Metropolitan Council

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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 25, 2014 4:00PM Council Chambers

IN ATTENDANCE

Schreiber, Munt, Van Eyll, Elkins, Brimeyer, McCarthy, Rummel, Melander, Kramer, Commers, Chávez, Haigh

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Haigh called the meeting to order at 4:07PM

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Van Eyll.

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Rummel.

BUSINESS

2014-122 Amend the 2014 Unified Budget as indicated and in accordance with the tables in the business item.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 12 Schreiber, Munt, Van Eyll, Elkins, Brimeyer, McCarthy, Rummel, Melander,

Kramer, Commers, Chávez, Haigh

Nay: 0

Absent: 5 Rodriguez, Cunningham, Duininck, Reynoso, Wulff

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1-5)

Consent Agenda Adopted

- 1. 2014-120 Approve Resolution 2014-9 authorizing the Regional Administrator to apply for Section 5311 Non-Urbanized Area Formula funding from the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT).
- 2014-133 Concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to modify the project scope and budget for MnDOT bridges over the Minnesota River in Bloomington and Eagan in 2015 (SP#1925-52).
- 2014-136 SW Concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to modify the project scope and budget for the US 169 reconstruction/overlay project from MN 282 to MN 21 in Jordan in 2015 (SP#7008-100).

- 4. 2014-141 Approve releasing the restrictive covenant on 0.63 acres of land in Murphy-Hanrehan Park Reserve needed for a round-about intersection of 154th Street and Murphy Lake Blvd. in exchange for 0.63 acres provided by the City of Savage adjacent to the Park Reserve as depicted in Figures 1 and 2 in the business item; approve a master plan boundary amendment to Murphy-Hanrehan Park Reserve that deletes the 0.63 acres needed for the round-about intersection and adds 0.63 acres provided by the City of Savage as depicted in Figure 1 in the business item.
- 5. 2014-142 Conduct a public hearing to discuss and receive comment on the 2015 Five (5) Year and Annual Public Housing Agency (PHA) Plan on August 18, 2014, at 4:30PM in the Council Chambers.

BUSINESS

Community Development

Amend the 2014 Annual Livable Communities Fund Distribution Plan (adopted on March 26, 2014) to transfer \$76,500 from the Tax Base Revitalization Account-Transit Oriented Development (TBRA-TOD) grant category to the spring funding round for regular TBRA; and award ten (10) Tax Base Revitalization Account grants as follows:

Projects recommended for May 2014 TBRA funding cycle:	Recommended amount
Contamination Site Investigation	
Minneapolis—Leef Services	\$50,000
Contamination Cleanup	L
Edina—Pentagon Park South	\$448,100
Hastings HEDRA—Hudson Manufacturing Redevelopment	\$93,400
Minneapolis—800 West Broadway	\$205,800
Minneapolis—East Side Station	\$712,200
Minneapolis—Miller Bag Building	\$23,600
Saint Louis Park EDA—Nestle	\$365,700
Saint Paul—Hamm's Brewery Redevelopment	\$385,700
Saint Paul—Mississippi Market	\$92,000
Saint Paul Port Authority—Phalen Park Office Center	\$200,000
TOTAL	\$2,576,500

It was moved by Commers, seconded by Kramer.

Motion carried.

2014-143 Direct staff to plan to issue System Statements to communities in the seven-county metropolitan area in September 2015, with local comprehensive plan updates due to the Council by December 31, 2018. Accept comprehensive plan amendments to 2030 local comprehensive plans

through June 30, 2018. Proposed amendments must be submitted and found complete for review by June 30, 2018, in order to be considered by the Council and authorized to be placed into effect. After June 30, 2018, the Council will no longer accept amendments to 2030 local comprehensive plans. Develop 2020 and 2030 forecasts for Thrive MSP 2040 in the summer of 2014, and revise all forecasts in 2015 for inclusion with System Statements in 2015. Advise communities that upon issuance of System Statements, all communities must use regional policy and system plans adopted by the Council in 2014 and 2015 for all local comprehensive plan updates and for all comprehensive plan amendments submitted to the Council for review after December 31, 2015. For comprehensive plan amendments submitted and found complete for review before December 31, 2015, communities may choose to have those amendments reviewed under the 2030 Regional Development Framework and its system plans or under Thrive MSP 2040 and its system plans, provided that the proposed amendment is not found more likely than not to have a substantial impact on or contain a substantial departure from metropolitan system plans adopted in 2014 and 2015. For comprehensive plan amendments submitted before the issuance of System Statements, the Council will consider any requests for forecast changes in light of Thrive MSP 2040 forecasts and modeling and consider interim revisions to those forecasts for inclusion in 2015 System Statements. Council staff will work with communities on how best to incorporate any proposed forecast changes into 2030 local comprehensive plans.

It was moved by Commers, seconded by Rummel.

Motion carried.

Environment—Reports on Consent List

Management—No Reports

Transportation

2014-130 Authorize the Regional Administrator to amend two Metro Mobility operating contracts: Contract 09P223 with Transit Team, Inc. to increase the maximum total contract amount by \$6,481,078 to a revised \$84,651,596 total and extend the term to August 29, 2015. Contract 09P224 with First Transit, Inc. to increase the maximum total contract amount by \$10,516,710 to a revised \$65,578,252 total and extend the term to August 29, 2015.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Munt.

Motion carried.

2014-132 Approve the annual 2014 RALF program review, including the recommendation that no tax levy is required in 2015 to replenish the RALF fund balance.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Elkins.

Motion carried.

2014-134 SW Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an amendment to existing contract 12P255 with CH2M Hill, Inc. to extend the contract period through December 31, 2015 and increase the contract value by \$1,860,000 for a total contract value of \$5,245,670 for additional consulting services for the Southwest Light Rail Transit (SWLRT) Project for completion of a Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS), Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS), and environmental permitting activities.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Munt. Elkins abstained.

Motion carried.

2014-150 SW Allocate \$15 million in appropriated 2014 state general obligation (G.O.) bond funds for the Transit Capital Improvement Program as follows: \$9.0M A Line/Snelling BRT; \$2.0M Orange Line 35W/Lake Street Station; \$1.0M Bottineau LRT; \$2.0M Gateway Corridor; \$1.0M Red Line Cedar Grove Station.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Munt. Council members shared brief comments.

Motion carried.

2014-151 SW For the purposes of holding a public hearing and receiving public comment, the Metropolitan Council release the proposed amendment to the 2030 Transportation Policy Plan which adds funding received through the Corridors of Commerce program for a project on Interstate 694 from Lexington to Rice Street and for a project on Interstate 494 from I-394 to I-94 using funding resulting from cost savings in the statewide Chapter 152 Bridge Preservation program and authorize a public comment period from June 26 through August 21, 2014 including a public hearing on the proposed amendment to be held on August 11, 2014 at 5:00p.m.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Munt. Council members briefly discussed the item.

Motion carried.

INFORMATION

Big Picture Budget Presentation

Pat Born and Mary Bogie provided a presentation on the budget. Pat began by explaining how *Thrive* is being incorporated into the budget. At the request of Pat, Wes Kooistra, Deputy Regional Administrator, is guiding the Thrive Executive Implementation Team which is charged with championing internal organizational change and facilitating Council coordination towards implementing *Thrive MSP 2040*. The Team will report to Council members, Pat Born, and the Thrive Working Group on its work and progress. Mary gave an overview of the operating and capital budget and how it connects with *Thrive*. The Council will be asked to adopt wastewater rates on July 23. On August 27, the Council will be asked to adopt the public comment drafts, and in December the Council will be asked to adopt the final budget and levies. The public comment period will be open from October until the adoption in December.

Green Line Grand Opening Debriefing

Meredith Vadis gave a short update on the Green Line opening. A brief video was shown that highlighted many of the events of the day. More than 1,000 staff and volunteers helped make the celebration a success. The first train left Union Depot at 10:11AM. Unfortunately, due to inclement weather, all outdoor events were canceled by 1:30PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40PM.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of June 25, 2014.

Approved this 9 day of July, 2014.

Emily Getty Recording Secretary