

Council Chair Adam Duinick

Council Members

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| 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, August 24, 2016 4:00PM Council Chambers

IN ATTENDANCE

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

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Duinick called the meeting to order at 4:03PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Reynoso, seconded by Elkins.

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Munt.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1-6)

Consent Agenda Adopted

1. 2016-136 Metropolitan Parks and Open Space Commission report to the Metropolitan Council the distribution of state fiscal year 2017 operation and maintenance funds for the regional parks system.
2. 2016-157 Approve the Southwest Regional Trail Master Plan Amendment to extend the eastern trail terminus by 0.75 miles as shown in Appendix A. Require that Carver County submit a wayfinding signage plan for the entire Southwest Regional Trail Corridor in a forthcoming master plan amendment for the regional trail.
3. 2016-158 Approve a grant in the amount of \$51,000 to Dakota County to complete an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant paved loop trail and site improvements around McDonough Lake and natural resource improvements associated with the project, at Lebanon Hills Regional Park; and authorize the Community Development Director to execute the grant on behalf of the Council.
4. 2016-159 Approve a grant of up to \$50,947 to Three Rivers Park District to acquire the Becklin parcel at 10510 Holly Lane North in Maple Grove for the Rush Creek Regional Trail. Advise Three Rivers Park District that demolition costs may not be paid from Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund dollars and that it may not close on the property until after the Council awards the grant. Consider reimbursing Three Rivers Park District up to \$16,982 from its share of a future Regional Parks Capital Improvement Program for its 25% local match for this acquisition. Inform Three Rivers Park District that the Council does not under any circumstances represent or guarantee that reimbursement will be granted, and expenditure of local funds never entitles a park agency to reimbursement. Authorize the Community Development Director to execute the grant agreement and restrictive covenant on behalf of the Council.

5. 2016-161 Approve a grant of up to \$176,734 to reimburse Three Rivers Park District for their acquisition via condemnation of a permanent 4,919-square foot easement at 5400 70th Street West for the Nine Mile Creek Regional Trail; and authorize the Community Development Director to execute the grant agreement and restrictive covenant on behalf of the Council.
6. 2016-162 Approve a grant of up to \$237,892 to Washington County to acquire the Frogner parcel at 15770 May Avenue North for Big Marine Park Reserve. Advise Washington County that it may not close on the property until after the Council awards the grant. Authorize the Community Development Director to execute the grant agreement and restrictive covenant on behalf of the Council.

BUSINESS

Community Development—Reports on Consent Agenda

Environment—No Reports

Management

2016-165 Authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into an agreement with the Pipefitters Union, Local Union No. 455, AFL-CIO, effective for the period May 1, 2016 through April 30, 2019.

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Reynoso.

Motion carried.

2016-166 Authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into an agreement with the Painters and Allied Trades, District Council 82 and Local No. 61 AFL-CIO effective for the period May 1, 2016 through April 30, 2019.

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Munt.

Motion carried.

Transportation

2016-149 Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute the Blue Line Extension Section 106 Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), developed jointly between the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), the Minnesota Historic Preservation Office (MnHPO), and the Council pursuant to 36 CFR Part 800, implementing Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Rummel.

Motion carried.

2016-156 Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a 9 month lease extension for the Minneapolis Transit Service Center with St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Equity Transwestern for a cost not to exceed \$61,000.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Munt.

Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

2016-163 Adopt the following Resolutions for the Metropolitan Council's Preliminary 2017 Unified Operating Budget and the Proposed 2016, Payable 2017, Tax Levies:

- 2016-15: Adopting of the Metropolitan Council's Preliminary 2017 Unified Operating Budget
- 2016-16: Adopting of the Metropolitan Council's Proposed 2016 Tax Levy for General Purposes for Certification to the County Auditors
- 2016-17: Adopting of the Metropolitan Council's Proposed 2016 Tax Levy for General Purposes for Certification to the Minnesota Commissioner of Revenue
- 2016-18: Adopting of a Proposed 2016 Tax Levy for the Livable Communities Demonstration Account in the Metropolitan Livable Communities Fund
- 2016-19: Adopting of a Proposed 2016 Tax Levy for the Tax Base Revitalization Account of the Livable Communities Act
- 2016-20: Resolution Certifying a Tax Levy for 2016 Debt Service on Future Transit Bonds
- 2016-21: Resolution Certifying a Tax Levy for 2016 for Debt Service on Future Parks Bonds

It was moved by Melander, seconded by Cunningham.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

- Aye: 16 Rodriguez, Schreiber, Munt, Barber, Elkins, Dorfman, Cunningham, Letofsky, Reynoso, McCarthy, Rummel, Melander, Kramer, Chávez, Wulff, Duinick
- Nay: 0
- Absent: 1 Commers (arrived after roll call)

REPORTS

Council Members:

Melander—Met with residents of Lake Elmo to discuss their issue in West Lakeland. Visited the old Tartan Golf Course in Lake Elmo.

Rodriguez—Attended the Hwy 12 Safety Coalition meeting. Attended the Metro Transit Technician Completion Ceremony; it was inspiring.

Dorfman—Represented the Council at a forum on affordable housing in Golden Valley.

Cunningham—Participated in the Redeemer Block Party in North Minneapolis where the Council was well-represented. Participating in a task force convened by the Itasca Project to look at what types of investments and interventions can be done with regard to North Minneapolis specifically.

Letofsky—The Food Access Planning Guide has been distributed. Met with Lisa Barajas about getting it in front of our staff and to communities working on comprehensive plans. Met her goal of creating and distributing an electronic newsletter with the help of Andrew Virden.

Barber—Attended a meet and greet with the Mayor of Belle Plaine along with Chair Duininck. Following the meet and greet they attended a groundbreaking for a medical facility that will be on land purchased through the RALF program.

Munt—The RALF grant will create a connection between her district and CM Barber's district. Met with mayors from Carver County; they are very grateful that Metro Transit and SouthWest Transit will be helping transport 150,000 people to and from the Ryder Cup which will be held at Hazeltine at the end of September. Thanked Andrew Virden for putting together a tour of three of the smaller cities in her district (Shorewood, Deephaven, Woodland). The Governor will be holding a meeting regarding SWLRT tomorrow at the Dept. of Revenue at 2:30PM.

Dorfman—Attended a rally in Minneapolis for the Orange Line along with CM Letofsky. The purpose was to push for continued funding.

Chávez—Attended a press conference on behalf of Chair Duininck with mayors in Dakota County to support the Orange Line. Spent time with the City of Eagan's Planning Commission and gave them a "year in review" on the Council. Encouraged other members to meet with planning commissions in their districts.

McCarthy—Participating in regular meetings with city councils in her district. Encouraged others to meet with people in their communities.

Rummel—Attended the Solar Collaboration event along with CM Letofsky and Chair Duininck. The Mayor of Chanhassen gave a very heartfelt message about the collaboration and cooperation on this project. Rush Line is moving along.

Chair: Metro Transit won the APTA award and a celebration will be held on Sept. 24 at Target Field. Participated in a SCALE meeting along with CM Barber and CM Munt. Attended the first Freight Rail Council meeting. Participated in meetings regarding the Orange Line. A meeting regarding SWLRT will be held tomorrow. Participated in the Solar Collaborative event.

Regional Administrator: None

General Counsel: The Supreme Court issued a couple of opinions on data practices issues that influence the Council and Metro Transit bus videos. The Court took a little bit more expansive view on under what circumstances members of the public can get access to videos from the buses. Traditionally, the Council has taken the position that if the Council downloads video for the purposes of evaluating the performance of a bus operator that is personnel data on the employee, and if there is no discipline, then it is private personnel data and nobody gets it. The Court decided that under certain circumstances that data does not qualify as personnel data, it's only if it's downloaded exclusively for the purposes of looking at performance of a bus operator and no other purpose.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:38PM.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of August 24, 2016.

Approved this 31st day of August, 2016.

Emily Getty
Recording Secretary