Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 28, 2019 4:00 p.m. Council Chambers

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

CALL TO ORDER
A quorum being present, Chair Slawik called the meeting to order at 4:00PM

APPROVAL OF AMENDED AGENDA AND MINUTES
Amended Agenda was moved by Sterner, seconded by Wulff. Motion carried.

Minutes was moved by Lindstrom, seconded by Sterner. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INVITATION
Invitation to interested persons to address the Council on matters not on the agenda. Public comment on the agenda items has occurred in the respective committees (each speaker is limited to a three-minute presentation).

V. BUSINESS

2019-194: Adoption of the following Resolutions for the Metropolitan Council’s Preliminary 2020 Unified Operating Budget and the Proposed 2019, Payable 2020, Tax Levies:

2019-14: Adopting the Metropolitan Council’s Preliminary 2020 Unified Operating Budget

2019-15: Adopting the Metropolitan Council’s Proposed 2019 Tax Levy for General Purposes for Certification to the County Auditors

2019-16: Adopting the Metropolitan Council’s Proposed 2019 Tax Levy for General Purposes for Certification to the Minnesota Commissioner of Revenue

2019-17: Adopting a Proposed 2019 Tax Levy for the Livable Communities Demonstration Account in the Metropolitan Livable Communities Fund

2019-18: Adopting a Proposed 2019 Tax Levy for the Tax Base Revitalization Account of the Livable Communities Act


It was moved by Barber, seconded by Lee. Motion carried.
VI. CONSENT AGENDA
Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1-12)

Consent Agenda Adopted

2019-167: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and award a contract with Collier, a Vaske Computer Company, an Oracle Platinum partner, in an amount not to exceed $3,105,000.00 for a contract period of 2 years to provide Oracle maintenance and support services.

2019-183: That the Metropolitan Council (Council) authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an Operations and Maintenance Agreement with SouthWest Transit (SWT) related to the SouthWest Station.

2019-186: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an agreement for flagging services related to the Southwest Light Rail Transit (SWLRT) project with Twin Cities and Western Railroad (TCWR) in the amount not to exceed $9.5 million for the duration of project construction.

2019-201: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the purchase of 11 fleet vehicles, equipment and installation of equipment for an amount not to exceed $880,000.

2019-203: That the Metropolitan Council:

1. Approve Three Rivers Park District’s Kingswood Special Recreation Feature Acquisition Master Plan Amendment.
2. Approve the boundary adjustment adding 15.95-acres of high-quality, natural resource land on Little Long Lake in the City of Minnetrista.
3. Inform Three Rivers Park District that it must submit the Kingswood Special Recreation Feature Development Master Plan for Metropolitan Council approval prior to requesting funding for development.

2019-206: That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a contract with HealthPartners in an amount not to exceed $1,110,000 to provide dental claims administration for a period of five years, January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2024.

2019-207: That the Metropolitan Council approve a sole source contract amendment for legal services related to freight rail for the Southwest Light Rail Transit (SWLRT) project with Greene Espel, PLLP (16P030) to increase the contract by $50,000 for a total contract
amount of $1.050 million.

2019-211: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the regional Administrator action to amend the 16P036 contract for Electrical Equipment and Maintenance for Metropolitan Transportation Services Fleet to increase budgeted amount from $1,400,700 to $2,128,000.

2019-212: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute purchase agreements, with North Central Bus Sales (MnDOT Contract 121155) for up to 16 replacement buses, 4 totaled buses and 11 expansion buses in an amount not to exceed $2,261,000.

2019-224: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Master Utility Agreement 19I037 with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) for Interceptor 9004-1.

2019-220: That the Metropolitan Council (Council) authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute five master contracts 19P038 for five years, each valued at $250,000 to the following firms:

- HDR, Inc.
- Alliant Engineering
- SRF Consulting Group, Inc.
- Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.
- AECOM Technical Services, Inc.

2019-239 That the Metropolitan Council adopt Resolution 2019-20 and rescind the previous resolution, 2019-9, as required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to submit a Letter of Interest for the Moving to Work Program expansion under the Rent Reform cohort.

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Cummings. Motion carried.

VII. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Community Development

2019-204: That the Metropolitan Council:

1. Approve a grant of up to $547,500 to Three Rivers Park District to acquire the 15.95-acre Baker parcel located at 1755 Retreat Circle in the City of Minnetrista for Kingswood Special Recreation Feature;
2. Authorize the Community Development Director to execute the grant agreement and restrictive covenant on behalf of the Council;
3. Consider reimbursing Three Rivers Park District up to $182,500 from its share of a future Regional Parks Capital Bonding Program;
4. Inform Three Rivers Park District that the Council does not under any circumstances represent or guarantee that the Council will grant future reimbursement and that expenditure of local funds never entitles a park agency to reimbursement; and
5. Inform Three Rivers Park District that the funds must be incurred before the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund appropriation end date of June 30, 2020.
It was moved by Vento, seconded by Barber. **Motion carried.**

2019-232: 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 following Townships of the Dakota County Rural Collaborative (DCRC) to place their 2040 Comprehensive Plans into effect:
   a. Castle Rock Township
   b. Douglas Township
   c. Greenvale Township
   d. Hampton Township
   e. Marshan Township
   f. Nininger Township
   g. Randolph Township
   h. Ravenna Township
   i. Vermillion Township
   j. Waterford Township

2. Advise Nininger and Ravenna Townships to adopt their MRCCA Plans 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.

3. Advise the Dakota County Rural Collaborative to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for transportation, surface water management, forecasts, and water supply.

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Wulff. **Motion carried.**

**B. Environment**

2019-238 SW: That the Metropolitan Council approve amending Vactor service contracts 18P127A (to Scholmka Services in the amount of $330,000) and 18P127B (to Goliath Hydro-Vac in the amount of $70,000) for a combined additional amount of $400,000 increasing total contract not to exceed amount to $880,000.

It was moved by Lindstrom, seconded by Wulff. **Motion carried.**

**C. Management – Reports on Consent**

**D. Transportation**

1. 2019-179: Southwest Light Rail Transit (Green Line Extension) First Amendment to the Hennepin County and Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority Capital Grant Agreement for the LNTP Period (Jim Alexander 612-373-3880)


**E. Joint Report of Environment and Community Development Committees**

2019-214 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 Eden Prairie to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
2. Revise the City of Eden Prairie’s employment forecasts upward as shown in Table 1 of the attached Review Record.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee
1. Approve the City of Eden Prairie’s Comprehensive Sewer Plan.

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Barber. Motion carried.

2019-218 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 Maplewood to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
2. Advise the City:
   a. Within 60 days after receiving final Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) approval, the City must adopt the Mississippi River Critical Corridor Area (MRCCA) Plan, 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.
   b. Implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Roadways and Transit.

Recommendations of the Environment Committee
1. Approve the City of Maplewood’s Comprehensive Sewer Plan component of the City’s 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Slawik. Motion carried.

2019-219 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 Belle Plaine to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.

Recommendations of the Environment Committee
1. Approve the City of Belle Plaine’s Comprehensive Sewer Plan component of the City’s 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

It was moved by Vento, seconded by Barber. Motion carried.

VIII. REPORTS

Chair: Volunteered at Metro Transit booth and Minnesota Council on Disability booth at the State Fair. Attended SWLRT Safety Meeting and Minneapolis Urbane League Family Day and
mentioned the Council Retreat will continue their meetings at Committee of the Whole in October.

Council Members:
Barber: Gave an update on TAB Regional Solicitation Policy Work Group and the next steps and explained defederalization of projects.

Cummings: Met with Hopkins Lions Club, Three Rivers Park District and Regional Council Mayors.

Sterner: Attended an event at Pine Bends Bluffs and a Transportation meeting in Rosemount.

Wulff: Volunteered at the Minnesota Council on Disability booth at the State Fair.

Vento: Will be attending Minnesota Humanities Center Learning From Place: Bdote on Sept. 13.

Lindstrom: Attended the RCLLG event. Metro Plant WWTP is having a community tour on Sept. 26 and Blue Lake WWTP is having a tour on Oct. 3. Will be attending Equity in the Environment in the Walz Administration event.

Chamblis: Met with Representative Vang, Black Women Rights and was on KAFI radio program. Will be presenting to Brooklyn Center Business Association in October.

Fredson: Attended Mayor Carter Budget Address, Rice and Larpenteur Alliance Block Party, met with representative from Fort Road Federation and recognized Kate Brickman and Ana Vang for their good work.

Lee: Attended RCLLG event, Gold Line event and recognized Anna Vang, Hannah Pallmeyer and Peter Grafstrom for their good work.

Gonzalez: Mentioned Chief Frizell attended the Equity Advisory Committee and they would like him to attend a future meeting.

Zeran: Mentioned how important the NorthStar Corridor is and the connection from Big Lake to St. Could for affordable house and the opportunity for development. Toured Anoka County and the City of Ramsey.

Regional Administrator: The Council is waiting for the Letter of No Prejudice (LONP) and when it is approved the Council will need to act and may need a special meeting.
Certification
I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of August 28, 2019.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05pm

Approved this 5th day of September 2019.

Liz Sund
Recording Secretary