

Minutes

Metropolitan Council



Meeting Date: September 14, 2022

Time: 4:00 PM

Location: 390 Robert Steet

Members Present:

- Chair, Charlie Zelle
- Judy Johnson, District 1
- Reva Chamblis, District 2
- Deb Barber, District 4
- Molly Cummings, District 5

- John Pacheco, District 6
- Robert Lilligren, District 7
- Abdirahman Muse, District 8
- Raymond Zeran, District 9
- Peter Lindstrom, District 10
- Susan Vento, District 11

- Francisco Gonzalez, District 12
- Chai Lee, District 13
- Kris Fredson, District 14
- Phillip Sterner, District 15
- Wendy Wulff, District 16
- = present, E = excused

Call to Order

A quorum being present, Council Chair Zelle called the regular meeting of the Metropolitan Council to order at 4:02 p.m.

Agenda Approved

Members did not have any comments or changes to the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Johnson to approve the minutes of the (date), 2022 regular meeting of the Metropolitan Council. **Motion carried.**

Public Invitation

Add any notes of conversation here.

Consent Business

Consent Business Adopted (Items 1-6)

1. **2022-221:** That the Metropolitan Council approve the partial release of a restrictive covenant on 6.94-acres of land within the City of Maple Grove in exchange for a proportional repayment of Right-of-Way Acquisition Loan Number L0202 (RALF Loan).
2. **2022-216:** That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute Contract 22P305 with Høglund Bus, for up to 10 expansion buses in an amount not to exceed \$1,585,000.
3. **2022-220:** That the Metropolitan Council approve the results of the Title VI Service Equity Analysis for the METRO D Line and Related Local Service Changes.
4. **2022-223:** That the Metropolitan Council adopt the Transportation Addendum to the Metropolitan Council Public Engagement Plan and receive the public comment report.
5. **2022-236:** That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute contract 22P097 with City Laundry Company to provide uniform rental services at MCES facilities for an amount not to exceed \$647,633.

6. **2022-240:** That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Review Record and take the following actions:
 - Authorize the City of Medina to place its comprehensive plan amendment into effect.
 - Adopt the revised employment forecasts as detailed in Table 1 of the attached Review Record.
 - Adopt the revised sewer-serviced forecasts as described in Table 2 of the attached Review Record.
 - Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for forecasts

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Lilligren.

Motion carried.

Non-Consent Business – Reports of Standing Committees

Community Development

1. **2022-242:** That the Metropolitan Council award four Livable Communities Act Predevelopment Grants totaling \$542,900 as shown Table 1 below.

Table 1. Recommended Grant Projects and Funding Amounts

Applicant	Recommended Project	Award Amount
City of Brooklyn Center	Immigrant Opportunity Center - Center for Asian and Pacific Islanders (CAPI)	\$125,000
City of Minneapolis	Nic@Lake	\$150,000
City of Minneapolis	14 th Ave Townhomes	\$60,000
City of Saint Paul	965 Payne Ave. / Inclusive Design Center	\$207,900

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Cummings.

Motion carried.

2. **2022-243:** That the Metropolitan Council award two Livable Communities Act Policy Development Grants totaling \$94,000 as shown Table 1 below.

Table 1. Recommended Grant Projects and Funding Amounts

Applicant	Recommended Project	Award Amount
City of Mahtomedi	Mahtomedi Sustainability Policies	\$44,000
City of Minnetonka	Minnetonka Policy Grant	\$50,000

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Lee.

Motion carried.

Environment

1. **2022-248 SW:** That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute contract 21P091 with Champion Coatings Inc., to provide sandblasting, metal repairs, apply corrosion resistant coating to the internal metal parts, concrete structures and the exterior catwalk system for the Primary Tank at Seneca Plant in an amount not to exceed \$740416.00.

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Fredson.



Motion carried.

Management

1. No reports

Transportation

1. **2022-237 SW:** That the Metropolitan Council (“Council”) authorize the Regional Administrator to execute Contract 22P005 with KLJ Engineering, LLC for construction contaminated materials services for the METRO Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit Project (“Project”) in an amount not to exceed \$1,313,226.43, contingent upon approval by the Gold Line BRT Executive Change Control Board (ECCB).

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Johnson.

Motion carried.

Joint Reports

1. **2022-229 JT:** That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review and take the following action:

Recommendations of the Community Development Committee

1. Authorize the City of Bayport to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
2. Revise the City’s forecasts downward as shown in Table 1 of the attached Review Record.
3. Revise the City’s affordable housing need allocation for 2021-2030 to 7 units.
4. Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Forecasts.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee

1. Approve the City of Bayport’s Comprehensive Sewer Plan.
2. The sewer forecasts in the Comprehensive Sewer Plan need to be revised for consistency with the revised citywide forecasts in the land use section of the Plan and as outlined in the Wastewater Section of this Review Record. The correct forecasts must be included in the Comprehensive Sewer Plan as part of the final submittal to the Council.

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Gonzalez.

Motion carried.

2. **2022-230 JT:** City of Willernie 2040 Comprehensive Plan Update and Comprehensive Sewer Plan, Review No. 22226-1 (Raya Esmaeili 651-602-1616)

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Gonzalez.

Motion carried.

Information

1. MTS Waiver Transportation Program (Gerri Sutton,651-602,1672; Sheila Holbrook-White, 651-602-1618)

Gerri Sutton, Director of Contracted Services, and Sheila Holbrook-White, Program Manager-Waiver Transportation, presented an overview of the waiver transportation program and its evolution. Sheila started the presentation with a refresher of the Metro Mobility service area and map and current services for individuals participating in day support programs. Gerri presented the waiver transportation program history, special transportation services, waiver transportation service area, impact on customer experience, financial implications, and the program schedule.



Council members expressed gratitude to the team for their work and are grateful for this program. Sheila explained the process if you live in the gray area on the map. Lilligren asked to explain competitive employment. Wulff is grateful for the program and stated this will take the stress off of people. Gonzalez said this will be great for the community and have a huge impact. Pacheco asked about equity and outreach. Sheila stated they are looking at a long lead time and working with day support agencies.

2. Microtransit Launch Update (Meredith Klekotka, 612-349-7168)

Meredith Klekotka Shared Mobility Program Manager, provided an update on the Transitmicro launch, a summary of the micro transit pilot project boundaries, service design and operations details, marketing campaign, early results of rider requests, application downloads, and booking through the app.

Council members express excitement about the service. Council Members Cummings asked if vehicles are accessible. Klekotka stated they are accessible. Barber asked about the data and metrics. Klekotka stated they set up performance measures around transit and will continue to track and evaluate key performance indicators. Lilligren stated we are delivering to the community asks. Wulff is interested in more information and stats on rider information in the future. Lee would like to see the service expand to the Metro East side.

Reports

Council Member Johnson reported she went to Cranberry Ridge neighborhood event.

Council Member Barber went on an economic tour of Carver County and attended the opening of Hwy 212.

Council Member Pacheco attended the City of New Hope tour.

Council Member Cummings went on a ride-a-long with Metro Transit Police and encourages others to do it.

Council Member Wulff also encourages everyone to do a ride-a-long with Metro Transit Police.

Regional Administrator Mary Bogie reported the Chief of Police position is now posted.

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 5:20p.m.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council meeting of September 14, 2022.

Approved this 28 day of September 2022.

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