

Council Chair Alene Tchourumoff

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, April 25, 2018 4:00PM Council Chambers

IN ATTENDANCE

Rodriguez, Schreiber, Munt, Barber, Elkins, Dorfman, Cunningham, Letofsky, Reynoso, McCarthy, Rummel, Melander, Kramer, Tchourumoff

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Tchourumoff called the meeting to order at 4:03PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Elkins, seconded by Rodriguez.

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Elkins.

PUBLIC INVITATION

John Matthews from First Transit addressed the Council regarding item 2018-86. Michael Richter from Transit Team addressed the Council regarding item 2018-86. Bill Wedebrand from Teamsters Local 120 also addressed the Council regarding item 2018-86.

BUSINESS

Joint Report of the Transportation, Environment, Community Development, and Management Committees

1. 2018-80 JT Authorize the 2018 Unified Budget as indicated and in accordance with the attached tables.

It was moved by Kramer, seconded by Rummel.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 14 Rodriguez, Schreiber, Munt, Barber, Elkins, Dorfman, Cunningham, Letofsky, Reynoso, McCarthy, Rummel, Melander, Kramer, Tchourumoff

Nay: 0

Absent: 3 Commers, Chávez, Wulff

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1-5)

Consent Agenda Adopted

1. 2018-79 Authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into a three-year Microsoft Enterprise license and support agreement in the amount of \$4,700,000 to cover the period 5/1/2018 to 4/30/2021.
2. 2018-88 Approve the sole source procurement of two land application spreaders for the Empire Wastewater Treatment Plant from UFC Farm Supply in the amount of \$760,773.00.
3. 2018-89 Authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract with Safway Services LLC, to provide system scaffolding and appurtenance services for all Metropolitan Council Environmental facilities as needed in an amount not to exceed \$750,000 over a 5-year period, contract number 17P271A.
4. 2018-90 Authorize its Regional Administrator to award Contract 18P016 in the amount of \$1,865,747.00 to Waste Management for solid waste collection services for various industrial waste streams and recyclable materials generated at Environmental Services Division facilities.
5. 2018-91 Authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a construction contract for Golden Valley & Minneapolis Interceptor Rehabilitation, Project 807635, Contract 17P030, to SAK Construction, LLC for their low responsive, responsible bid of \$2,764,874.

BUSINESS

Community Development

2018-84 Approve the Ridgway Parkway Regional Trail Master Plan Amendment.

Jake Reilly gave a brief presentation on the plan.

It was moved by Munt, seconded by Letofsky.

Motion carried.

2018-85 Approve the West Mississippi River Regional Trail and Elm Creek Park Reserve Trail Connector Master Plan. Require that Three Rivers Park District, prior to initiating development of the regional trail, send preliminary plans to Scott Dentz, Interceptor Engineering Manager at Metropolitan Council Environmental Services, for review in order to assess the potential impacts to the regional interceptor system. Encourage Three Rivers Park District to continue coordination with Minnesota Department of Transportation and Hennepin County Public Works Department in the development of the Highway 252 Corridor Study and amend the Master Plan as needed to incorporate any changes in the alignment.

Raya Esmaili gave a brief presentation on the plan.

It was moved by Munt, seconded by Schreiber.

Motion carried.

Environment—Reports on Consent Agenda

Management—Report on Consent Agenda

Transportation

2018-81 SW Authorize the Regional Administrator to: Execute an agreement 18I023 with MNDOT to receive \$3 million for support of increased transit service during 35W @ 94 Downtown to Crosstown project construction. Develop and execute an agreement with the Minnesota Valley Transit Authority for

\$1.1M. Minnesota Valley Transit Authority will use funds for support of increased transit service during 35W @ 94 Downtown to Crosstown project construction.

It was moved by Rodriguez, seconded by Rummel.

Motion carried.

2018-86 SW Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a contract with Transit Team to provide the Metro Mobility Agency Service from October 1, 2018 to June 30, 2023 with an option for one additional year in an amount not to exceed \$31,819,912.8.

It was moved by Rodriguez, seconded by Barber.

Reynoso moved to refer the item to the Equity Advisory Committee, seconded by Munt.

Motion failed.

Reynoso recused himself from the vote.

Motion carried.

2018-87 SW Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute two amendments: Amendment 2 to the 2017 Capital Grant Agreement with Counties Transit Improvement Board (CTIB) and Amendment 1 to the Cooperative Funding Agreement (CFA) for Engineering Phase with Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority (HCRRA).

It was moved by Rodriguez, seconded by Letofsky.

Motion carried.

REPORTS

Council Members:

Kramer—The bond sale occurred today, and the Council once again received a AAA rating from both Moody’s and S&P. Both rating agencies cited the Twin Cities’ strong and diverse economic base, the Metropolitan Council’s strong financial position and fiscal management, and a low overall debt burden as factors in the top rating. The Council sold 3 separate bond issues comprising of \$157.3M in new money. Bond sale 2018B was for \$12.3M in taxable GO wastewater revenue bonds sold at a true interest cost of 3.27% with a term of 10 years, and there were 7 bidders with the winning bid going to Doherty & Co. Bond sale 2018C was for \$105M in GO wastewater revenue bonds sold at 3.2% with a 20-year term. There were 8 bidders, with the winning bid going to RBC Capital. Bond sale 2018D was for \$40M in GO transit bonds, sold at a true interest rate of 2.53% with a 10-year term. There were 7 bidders, with the winning bid going to Piper Jaffray. All the sale results fell well within the parameters of the resolution passed earlier this month, and the proceeds will arrive on May 23.

Rodriguez—Gave a shout-out to Metro Transit for their efforts during the historic blizzard on April 15. There were a lot of comments on social media calling the operators heroes during this time. In contrast, there were 2 driver assaults documented on social media in the last few weeks.

Letofsky—Attended the Metro Cities annual meeting along with Chair Tchourumoff and several other Council members. Attended the TPP presentation to Hennepin County along with CM Elkins. Attended a public meeting hosted by MCES regarding the Minnehaha sewer project.

Elkins—Participated in a D Line tour that was well-attended.

Munt—She’s glad to be back after ankle surgery; it’s given her a newfound appreciation for designing communities for access. Union jobs give workers a voice on the job.

Chair: Testified before the House Transportation Finance Committee about the Council’s bonding proposal for \$50M for arterial BRT

Regional Administrator: None

General Counsel: None

The meeting was adjourned at 5:01PM

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of April 25, 2018.

Approved this 9th day of May 2018.

Emily Getty
Recording Secretary