affordable and Lifecycle Housing goals adopted by the City of Chanhassen to participate in the Livable Communities Act beginning calendar year 2015.
- 4. 2014-310 Authorize the implementation of the Industrial Pretreatment Incentive Program (IPIP), which incentivizes industrial users to design, build, and operate pretreatment facilities on their sites consistent with the key business terms listed in Attachment A, and to prepare to finance up to \$50 million for the program in 2015.
- 5. 2014-311 Authorize a grant of up to \$1,421,250 from the Parks and Trails Legacy Fund Acquisition Account to Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board to finance up to 75 percent of the costs to acquire a parcel at 1828 Marshall Street NE for Above the Falls Regional Park. The grant will be financed as follows: \$852,750 from the Fiscal Year 2015 Parks and Trails Legacy Fund appropriation, and \$568,500 from Metropolitan Council bonds. Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board will provide up to \$473,750 to finance the required local match, or up to 25 percent of the total acquisition costs. Authorize the Community Development Director to sign the grant agreement and accompanying documents including the restrictive covenant.

- 6. 2014-312 Authorize a grant of up to \$470,039 from the Parks and Trails Legacy Fund Acquisition Account to Washington County to finance up to 75 percent of the costs to acquire a parcel at 17980 Margo Avenue for Big Marine Park Reserve. The grant will be financed as follows: \$271,781 from the Fiscal Year 2015 Parks and Trails Legacy Fund appropriation, and \$198,258 from Metropolitan Council bonds. Washington County will provide up to \$156,679 to finance the required local match, or up to 25 percent of the total acquisition costs. Authorize the Community Development Director to sign the grant agreement and accompanying documents including the restrictive covenant.
- 7. 2014-321 Approve an Administrative Plan revision adopting a residency preference for the administration of the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program.
- 8. 2014-322 Authorize the Regional Administrator to exercise contract options on contract #14P053 with MCI to purchase five coach buses in an amount not to exceed \$2,898,000 on behalf of the Minnesota Valley Transit Authority (MVTA).
- 2014-324 Concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include project design and engineering for future C Line (Penn Avenue) arterial bus rapid transit (ABRT) corridor in Minneapolis and Brooklyn Center.

BUSINESS

Community Development

2014-314 Award 8 Development Livable Communities Demonstration Account (LCDA) grants, as follows:

Development Projects	Applicant	Points	Recommendation
Broadway Flats	Minneapolis	92.1	\$500,000
MoZaic East	Minneapolis	88.3	\$1,250,000
72 Cesar Chavez	St. Paul	86.1	\$550,000
Village Pointe Plaza	Apple Valley	84.5	\$1,148,639
New Phalen Village	St. Paul	84.4	\$700,000
Great River Landing	Hastings	80.4	\$980,000
Twin Lakes Redevelopment	Roseville	78.3	\$1,181,361
Carver Crossing	Carver	76.5	\$1,190,000
Total LCDA Recommendations			\$7,500,000
Total Funding Available			\$7,500,000

It was moved by Cunningham, seconded by Kramer.

Motion carried.

2014-315 Award three Livable Communities Demonstration Account Transit-Oriented Development Pre-Development grants as follows:

Recommended Projects	City	Recommended Amount
Payne and Bush	St. Paul	\$20,000
River Balcony	St. Paul	\$100,000
Glendale Redevelopment	Minneapolis	\$100,000
TOTAL	•	\$220,000

It was moved by Cunningham, seconded by Munt.

Motion carried.

2014-316 Approve the Metropolitan Regional Parks System Prioritized Project List for Parks and Trails Legacy Fund—Fiscal Years 2016-17 and submit this list to the chairs and ranking minority members of the Minnesota Senate and House of Representatives committees and divisions with jurisdiction over the environment and natural resources fund and the parks and trails legacy fund.

It was moved by Cunningham, seconded by Rummel.

Motion carried.

Environment

2015-14 SW Release the Draft 2040 *Water Resources Policy Plan* (WRPP) for public review and comment; and authorize a public comment period from January 15, 2015 to March 20, 2015, including a public hearing on March 10, 2015 at 5:00PM.

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Van Eyll.

Motion carried.

Management

2015-4 SW Approve the amendment to the Environmental Sustainability Policy resulting in an expansion of options for utilization of Council resources beyond its own operations and creating the opportunity to share financial benefits with local governmental entities which choose to participate.

It was moved by Brimeyer, seconded by Chávez.

Motion carried.

Transportation

2014-323 Accept the Public Comment Report on the Draft 2040 *Transportation Policy Plan* and adopt the revised final version of the 2040 *Transportation Policy Plan*.

It was moved by Duininck, seconded by Elkins.

Motion carried.

2014-325 Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a contract with Midwest Paratransit Services Inc. to provide Transit Link dial-a-ride service in Dakota County from June 1, 2015 through May 31, 2020 in an amount not to exceed \$4,259,396; and a contract with MV Transportation to provide Transit Link service in Washington County and SE Ramsey County from no earlier than March 2, 2015 for a 5-year term in an amount not to exceed \$8,223,214.

It was moved by Duininck, seconded by Rummel.

Motion carried.

2015-6 SW Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute SFA No. 2 to the MFA with the City of St. Louis Park for the Southwest Light Rail Transit Project in an amount funded by the City not to exceed \$1,156,000.

It was moved by Duininck, seconded by Brimeyer.

Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

2015-7 Adopt Resolution 2015-1 changing the meeting time of the Community Development Committee's regular meetings from 4:30PM to 4:00PM.

It was moved by Cunningham, seconded by Commers.

Motion carried.

REPORTS

Chair: Attended many transportation meetings including the BLRT CMC and the SWLRT ECCB (Executive Change Control Board).

Participated in the MN Chamber's annual Session Priorities event.

Spoke to the New Century Club about transit and transportation.

Participated in the PRO final meeting.

Participated in four Itasca meetings regarding transportation.

Attended the Governor's inaugural events and the farewell event for Lt. Gov. Prettner Solon.

Council Members:

Rummel—Attended the first public meetings for the RUSH line.

Munt—Thanked staff for their hard work on the City of Mound work session regarding the I&I issues.

Met with the City of Excelsior to discuss LCDA grants.

<u>Cunningham</u>—Attended the groundbreaking for Clare Terrace in Robbinsdale, which will provide housing for people living with AIDS.

<u>Rodriguez</u>—Cole Hiniker provided a great presentation to Council members in Plymouth regarding the Highway 55 BRT study.

Duininck—Attended a number of inaugural ceremonies.

Attended a workshop on Race & Equity, along with the cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul, and the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board.

Encouraged other CMs to contact their TAB representatives to encourage them to reapply.

Regional Administrator: Pat thanked Guy Peterson for his years of service at the Council. Guy's last day is Friday, January 16, 2015.

General Counsel: No report

The meeting was adjourned at 4:46PM.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of January 14, 2015.

Approved this 28th day of January, 2015.

Emily Getty Recording Secretary