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Peter Lindstrom

Raymond Zeran

Robert Lilligren

Wendy Wulff

Christopher Ferguson

Judy Johnson

## Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 24, 2020 4:00 p.m. Council Chambers

### IN ATTENDANCE

Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

### CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Zelle called the meeting to order at 4:01pm on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 14 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren

Not Recorded: 1 Atlas-Ingebretson

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was moved by Sterner, seconded by Wulff. **Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 14 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren

Not Recorded: 1 Atlas-Ingebretson

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes was moved by Cummings, seconded by Barber. **Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 14 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren

Not Recorded: 1 Atlas-Ingebretson

## **BUSINESS**

Joint Report of the Management, Community Development, Environment, and Transportation Budget Amendment.

1. 2020-141 JT SW Amended: That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the 2020 Unified Budget as indicated and in accordance with the attached tables.

It was moved by Ferguson, seconded by Lee.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

### **Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1- 9)**

#### **Consent Agenda Adopted**

1. 2020-142: That the Metropolitan Council (Council) authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute three master contracts for structural design services to support Metro Transit Engineering & Facilities:  
  
Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. - \$700,000  
TKDA - \$700,000  
SRF Consulting Group, Inc. - \$700,000
2. 2020-145: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to amend contract 17P110 with Minnesota Occupational Health (OCC), for an additional \$200,000. The new contract total will be \$1,164,000. OCC will continue to provide occupational health & medical services to Council employees through October 31, 2020.
3. 2020-157: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to award, negotiate and execute a legal services contract with Schiff Hardin to support SWLRT Project activities in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000.
4. 2020-158: That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator to negotiate and award a contract with Aon in the amount of \$700,000 to provide benefits consulting services for a period of five years, July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2025.
5. 2020-159: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute METRO Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit Master Funding Agreement with Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority.

6. 2020-160: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute METRO Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit Subordinate Funding Agreement No. 1 with Washington County for Service Center Design in an amount not to exceed \$4,975,000.
7. 2020-161: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute METRO Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit Master Funding Agreement and Subordinate Funding Agreement No. 1 with Minnesota IT Services (MnIT), the latter in an amount not to exceed \$770,000.
8. 2020-173: That the Metropolitan Council establish a date to conduct a public hearing to discuss and receive comment on the 2021 Public Housing Agency (PHA) Plan. The hearing will take place on August 17, 2020 at 4:00 PM in the Council Chambers or via electronic means.
9. 2020-181 SW: That the Metropolitan Council approve an amendment to the 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to add right-of-way acquisition to Anoka's US 10/169 interchange project.

It was moved by Vento seconded by Sterner.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren

## **BUSINESS**

### **Community Development**

- 2020-151: 1. Authorize the City of Lakeland Shores to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
2. Revise the City of Lakeland Shores forecasts as shown in Table 1 of the Review Record.
3. Advise the City to provide to the Council the date the Water Management Office approves the final Local Water Management Plan (LWMP), and the date the City adopts the final LWMP. And, advise the City to provide the Council with a copy of the final adopted LWMP when available.

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Gonzalez.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren

- 2020-155: That the Metropolitan Council:
1. Award four Livable Communities Demonstration Account Pre-Development grants for \$300,000 as shown in the table below.
  2. Authorize its Community Development Division Director to execute the grant agreements on behalf of the Council.

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Recommended Project</b>	<b>Award Amount</b>
Brooklyn Park EDA	Brooklyn Park Business Incubator	\$100,000
City of Saint Paul	375 Selby Ave – YWCA	\$100,000
City of Richfield	Penn Avenue Redevelopment	\$50,000
City of Brooklyn Center	61st and Brooklyn Blvd	\$50,000
Total Recommended:		\$300,000
Total Available:		\$300,000
Total Remaining:		\$0

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Chamblis.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

- Aye: 15 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle
- Nay: 0
- Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren

- 2020-156: That the Metropolitan Council:
1. Award two Livable Communities Demonstration Account Transit-Oriented Development Pre-Development grants for \$200,000 as shown in the table below.
  2. Authorize its Community Development Division Director to execute the grant agreements on behalf of the Council.

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Recommended Project</b>	<b>Award Amount</b>
City of Minneapolis	Towerside District Stormwater	\$100,000
City of Saint Paul	Keystone Community Food Site	\$100,000
Total Recommended		\$200,000
Total Available		\$250,000
Total Remaining		\$50,000

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Fredson.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

- Aye: 15 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0  
 Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren

Council member Ferguson asked if more grants will be available later this year. Staff will follow-up.

2020-171: 1. Award 12 Tax Base Revitalization Account grants as shown in Table 1 below.  
 2. Authorize its Community Development Division Director to execute the grant agreements on behalf of the Council.

Table 1. Tax Base Revitalization Account Grant Recommendations	Recommended amount
<b>Recommended Projects - Contamination Cleanup</b>	
Saint Paul Port Authority - United Village Midway Block B	\$125,000
Saint Paul - Fairview & University	\$111,800
Minneapolis - Elliot Twins Towers	\$21,100
Minneapolis - Bimosedaa	\$275,000
Minneapolis - Anishinabe III	\$42,600
Minneapolis - Malcolm Yards Housing	\$191,700
Minnetonka - Shady Oak Crossing	\$414,200
Minneapolis - 1505 Central	\$141,700
Minneapolis - Snelling Yards	\$207,600
Shakopee - Riverfront Bluff	\$458,600
New Brighton - Micom (Former)	\$400,000
Minneapolis - Olson Housing	\$610,700
<b>TOTAL Recommended (All Grant Categories):</b>	<b>\$3,000,000</b>
<b>Total Available:</b>	<b>\$3,000,000</b>
<b>Total Remaining:</b>	<b>\$0</b>

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Fredson.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren

2020-172: That the Metropolitan Council takes the following actions:

1. Commit to the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy, joining thousands of other cities and local governments around the world currently engaged in climate leadership.
2. Specifically, within no more than three years of this commitment, the Council pledges to develop, formally adopt, and report on the following:

- a. A community-scale greenhouse gas (GHG) emission inventory,
- b. An assessment of climate hazards and vulnerabilities,
- c. Ambitious, measurable, and time-bound target(s) to reduce/limit greenhouse gas emissions,
- d. Ambitious adaptation vision and goals, based on quantified scientific evidence when possible, to increase local resilience to climate change,
- e. Ambitious and just goal to improve access to sustainable energy, and
- f. Plan(s) to address climate change mitigation / low emission development, climate resilience and adaptation, and access to sustainable energy, including provisions for regular (annual or biennial) progress reports.

3. Council targets and action plans for mitigation / low emission development will be quantified and consistent with or exceed relevant national commitments defined through the *United States' Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC)*. a. For information, under the State of *Minnesota's Next Generation Energy Act (2007)*, the Council has committed to emissions reductions that are more ambitious than those within the US NDC goals.

**US Nationally Determined Contribution (2015)**

Target of reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 26-28% below 2005 levels by 2025.

**MN Next Generation Energy Act (2007)**

Target of reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 30% below 2005 levels by 2025.

4. The Council acknowledges that there may be additional region- or country-specific commitments to adhere to, agreed through local membership networks or through direct engagement with local Global Covenant of Mayors partners.

5. The Council acknowledges that continued membership in the Global Covenant of Mayors and associated local chapters or "Regional Covenants" as established, is contingent on complying with the above requirements within established timeframes.

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Lindstrom.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

- Aye: 14 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Zeran, Chair Zelle
- Nay: 1 Wulff
- Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren

**Environment**

2020-169: That the Metropolitan Council authorize award, negotiation and execution of Contract 19P211 with New England Fertilizer Company (NEFCO) in the amount of \$23,500,000 for Blue Lake Solids Management Assistance.

It was moved by Lindstrom, seconded by Vento.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren

### Management

2020-168: That the Metropolitan Council approve Resolution No. 2020-8, resolving that the Council modify its procurement policies and procedures to require that laborers, workers, mechanics on all Council public works construction and maintenance projects that are let by sealed bids and on all design-build construction projects that are let by formal requests for proposals after public notice be paid wages comparable to wages paid for similar work in the community as a whole, effective August 2020.

It was moved by Ferguson, seconded by Chamblis.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren

Council member Fredson thanked staff for their work and support.

### Transportation

2020-162: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute grant agreements with Maple Grove Transit, Minnesota Valley Transit Authority, Plymouth Metrolink, SouthWest Transit, and the University of Minnesota in the amounts listed below.

- Maple Grove Transit: \$1,213,690
- Minnesota Valley Transit Authority: \$6,118,007
- Plymouth Metrolink: \$1,188,885
- Southwest Transit: \$2,525,156
- University of Minnesota: \$1,085,532

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Cummings.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren

2020-167 SW: That, for the purposes of holding a public hearing and receiving public comment, the Metropolitan Council:

- Release the 2020 draft update to the *2040 Transportation Policy Plan (TPP)* for public review and comment; and
- Authorize a public comment period from June 25, 2020 to August 7, 2020, including a public hearing on the draft document to be held on July 27, 2020 at 4:00 PM.

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Gonzalez.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren

2020-176 SW: That the Metropolitan Council (Council) authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute the fourth Amendment to the Capital Grant Agreement with Hennepin County and Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority to extend the duration to August 31, 2020 and add \$74,969,769 bringing the total grant amount to \$677,765,449.

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Lee.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren



## Joint Report of Environment and Community Development Committees

2020-149 JT: That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record and take the following actions:

### Recommendation of the Environment Committee

1. Approve the City of Edina's Comprehensive Sewer Plan.
2. Prior to adoption, the final Plan needs to include a map that clearly identifies the local pipe ID that corresponds to the connection to the regional system.

### Recommendations of the Community Development Committee

1. Authorize the City of Edina to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
2. Revise the City's forecasts upward as shown in Table 1 of the attached Review Record.
3. Revise the City's affordable housing need allocation for 2021-2030 to 1,804 units.
4. Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Water Supply.

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Cummings.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren

Council Member Chamblis asked if there is a distinction between senior and affordable housing and requested the data be included in comprehensive plans. Michael Larson responded stating there's no distinction between senior and affordable housing. Council member Wulff provided an explanation and stated it's up to the property owner to decide what will be built.

2020-150 JT: That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record and take the following actions:

### Recommendations of the Community Development Committee

1. Authorize the City of St. Paul Park to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
2. Advise the City to:
  - a. Provide to the Council the date the City adopted the final LWMP, and a copy of the final adopted LWMP that will be included in the Plan document that the City adopts, if it differs from the draft January 2018 version contained in the last Plan submittal.
  - b. Implement the advisory comments in surface water management
  - c. Advise the City to adopt the MRCCA Plan within 60 days after receiving final DNR approval and submit a copy of the final adopted plan and evidence of adoption to the DNR, Council, and National Park Service within 10 days after the adoption.

### Recommendation of the Environment Committee

1. Approve the City of St. Paul Park's Comprehensive Sewer Plan.

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Lee.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

2020-138: That the Metropolitan Council approve the following appointments to the Livable Communities Advisory Committee:

### **Appointments through January 2023**

Development finance (private banking, real estate, mixed-use development, public finance)

- Miranda Walker – Greater Minnesota Housing Fund, Senior Loan Officer

Local government (planning or community development)

- Meg Beekman – City of Brooklyn Center, Community Development Director

Transportation (development relationship, transportation specialty)

- Jacqueline Corkle –WSB Associates, Director of Transportation

Environment (integration of natural and water resources in development)

- Jen Kader – Freshwater, Senior Program Manager

### **Appointment through January 2021**

Site Design (architecture and land planning)

- Bruce Chamberlain – Stanek, Principal

It was moved by Chair Zelle, seconded by Vento.

**Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Lee, Lindstrom, Muse, Sterner, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Johnson, Lilligren

Council members thanked staff for their support.

## **REPORTS**

Chair Zelle stated they will start the review of Metro Transit Police department soon, and he will report more information in the future.

Council member Atlas-Ingebretson asked for a timeline, outline of actions steps and expressed urgency.

Council member Chamblis expressed urgency in the review process of the Metro Transit Police and asked when body cameras will be purchased and applied.

Council member Fredson reported Jon Commers is excited and gave thanks for the support of YWCA project.

Council member Lee expressed urgency in the review process of the Metro Transit Police and toured damage in St. Paul.

Regional Administrator: None

General Counsel: None

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

## **Certification**

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of June 24, 2020.

Approved this July day of 8, 2020.

Liz Sund  
Recording Secretary