

Council Chair Nora Slawik

Council Members

District 1 (vacant)	Deb Barber	Gary Cunningham	Edward Reynoso	Sandy Rummel	Richard Kramer	Steven Chávez
Lona Schreiber	District 5 (vacant)	Cara Letofsky	Marie McCarthy	Harry Melander	Jon Commers	Wendy Wulff
Jennifer Munt	Gail Dorfman					

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 27, 2019 4:00PM Council Chambers

IN ATTENDANCE

Schreiber, Munt, Barber, Dorfman, Cunningham, Letofsky, Reynoso, McCarthy, Rummel, Melander, Kramer, Commers, Slawik

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Commers, seconded by Rummel.

It was moved by Dorfman, seconded by Barber.

BUSINESS

2019-30 JT SW Unified Budget Amendment – Regular Carry Forward (Paul Conery, 651-602-1374)

It was moved by Melander, seconded by Cunningham.

Motion Carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 12 Schreiber, Munt, Barber, Dorfman, Cunningham, Letofsky, Reynoso, McCarthy, Rummel, Melander, Commers, Slawik

Nay: 0

Absent: 3 Kramer, Chavez, Wulff

Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1 - 3)

Consent Agenda Adopted

1. 2019-24 Public Hearing on Proposed Elimination of Route 614
2. 2019-38 Orange Line Engineering Services Contract Amendment
3. 2019-40 Metro Mobility Sedan Replacement

It was moved by Letofsky, seconded by Schreiber

Motion carried.

Community Development

12019-45 Washington County 2040 Comprehensive Plan, Review File No. 21913-1

It was moved by Commers, seconded by Melander.

Motion carried.

2018-333 JT Regional Parks Funding Allocation Policy and Regional Parks Fund Distribution Policy

It was moved by Commers, seconded by Munt.

Motion carried.

Environment—No Reports

Management

2019-35 SW Annual Support Renewal for Checkpoint Hardware 2019

It was moved by Melander, seconded by Rummel.

Transportation

2019-37 SW (1) Accept Public Comment Report for the proposed amendment to the 2040 Transportation Policy Plan to add Riverview Modern Streetcar Locally Preferred Alternative; (2) Direct the Regional Administrator to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Ramsey County and Hennepin County regarding the roles and responsibilities of the Council and the Counties during the continuing environmental analysis and pre-project development phases of the Riverview project, including continued consultation with the tribal governments and communities; and (3) Adopt an amendment to the 2040 Transportation Policy Plan to Add Riverview Modern Streetcar locally preferred alternative to the Transportation Policy Plan's Current Revenue Scenario.

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Commers.

Motion carried.

2019-43 SW Southwest Light Rail Transit (Green Line Extension) BNSF Construction Agreement, Amendment 1

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Dorfman.

Motion carried.

2019-46 SW Eight Sixty-foot Articulated Expansion Buses for D-Line

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Cunningham.

Motion carried.

2019-47 SW Purchase Agreement with Apollo Video Technology

It was moved by Barber, seconded by Rummel.

Motion carried.

2019-48 SW Release for Public Comment Draft 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 Reynoso.

Motion carried.

REPORTS

Chair: The Chair thanked every member of the council for their service over the last eight years and observed their many notable accomplishments.

Council Members:

Dorfman—Thanked Governor Dayton for the opportunity to serve and her predecessor’s work and was grateful for the opportunity to work on regional economic competitiveness and promote equity in the region.

Munt—Thanked the staff she has worked with over her years on the council and wished the new council the very best and looks forward to the completion of Southwest LRT and following through on the commitments to racial equity clean water.

Letofsky—Relayed her thankfulness for the opportunity to serve and looks forward to the new representation that will be on the next council. She observed that the Council has authorities to address the disparities in the region.

Reynoso—Conveyed his thankfulness for the opportunity to serve his district and the Governor. He conveyed his pride in having a role in the Green Line and the Transit Oriented Development that has followed. He was proud of helping to start the Equity Advisory Committee and challenges the next council to do more for the disability community. He thanked his companions in the labor movement and the change the council brought to its relations with its employees and thanked the Metro Transit Police Department and their work with the homeless populations.

McCarthy—Thanked Governor Dayton for the appointment and observed the example he showed in his public service with an anecdote of his humble interaction with a younger constituent. She thanked the many local elected officials she worked alongside over her term, and the many everyday people she interacted with who use systems provided by the Met Council. She observed the at the Walz administration will continue to work towards the prosperity of the region. Last, she thanked her colleagues on the council and council staff.

Commers—Was thankful for the honor of serving on the council for the benefit of his neighborhood, community and region. He thanked his colleagues, staff, the public he has worked with and the people who have worked to bring their issues to the council, and thanked Governor Dayton for the opportunity to serve.

Melander—Wished the Chair luck her role and conveyed his thankfulness to serve on the council, the incredible work of the staff as the run the services the council provides to the region.

Rummel—Was thankful that many other Council Members conveyed her thoughts with her comments but added her thanks for the dedication her colleagues and staff have shown the region and expressed her support for the Chair.

Regional Administrator: Thanked the Council Members for their service and committed to staying in touch with them as projects they've worked on come to fruition.

General Counsel: Thanked the Council Members for their collaboration with her office over the years.

Council Member Reynoso moved to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:53PM.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of February 27, 2019.

Approved this 6th day of March 2019.

Peter Grafstrom
Recording Secretary