Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 24, 2019  4:00PM  Council Chambers

IN ATTENDANCE
Chamblis, Ferguson, Barber, Cummings, Atlas-Ingebretson, Lilligren, Muse, Zeran, Lindstrom, Vento, Gonzalez, Lee, Fredson, Sterner, Wulff

CALL TO ORDER
A quorum being present, Chair Slawik called the meeting to order at 4:01PM

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES
Agenda was moved by Council Member Lilligren seconded by Atlas-Ingebretson.

Minutes was moved by Vento seconded by Muse.

BUSINESS
Joint Report of the Management, Community Development, Environment, and Transportation Committees

2019-55 JT:  Authorizes the 2019 Unified Budget as indicated and in accordance with the attached tables.

It was moved by Ferguson, seconded by Atlas-Ingebretson.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:


Nay:  0

Absent:  3  Johnson, Chamblis, Fredson

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES
Community Development

2019-68:  Approve a grant project scope change for Dakota County grant agreement SG-22058 to modify the project from the Mississippi River Regional Trail construction project to the Lake Blysby Regional Park construction improvements.

It was moved by Lilligren seconded by Vento.
Motion carried.

2019-80: Adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record and take the following actions:

Recommendations of the Community Development Committee:

1. Authorize Dakota County to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
2. Advise the County to adopt the Mississippi River Corridor Critical Area component of their 2040 Comprehensive Plan within 60 days after receiving final approval from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR); and submit a copy of the final adopted plan and evidence of adoption to the DNR, Council, and National Park Service within ten days after the adoption.

The following Advisory Comments are part of the Council action authorizing Dakota County to implement its 2040 Comprehensive Plan (Plan).

Community Development Committee
1. As stated in the Local Planning Handbook, the County must take the following steps:
   a. Adopt the Plan in final form after considering the Council’s review recommendations as contained in the body of this report.
   b. Submit one hard copy and one electronic copy of the Plan to the Council. The electronic copy must be submitted as one unified file.
   c. Submit to the Council a copy of the County Board resolution evidencing final adoption of the Plan.
2. The Local Planning Handbook also states that local governments must formally adopt their comprehensive plans within nine months after the Council’s final action. If the Council has recommended changes to the Plan, local governments should incorporate those recommended changes into the Plan or respond to the Council before “final adoption” of the comprehensive plan by the governing body of the local governmental unit. (Minn. Stat. § 473.858, subd. 3)
3. Local governments must adopt official controls as identified in their 2040 comprehensive plans and must submit copies of the official controls to the Council within 30 days after the official controls are adopted. (Minn. Stat. § 473.865, subd. 1)
4. Local governmental units cannot adopt any official controls or fiscal devices that conflict with their comprehensive plans or which permit activities in conflict with the Council’s metropolitan system plans (Minn. Stat. §§ 473.864, subd. 2; 473.865, subd. 2). If official controls conflict with comprehensive plans, the official controls must be amended within 9 months following amendments to comprehensive plans (Minn. Stat. § 473.865, subd. 3).

It was moved by Lilligren seconded by Sterner.

Motion carried.

Environment – No Reports

Management – No Reports

Transportation

2019-69: Declare the real property at 2425 Minnehaha Avenue surplus and authorize the Regional Administrator to quit claim the property to At Last! Gourmet Foods Inc. for $1,650,000.
It was moved by Barber seconded by Sterner.

**Motion carried.**

2019-77 SW: Approve a request by the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) to add lanes along I-94 between MN 610 and MN 101, and construct a new full access interchange east of the existing Brockton Lane overpass, subject to further review and approval by the Metropolitan Council if there are any significant changes in the design of the proposed project.

It was moved by Barber seconded by Wulff.

**Motion carried.**

2019-85 SW: Adopt Amendment #2 to the 2040 Transportation Policy Plan to Amend the METRO Gold Line Project and Amend the I-94 Project from MN 101 to I-494.

It was moved by Barber seconded by Gonzalez.

**Motion carried.**

2019-86 SW: Concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to change the cost and description of MnDOT’s I-94 concrete overlay project and to add an associated project for temporary widening and cross overs.

It was moved by Barber seconded by Vento.

**Motion carried.**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

2019-91: Approve the following appointments to the Land Use Advisory Committee (LUAC):

- District 1 – Jonathan Bottema - Corcoran City Council
- District 3 – Mark Nelson
- District 4 Scott – Kathi Mocol
- District 4 Carver – Gerald Bruner - Watertown Township Supervisor
- District 5 – Suado Abdi
- District 6 – Kathi Hemken - Mayor of New Hope
- District 7 – Courtney Schroeder
- District 8 – Noah Keller
- District 9 – Jennifer Geisler - Coon Rapids City Council
- District 10 – Dan Roe - Mayor of Roseville
- District 11 – Phillip Klein - Hugo City Council
- District 12 – Steve Morris - Woodbury City Council
- District 13 – Trista Matascastillo - Ramsey County Commissioner
- District 14 – Mitra Jalali Nelson - Saint Paul City Council
- District 15 – Vince Workman - Burnsville City Council
District 16 – Karl Drotning

It was moved by Chair Slawik seconded by Lee.

Motion carried.

2019-92: Approve the following appointments to the Metropolitan Parks and Open Space Commissions:

District E – Jeremy Peichel
District F – Cecily Harris
District G – Anthony Taylor
District H – Todd Kemery

It was moved by Chair Slawik seconded by Atlas-Ingebretson.

Motion carried.

INFORMATION

Public Engagement Plan

Michelle Fure gave a presentation on the overview of the Public Engagement Plan and how the Metropolitan Council created the plan. She talked about Thrive Outcomes to create the regional plan and making sure we heard from people who are interested in what are long range plan. More than 2,000 people were involved in the process. She also presented on equity outcome, focus on the impact of people, changing public involvement, what we learned from large regional projects, a new approach to engagement, equity working group in 2013, creating the plan, engagement principles, and supporting Council work and decisions.

Council Members asked questions and had comments on the engagement process, staff training, measurable metrics, how the Council acts on people’s concerns and issues, thinking about the intersection between communication strategy and engagement and having better outcomes in the region as of opposed to better engagement. Council members appreciated the effort the Council is doing on engagement. Chair Slawik is interested in the feedback from Council Members.

Introduction to Equal Opportunity: Council Equity Overview

Cyrenthia Jordan, gave a presentation on the overview of the services and introduction of the Office of Equal Opportunity Department. Elaine Ogilvie gave an overview of the Small Business Programs, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) and Metropolitan Council Underutilized Business (MCUB) Program and described the differences between these two programs. DBE is required program for subrecipients of U.S. DOT (FTA) and EPA (PFA) funds. MCUB is limited to goal setting on non-federally funded construction contracts only. She talked about the triennial goals, disparity study and expansion of the program and moving forward to reach DBE and MCUB goals and 2019 outcomes.

Council members had comments and questions regarding the DBE and MCUB program, goals, timeline and demographics and disparity concerns. Council Members request to know if the firm receiving the award is DBE or MCUB before it comes to Committee. The meeting adjourned before the presentation was finished so Council Members could attend other Council commitments and the rest of the presentation will be offered at a future meeting.
It was moved by Sterner seconded by Muse to adjourn.

**Motion carried.**

**REPORTS**
Council Members:

Lilligren - Attended the Minneapolis State of the City on April 18.

Barber - Attended Carver County Leaders and tour and thought it was a great tour. TAAC and TAB interviews. Regional solicitation work group is looking at the process.

Atlas-Ingebretson - Equity Advisory Committee interviews.

Chair - Attended the GARE annual conference and it was a great experience.

Regional Administrator: None

General Counsel: None

The meeting was adjourned at 6:02PM.

**Certification**
I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of April 24, 2019.

Approved this 30 day of April, 2019.

Liz Sund
Recording Secretary