

Minutes

Management Committee



Meeting date: October 23, 2024

Time: 2:30 PM

Location: 390 Robert Street

Members present:

E Chair, Judy Johnson,
District 1

Vice Chair, Chai Lee, District 13

E Deb Barber, District 4

John Pacheco Jr., District 5

Robert Lilligren, District 6

Yassin Osman, District 7

Gail Cederberg, District 11

= present, E = excused

Call to order

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Johnson called the regular meeting of the Management Committee to order at 2:30 p.m.

Agenda approved

Members did not have any comments or changes to the agenda. **Motion carried.**

Approval of minutes

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Osman to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2024 regular meeting of the Management Committee. **Motion carried.**

Non-consent business

1. **2024-301:** Joint Powers Agreement with State of Texas Department of Information Resources

It was moved by Osman, seconded by Cederberg, that the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute Joint Powers Cooperative Agreement #24I061 with the Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) to allow the Council to utilize their contracts for cooperative purchasing of goods and services.

Jody Jacoby, Chief Procurement Officer, 651-602-1144 and Robert Carey, Interim Director of Procurement, 651-602-1062 presented the item.

Motion carried.

2. **2024-302:** Joint Powers Agreement with the North Central Texas Council of Governments

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Osman, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute Joint Powers Cooperative Agreement #24I060 with the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) to allow the Council to utilize their contracts for cooperative purchasing of goods and services.

Jody Jacoby, Chief Procurement Officer, 651-602-1144 and Robert Carey, Interim Director of Procurement, 651-602-1062 presented the item.

Motion carried.

3. **2024-241 SW:** Labor Agreement with the Transit Managers and Supervisors Association (TMSA)

It was moved by Pacheco, seconded by Osman, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into an agreement with the Transit Managers and Supervisors Association (TMSA) effective for the period January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2026.

Joy Hargons, Labor Relations Program Manager, 612-341-5768 presented the item.

Motion carried.

Information

1. Litigation Review (closed session): Discussion of Attorney-Client Privileged matters and Litigation issues. Ann Bloodhart, General Council, 651-602-1105 presented the item. It was moved by Lilligren, and seconded by Osman, to close this meeting to the public to discuss attorney-client privileged matters. **Motion Carried.**

Because this was the final agenda item, it was noted that the meeting would not be reopened following the discussion of attorney-client matters and the meeting would be adjourned at the conclusion of the discussions.

In accordance with the motion, the meeting was closed to the public and began discussion of Attorney-Client Privileged matters and Litigation issues at 2:50 pm, Wednesday, October 23, 2024. Vice Chair Lee asked for the room to be cleared except for Council Members, Management Committee staff and others whose presence is necessary to conduct the closed meeting.

Closed session business was concluded at 3:02 p.m.

The following persons attended the closed portion of the committee meeting: Chelsea Bartoe, Ann Bloodhart, Lori Connery, Marie Henderson, George Henry, Lesley Kandaras, Greg Ricci, and Phil Walljasper.

BUSINESS (in closed meeting):

- A. Discussion of Attorney-Client Privileged Matters and Litigation Issues Regarding a Matter Entitled *Abdirahman Yonis v. Transit Metro, Metro Transit.*** Associate General Counsel Chelsea Bartoe advised the committee members on the facts and issues regarding this matter and answered committee member questions. Committee members discussed the matter.
- B. Discussion of Attorney-Client Privileged Matters and Litigation Issues Regarding a Matter Entitled *Wasyihun Fanta v. Metro Transit, et al.*** Associate General Counsel Chelsea Bartoe advised the committee members on the facts and issues regarding this matter and answered committee member questions. Committee members discussed the matter.
- C. Discussion of Attorney-Client Privileged Matters and Litigation Issues Regarding a Matter Entitled *Victoria Giles v. Metropolitan Council, et al.*** Associate General Counsel Chelsea Bartoe advised the committee members on the facts and issues regarding this matter and answered committee member questions. Committee members discussed the matter.
- D. Discussion of Attorney-Client Privileged Matters and Litigation Issues Regarding a Matter Entitled *Jamesia Sullen v. Metropolitan Council, et al.*** Associate General Counsel Chelsea Bartoe advised the committee members on the facts and issues regarding this matter and answered committee member questions. Committee members discussed the matter.
- E. Discussion of Attorney-Client Privileged Matters and Litigation Issues Regarding a Matter Entitled *Metropolitan Council v. CSM RI Eden Prairie, LLC (Parcel 223, Green Line Extension).*** General Counsel Ann Bloodhart advised the committee members on the facts and issues regarding this matter and answered committee member questions. Committee members discussed the matter.
- F. Discussion of Attorney-Client Privileged Matters and Litigation Issues Regarding a**

Matter Entitled *Stairstep Foundation v. State of Minnesota, et al.* Associate General Counsel George Henry advised the committee members on the facts and issues regarding this matter and answered committee member questions. Committee members discussed the matter.

- G. **Discussion of Attorney-Client Privileged Matters and Litigation Issues Regarding a Matter Entitled *Michael Janish v. Metropolitan Council, et. al.*** Associate General Counsel George Henry advised the committee members on the facts and issues regarding this matter and answered committee member questions. Committee members discussed the matter.

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 3:02 p.m.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Management Committee meeting of October 23, 2024.

Approved this 13 day of November 2024.

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