

Minutes

Metropolitan Council



Meeting date: September 11, 2024

Time: 4:00 PM

Location: 390 Robert Street

Members present:

- Chair, Charlie Zelle
- Judy Johnson, District 1
- Reva Chamblis, District 2
- Tyronne Carter, District 3
- Deb Barber, District 4
- John Pacheco Jr., District 5

- Robert Lilligren, District 6
- Yassin Osman, District 7
- Anjuli Cameron, District 8
- Diego Morales, District 9
- Peter Lindstrom, District 10
- Gail Cederberg, District 11

- Susan Vento, District 12
- Chai Lee, District 13
- Toni Carter, District 14
- Tenzin Dolkar, District 15
- Wendy Wulff, District 16
- = present

Call to order

A quorum being present, Council Chair Zelle called the regular meeting of the Metropolitan Council to order at 4:00 p.m.

Agenda approved

Council Members did not have any comments or changes to the agenda.

Approval of minutes

It was moved by Osman seconded by Lilligren to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2024, regular meeting of the Metropolitan Council. **Motion carried.**

Public invitation

No one indicated they would be speaking.

Joint Reports

1. **2024-188 JT SW:** That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the 2024 Unified Budget as indicated and in accordance with the tables.

It was moved by Johnson; seconded by Vento.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye	9	Johnson, Barber, Pacheco, Lilligren, Osman, Lindstrom, Cederberg, Vento, Toni Carter, Wulff, Zelle
Nay	0	
Absent	8	Chamblis, Dr. Tyronne Carter, Cameron, Dolkar, Lee, Morales

Consent business

Consent business adopted (Items 1-4)

1. **2024-230 SW:** That the Metropolitan Council adopt an amendment to the 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to increase the cost of MnDOT's MN 47 (University Avenue) improvements project in Fridley and Blaine.
2. **2024-231 SW:** That the Metropolitan Council adopt an amendment to the 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add MnDOT's new video analytics pilot project for MN 3 (Robert Street) in West St. Paul.
3. **2024-232:** That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record and take the following actions:
 - Authorize the City of Norwood Young America to place its comprehensive plan amendment into effect.
 - Find that the amendment does not change the City's forecasts.
 - Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Water Resources.
4. **2024-233:** That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Community Development Executive Director to execute grant agreements and amendments for:
 - State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2025 Parks and Trails Legacy Fund Program (Legacy), and
 - SFY 2025 Legislatively Designated Pass-through Program (Pass-Through), up to the amounts indicated, and in accordance with, Tables 1 and 2.

It was moved by Johnson; seconded by Osman.

Motion carried.

Non-consent business – Reports of standing committees

Community Development

1. **2024-234:** That the Metropolitan Council:
 - Award seven (7) Livable Communities Act Pre-Development Grants totaling \$1,050,000 as shown in Table 1 below.
 - Authorize the Executive Director of Community Development to execute the grant agreements on behalf of the Council

Applicant	Recommended Project	Award Amount
City of Minneapolis	Remnant	\$150,000
City of Minneapolis	The Resolute	\$150,000
St. Louis Park EDA	Loeffler Crossing Predevelopment	\$293,500
City of Richfield	Penn Station	\$100,000
City of St. Paul	East Side Tennis & Community Center	\$100,000
City of St Paul	Hamm's Brewery Redevelopment West End	\$200,00
City of Blaine	Blaine Manufactured Home Replacement Need & Feasibility Assessment	\$56,500

It was moved by Lilligren; seconded by Osman.

Motion carried.



2. **2024-235:** That the Metropolitan Council award one (1) Livable Communities Act Policy Development Grant totaling \$50,000 as shown Table 1 below.

Applicant	Recommended Project	Award Amount
City of Hugo	Single Family and Multi-Family Residential Standards and Policy Revisions	\$50,000

It was moved by Lilligren; seconded by Cederberg.

Motion carried.

Environment

1. **2024-182 SW:** That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute contracts 24P056A-24P056C for technical consultant services for the water supply studies and technical analyses for the White Bear Lake Area Comprehensive Plan in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 as follows:

Organization	Contract Number	Contract Amount
Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc.	24P056A	\$500,000
Barr Engineering	24P056B	\$500,000
Short Elliot Hendrickson	24P056C	\$500,000

It was moved by Lindstrom; seconded by Cederberg,

Motion carried.

2. **2024-244 SW:** That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to execute the contract amendment for contract 151103 with the University of Minnesota for continuation of educating citizens of the Twin Cities metro area about lawn water conservation by reinforcing current outreach efforts and creating new educational materials for homeowners in the form of online videos, signs, pamphlets, and in-person workshops. This amendment will be for a total amount of \$418,997.00 for a contract duration of three years for a total contract not-to-exceed value of \$1,388,947.00. The University of Minnesota’s proposed funding request is attached to this memorandum.

It was moved by Lindstrom; seconded by Osman.

Motion carried.

Management

1. **2024-240 SW:** That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into a labor agreement with the Metropolitan Council Management Association, effective January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2026.

It was moved by Johnson; seconded by Chamblis.

Motion carried.

Transportation

1. **2024-215 SW:** That the Metropolitan Council authorizes a public hearing to accept comments on the proposed. Network Now Concept Plan service expansion and discontinuation of suspended routes.



CM Barber shared a comment from CM Dolkar, who was unable to attend this meeting, regarding the need to expand the G-Line to Inver Hills. CM Wulff added to her comment by saying we need to keep in mind that, even with all the additions of transit that we've added not everyone will have transit when we are done, and we need to be mindful of that in our planning and development.

It was moved by Barber; seconded by Toni Carter.

Motion carried.

2. **2024-220 SW:** That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to purchase the property at 755 Industrial Boulevard in Minneapolis, from Alcat Broadway LLC, for the purpose of material warehousing for Metro Transit Material Management Group in an amount not to exceed \$26,500,000.

It was moved by Barber; seconded by Lilligren.

Motion carried.

Information

No reports.

Reports

No reports.

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council meeting of September 11, 2024.

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