

# **Minutes of the REGULAR MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, June 11, 2013

**Committee Members Present:** Sandy Rummel–Chair, Wendy Wulff–Vice-Chair, John Đoàn, Harry Melander, Lona Schreiber, Gary Van Eyll

**Absent:** Edward Reynoso

## **CALL TO ORDER**

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Rummel called the regular meeting of the Council's Environment Committee to order at 4:02 p.m. on Tuesday, June 11, 2013.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES**

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Van Eyll, to approve the agenda. **Motion carried.**

It was moved by Van Eyll, seconded by Đoàn, to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2013 regular meeting of the Committee. **Motion carried.**

## **BUSINESS**

### **2013-157 Authorization to Amend 2013 Authorized Capital Program**

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Wulff, that the Metropolitan Council authorize amending the 2013 Authorized Capital Program (multi-year authorization) and the 2013-2018 Capital Improvement Program by adding \$34,000,000 and \$2,000,000, respectively, for the Burnsville Interceptor Rehabilitation, Project No. 8080, and the Interceptor Rehabilitation Program, Project No. 8090. The MCES 2013 Capital Budget (annual appropriation) will not increase as a result of this amendment.

**Motion carried.**

### **2013-172 Authorization to Acquire Permanent/Temporary Easements and File Condemnation Petitions, Seneca Interceptor System Rehabilitation, Project Number 808000, Resolution 2013-6**

It was moved by Melander, seconded by Wulff, that the Metropolitan Council pass Resolution 2013-6 that authorizes acquisition of permanent/temporary easements necessary for the Seneca Interceptor System Rehabilitation, Project 808000; and authorizes Council legal staff to initiate condemnation proceedings for those parcels staff cannot acquire by negotiation.

**Motion carried.**

### **2013-173 Authorization to Award and Execute a Construction Contract for Metro F&I No. 2, Maintenance Warehouse Building, Empire Digester, and RMF Roof Replacements; MCES Project Nos. 800625 & 805996; Contract No. 13P065**

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Schreiber, that the Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to award and execute construction contract for Metro F&I No. 2, Maintenance Warehouse Building, Empire Digester, and RMF Roof Replacements, Project Numbers 800625 & 805996, Contract 13P065, with B.L. Dalsin for its low responsive bid of \$2,018,726.00.

**Motion carried.**

## **INFORMATION**

### **1. Preliminary 2014 Rates and Charges**

Jason Willett, ES Finance, Revenue and Energy Director, reviewed the information that will be taken to public forums in June. Committee members were invited to attend.

## 2. General Manager's Report

- A. Leisa Thompson reported that last night's meeting in White Bear Lake on water supply went well. There was a good turnout. Chair Rummel distributed copies "Minnesota's Groundwater: Is our use sustainable?" to Environment Committee members.
- B. The National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA) has awarded its Platinum Award to the Empire Wastewater Treatment Plant. Six of the seven treatment plants have received the Platinum Award.
- C. Leisa shared photos from the June 8, 2013 open house celebrating the Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Susan Harder, Recording Secretary