

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, January 11, 2017 4:00PM Council Chambers

IN ATTENDANCE

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

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Duinick called the meeting to order at 4:02PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Elkins, seconded by Rummel.

It was moved by Kramer, seconded by Elkins.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1-2)

Consent Agenda Adopted

1. 2016-228 Authorize the Regional Administrator to make ongoing maintenance and support service payments on a sole-source basis for installed software and hardware, with the services to be procured from the vendors on the 2017 Information Services Sole Source Vendor List up to \$7,860,200.
2. 2016-255 Approve the River to River Greenway Regional Trail Master Plan. Require Dakota County to submit estimated land or easement acquisition costs and specific parcel locations that were not identified in the master plan for Metropolitan Council review and approval prior to seeking future grants for acquisition. Require that prior to initiating development, Dakota County send preliminary plans to Scott Dentz, Interceptor Engineer Manager at Metropolitan Council Environmental Services, so he may assess the potential impacts to the regional interceptor system.

BUSINESS

Community Development

2016-272 Award two Livable Communities Demonstration Account Transit-Oriented Development Pre-Development grants as follows, totaling \$75,000. Award two Livable Communities Tax Base Revitalization Transit Oriented Development Site Investigation grants as follows, totaling \$78,500. Authorize its Community Development Division Director to execute the grant agreements on behalf of the Council.

Recommended Projects	Applicant	TOD Predevelopment	TOD Site Investigation
Lexington Station	St. Paul	\$40,000	
TOD Pre-Development & Repositioning at 147 th Street and Garrett Avenue and Glazier Avenue	Apple Valley	\$35,000	
Goodwill University Avenue Project	St. Paul	0	\$50,000
Ain Dah Yung Supportive Housing	St. Paul	0	\$28,500
Total Requested		\$75,000	\$78,500
Total Available		\$250,000	\$125,000
Total Remaining		\$175,000	\$46,500

It was moved by Cunningham, seconded by Rummel.

Motion carried.

2016-273 Amend Council Action 2016-205, by withdrawing the awards to the Sanctuary on Vandalia project, and awarding the remaining Livable Communities Demonstration Account Transit Oriented Development funding to the Union Flats project, and authorize its Community Development Division Director to execute the grant agreements on behalf of the Council:

Recommended Projects	Applicant	Points	LCDA-TOD	TBRA-TOD
Lexington Station Apartments	St. Paul	97.71	\$800,000	0
Great River Landing	Minneapolis	97.62	\$638,500	0
L&H Station	Minneapolis	93.43	\$1,361,500	0
Riverdale Station Apartments	Coon Rapids	93.15	\$985,000	0
Sanctuary on Vandalia	St. Paul	86.14	0	0
Union Flats	St. Paul	84.14	\$965,000	\$413,365
Total Recommended			\$4,750,000	\$413,365
Total Available			\$4,750,000	\$1,875,000
Total Remaining			0	\$1,461,635

It was moved by Cunningham, seconded by Commers.

Motion carried.

2016-274 Award 12 Tax Base Revitalization Account grants as follows and authorize its Community Development Division Director to execute the grant agreements on behalf of the Council:

Recommended Projects – Contamination Investigation	Recommended Amount
Minneapolis – Quarry (Outlots A & B)	\$36,000
Recommended Projects – Contamination Cleanup	Recommended Amount
Edina – Medical Office & Parking	\$73,200
Fridley – Northern Stacks Phase IV	\$1,023,700
Minneapolis – Foundry	\$406,400
Minneapolis – Hook and Ladder Apartments	\$211,600
Minneapolis – Ironclad	\$262,300
Minneapolis – Penn Avenue Union	\$122,100
Minneapolis – Theater Garage Marquee Apartments	\$132,000
Saint Paul – 428 Minnesota (former Woolworth Building)	\$340,800
Saint Paul – Empire Building	\$99,900
Saint Paul – Hamm’s Brewery	\$128,200
TOTAL Recommended	\$2,836,200
Total Available	\$4,008,135
Total Remaining	\$1,171,935

It was moved by Cunningham, seconded by Rummel.

Motion carried.

Environment—No Reports

Management—Report on Consent Agenda

Transportation

2017-2 SW Authorize the Regional Administrator to approve the Knorr sole source and the purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 for Knorr brake parts used on the motor trucks as part of Overhaul 2 of the Bombardier Type 1 vehicles.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Letofsky.

Motion carried.

2017-3 SW Approve the 2017 Title VI Program.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Munt.

Motion carried.

2017-6 SW Approve an administrative amendment to the 2017 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) to incorporate a Federal Transit Administration grant for Transit Oriented Development planning along Blue Line Extension station areas.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Elkins.

Motion carried.

2017-12 SW Concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to increase the cost and separate elements from MnDOT's I-35 maintenance and bridge replacement project.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Rummel.

Motion carried.

2017-13 SW Find that the Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) has an adequate public participation process for the development and review of its 2017-2023 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), including preparation of an assessment of environmental effects (AOEE) for 2017 projects with potential environmental effects. Find that there are no projects that need to be approved in the CIP since no projects meet both the funding level and "significant effects" criteria. Find that the 2017 CIP projects are in conformance with the Region's Aviation System Plan and consistent with Council policy.

Brian Ryks, Executive Director/CEO of MAC, provided a presentation and fielded questions from Council members.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Letofsky.

Motion carried.

2016-271 Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation and the Transportation Advisory Board regarding long-term funding for the Travel Behavior Inventory. Authorize the Regional Administrator to enter an agreement with the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation for distribution of federal funds.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Rummel.

Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

2017-19 Approve the following appointments to the Transportation Accessibility Advisory Committee: Sam Jasmine – District A; Christopher Bates – District B; Elizabeth (Lisa) Childs – District C; Ken Rodgers – District D; Kjensmo Walker – Chair.

It was moved by Munt, seconded by Elkins.

Motion carried.

2017-20 Approve the following appointments to the Transportation Advisory Board: Sam Villella – District E; Christopher Geisler – District E Alternate; Rolf Parsons – District F; Mark Wagner – District F Alternate; Carrie Christensen – District G; Conor Johnson – District G Alternate; Peter Dugan – District H; Nickolas Fox – District H Alternate; Matt Hollinshead – Transit Alternate – Matt Privratsky – Non-motorized Alternate; and Jim Hovland – Chair.

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by McCarthy.

Motion carried.

INFORMATION

2016 SAC Task Force Update

Ned Smith provided an update on the SAC Task Force, which has met twice (12/1/16 and 12/20/16) since being appointed by the Council on November 30, 2016. The meetings have focused on a fair and equitable approach to SAC charges for outdoor seating. The Task Force is currently reviewing a summary of the issue and will edit and approve the final summary at its January 26, 2017 meeting. MCES staff will forward the summary to interested State Legislators. February discussion topics will include SAC for manufactured homes, SAC determination process improvements, and SAC credit process improvements. The Council will receive a final summary at the conclusion of the Task Force.

REPORTS

Council Members:

Elkins—Attended the Urban Land Institute's Regional Council of Mayors meeting where Libby Starling gave a presentation on the demographics that are driving the demand for housing. She did a great job and the meeting was well attended. Eric Roper from the Star Tribune introduced himself; he is the new beat reporter for the Met Council.

Barber—Attended meetings in Scott and Carver Counties where Nick Thompson was introduced to local officials. The meetings have gone exceptionally well. Attended a meeting about the new suburb-to-suburb transit line which is operated by MVTA. There has been a 102% increase in ridership.

Munt—Received three phone calls at home from people in Stearns County who got her phone number from their pastor; they called to say they were very angry that the Metropolitan Council was going to ask residents of greater MN to pay for metro area transit. She corrected their misinformation. Appreciated all the positive news coverage about the Council over the holidays.

Rodriguez—Attended a Hwy 12 Safety Coalition meeting and an I-94 W Coalition meeting. There were legislators at both meetings and everyone agreed that more funding is needed.

Rummel—Attended a meeting of the Metropolitan Energy Coalition where renewable energy was the topic. It was a good presentation.

Chair: CTIB has been holding a few workshops and discussing dissolving. One of the big issues is the long-term operating funding. The Governor's transportation package has not been announced yet, but his budget is due January 24. Has been participating in a lot of SWLRT meetings; we are hoping to have everything ready for the full-funding grant agreement by the end of this month. Communications Director, Kate Brickman, gave birth to a baby boy.

Regional Administrator: John Schadl and Bonnie Kollodge will be filling in for Kate Brickman while she is on maternity leave.

General Counsel: None

The meeting was adjourned at 5:23PM.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of January 11, 2017.

Approved this 25th day of January 2017.

Emily Getty
Recording Secretary