

# Minutes

Environment Committee



**Meeting Date:** February 13, 2024

**Time:** 4:00 PM

**Location:** 390 Robert Steet

## Members Present:

**E** Chair, Peter Lindstrom, D10  
 Vice Chair, Wendy Wulff, D16

Tyronne Carter, District 3  
**E** Yassin Osman, District 7  
**E** Anjuli Cameron, District 8

**E** Diego Morales, District 9  
 Gail Cederberg, District 11  
 = present, **E** = excused

## Call to Order

Committee Vice Chair Wulff called the regular meeting of the Environment Committee to order at 4:00 p.m. With no quorum the consent business item and January 23, 2024 minutes were postponed to the February 27, 2024 Environment Committee meeting.

## Approval of Minutes

Postponed

## Consent Business

Consent Business Adopted (*This business item has been postponed*)

1. **2024-43: Purchase of Bulk Ferric Chloride, Contract 23P153** (Joe Ward, 651-602-8302)

## Non-Consent Business

None at this time.

## Information

1. **Water Policy Plan Update** (Jennifer Kostrzewski 651-602-1078, Judy Sventek 651-602-1156, Kyle Colvin 651-602-1151)

Jennifer Kostrzewski, Assistant Manager of Water Planning and Policy continued the discussion on the Water Policy Plan update. The purpose of this plan is to develop the 2050 Water Policy Plan which focuses on ensuring sustainable water resources in the region. It provides a framework for integrative water planning. It contains water policies, strategies and actions for both the Met Council and our 180+ local governments within the seven-county region. The draft Water Policy plan objectives are as follows: Sustainable Waters, Climate, Infrastructure, Funding, Health, and Equity.

Staff discussed changes to the number of objectives that the policy plan will include as follows:

- Water sustainability has been removed as an objective, with the censuses that if all the other objectives are completed water sustainability will be achieved.
- Infrastructure has been removed as an objective but will be included within the

investment's objectives.

- The remaining four objectives are Climate, Health, Investments and Equity.

Staff requested that committee members participate in a small group discussion via breakout session. Draft policy topics for this discussion included:

- Water Equity
- Water Monitoring, Data, and Assessment
- Climate Adaptation and Mitigation
- Water and Land Use
- Water Reuse

## Reports

General Managers Report: No report

## Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

## Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Environment Committee meeting of February 13, 2024.

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