

**Minutes of the
REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Monday, April 15, 2013

Committee Members Present: Chávez, Commers, Cunningham, Kramer, Rummel, Smith, Wulff

Committee Members Absent: Elkins, Munt

Committee Members Excused:

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Cunningham called the regular meeting of the Council's Community Development Committee to order at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, April 15, 2013.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Smith to approve the agenda. **Motion carried.**

It was moved by Kramer, seconded by Wulff to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2013 special meeting of the Community Development Committee. **Motion carried.**

BUSINESS

2013-61 Public Hearing: Kingswood Special Recreation Feature Proposal—Amendment to the 2030 Regional Parks Policy Plan

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Rummel, that the Metropolitan Council conduct a public hearing on April 15, 2013 as part of its Community Development Committee meeting regarding amending the *2030 Regional Parks Policy Plan* to recognize the proposed Kingswood Special Recreation Feature as a component of the regional parks system. The hearing record shall remain open until 4:30 p.m., Thursday, April 25, 2013. **Motion carried.**

Planning Analyst Jan Youngquist presented to the Community Development Committee on the public hearing, background on the Special Recreation Feature proposal.

Dave Thill, Natural Resources Specialist from Hennepin County spoke to the Committee in support of the Kingswood Special Recreation proposal commenting on all the unique features of this area.

Mike Funk, City Administrator, City of Minnetrista and Cheryl Fischer, Mayor of Minnetrista spoke to the Community Development committee in support of this proposal commenting this feature is part of the city's long term park planning.

John Gunyou, Chair of the Three Rivers Park District Board spoke to the committee re-enforcing the comments made, adding this special recreation feature is an environmental gem and great educational value.

INFORMATION

ADJOURNMENT

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Michele Wenner
Recording Secretary