

Council Chair Charles Zelle

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Abdrahaman Muse

Deb Barber

Kris Fredson

Molly Cummings

Phillip Sterner

Reva Chamblis

Susan Vento

Chai Lee

Francisco J. Gonzalez

Lynnea Atlas-Ingebretson

Peter Lindstrom

Raymond Zeran

Robert Lilligren

Wendy Wulff

Christopher Ferguson

Judy Johnson

## Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 28, 2020 4:00 p.m.

### IN ATTENDANCE

Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Fredson, Ferguson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

### CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Zelle called the meeting to order at 4:0 pm on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 14 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Not Recorded: 3 Atlas-Ingebretson, Gonzalez, Sterner

### AMENDED AGENDA APPROVED

Chair Zelle noted that a roll call vote is not needed for approval of the agenda. Council Members did not have any comments or changes to the agenda.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes was moved by Lee, seconded by Cummings. **Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 16 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Not Recorded: 1 Atlas-Ingebretson

### BUSINESS

Joint Report of the Management, Community Development, Environment, and Transportation Committees.

2020-281 JT SW: That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the 2020 Unified Budget as indicated and in accordance with the attached tables.

It was moved by Ferguson, seconded by Lindstrom.

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

Aye: 16 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Not Recorded: 1 Atlas-Ingebretson

2020-293: That the Metropolitan Council adopt the Public Comment Draft of the 2021 Unified Budget.

It was moved by Ferguson, seconded by Johnson.

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

Aye: 16 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Not Recorded: 1 Atlas-Ingebretson

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1- 19)

Consent Agenda Adopted

2020-243: That the Metropolitan Council:

1. Approve the City of Saint Paul's Grand Round North Regional Trail Master Plan.
2. Require the City of Saint Paul, prior to initiating any new development of the regional trail corridor, to send preliminary plans to the Metropolitan Council's Environmental Services Division Assistant Manager.
3. Encourage the City of Saint Paul to implement the advisory comments in the "Consistency with Other Council Policies and Systems" section regarding stormwater, natural resources, and solar.

- 2020-254: That the Metropolitan Council approve a sole source contract amendment for Short Elliot Hendrickson Inc. (SEH) for Construction Monitoring for Contaminated Materials (16P298) to add \$853,380 for a total contract amount of \$2,998,986.
- 2020-255: That the Metropolitan Council (Council) authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute Subordinate Funding Agreement (SFA) No. 13 to the Master Funding Agreement (MFA) #121021 with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) for 2021 SWLRT staff support in a total amount not to exceed \$2.2 million.
- 2020-256: That the Metropolitan Council (Council) authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Subordinate Funding Agreement (SFA) No. 7 to the Master Funding Agreement (MFA) #141044 with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) to pay MnDOT \$1.6 million of committed project funds to complete the Bassett Creek Storm Sewer Utility Relocation related to the Blue Line Extension Light Rail Transit Project.
- 2020-258: That the Metropolitan Council approve the attached resolution changing certain designated position titles in the Minnesota State Retirement System unclassified plan.
- 2020-265: That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record and take the following actions:
1. Authorize the City of Apple Valley to place its Golf Course comprehensive plan amendment into effect.
  2. Find that the amendment does not change the City's forecasts
- 2020-266: That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record and take the following actions:
1. Authorize the City of Lake Elmo to place its Pott and Weir Properties comprehensive plan amendment into effect.
  2. Revise the *Thrive MSP 2040* Community Designation of the two subject parcels from Rural Residential to Emerging Suburban Edge as shown in Figure 2 of the Review Record.
  3. Find that the amendment does not change the City's forecasts.
- 2020-267: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute METRO Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit (GBRT) Subordinate Funding Agreement (SFA) No. 05 with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) for an amount not to exceed \$1,550,017.
- 2020-269: That the Metropolitan Council approve an extension to Minnesota Occupational Health Onsite Drug and Alcohol Collection Services contract (15P057) for 12 months and add \$330,000 to cover the additional requested services during the extension period. This would bring the total value of the contract to \$1,546,500.
- 2020-270: That the Metropolitan Council approve an extension to the medical services contract with Minnesota Occupation Health(17P110) for 12 months and add \$320,000 to cover additional requested services during the extension period. This would bring the total value of the contract to \$1,484,000.
- 2020-271: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute Contract 20P044 with Paragon Development Systems, Inc., to provide the Council with equipment and services for the ICS and SCADA network Check Point Firewalls in an amount not to exceed a total of \$750,876.48 for a period of five years.

- 2020-272: That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award and execute a construction contract for Woodbury L73 Tunnel Repair Project, MCES Project No. 806335, Contract No. 20P069, with PCI Roads, LLC for their lowest responsive, responsible bid of \$3,086,579.19.
- 2020-273: That the Metropolitan Council authorize a public hearing on December 17, 2020 to gather input on the draft Facility Plan for Lift Station L32A (Fridley) Project, MCES Project No. 809400.
- 2020-274: That the Metropolitan Council authorize a public hearing on December 15, 2020 to gather input on the draft Facility Plan for the Lake Minnetonka Area Regional Interceptor Improvements Project, MCES Project No. 802891.
- 2020-278: That the Council authorize the Community Development Director to approve up to a 1-year grant term extension for grants that have been delayed or otherwise demonstrably impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, consistent with the Eligibility Requirements and Limitations identified in this business item.
- 2020-279: That the Metropolitan Council approve the attached Utility Allowance Schedule for use in the Housing Choice Voucher and other rent assistance programs effective January 1, 2021.
- 2020-285 SW: That the Metropolitan Council approve an amendment to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add a project expanding and renovating MVTA's Burnsville Bus Garage.
- 2020-286 SW: That the Metropolitan Council approve an amendment to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add a project replacing an antiquated signal system in Chanhassen.

It was moved by Gonzalez, seconded by Lee.

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

Aye: 16 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Not Recorded: 1 Atlas-Ingebretson

## **BUSINESS**

Community Development

2020-244: That the Metropolitan Council:

1. Approve Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board's Shingle Creek Regional Trail Master Plan, including the supplemental information provided in the "Clarification of Submittal of Shingle Creek Regional Trail Master Plan" letter dated September 2, 2020.
2. Require that Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, prior to initiating any new development of the regional trail corridor, send preliminary plans to the Environmental Services Assistant Manager at the Metropolitan Council's Environmental Services Division.

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Chamblis.

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

Aye: 17 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 1 Wulff

Absent: 0

Not Recorded: 0

Council member Wulff voted no and raised concerns about mixing local and regional park amenities and disagrees with the way it is funded. Council member Barber asked if there are examples of unclear delineation between local and regional parks and define the difference between building amenities at a regional level. Staff provided background and responded there are historical grandfathered in local park amenities in regional park system. In 2018 Regional Parks Policy was updated and a process was added to include agencies can request inclusion nontraditional activities. Council Member Atlas-Ingebretson noted how the design concepts respond directly to community engagement with underrepresented populations and encourages colleagues to support the project and equity work. Council member Chamblis says this is a great plan and respect cities can define their parks and recreation and to continue to assess needs. Council member Johnson appreciates the comments and recognize funding is an issue.

B. Environment – Reports on consent agenda

C. Management – Reports on consent agenda

D. Transportation

2020-275 SW: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute lease agreement #201010 with the Metropolitan Airport Commission for the South Garage facility in the amount of \$10,941,576.91.

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Cummings.

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

Aye: 17 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Not Recorded: 1 Chamblis

Council member Wulff and Ferguson made comments regarding the lease.

#### E. Joint Report of Environment and Community Development Committees

2020-:233 JT: That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record and take the following actions:

##### Recommendations of the Community Development Committee

1. Authorize the City of Watertown to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
2. Advise the City:
  - a. When available, provide to the Council the date the County approved the Local Water Management Plan and the date the City adopted the final Local Water Management Plan. Also provide a copy of the final adopted Local Water Management Plan that will be included in the Final Plan document that the City adopts, if it differs from the December 2018 version contained in this Plan submission.
  - b. A property (PID 019-10004100) was enrolled in the Agricultural Preserve Program after the City's 2040 Plan submittal. This newly enrolled area will need to be shown on the future land use map prior to Final Plan adoption.
  - c. To implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for forecasts, land use, water supply, and housing.

##### Recommendation of the Environment Committee

1. Approve the City of Watertown's Comprehensive Sewer Plan

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Barber.

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

Aye: 17 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Not Recorded: 0

2020-239 JT: That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record and take the following actions:

##### Recommendations of the Community Development Committee

1. Authorize the City of Lino Lakes to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.

2. Revise the City's forecasts downward as shown in Table 1 of the attached Review Record.
3. Advise the City:
  - a. Prior to Final Plan adoption, to revise the following Tables in the Plan: 1.1, 2.1, 4.1, 5.1, 6.4, and 9.1 to reflect forecast numbers provided in August 2020 supplemental material.
  - b. That authorization of the City's 2040 Comprehensive Plan does not confer approval of the proposed post-2040 improvement to CSAH 14 (Main Street), extending the road east of Lake Drive (CSAH 23) on new alignment across the north portion of Peltier Lake to 80th Street, with new interchanges constructed at both I-35W and I-35E. This road is not in the Council's *2040 Transportation Policy Plan*.
  - c. To Implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Regional Parks, Transportation, Forecasts, and Water Supply.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee

1. Approve the City of Lino Lake's Comprehensive Sewer Plan.
2. Advise the City that the Wastewater Plan contains two sets of forecasted sewer growth that are inconsistent with each other. One set is consistent with the Council's total assigned growth forecasts, and the other, uses assumed land use densities for residential development and arrives at growth forecasts that are inconsistent with other forecast figures within the Plan. The Council will base its level of wastewater service commitment on those growth forecasts shown in Table 8-1A, that are consistent with Council forecasts and other growth forecasts within the Plan.
3. Require the City to contact the Council at the time that local planning activities are initiated for the following projects:
  - a. The future trunk sewer improvement project called "West Side Relief Sewer" within local service District 2. The Council has identified a potential future capacity improvement project to provide additional regional capacity for this area and will need to coordinate the timing of that improvement with the City's service level needs and improvements.
  - b. The construction of a future trunk sewer within local service District 5. This project will require the connection to, and service through interceptor 802325. A new regional wastewater flow metering facility will need to be coordinated with the City's design and construction of their trunk sewer facility.
4. Require the City to submit to the Council a copy of the executed intercommunity service agreement with White Bear Township for use of a trunk sewer facility located along Centerville Road in the Township. Use of the Township's trunk sewer will provide service to City's service District 4.

It was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Vento.

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

Aye: 17 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Not Recorded: 0

## **REPORTS**

Chair Zelle thanked Jim Alexander for coordinating SWLRT walking tour, mentioned the bonding bill passed and congratulated staff.

Council member Lee attended the District 1 Community Council in St. Paul and thanked park staff for engagement work in communities.

Council member Johnson congratulated the graduates of the Metro Transit Mechanic Technician Program and appreciates the partnerships.

Council member Atlas-Ingebretson reminded people the public comment on the draft amendment to 2040 Regional Parks Policy Plan ends Oct. 30, 2020 and acknowledge the years of work done by past and present council members and staff.

Council member Fredson stated the bonding bill passed and thanked staff for the work done.

Acting Regional Administrator Mary Bogie had no report

General Counsel Ann Bloodhart had no report.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

## **Certification**

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of October 28, 2020.

Approved this 4th day of November 2020.

Liz Sund  
Recording Secretary