# **Metropolitan Council**

#### Council Chair Alene Tchourumoff

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, December 12, 2018 4:00PM Council Chambers

### IN ATTENDANCE

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

# **CALL TO ORDER**

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

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Reynoso, seconded by Rummel.

It was moved by Cunningham, seconded by Letofsky.

### **PUBLIC INVITATION**

Mark Hughes shared concerns regarding Metro Mobility.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1-12)

# **Consent Agenda Adopted**

- 1. 2018-211 Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a contract for Wetland Technical Support for the Southwest LRT Project (SWLRT) in an amount not to exceed \$695,618.07 to Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. (KHA).
- 2. 2018-270 Amend the Regional Transitway Guidelines to include the following recommendations to guide and ensure consistent branding of arterial bus rapid transit (ABRT) in the region: Position, brand, and identify arterial bus rapid transit (ABRT) as part of the existing METRO system of light rail transit (LRT), dedicated bus rapid transit (DBRT) and highway bus rapid transit (HBRT) services. Name ABRT lines using a letter designation. Apply the regional transit color scheme to ABRT vehicles, stations, and signage.
- 3. 2018-282 Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a lease agreement amendment with Middleton Partners, LLC that: terminates the lease of the 6<sup>th</sup> floor space (effective Feb. 28, 2019); and extends the lease of the 5<sup>th</sup> floor space by fifty-three (53) months beginning August 1, 2019 and ending December 31, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$2,800,000.
- 4. 2018-283 Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute Subordinate Funding Agreement (SFA) No. 11 to the Master Funding Agreement (MFA) with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) for 2019 SWLRT staff support in the total amount not to exceed \$2,729,569.
- 2018-299 Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a METRO Gold Line Subordinate Funding Agreement No. 02



- to the Master Funding Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation in the total amount not to exceed \$1,032,108 for calendar year 2019.
- 6. 2018-306 Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute Amendment 3 to Agreement 16I092 with Hennepin County, increasing the grantor's participation from \$14,450,000 to \$15,109,000, and extending the grant activity period to December 31, 2019.
- 7. 2018-308 Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute sole source agreements with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority (MVTA) for: Cedar Avenue express service and public facility maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$341,878; Cedar Avenue Red Line Station to Station BRT service and public facility maintenance not to exceed \$2,422,182.
- 8. 2018-319 Concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add a MnDOT-sponsored project replacing two bridges on I-94 in Wright County.
- 9. 2018-322 Approve a sole source contract amendment for Property Owner and Tenant Advisory Services with WSB (14P265C) to increase the contract amount by \$35,000 for a total contract amount of \$250,000.
- 10. 2018-323 Approve the contract for Armored Transport Services with Star Security for an amount not to exceed \$2,960,000 for a five-year period from March 15, 2019 through March 14, 2024.
- 11. 2018-327 Adopt the attached Review Record and allow the City of Edina to place the 44<sup>th</sup> & France Neighborhood Node Small Area Plan Comprehensive Plan Amendment into effect; advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Housing.
- 12. 2018-328 Approve a sole source contract amendment for legal services for real estate acquisition with Best & Flanagan LLP (16P296) to increase the contract amount by \$200,000 to a total contract amount of \$700,000.

## **BUSINESS**

# **Community Development**

2018-338 Authorize the transfer of \$174,600 from the Livable Communities Demonstration Account Development program to the Livable Communities Demonstration Account Pre-Development program; award three Livable Communities Demonstration Account Pre-Development grants for \$299,600 as listed below; and authorize its Community Development Division Director to execute the grant agreement on behalf of the Council.

Recommended Project	Applicant	Award Amount
Upper Rice Street Site	City of Saint Paul	\$99,600
Ford Site Redevelopment	City of Saint Paul	\$100,000
Grain Best Redevelopment	City of Minneapolis	\$100,000
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Total Requested	\$299,600
Total Available	\$299,600
Total Remaining	\$0

It was moved by Commers, seconded by Cunningham.

## Motion carried.

2018-339 Award two Livable Communities Demonstration Account Transit-Oriented Development Zoning Implementation grants totaling \$120,000, as shown in the table below; and authorize its Community Development Division Director to execute the grant agreements on behalf of the Council.

Recommended Projects	Applicant	Award Amount
Brooklyn Center TOD Zoning	City of Brooklyn Center	\$60,000
TOD Zoning-Burnsville Orange Line Stations	City of Burnsville	\$60,000
	Total Reques	ted \$120,000

Total Requested \$120,000

Total Available \$125,000

Total Remaining \$5,000

It was moved by Commers, seconded by Rummel.

### Motion carried.

### **Environment**

2018-346 SW Execute a Memorandum of Understanding and a Design Deposit Agreement with Enerkem related to reclaimed water service.

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Chávez.

#### Motion carried.

2018-347 SW Authorize staff to negotiate and execute a wastewater reuse grant agreement with the Minnesota Pollution Control Association (MPCA).

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Chávez.

### Motion carried.

2018-348 SW Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute contract 18P248 with Security Services USA, Inc. to provide security officer services for MCES facilities and the 390 North Robert Street building for the time period of February 1, 2019 to January 31, 2022, in an amount not to exceed \$3,885,000.

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Wulff.

#### Motion carried.

2018-349 SW Authorize the Regional Administrator to amend Contract 16P239 with Dunn Solutions Group to add \$560,000 with a not to exceed amount of \$1,104,500 for a contract period ending December 31, 2020.

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by McCarthy.

# Motion carried.

## Management

2018-351 SW Authorize to bind coverage of Builder's Risk property insurance related to the SWLRT construction project, in an amount not to exceed \$2,200,000.

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Rummel.

#### Motion carried.

2018-355 SW Authorize to bind coverage of Railroad Protective Liability insurance related to the Southwest Light Rail construction project, in an amount not to exceed \$700,000.

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Cunningham.

## Motion carried.

# **Transportation**

2018-318 Concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add a project reconstructing and expanding I-94 in Wright County.

It was moved by Rodriguez, seconded by Schreiber.

### Motion carried.

2018-320 Concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include funding for eleven "Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities" projects.

It was moved by Rodriguez, seconded by Elkins.

## Motion carried.

2018-324 SW Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a professional services contract with HDR Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$9,493,918 for design, engineering, and construction administration for the D Line BRT project.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Cunningham.

Rodriguez abstained as the D Line will go through Richfield, and she was just hired to be the Richfield City Manager.

## Motion carried.

2018-326 SW Authorize the Regional Administrator to ward a sole source procurement contract with Bentech Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$1,125,000 to purchase up to four-hundred and fifty (450) Operator Barriers.

It was moved by Rodriguez, seconded by Munt.

### Motion carried.

2018-335 SW Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a sole-source contract with Cubic Transportation Systems for the purchase of additional Go-To card readers and associated parts in an amount not to exceed \$700,000.

It was moved by Rodriguez, seconded by Rummel.

## Motion carried.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Approve the appointment of Deb Barber as the Chair of the Transportation Committee and the Council's representative on the Transportation Advisory Board, effective January 2, 2019.

It was moved by Melander, seconded by Dorfman.

### Motion carried.

Information Item: Equity Advisory Committee Initial 2019 Work Plan

Equity Advisory Committee (EAC) co-chairs, Ed Reynoso and Nelima Sitati Munene, gave a presentation on the work of the EAC. They shared some accomplishments and challenges that the EAC has faced, as well as their goals for 2019.

At 5:00PM, Rodriguez moved to recess until 6:00PM, seconded by Rummel. Motion carried.

At 6:00PM, Vice Chair Melander reopened the meeting. Mary Bogie provided at update on changes to the Unified Budget since adoption of the Public Comment draft.

Public Comment period was opened. Jua, a St. Paul resident, shared comments regarding her property tax.

2018-307 Adopt the following resolutions for the Metropolitan Council's 2019 Unified Budget and the 2018, Payable 2019, Tax Levies:

2018-21: Adopting the Metropolitan Council's 2019 Unified Budget

2018-22: Resolution Certifying a Tax Levy for 2018 for Debt Service on Future Transit Bonds

2018-23: Adopting a 2018 Tax Levy for the Livable Communities Demonstration Account in the Metropolitan Livable Communities Fund

2018-24: Adopting the Metropolitan Council's 2018 Tax Levy for General Purposes for Certification to the County Auditors

2018-25: Adopting a 2018 Tax Levy for the Tax Base Revitalization Account of the Livable Communities Act

2018-26: Adopting the Metropolitan Council's 2018 Tax Levy for General Purposes for Certification to the Minnesota Commissioner of Revenue

It was moved by Munt, seconded by Reynoso.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 16 Rodriguez, Schreiber, Munt, Barber, Elkins, Dorfman, Cunningham, Letofsky, Reynoso, McCarthy, Rummel, Melander, Kramer, Commers, Chávez, Wulff

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

## **REPORTS**

Council Members:

Elkins—Retired from Optum. Celebrated the SWLRT groundbreaking. This is his last Council meeting.

Rodriguez—Has accepted a position as Richfield City Manager. This is her last Council meeting.

Cunningham—Attended an Itasca Project meeting where former Chair Tchourumoff was also an attendee. Attended a meeting on economics at the Minneapolis Urban League.

Munt—Celebrated the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Bicycle Alliance.

Chair: Attended the SWLRT groundbreaking.

Regional Administrator: None.

General Counsel: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:16PM.

## Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of December 12, 2018.

Approved this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 2019.

Emily Getty Recording Secretary