

**Minutes of the
REGULAR MEETING OF THE METROPOLITAN COUNCIL**

Wednesday, February 13, 2013

Committee Members Present: Munt, Elkins, Cunningham, Duininck, Doan, Rummel, Kramer, Commers, Chávez, Haigh, Van Eyll, Reynoso, Smith, Schreiber, Melander, Wulff

Committee Members Absent: Brimeyer

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Haigh called the regular meeting of the Metropolitan Council to order at 4:03 PM on Wednesday, February 13, 2013.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Cunningham, seconded by Elkins to approve the agenda. **Motion carried.**

It was moved by Van Eyll, seconded by Rummel to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2013 regular meeting of the Metropolitan Council. **Motion carried.**

BUSINESS

JOINT REPORT OF THE TRANSPORTATION AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES

2013-34 2013 Unified Capital Program Amendment

It was moved by Elkins, seconded by Chávez, that the Metropolitan Council:

1. Amend the 2013 Authorized Capital Program (multi-year authorization) by increasing spending authority as follows:
Metropolitan Transportation Services \$4,610,000
2. Amend the 2013 capital Budget (annual appropriation) by increasing appropriations as follows:
Metropolitan Transportation Services \$450,000
3. Approve the changes to capital projects as detailed in Attachment 1

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 14 Smith, Schreiber, Van Eyll, Elkins, Cunningham, Duininck, Reynoso, Rummel, Melander, Kramer, Commers, Chávez, Wulff, Haigh

Nay: 0

Absent: 3 Munt, Brimeyer, Doan (Munt and Doan arrived later in the meeting.)

CONSENT LIST

It was moved by Reynoso, seconded by Elkins to approve the consent list. **Motion carried.**

2013-29 Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve Master Plan Amendment, Anoka County

That the Metropolitan Council:

1. Approve the Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve Master Plan Amendment.
2. Require that Anoka County provide perimeter signage between the Columbus Lake Conservation Area and Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve informing visitors that hunting is not allowed within the park reserve and that hunting is allowed in the conservation area.
3. Advise Anoka County that if it seeks regional parks system funding for acquisition of the 1.3 acre addition to the park reserve, regional parks funding may not be used for the easement area granted to the City of Centerville for its monument entrance sign.

2013-31 Approval of Pay Equity Implementation Report

That the Metropolitan Council approve the Council's 2013 Pay Equity Implementation Report. The report will be provided at the meeting.

2013-33 Green Line: Authorization to Purchase a Vacuum Truck

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a Purchase Order for a vacuum truck from MacQueen Equipment Inc. under a Cooperative Procurement Venture (CPV) with the State of Minnesota in an amount not to exceed \$350,000.

2013-37 Authorize Public Hearings on the West Suburban Service Changes

That the Metropolitan Council authorize public hearings on the West Suburban Service Changes Concept Plan.

2013-38 Adoption of Proposed Revisions to the Waste Discharge Rules (WDR) for the Metropolitan Disposal System (MDS)

That the Metropolitan Council adopts proposed revisions to the Waste Discharge Rules for the Metropolitan Disposal System.

2013-39 Approval of 2012 Municipal Infiltration/Inflow Grant Guideline Changes

That the Metropolitan Council approves changes to the 2012 Municipal Infiltration/Inflow (I/I) grant program guidelines.

2013-41 Authorization to Procure Goods and Services for Network Firewalls for Wastewater Treatment Plans

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to procure goods and services for network firewalls for wastewater treatment plans with Insight – Public Sector, in the amount of \$318,549.

2013-42 Authorization to Negotiate and Execute Amendment to the Engineering Services Contract with Black & Veatch for the Blue Lake Seneca Plan Projects, Contract No. 05P118

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an amendment to the engineering services agreement for the Blue Lake and Seneca Plant Projects, Contract No. 05P118, in the amount of \$216,000.

2013-45 2013-2016 TIP Amendment for the Mississippi River Trail in the City of Anoka

That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to increase the total project cost by \$671,769 to \$1,181,256 and the local funding amount to \$793,448 for the Mississippi River Trail along the river from Tungsten St to Ramsey Blvd in the City of Ramsey (SP #103-090-003).

2013-46 2013-2016 TIP Amendment for Metro Transit Facility

That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add the Metro Transit Policy Facility project in 2013 using \$9,600,000 in Section 5307 funding and \$2,400,000 in Regional Transit Capital funds.

2013-47 2013-2016 TIP Amendment for Anoka County Pedestrian/Bicycle Bridge on CSAH 14 over I-35W

That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to increase the total project costs and local funding amount by \$890,763 to a new total project cost of \$1,220,549 for the pedestrian/bicycle bridge along CSAH 14 over I-35W in Lino Lakes (SP #002-614-035).

2013-48 Authorization to Exercise Contract Options with Gillig, Inc.

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to exercise purchase options on contract 09P060 with Gillig Corporation, contingent upon approval of Bi 2013-34, to purchase 16 thirty-foot buses in an amount not to exceed \$5,960,000.00.

2013-49 Authorization to Exercise MCI Contract Options

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to exercise purchase options on contract 08P114 with Motor Coach Industries (MCI) to purchase two (2) coach buses in an amount not to exceed \$1,120,000.

2013-50 Authorization to Execute Agreements with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority and SouthWest Transit

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute grant agreements in amounts not to exceed \$4,909,200 and \$604,200 with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority (MVTA) and SouthWest Transit (SWT), respectively, to provide supplemental transit operating funding during CY2013.

2013-51 Authorization to Execute a Capital Grant Agreement with Washington County Regional Railroad Authority (WCRRA)

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute an agreement with WCRRA for \$2,225,000 for the construction of the Newport Park-and-Ride and Transit Station.

2013-52 Adoption of the Public Transit and Human Services Transportation Coordination Action Plan

That the Metropolitan Council adopt the Public Transit and Human Services Transportation Coordination Action Plan as the coordination public transit-human services plan for the region.

2013-53 City of Bloomington South Loop District Plan Comprehensive Plan Amendment Review File No. 20427-3

That the Metropolitan Council:

1. Adopt the attached review record and allow the City of Bloomington to put the South Loop District Plan comprehensive plan amendment (CPA) into effect.
2. Adopt the revised forecasts as shown in Table 2 of the Review Record.

REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE— REPORTS ON CONSENT LIST

REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE— REPORTS ON CONSENT LIST

REPORT OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE—REPORTS ON CONSENT LIST

REPORT OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

2013-56 Rescind BI 2013-16 and Approve Contract with Trapeze Group

It was moved by Elkins, seconded by Schreiber, that the Metropolitan Council:

1. Rescind Business Item 2013-16 approved by the Council on January 23, 2013 and;
2. Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a contract with Trapeze Group for AVL/MDC equipment, programming, warranties and training in an amount not to exceed \$1,420,794.

Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

2013-54 Land Use Advisory Committee Appointment

It was moved by Smith, seconded by Elkins, that the Metropolitan Council approve the appointment of Virginia (Ginny) Black, Plymouth City Council member, to the Land Use Advisory Committee representing District 1.

Motion carried.

2013-57 Appointments to Sewer Availability Charge (SAC)/Reserve Capacity Study Work Group

It was moved by Commers, seconded by Kramer, that the Metropolitan Council approves Chair Haigh's recommendation to make the following appointments to a Work Group for a high-level and comprehensive review of options related to how the Council pays for the reserve capacity in the metropolitan wastewater system and related Sewer Availability Charge (SAC) issues:

Patricia Nauman, Executive Director for Metro Cities, as the chair, and Metropolitan Council member Jon Commers as the co-chair of the SAC/Reserve Capacity Study Work Group, and the following members: Metropolitan Council members Gary Cunningham, Gary Van Eyll and Wendy Wulff, as well as Mike Gamache, Mayor-Andover (or City Administrator Jim Dickinson as designee); Sandy Colvin Roy, Councilmember-Minneapolis; Myron Bailey, Mayor-Cottage Grove, Terry Schneider, Mayor-Minnetonka; and Frank Boyles, City Manager-Prior Lake.

Commerz added Dan Roe, Mayor-Roseville, to the list of appointments.

Motion carried.

2013-58 Metropolitan Council Member Committee Assignments

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Cunningham, that the Metropolitan Council approve the following committee assignments recommended by the Chair, pursuant to Council Bylaws, Article III, A.1.

Community Development	Environment	Management	Transportation	Litigation Review
Cunningham, Chair	Rummel, Chair	Brimeyer, Chair	Duininck, Chair	Chávez, Chair
Commerz, Vice Chair	Wulff, Vice Chair	Chávez, Vice Chair	Schreiber, Vice Chair	Melander, Vice Chair
Chávez	Đoàn	Cunningham	Brimeyer	Cunningham
Elkins	Melander	Duininck	Commerz	Schreiber
Kramer	Reynoso	Kramer	Đoàn	
Munt	Schreiber	Melander	Elkins	
Rummel	Van Eyll	Van Eyll	Munt	
Smith			Reynoso	
Wulff			Smith	

Motion carried.

2013-59 Appointment of Council Officers

It was moved by Commers, seconded by Kramer, that the Metropolitan Council approve the appointment of Harry Melander as Vice Chair pursuant to Council Bylaws, Article I.B.

Motion carried.

INFORMATION

Legislative Update

Judd Schetnan gave a brief overview of the events at the legislature that involve the Council. Chair Haigh, Judd, and staff have been discussing the funding of our transit system with several legislatures. He also explained the Governor's budget proposal, which ends one-time fixes and helps address the state budget shortfall.

REPORTS

Chair—The last two weeks have primarily been focused on transportation and discussing transit finance.

Met with Commissioners McDonough and McLaughlin.

Participated in both House and Senate Transportation Finance Committee hearings.

Met with Mayor Coleman and Matt Kramer from the St. Paul Chamber to discuss the East Metro's priorities for transit.

Presented at the ULI Regional Council of Mayors meeting and the Greater MSP Stakeholder report out session.

Met with Transit for Livable Communities.

Spoke at the Corporate Volunteer Council and presented to the Ramsey County Board.
Was confirmed at her confirmation hearing.
Attended the Governor's State of the State address.

Council members

Cunningham—Participated in a meeting with the President and Governor regarding gun violence. Spoke at the Smart Growth conference in Kansas City. Participated in a dialogue with CM Munt and others regarding the Cedar Lake area.

Munt—The Cedar Lake meeting was done in world café style, which brought together a lot of different viewpoints. Has been traveling the state talking to editorial boards about the Governor's budget. Attended the State of the City in Minnetonka. Gave a presentation with Elkins on SWLRT and the Governor's budget for citizens of Bloomington, Edina, and Minnetonka. Attended a town meeting with Franzen and Rosenthal where everyone agreed on SWLRT.

Smith—Attended the Plymouth City Council meeting. Attended an Isaiah meeting.

Chávez—Has started attending PAC on Chair Haigh's behalf.

Melander—Spent an evening with citizens of Lake Elmo. Attended an event at the League of Cities.

Rummel—Met with officials to discuss the White Bear Lake issue. Met with Commissioner McGuire.

Van Eyll—Had a Thrive meeting in Scott County where Todd Graham spoke about demographics.

Regional Administrator—No report.

General Counsel—No report.

ADJOURNMENT

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 4:59PM.

Emily Getty
Recording Secretary