

Minutes of the

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Wednesday, September 22, 2021

Committee Members Present: Chair Christopher Ferguson, Vice Chair Judy Johnson, Deb Barber, Chai Lee, Robert Lilligren

Committee Members Absent: Francisco Gonzalez, Abdirahman Muse

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Christopher Ferguson, called the special meeting of the Council's Management Committee to order at 2:03 p.m. on Wednesday, September 22, 2021.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 Barber, Ferguson, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren
Nay: 0
Absent: 1 Gonzalez, Muse

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

There were no changes to the agenda.

It was moved by Lilligren and seconded by Barber to approve the minutes of the Wednesday, August 25, 2021, Management Committee meeting.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 Barber, Ferguson, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren
Nay: 0
Absent: 1 Gonzalez, Muse

BUSINESS

2021-232 SW: Labor Agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 110 (IBEW)

It was moved by Johnson and seconded by Lee that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into an agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 110 (IBEW) effective for the period May 1, 2021, through April 30, 2024.

Marcy Cordes, Chief Labor Relations Officer, 651-602-1582 presented the item.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 Barber, Ferguson, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren
Nay: 0
Absent: 1 Gonzalez, Muse

2021-238 SW: Voluntary Vision Insurance Plan, Contract 21P083

It was moved by Barber and seconded by Johnson that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute contract 21P083 with Vision Service Plan (VSP) to provide voluntary vision services for all eligible Council employees in an amount not to exceed \$1,600,000.

Terri Bopp, HR Benefits, Manager, 651-602-1370 presented the item.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 Barber, Ferguson, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren
Nay: 0
Absent: 1 Gonzalez, Muse

2021-227 JT SW: Third Quarter Budget Amendment

It was moved by Barber and seconded by Lee that the Metropolitan Council authorizes the 2021 Unified Budget as amended and in accordance with the attached tables.

Stewart McMullan, Director of Budget, 651-602-1374 presented the item.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 Barber, Ferguson, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 Gonzalez, Muse

2021-243 JT: PFAS Legal Services Contract, Contract 21P096

It was moved by Lilligren and seconded by Barber that the Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a contract for PFAS legal services, projects 807849 and 808941, contract 21P096, to Barnes & Thornburg LLP for legal services including legal advice and consultation on PFAS-related issues in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000.00.

Daniel Abelson, 651-602-1713; David Brown, 651-602-1072 presented the item.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 Barber, Ferguson, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 Gonzalez, Muse

INFORMATION

INFO 1: Business Engagement Survey Results and Action Plan

Ashanti Payne, Assistant Director, Office of Equal Opportunity, 612-349-7660 and Thomas Mebrahtu, EO Consultant, Engagement and Development/OEO, 612-349-7695 Presentation, presented the item.

Committee Chair Ferguson opened the meeting for Public Comment: Mr. Frederick Blocton spoke to the committee members.

ADJOURNMENT

Business completed; meeting was adjourned at the conclusion of the closed portion. No other business and/or information items were considered, and no further discussions were held.

The meeting adjourned 3:25 p.m.

Lori Connery
Recording Secretary