

Council Chair Charlie Zelle

Council Members

Abdirahman Muse

Deb Barber

Kris Fredson

Molly Cummings

Phillip Sterner

Reva Chamblis

Susan Vento

Chai Lee

Francisco J. Gonzalez

Lynnea Atlas-Ingebretson

Peter Lindstrom

Raymond Zeran

Robert Lilligren

Wendy Wulff

Christopher Ferguson

Judy Johnson

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 22, 2020 4:00 p.m. Council Chambers

IN ATTENDANCE

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

ABSENT: Sterner

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Zelle called the meeting to order at 4:06pm on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Atlas-Ingebretson, Sterner

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was moved by Lilligren, seconded by Lindstrom.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Atlas-Ingebretson, Sterner

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes was moved by Lee seconded by Vento.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Atlas-Ingebretson, Sterner

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1- 6)

Consent Agenda Adopted

2020-110: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute the following contracts with First Transit Inc. to provide Transit Link services from September 28, 2020 through August 31, 2025:

- 1) 1.Contract 19P225 for service in Dakota County in an amount not to exceed \$8,147,378
- 2) 2.Contract 19P222 for service in Washington County and SE Ramsey County in an amount not to exceed \$10,463,939

2020-115: That the Metropolitan Council:

- 1) Adopt the attached Review Record and allow the City of Vadnais Heights to place the Office-Business to Mixed Use Comprehensive Plan Amendment into effect.
- 2) Find that the amendment does not change the City's forecasts.
- 3) Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Regional Parks and Forecasts.

2020-123: That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute the contract amendment for Master Utility Agreement 19I037 with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) for a total contract value of \$1,125,000

2020-124: That the Metropolitan Council ratify the attached Emergency Declaration for Environmental Services Boiler Operator Temporary Services.

2020-125: That the Metropolitan Council ratifies the attached Emergency Declaration for Environmental Services Wastewater Sludge Trucking Services from Eagles Point, Hastings, and St. Croix Valley Wastewater Treatment Plants (WWTPs), and from East Bethel Wastewater Reclamation Facility (WRF).

2020-126: That the Metropolitan Council ratify the attached Emergency Declaration for Environment Services flood preparations and mitigation for wastewater conveyance and treatment facilities.

It was moved by Cummings, seconded by Wulff.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Atlas-Ingebretson, Sterner

BUSINESS

Community Development

2020-116: That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the City of Eagan to put the Nicols Apartments Comprehensive Plan Amendment into effect.

- 1) Authorize the City of Eagan to place its Nicols Apartments comprehensive plan amendment into effect.
- 2) Find that the amendment does not change the City's forecasts.
- 3) Find that the amendment is inconsistent with Natural Resource policies in Thrive MSP 2040.
- 4) Strongly encourage the City to:
 - a) Protect regionally significant ecological areas and minimize development impacts.
 - b) Work to conserve and protect the proposed development site's natural resources by implementing the City's regulatory tools.
 - c) Guide the proposed development to meet the City's own requirement of an execution of a detailed tree inventory, a Tree Preservation Plan, and a Tree Mitigation Plan, at the time of development.

It was moved by Lilligren seconded by Chamblis.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Atlas-Ingebretson, Sterner

Environment – Reports on consent agenda

Management - No reports

Transportation – Reports on consent agenda

Joint Reports of the Environment and Community Development Committees

2020-86 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 Wayzata to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
- 2) Revise the City's population, households, and employment 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 42 units.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee

- 1) Approve the City of Wayzata's Comprehensive Sewer Plan.

It was moved by Lilligren seconded Ferguson.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Atlas-Ingebretson, Sterner

2020-91 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. Anthony Village to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
- 2) Revise the City's forecasts upward as shown in Tables 1, 2, and 3 of the attached Review Record.
- 3) Revise the City's affordable housing need for 2021-2030 to 152 units.
- 4) Prior to final Plan adoption, the City needs to update or revise the following items:
 - a) Acknowledge the services of Metro Mobility.
 - b) Incorporate the Local Water Management Plan that the City adopted on June 11, 2019.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee

- 1) Approve the City of St. Anthony Village's Comprehensive Sewer Plan.
- 2) Correct the characterization of the extent and billing reimbursement of intercommunity wastewater flow with Minneapolis.

Chair Zelle's feed dropped and Vice Chair Cummings took the roll. It was moved by Lilligren seconded Muse.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Atlas-Ingebretson, Sterner

2020-93 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 Deephaven to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
- 2) Revise the City's forecasts for population, households, and employment as shown in Table 1 of the attached Review Record.
- 3) Revise the City's affordable housing need allocation for 2021-2030 to 5 units.
- 4) Strongly encourage the City to guide property at densities sufficient to support the development of housing to meets its affordable housing need allocation.
- 5) Advise the City:
 - a) Prior to final Plan adoption, the Plan must be revised to acknowledge the City's affordable housing allocation need.
 - b) To be consistent with Council housing policy, the Plan should consider all widely available housing tools including CDBG and HOME funds through Hennepin County and Hennepin County AHIF funds.
 - c) To implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for land use.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee

- 1) Approve the City of Deephaven's Comprehensive Sewer Plan.

It was moved by Lilligren seconded Ferguson.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 15 Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 2 Atlas-Ingebretson, Sterner

2020-96 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 Roseville to place its 2040 Comprehensive Plan into effect.
- 2) Revise the City's population and employment forecasts upward as shown in Table 1 of the attached Review Record.
- 3) Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Transportation, Forecasts, Land Use, and Implementation.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee

- 1) Approve the City Roseville's Comprehensive Sewer Plan.
- 2) Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Wastewater.

It was moved by Lilligren seconded Atlas-Ingebretson.

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 16 Atlas-Ingebretson, Barber, Chamblis, Cummings, Ferguson, Fredson, Gonzalez, Johnson, Lee, Lilligren, Lindstrom, Muse, Vento, Wulff, Zeran, Chair Zelle

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 Sterner

During this motion Council Member Atlas-Ingebretson joined the meeting.

Council Member Chamblis commented on how nice it has been to see Roseville more towards more affordable housing, higher densities, and more commercial and diverse development.

OTHER BUSINESS

Information Item: Wastewater Reuse: Policy & Practice

Jeannie Clancy, Assistant General Manager talked about wastewater reuse, reclaimed water, MPCA wastewater reuse guidance, MCES authority to provide reclaimed water service and key council documents: Thrive MSP 2040 Plan and 2040 Water Resources Policy Plan, the process to amend wastewater reuse-related water policy plan, task force policy focus, key policy amendment features and regional cost share criteria: Regional Wastewater System Benefit.

Deborah Manning, Assistant Manager presented the reuse at MCES WWTP's, opportunity and location-driven, request from City of Rosemount and chloride: major challenge for wastewater reuse. She stated reuse outside the sites must meet varying levels of treatment, and there is policy around what sites should be considered.

Council members had comments and questions about chloride, water softeners and working with cities and communities.

Council Member Chamblis asked about ways to prevent the use of water softeners. The main way is for cities to extent municipal water, which can more efficiently soften water.

Council Member Johnson and Wulff stated they have had local experience with water softeners at the local policy level.

REPORTS

Council Members:

Council Member Barber reported on the Regional Transit Study that MTS is doing and thought it was successful. She thanked staff.

Council Member Cummings added that comments can be taken from council members and the slides from the presentation are available.

Council Member Atlas-Ingebretson stated it was heartening to see how much racial equity was discussed in the conversations.

Council Member Vento reported on her work representing the council at the governor's council on Age Friendly Minnesota.

Chair Zelle added the Regional Transit Study was a great meeting and had good use of technology.

Meredith Vadis, Regional Administrator stated staff are exceptional as we go through COVID pandemic and thanked staff for all the work they are doing during

The meeting was adjourned at 5:12p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of April 8, 2020.

Approved this 13th day of May, 2020.

Liz Sund
Recording Secretary