

## Minutes of the

### SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 24, 2021 (This meeting was conducted remotely under section 13D.021 of the Minnesota Open Meeting Law)

**Committee Members Present:** Chair Christopher Ferguson, Vice Chair Judy Johnson, Deb Barber, Francisco Gonzalez, Chai Lee, Robert Lilligren, Abdirahman Muse

**Committee Members Absent:**

#### CALL TO ORDER

Aye: 6 Barber, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lilligren, Muse, Ferguson  
Absent: 1 Lee

A quorum being present, Chair Ferguson, called the special meeting of the Council's Management Committee to order at 2:03 p.m. on Wednesday, February 24, 2021.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

There were no changes to the business section of the agenda.

It was moved by Lilligren and seconded by Johnson to approve the minutes of the Wednesday, February 10, 2021 Management Committee meeting.

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

Aye: 7 Barber, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Muse, Ferguson  
Nay: 0  
Absent: 0

#### BUSINESS

**No Business Items**

#### INFORMATION

##### INFO 1: Advancing Equity in the Region Ideas

Mary Bogie, Acting Regional Administrator, 651-602-1359 presented the item.

Guest Patricia Nauman, Executive Director, Metro Cities, spoke to the Committee: "Metro Cities closely monitors the SAC program and its legislative policies support a program that is equitable among users, transparent and easy to administer. Metro Cities opposes use of the SAC mechanism to subsidize or incent specific programs or objectives. SAC is a user-fee structure that pays for the debt service on new sewer connections. All users pay this charge, to connect. Subsidies of SAC result in a shift of SAC fees to other users and is opposed by Metro Cities. While we understand that the proposal would use the Council's levy rather than the SAC fee, the use of the mechanism for a specific objective is something I would caution the Council on, as it sets a precedent for use of the SAC structure for specific objectives."

This item will be brought back to the March 10, 2021 Management Committee meeting for further review.

##### INFO 2: Labor Strategy

Marcy Cordes, Chief Labor Relations Officer, 651-602-1582 presented the item.

It was moved by Johnson, and seconded by Gonzalez, to close the Special Management Committee meeting under Section 13D.03, Subdivision 1 of the Minnesota Statutes, to consider labor negotiation strategies and to discuss and review labor negotiation

proposals. It was noted and moved to not reopen meeting to the public as this was the final item of the meeting. Meeting was adjourned while in closed session.

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

Aye: 7 Barber, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Muse, Ferguson  
Nay: 0  
Absent: 0

Chair Ferguson 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. (Terri Dresen, Marie Henderson, Wes Kooistra, Greg Ricci, Marcy Syman, David Theisen and Phil Walljasper were present.) The Management Committee meeting at Robert Street closed at 3:24 p.m., Wednesday, February 24, 2021. Closed session business was concluded at 3:46 p.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Business completed; meeting was adjourned at the conclusion of the closed portion. No other business and/or information items were considered, and no further discussions were held.

The meeting adjourned 3:46 p.m.

Lori Connery  
Recording Secretary