Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 8, 2017 4:00PM Council Chambers

IN ATTENDANCE
Rodriguez, Munt, Barber, Elkins, Dorfman, Letofsky, McCarthy, Rummel, Melander, Kramer, Commers, Chávez, Wulff

CALL TO ORDER
A quorum being present, Vice Chair Melander called the meeting to order at 4:00PM

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES
It was moved by Munt, seconded by Rummel.

It was moved by Kramer, seconded by Elkins.

BUSINESS
Joint Report of the Management and Transportation Committees

2017-35 JT Authorize the amendment of the 2017 Unified Budget as indicated and in accordance with the attached tables.

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Elkins.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 12 Rodriguez, Munt, Barber, Elkins, Dorfman, Letofsky, McCarthy, Rummel, Melander, Kramer, Chávez, Wulff

Nay: 0

Absent: 5 Schreiber, Cunningham, Reynoso, Commers (arrived after roll call), Duininck

CONSENT AGENDA
Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1-3)

Consent Agenda Adopted

1. 2017-14 Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute Contract No. 16P270 with Alarm and Communication Systems, Inc., for the procurement of bus and light rail vehicle surveillance system maintenance services for a three-year term in the amount of $660,960.00.

2. 2017-30 Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute Contract No. 16P291 with CMD Properties, DBA Batteries Plus, for the
procurement of bus battery purchases and used battery disposal for a three-year term with an option of a fourth year in the amount of $1,147,409.48.

3. 2017-36 Authorize the Regional Administrator to amend Contract 16P018 with Apollo Video Technology in an amount not to exceed $1,060,000.

BUSINESS

Community Development—No Reports

Environment—No Reports

Management

2017-8 Authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into a labor agreement with the Metropolitan Council Management Association, effective January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017.

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Wulff.

Motion carried.

Transportation

2017-4 Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute an Engineering 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 $50.89 million.

MarySue Abel gave a brief presentation explaining the action requested.

It was moved by Rodriguez, seconded by Dorfman.

Motion carried.

2017-28 Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute individual sole-source purchases for the 13 projects listed below, and enter into negotiations with Rockwell Collins, Inc., in an amount not to exceed a total of $30,645,000. Each contract will follow Council procurement policies and procedures before execution.

It was moved by Rodriguez, seconded by Rummel.

Motion carried.

2017-31 Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Master Utility Agreement with CenterPoint Energy to allow for reimbursement of costs, not to exceed $800,000, associated with relocation of utilities that conflict with the Southwest LRT Project.

It was moved by Rodriguez, seconded by Munt.

Motion carried.

2017-32 Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Master Utility Agreement with CenturyLink to allow for reimbursement of costs, not to exceed $1.5M, associated with relocation of utilities that conflict with the Southwest LRT Project.

It was moved by Rodriguez, seconded by Munt.

Motion carried.
2017-33  Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Property Agreement between the Council and SouthWest Transit (SWT) related to the transfer of property rights and any Federal interest of a portion of the property at SouthWest Station from SWT to the Council and Council payment for the functional replacement of SouthWest Transit’s office building and related improvements in an amount not-to-exceed $8,000,000.

It was moved by Rodriguez, seconded by Barber.

Motion carried.

2017-34  Authorize the Green Line Extension LRT Project Office to initiate condemnation proceedings on the following parcels appraised at greater than $1 million that staff is not able to acquire by negotiation: Parcel 202 (CHCR, LLC), Parcel 413 (Kant-Sing Partnership), Parcel 414 (Liberty Property LP – OMF 1), Parcel 418 (MJTA Partners, LLC), Parcel 419 (Liberty Property LP – OMF 2), and Parcel 608 (Hasselbring Family Ltd. Partnership).

It was moved by Rodriguez, seconded by Rummel.

Motion carried.

INFORMATION

Selection of Regional Solicitation Projects

Steve Peterson gave a presentation on the 2016 Regional Solicitation Projects. TAB approved allocation of federal transportation projects in 2020/2021 at their meeting on January 18, 2017. Projects were scored by 50+ technical experts in an open, transparent, and data driven process. A total of 150 projects were submitted, with 58 of the projects receiving funding. All of the road and bridge projects included multimodal project elements.

REPORTS

Council Members:

Rummel—Attended the Environmental Congress event with CM Letofsky and CM Rodriguez.

Munt—Attended the Minnetonka State of the City where Mayor Schneider spoke about Minnetonka overcoming challenges.

Rodriguez—Attended annual meetings with Sherburne and Wright counties along with CM Schreiber.

Melander—Visited West Lakeland Township with two staff sector reps. They were able to give assistance with comp plans.

Chair: None

Regional Administrator: Asked executive staff who are liaisons to standing committees to meet with chairs in response to the Equity Advisory Committee discussion and go over work plans and identify possible agenda items for the EAC. We’ve had some hearings at the legislature, including water supply efforts where the Council was praised for its work with local governments.

CM Dorfman asked whether there would be a formal response to the letter from Leslie Redmond to the Council members regarding the EAC. RA Kooistra responded that there had not been discussion regarding a formal response, but recommendations for agenda items were in the works. CM Chávez responded that they’ve discussed tapping into the standing committees’ work plans. CM Munt reported that EAC members felt optimistic after their meeting.
General Counsel: None

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55PM.

**Certification**

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of February 8, 2017.

Approved this 22nd day of February, 2017.

Emily Getty  
Recording Secretary