

Council Chair Susan Haigh

Council Members

Katie Rodriguez	Jennifer Munt	Gary Cunningham	Edward Reynoso	Sandy Rummel	Richard Kramer	Steven Chávez
Lona Schreiber	Steve Elkins	Adam Duinick	Marie McCarthy	Harry Melander	Jon Commers	Wendy Wulff
Gary Van Eyll	James Brimeyer					

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 23, 2014 4:00PM Council Chambers

IN ATTENDANCE

Rodriguez, Schreiber, Munt, Van Eyll, Elkins, Brimeyer, Cunningham, Duinick, Reynoso, McCarthy, Rummel, Melander, Kramer, Commers, Chávez, Wulff, Haigh

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Haigh called the meeting to order at 4:05PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Van Eyll, seconded by Rummel.

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Rodriguez.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1-14)

Consent Agenda Adopted

1. 2014-149 Authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract with the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Donlar Construction, for the construction of the Overhaul Base Facility Renovations and Addition project in St. Paul at a cost of \$6,467,000.
2. 2014-160 Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a University of Minnesota Campus Zone Pass Agreement with the University of Minnesota for students and employee participants with the METRO Green Line Campus Zone Pass for the period of August 25, 2014 to August 30, 2015.
3. 2014-163 Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute Contract No. 13P280 with Gillig Corporation for the purchase of up to seven thirty-foot buses with provisions for six option buses, contingent on satisfactory results for the Pre-Award Buy America Audit.
4. 2014-164 Authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation for calendar year 2015 to provide funding for public commuter rail service in Sherburne County, Minnesota for an amount up to \$1.3 million; execute the attached resolution of the Governing Body (Metropolitan Council) to enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation for calendar year 2015.
5. 2014-165 Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a contract with SKB Environmental, Inc. of St. Paul, MN not to exceed \$1,400,000 to provide waste incinerator ash disposal services at the Metro and Seneca Wastewater Treatment Plants for the period August 15, 2014 through December 31, 2016.
6. 2014-166 Authorize the MCES General Manager to execute an extension of the lease for the use of Metro 94 facilities for MCES business use.

7. 2014-168 Authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract to construct Seneca Area System Rehabilitation – Phase 1, MCES Project No. 808010, Contract No. 14P086, with Visu-Sewer for their low, responsive and responsible bid of \$12,702,779.75.
8. 2014-169 Authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract for construction of the Mound Area Improvements, L38/West Maintenance Facility, MCES Project Nos. 802824 and 802826, Contract No. 14P046, with Rice Lake Construction Group, for their low responsive and responsible bid of \$13,320,000.00.
9. 2014-170 Authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract for construction of the Woodbury NE Lift Station L77 and Forcemain Improvements, Project No. 806310, Contract No. 14P062 with Geislinger and Sons, Inc. for their low responsive and responsible bid of \$3,401,130.00.
10. 2014-171 Authorize the Regional Administrator to award a \$2,000,000 Master Contract No. 14P045A with American Engineering Testing, \$1,500,000 Master Contract No. 14P045B with Braun Intertec Corporation, and a \$500,000 Master Contract No. 14P045C with Terracon Consultants.
11. 2014-172 Direct staff to hold a public meeting to gather input and discuss the proposed grant program design guidelines for I&I abatement grants.
12. 2014-173 Authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute an interagency agreement with the United States Geological Survey (USGS) totaling \$530,000 to investigate groundwater and surface water interaction in and around White Bear Lake and surrounding northeast metropolitan lakes.
13. 2014-175 Approve the 2014-2017 USDOT Triennial Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal of 15%.
14. 2014-176 Contingent on TA approval, concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include additional funds for repair, maintenance, and upgrade to existing trackwork on the Blue Line light rail transitway (SP#TRF-TCMT-14AX).

BUSINESS

Community Development

2014-184 SW Release the draft version of the *2040 Housing Policy Plan* for public comment; conduct a public hearing on September 15, 2014 regarding the draft version of the *2040 Housing Policy Plan* for public comment; keep the hearing record open until 5:00PM on Friday, September 26, 2014; and direct staff to publish public hearing notices and distribute copies of the draft *2040 Housing Policy Plan* for public comment under the Council's administrative procedure for public hearings.

It was moved by Cunningham, seconded by Munt.

Council members discussed the item and amendment.

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Chávez to amend the original item.

Motion carried on a 9/8 vote.

Chair Haigh called for a vote on the amended motion. Cunningham abstained.

Motion carried.

Environment

2014-174 Adopt the following wastewater rates and charges to be effective January 1, 2015: Metropolitan Wastewater Charge (total of municipal wastewater charges) of \$190,710,000; Sewer Availability Charge (SAC): \$2,485 per Residence or Residential Equivalent Capacity; Temporary Capacity Charge: \$1.25 per thousand gallons; Industrial Strength Charge: \$.190 per excess pound of TSS (total suspended solids); Industrial Strength Charge: \$.095 per excess pound of COD (chemical oxygen demand); Standard Load Charge: \$56.31 per thousand gallons; Holding Tank Load Charge: \$9.39 per thousand dollars; Portable Toilet Waste Load Charge: \$72.49 per thousand gallons; Collar County Load Charge: \$71.31 per thousand dollars; Strength component of Industrial Load Charge \$.388 per excess pound of TSS; Strength component of Industrial Load Charge \$.194 per excess pound of COD; Out-of-Region Load Charge Component for hauled waste: \$15.00 per thousand gallons; Industrial Permit Fees as shown on Attachment A; and I/I Surcharge Exceedance Rate: \$415,000 per million gallons/day (rate of maximum measured flow within an hour over allowed flow rate).

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Melander.

Motion carried.

Management—No reports

Transportation

2014-177 Contingent on TAB Approval, concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include project design and engineering for future B Line Arterial Bus Rapid Transit (ABRT) corridor in St. Paul and Bloomington (SP#TRF-TCMT-14B1).

Charles Carlson distributed a handout and explained the nature of this business item, which was tabled at the TAB meeting.

Duininck moved to table this item, Commers seconded.

Motion carried.

INFORMATION

Urban Scholar Presentation

The Urban Scholars program is a 12-week internship and leadership development program that provides students from diverse racial, ethnic, and/or low socioeconomic backgrounds with distinctive professional experience focused on gaining essential leadership skills and creating career pathways to positions of influence in public service. Seven Urban Scholars have been placed with senior-level executives in one of the five operating divisions: Metro Transit, Environmental Services, Regional Administration, Community Development, and Metropolitan Transportation Services. The Urban Scholars gave a brief presentation to the Council, with each individual highlighting a section of the program. They have participated in Toastmasters, mentorships, and roundtables.

Public Engagement Plan

Michelle Fure, Manager of Public Involvement, gave a presentation on the Public Engagement Plan which has been a collaborative effort with community partners. Michelle distributed a draft of the Introduction portion of the Public Engagement Plan. Key pieces of the plan include the definition of community engagement, principles/values that align with Thrive MSP 2040, guidance for local communities, and a planning worksheet. Fure and her group will continue collecting internal and external feedback for the remainder of 2014 and will ask for the Council's consideration in early 2015.

REPORTS

Chair—Chair Haigh announced that the Council won the State Government Innovation award for our Metro GIS work. A document called Transit Stories will be on TPT and focuses on the Council and Metro Transit, and our vision for transit in the future. Participated in a Cabinet discussion on Health and Equity in All Policies. Participated in the last CCMC meeting and a PRO meeting.

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Commers—Spoke to the Young African Leaders Group at the Humphrey School. They are here for 6 weeks and represent 18 countries. Commers took them on a walk to the West Bank Station where they boarded the Green Line and rode to Target Field Station where they were met by John Siqveland and Drew Kerr of Metro Transit. They had an excellent tour and conversation.

McCarthy—Spoke at a Roseville City Council meeting. She was joined by Katie Roth who presented on the Snelling Ave. BRT project.

Rummel—Participated in the ribbon cutting for the Keller Park improvements. Attended an EQB meeting where water supply and agency coordination was discussed.

Reynoso—Attended a ribbon cutting for a Park-n-Ride in the City of Anoka.

Brimeyer—A group of students from the Ukraine will be here during the month of August to visit the Osseo and Brooklyn Park school district. They are sponsored by the group Global Synergy, which is a non-profit chaired by CM Brimeyer.

Regional Administrator: No report

General Counsel: No report

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55PM.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of July 23, 2014.

Approved this 13 day of August, 2014.

Emily Getty
Recording Secretary