# **Metropolitan Council**

Council Chair Alene Tchourumoff

**Council Members** Steven Chávez Katie Rodriguez Jennifer Munt Gary Cunningham Edward Reynoso Sandy Rummel **Richard Kramer** Jon Commers Lona Schreiber Steve Elkins Cara Letofsky Wendy Wulff Marie McCarthy Harry Melander Deb Barber Gail Dorfman

# **Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, September 13, 2017 4:00PM Council Chambers

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Rodriguez, Schreiber, Munt, Barber, Elkins, Dorfman, Letofsky, Reynoso, McCarthy, Rummel, Melander, Kramer, Commers, Chávez, Wulff, Tchourumoff

# **CALL TO ORDER**

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

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES**

It was moved by Munt, seconded by Letofsky.

It was moved by Reynoso, seconded by Elkins.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mark Hughes, a Metro Mobility customer, shared concerns.

Dean Thomson, an attorney representing Ames-Kraemer, shared comments regarding the SWLRT civil construction bid.

Ron Ames and Dave Zanetell, Ames-Kraemer, shared comments regarding the SWLRT civil construction bid.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1-9)

#### **Consent Agenda Adopted**

- 2017-176 Approve a request by Ramsey County and the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) to permanently close the entrance ramp from County Road I onto Northbound I-35W with the 2017 construction of a roundabout along County Road I in the cities of Shoreview and Arden Hills, subject to further review and approval by the Metropolitan Council if there are any significant changes in the design of the proposed project.
- 2. 2017-183 Authorize the Regional Administrator to amend the HealthPartners contract for the wellness program, which includes health assessment incentives, to add additional funds in the amount of \$500,000 for the remainder of the contract period through December 31, 2019. This brings the total contract amount to \$947,500.
- 2017-184 Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute the sale of permanent sixty-foot roadway easement along the easterly boundary of the Lakeville Cedar Park-and-Ride for the appraised value of \$87,737.



- 2017-185 Concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add funding for Metro Transit's Heywood garage modernization.
- 2017-186 Concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to adjust the scope, description, and mileage of MnDOT's US 169 traffic management system project.
- 2017-187 Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute the Southwest LRT (Green Line Extension) 2017 CTIB Capital Grant First Amendment to adjust downward the grant funding available for expenditures pursuant to pre-award authority or a Letter of No Prejudice to \$156,758,569.
- 7. 2017-188 Authorize the Regional Administrator to consent to the assignment and assumption of the following CTIB Capital Grant Agreements to Hennepin County: Capital Grant Agreement #09-2013 for the Bottineau Transitway Project; Capital Grant Agreement #02-2015-01 for the Bottineau LRT (Blue Line Extension) Project; Capital Grant Agreement #02-2016-01 for the Bottineau LRT (Blue Line Extension) Project; Capital Grant Agreement #1-2009-06 for the Central Corridor LRT Project, as amended; Capital Grant Agreement #1-2010-04 for the Central Corridor LRT Project; Capital Grant Agreement #1-2011-01 for the Central Corridor LRT Project: Capital Grant Agreement #01-2012 for the Central Corridor LRT Project; Capital Grant Agreement #03-2015-01 for the Orange Line BRT Project; Capital Grant Agreement #03-2016-01 for the I-35W South BRT (Orange Line) Project; Capital Grant Agreement #1-2010-07 for the Southwest LRT Project; Capital Grant Agreement #1-2011-02 for the Southwest LRT Project, as amended; Capital Grant Agreement #02-2012 for the Southwest LRT Project, as amended; Capital Grant Agreement #03-2014-01 for the Southwest LRT Project; Capital Grant Agreement #01-2015-01 for the Southwest LRT Project; Capital Grant Agreement #01-2016-01 for the Southwest LRT Project, as amended.
- 2017-189 Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute the First Amendment to the 2016 CTIB Capital Grant Agreement for the Mall of America Transit Station Improvement Project.
- 9. 2017-190 Authorize the Regional Administrator to consent to the assignment of the 2015 CTIB Capital Grant Agreement for five Light Rail Vehicles (LRV) to Hennepin County.

# **BUSINESS**

### **Community Development**

2017-181 Award \$100,000 of 2017 Local Housing Incentives Account (LHIA) funding to supplement a 2016 grant to the City of Saint Paul for Como by the Lake, and authorize its Community Development Division director to execute the grant agreement on behalf of the Council.

It was moved by Commers, seconded by Munt.

Motion carried.

Environment—No Reports

Management—Report on Consent Agenda

#### Transportation

2017-133 Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a contract with LHB, Inc. for design and construction support services for the Heywood Garage Modernization for a cost of \$973,163.69.

It was moved by Rodriguez, seconded by Rummel.

#### Motion carried.

2017-191 Determine that the Crystal Airport Long Term Comprehensive Plan (LTCP) conforms to the metropolitan aviation system plan and is consistent with Council policy.

It was moved by Rodriguez, seconded by Schreiber.

Motion carried.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Resolution 2017-20: Recognizing the accomplishments of the Counties Transit Improvement Board (CTIB) in funding regional transitway investments.

#### **INFORMATION**

SWLRT Civil Construction Bid Recommendation

Mary Bogie provided a presentation on the SWLRT civil construction bid recommendation. Staff is recommending the Council reject all bids due to issues with responsiveness and price. Price was a concern for all bids as they all came in higher than our estimates. Rebidding allows us to clarify responsiveness issues to the bidding community and address potential cost issues. As we prepare to rebid, we, alongside our funding partner Hennepin County, hope to be innovative and collaborative with the bidding community where possible to reduce costs.

### **REPORTS**

Council Members:

Elkins—Attended a workshop in Edina regarding the Grandview area redevelopment plan; the Grandview area is 50<sup>th</sup> and Hwy 100. They're looking at the feasibility of putting a lid over the freeway.

Rodriguez—Attended a meeting with the City of Rogers to discuss the long-term plan for a wastewater treatment plant there, and coordinating transportation for seniors.

Letofsky—Attended a Towerside innovation district meeting where Ron Sims from Seattle spoke about diversity.

Chair: Continuing the County Tour and enjoying the learning process.

Regional Administrator: None

General Counsel: None

The meeting was adjourned at 4:43PM.

### Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of September 13, 2017.

Approved this 20th day of September 2017.

Emily Getty Recording Secretary