

Minutes of the

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Tuesday, July 13, 2021

Committee Members Present:

Peter Lindstrom, Chair; Kris Fredson; Phillip Sterner; Susan Vento; Wendy Wulff, Vice Chair; Raymond Zeran

Committee Members Absent:

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Lindstrom called the regular meeting of the Council's Environment Committee to order at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 13, 2021 with the following roll call:

Aye: 6 Lindstrom, Fredson, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran
Absent: 0

Governor Walz notice was read at the beginning of the meeting as follows:

NOTICE: Governor Walz has declared a peacetime emergency (Emergency Executive Order 20-01) in response to COVID-19 and the Metropolitan Council Chair has determined it is not practical or prudent to conduct an in-person meetings for reasons stated in the Governor's Emergency Executive Order. Accordingly, committee members will participate in this meeting via telephone or other electronic means and the meeting will be conducted under Minnesota Statutes section 13D.021 at the date and time stated above. We encourage you to monitor the meeting remotely. If you have comments, we encourage members of the public to email us at public.info@metc.state.mn.us. We will respond to your comments in a timely manner.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

Without objection the agenda was approved.

It was moved by Wulff seconded by Vento to approve the minutes of the June 22, 2021, regular meeting of the Environment Committee.

Aye: 6 Lindstrom, Fredson, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran
Nay: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 0

Motion carried.

CONSENT BUSINESS

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 2021-167 JT and 2021-168 JT)

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Vento to approve the consent agenda business items.

Aye: 6 Lindstrom, Fredson, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran
Nay: 0
Absent: 0

Motion carried.

1. 2021-167 JT: City of Birchwood Village 2040 Comprehensive Plan and Comprehensive Sewer Plan, Review File 22239-1
Requests that the Metropolitan Council adopt the Advisory Comments and Review Record attached to the business item and take the following actions:

Recommendations of the Environment Committee:

1. Approve the City of Birchwood Village's Comprehensive Sewer Plan.

2. 2021-168 JT: City of Champlin Comprehensive Plan and Comprehensive Sewer Plan, Review File 22288-1
Requests that the Metropolitan Council adopt the Advisory Comments and Review Record attached to the business item and take the following action:

Recommendations of the Environment Committee:

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

NON-CONSENT BUSINESS

3. 2021-175: Janitorial Services for the Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant, Contract 18P007

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Fredson that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a contract amendment with Kleen-Tech Services for janitorial services at the Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant that will increase the total contract value by \$108,676 for a revised contract value not to exceed amount of \$607,868.

Aye: 6 Lindstrom, Fredson, Vento, Sterner, Wulff, Zeran
Nay: 0
Absent: 0

Motion carried.

4. 2021-176: Adoption of MCES Wastewater Rates and Charges

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Sterner that the Metropolitan Council adopts the following wastewater rates and charges to be effective January 1, 2022:

- Regional Wastewater Charge (total of municipal wastewater charges) of **\$249,955,000**;
- Sewer Availability Charge (SAC): **\$2,485**;
- Temporary SAC: **\$1.25** per thousand gallons;
- Industrial Capacity Charge: **\$2.21** per thousand gallons;
- Industrial Strength Charge: **\$.274** per excess pound of TSS (total suspended solids);
- Industrial Strength Charge: **\$.137** per excess pound of COD (chemical oxygen demand);
- Brewery Strength Charge: **\$.859** per barrel;
- Standard Load Charge: **\$60.24** per thousand gallons;
- Holding Tank Load Charge: **\$11.40** per thousand gallons;
- Portable Toilet Waste Load Charge: **\$77.46** per thousand gallons;
- Collar County Load Charge: **\$75.24** per thousand gallons;
- Strength component of Industrial Load Charge **\$.4130** per excess pound of TSS;
- Strength component of Industrial Load Charge **\$.2065** per excess pound of COD;
- Out-of-Region Load Charge Component for hauled waste: **\$15.00** per thousand gallons;
- Industrial Permit Fees as shown on Attachment A; and
Inflow and Infiltration (I&I) Surcharge Exceedance Rate: **\$461,000** per million gallons per day (rate of maximum measured flow within an hour over allowed flow rate).

Aye: 6 Lindstrom, Fredson, Vento, Sterner, Wulff, Zeran
Nay: 0
Absent: 0

Motion carried.

5. 2021-177: Maple Grove Interceptor 900416 Replacement Land Acquisition

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Fredson that the Metropolitan Council adopts Resolution 2021-18 authorizing the acquisition of temporary easements for the Maple Grove Interceptor 900416 Replacement project and staff to initiate condemnation proceedings.

Aye: 6 Lindstrom, Fredson, Vento, Sterner, Wulff, Zeran
Nay: 0
Absent: 0

Motion carried.

6. 2021-138 SW: Empire Wastewater Treatment Plant Solids Phase II, Contract 20P182

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Sterner that the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award and execute a construction contract for the Empire Wastewater Treatment Plant Solids Improvements Phase II, MCES Project Numbers 807401, Contract No. 20P182, with Total Mechanical, for an amount not to exceed \$15,665,585.70.

Aye: 6 Lindstrom, Fredson, Vento, Sterner, Wulff, Zeran
Nay: 0
Absent: 0

Motion carried.

INFORMATION

1. General Manager Report
No report at this time.

If Committee members have items they would like brought before this committee, please let leisa.thompson@metc.state.mn.us know.

ADJOURNMENT

Business completed the meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Environment Committee Meeting of July 13, 2021.

Susan Taylor
Recording Secretary