

Council Chair Adam Duinick

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, September 28, 2016 4:00PM Council Chambers

IN ATTENDANCE

Rodriguez, Schreiber, Munt, Barber, Elkins, Dorfman, Cunningham, Letofsky, Reynoso, McCarthy, Rummel, Melander, Kramer, Commers, Chávez, Wulff, Duinick

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Elkins, seconded by Wulff.

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Kramer.

BUSINESS

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

2016-164 Authorize the amendment of the 2016 Unified Budget as indicated and in accordance with the attached tables.

Paul Conery gave a brief presentation.

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Cunningham.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 16 Rodriguez, Schreiber, Munt, Barber, Elkins, Dorfman, Cunningham, Letofsky, Reynoso, McCarthy, Rummel, Melander, Commers, Chávez, Wulff, Duinick

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 Kramer (returned after roll call)

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1-2)

Consent Agenda Adopted

1. 2016-186 Adopt the attached Review Record and allow the City of Spring Lake park to place Manor Drive Comprehensive Plan Amendment into effect. Revise the City's forecasts for population and

households for 2020 and the population forecast for 2040, as shown in Table 1 of the Review Record. Revise the City's share of the region's need for affordable housing for the 2021-2030 decade to 29 units, as shown in Table 2 of the Review Record. Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Forecasts, Land Use, and Water Resources.

2. 2016-187 Approve the 2017 Annual Public Housing Agency (PHA) Plan, including changes to the Housing Choice Voucher Administrative Plan. Authorize the Metropolitan Council Chair to execute the required certifications, and direct staff to submit the final Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

BUSINESS

Community Development

2016-175 Implement a graduated approach to meeting a minimum percentage of ten percent of Parks and Trails Fund appropriations that is to be spent on "connecting people and the outdoors" by FY 2022/23 biennium. This graduated approach would be implemented as follows: Agencies will allocate a minimum of 5% of their Parks and Trails Legacy Fund appropriations to "connecting people and the outdoors" for the FY 2018/19 biennium (beginning July 1, 2017); Agencies will allocate a minimum of 7% of their Parks and Trails Legacy Fund appropriations to "connecting people and the outdoors" for the FY 2020/21 biennium (beginning July 1, 2019); Agencies will allocate a minimum of 10% of their Parks and Trails Legacy Fund appropriations to "connecting people and the outdoors" for the FY 2022/23 biennium (beginning July 1, 2021). After the FY 2022/23 biennium, the appropriateness of 10% as the minimum percentage of Legacy spending on "connecting people and the outdoors" will be assessed and altered if appropriate.

It was moved by Commers, seconded by Munt.

Council members shared comments; CM Dorfman voted nay.

Motion carried.

2016-188 Adopt the attached Review Record and allow the City of Chaska to place the Southwest Growth Area Comprehensive Plan Amendment into effect. Revise the City's forecasts for employment for 2030 and 2040 as shown in Table 1 of the Review Record. Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Transportation, Wastewater, Forecasts, and Land Use.

It was moved by Commers, seconded by Barber.

Council members shared comments.

Motion carried.

Environment

2016-183 Authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute three stormwater management grants described in Attachment A in the total amount of \$100,713.

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Rodriguez.

Motion carried.

Management—No Reports

Transportation

2016-150 SW Determine the adequacy of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (Final EIS) for the Blue Line Light Rail Transit Extension (BLRT); and authorize the Chair to sign the Final EIS Determination of Adequacy on behalf of the Council.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Reynoso.

Motion carried.

2016-151 Adopt the attached Resolution #2016-23 and direct the Blue Line Extension LRT Project Office (BPO) to submit the application for Entry into Engineering to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). The Resolution includes the BLRT Corridor Management Committee recommendations: Approve the Blue Line Extension Light Rail Transit project scope as described in Attachment A. Approve the Blue Line Extension Light Rail Transit cost estimate of \$1.536 billion as the project budget. Authorize staff to submit the Application to Enter Engineering.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Rodriguez.

Motion carried.

2016-169 Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a Project Development (PD) Continuance Cooperative Funding Agreement for the Blue Line LRT (BLRT) Extension Project between the Council and Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority (HCRRA) in an amount not to exceed \$10.34 million.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Rummel.

Motion carried.

2016-176 Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a Project Development (PD) Continuance and Engineering Cooperative Funding Agreement for the Southwest LRT (SWLRT), Green Line Extension Project between the Council and Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority (HCRRA) in an amount not to exceed \$53.134 million.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Dorfman.

Motion carried.

2016-179 Concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to adopt the 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area. Certify that the Twin Cities Metropolitan Planning Process is addressing major issues facing the metropolitan planning area and is being carried on in conformance with all applicable federal requirements of:

- a. 23 U.S.C. 134 and 49 U.S.C. 5303, and this subpart;
- b. Sections 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506 (c) and (d)) and 40 CFR part 93;
- c. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 USC 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21;
- d. 49 USC 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity;
- e. Section 1101(b) of Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act (Pub L. 114-357) and 49 CFR Part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in US DOT funded projects;

- f. 23 CFR Part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;
- g. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) and 49 CFR Parts 27, 37, and 38;
- h. The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance;
- i. Section 324 of title 23, U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender; and
- j. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

Certify the TIP conforms to the provisions of 49 CFR part 20 regarding lobbying restrictions on influencing certain federal activities. Find that the TIP is consistent with the Transportation Policy Plan, which is in conformance with applicable federal transportation and air quality regulations. Find that the TIP meets all applicable federal requirements. Find that the TAB provided adequate opportunity for involvement from the public, agency and transit operators through its regular process and public comment period. Transmit the 2017-2020 TIP along with these comments to the Minnesota and Wisconsin Departments of Transportation and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Munt.

Joe Barbeau gave a brief presentation on the TIP.

Motion carried.

2016-185 Adopt the proposed 2017 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) with a budget of \$5,377,200. Adopt the attached resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the Minnesota Department of Transportation for a planning grant under MAP-21. Authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into agreement with the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation, for distribution of FHWA and FTA planning funds.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Letofsky.

Motion carried.

2016-190 SW Designate the attached list of Council properties as potential TOD projects eligible for use of the TOD fund allocated to the TOD Office. Funds will be used for expenses necessary to pursue TOD opportunities on these sites. Examples of expenses include due diligence work such as title reports, surveys, appraisals, etc.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Munt.

Motion carried.

2016-192 SW Authorize the Regional Administrator to apply for calendar year 2017 grants from the Counties Transit Improvement Board (CTIB) for the following projects:

Capital

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| 1. METRO Orange Line | Est. \$12,000,000 |
| 2. METRO Green Line Extension | Est. \$138,000,000 |
| 3. METRO Blue Line Extension | Est. \$66,000,000 |

Operating

4. Northstar Commuter Rail	Est. \$7,000,000
5. METRO Blue & Green Lines	Est. \$24,600,000
6. I-35W South BRT Express	Est. \$360,000
7. Cedar Avenue BRT Express	Est. \$200,000
8. METRO Red Line BRT	Est. \$1,650,000

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Rodriguez.

Motion carried.

Joint Reports

2016-01 revised Authorize modifications to Metropolitan Council Policy 3-3 I.D. Expenditures for the Acquisition of Real Property, by inserting a category outlining the Metropolitan Council's oversight authority in relation to acquisition of right-of-way for the Green Line Extension Light Rail Transit and Blue Line Extension Light Rail Transit projects as set forth in the tables below. Project staff will provide regular project updates, including right-of-way acquisition status, approximately quarterly to the Council.

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Munt.

Motion carried.

2016-182 Authorize the Regional Administrator to:

1. Without limit to frequency, borrow from the Council internal investment pool in a maximum amount of up to \$50 million at any one point in time until the federal Full Funding Grant Agreement is executed; and
2. Utilize Metro Transit available bond arbitrage dollars to fund interest expense on internal borrowings (loans).

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Rummel.

CM Wulff voted nay.

Motion carried.

REPORTS

Council Members:

Schreiber—Had a positive experience at the open house for phase one of 610 West, which is an 480-unit apartment building on hwy 610 close to the Target campus. It is the first non-senior, market-rate apartment development in Brooklyn Park in 25 years. It is located at the north end of the Blue Line extension and is within walking distance of a proposed LRT station.

Munt—The SWLRT CAC met last night and there was a lot of excitement about a career fair to do hiring locally for SWLRT. They discussed right-of-way acquisition. There will be no full residential taking. They also discussed the need for local governments to coordinate construction projects. Spent the weekend at the AFL-CIO conference. They passed a resolution in support of dedicated funding for transit.

Dorfman—Met with a group of new MTPD recruits.

Rodriguez—Participated in two tours, one in Dayton and one in Greenfield. Was honored to represent the Council at the APTA conference where Metro Transit was awarded System of the Year.

Commerz—Had a fruitful meeting with St. Paul staff and CM Noecker, who represents downtown, to discuss the Central Station. There is a lot of opportunity for Metro Transit and the Council to continue collaboration with the City.

Chair: Attended the APTA System of the Year award celebration at Target Field. Spent an afternoon doing a ride-along with MTPD Sgt. Keyes, which was a great experience. Spent time at the SWLRT Project Office. We had an all-staff meeting at the Council where Judd provided an overview of the legislative session and employees were able to ask questions. A similar meeting will be held at Heywood.

Regional Administrator: Congratulations to Metro Transit on the APTA System of the Year award. Congratulated the Blue Line extension staff on their hard work.

General Counsel: No report.

The meeting adjourned at 5:07PM.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of September 28, 2016.

Approved this 26th day of October, 2016.

Emily Getty
Recording Secretary