# **Metropolitan Council**

#### Council Chair Adam Duininck

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Katie Rodriguez Jennifer Munt Gary Cunningham Edward Reynoso Sandy Rummel Richard Kramer Steven Chávez Lona Schreiber Steve Elkins Cara Letofsky Marie McCarthy Harry Melander Jon Commers Wendy Wulff

Deb Barber Gail Dorfman

# **Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, August 26, 2015 4:00PM Council Chambers

#### IN ATTENDANCE

Rodriguez, Schreiber, Munt, Barber, Elkins, Dorfman, Cunningham, Letofsky, Reynoso, McCarthy, Rummel, Kramer, Commers, Chávez, Wulff, Duininck

### **CALL TO ORDER**

A quorum being present, Chair Duininck called the meeting to order at 4:02PM.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Chávez.

It was moved by Letofsky, seconded by Kramer.

### **PUBLIC INVITATION**

Scott Johnson, a resident of Eagan, expressed his disapproval of the political process, specifically regarding the Lebanon Hills Regional Park Master Plan.

Wendy Paulsen also expressed her disappointment with the process.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1-10)

# **Consent Agenda Adopted**

- 1. 2015-181 Authorize the extension of the contract and increase the contract amount with Minnesota Occupational Health for two (2) years and from \$700,000 to \$1,232,000, with no increase to the fee schedule.
- 2. 2015-183 Authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract to construct North Area Interceptor (NAI) Rehabilitation, Phase 5, Project 808650, Contract 14P252A to Lametti and Sons, Inc. for their low, responsive bid of \$17,153,700.00.
- 3. 2015-184 Authorize the Regional Administrator to proceed with the disposal of two surplus fee title properties located at 7240 Rolling Acres Road within the City of Victoria, the parcel adjacent to Rolling Acres Road at no cost to Hennepin County, and the land-locked parcel to the adjacent property owner for its appraised value of \$250.
- 4. 2015-185 Authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a targeted stormwater management demonstration grant described in the attachment in the total amount of \$50,000.
- 2015-187 SW Concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to adjust the project description and funding levels for the Interstate 94 unbonded concrete overlay project.

- 6. 2015-190 Approve a boundary amendment to the Lake Elmo Park Reserve master Plan.
- 7. 2015-191 Approve a boundary amendment to the Blakeley Bluffs Park Reserve Acquisition Master Plan.
- 8. 2015-192 Approve a grant in the amount of \$198,000 from the 2012 Regional Parks Capital Improvement Program, comprised of \$164,000 in State bonds and \$34,000 in Council bonds. This grant shall be used toward design and construction consistent with the North Wirth concept in the master plan, including trail development, bridges, buildings, landscaping, grading, parking areas, lighting, downhill infrastructure, utilities, surveys and site investigations, design, and project management.
- 9. 2015-193 Authorize a grant of up to \$97,840 to Scott County to acquire a 29-acre property at 15801 Blakeley Trail for Blakeley Bluffs Park Reserve; the Metropolitan Council will finance the grant through the Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund using Metropolitan Council bonds for up to 75 percent of the total acquisition costs. Acknowledge Scott County's grant match to finance at least 25 percent of the total acquisition costs; if the total acquisition costs are higher than estimated, Scott County is responsible for the difference. Authorize the Community Development Director to sign the grant agreement including the restrictive covenant.
- 10. 2015-194 Adopt the review record and allow the City of Elko New Market to place the Interstate 35 Comprehensive Plan Amendment (CPA) into effect. Find that the CPA changes the City's forecasts for employment by an increase of +1,000 jobs for 2020 and 2030, and 2040, as shown in Table 1 of the Review Record. Advise the City that the Council will require that a gravity sewer line be connected to an existing man hole on the Council's interceptor. Advise the City to obtain a Sewer Connection Permit, prior to initiating this project, preliminary plans must be sent to Scott Dentz, Interceptor Engineering Manager (651-602-4503) at Metropolitan Council Environmental Services. Advise the City to implement the advisory comments for Forecasts in the Review Record.

### **BUSINESS**

### **Community Development**

2015-196 Approve the Lebanon Hills Regional Park Master Plan. Require Dakota County to submit information regarding the location and estimated costs for the relocation and development of Camp Sacajawea and the maintenance facility to the Metropolitan Council for approval prior to seeking regional parks funding for these projects.

It was moved by Cunningham, seconded by Munt.

#### Motion carried.

### **Environment**

2015-186 Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute an amendment to the Wastewater Service Agreement with East Bethel according the attached agreement (Amendment 2).

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Reynoso.

#### Motion carried.

# Management—Report on Consent Agenda

### **Transportation**

2015-179 SW Adopt an administrative amendment to the Unified Planning Work Program to include the Regional Truck Highway Corridor Study.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Rodriguez.

### Motion carried.

2015-180 Authorize the Regional Administrator to apply for Calendar year 2016 grants from the Counties Transit Improvement Board (CTIB) for the following projects:

## Capital

METRO Orange Line: Est. \$10,700,000

METRO Green Line Extension: Est. \$99,300,000

METRO Blue Line Extension: Est. \$17,760,000

Mall of America Station Improvements: Est. \$6,000,000

# Operating

Northstar Commuter Rail: Est. \$6,800,000

METRO Blue Line and METRO Green Line LRT: Est. \$23,200,000

I-35W South BRT Express—Operating: Est. \$200,000

Cedar Avenue BRT Express: Est. \$500,000

METRO Red Line BRT: Est. \$1,500,000

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Elkins.

### Motion carried.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

2015-177 Adopt the following Resolutions for the Metropolitan Council's Preliminary 2016 Unified Operating Budget and the Proposed 2015, Payable 2016, Tax Levies:

2015-11	Adopting of the Metropolitan Council's Preliminary 2016 Unified Operating Budget
2015-12	Adopting of the Metropolitan Council's Proposed 2015 Tax Levy for General Purposes for Certification to the County Auditors
2015-13	Adopting of the Metropolitan Council's Proposed 2015 Tax Levy for General Purposes for Certification to the Minnesota Commissioner of Revenue
2015-14	Adopting of a Proposed 2015 Tax Levy for the Livable Communities Demonstration Account in the Metropolitan Livable Communities Fund
2015-15	Adopting of a Proposed 2015 Tax Levy for the Tax Base Revitalization Account of the Livable Communities Act
2015-16	Resolution Certifying a Tax Levy for 2015 for Debt Service on Future Transit Bonds
2015-17	Resolution Certifying a Tax Levy for 2015 for Debt Service on Future Parks Bonds

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Rummel

# **Motion carried** on the following roll call vote:

Aye: 14 Rodriguez, Schreiber, Munt, Barber, Elkins, Cunningham, Letofsky, Reynoso,

Rummel, Kramer, Commers, Chávez, Wulff, Duininck

Nay: 0

Absent: 3 McCarthy (arrived after roll call), Dorfman (arrived after roll call), Melander

2015-198 Approve the appointment of Council Member Letofsky to the Council's liaison position with the Metropolitan Airports Commission.

It was moved by Duininck, seconded by Chávez.

#### Motion carried.

2015-203 Approve the following appointment to the Transportation Accessibility Advisory Committee: Kari Sheldon, District G.

It was moved by Duininck, seconded by Munt.

### Motion carried.

### **REPORTS**

Chair: Participated in many Orange Line meetings. Had a tour hosted by the SPPA along with RA Kooistra. Attended the EQB meeting where the MPCA gave a presentation on the clean power plan. Has been meeting with members of our congressional delegation to discuss the Council's role as an MPO. Spoke to the St. Louis Park Noon Rotary Club and presented at SLUC. Thanked the Council members for their increased participation.

#### Council Members:

Cunningham—Attended a meeting of the Metro Cities Housing and Economic Development Committee. Participated in a Living Cities day-long meeting where the issues in North Minneapolis were discussed.

Munt—Participated in the SWLRT CAC meeting where Hennepin County presented their housing strategy plan for the corridor. Watched a documentary on the MN channel called *Liquid Assets* that includes the Council and talks about I&I.

Elkins—Visited Edina and Bloomington with the Chair. Attended the SLUC event where Chair Duininck was the featured speaker. Attended a Metro Cities meeting where Amy Vennewitz gave an excellent presentation on transportation funding.

Rummel—Attended a meeting about heat islands at the Science Museum. Attended a Rush Line meeting.

Dorfman—Thanked the users of Lebanon Hills Regional Park who gave her a tour.

Commers—Participated in a Riverview PAC meeting. The project is making good headway.

Schreiber—Participated in many meetings regarding the BLRT including tours.

Regional Administrator: No Report

General Counsel: No Report

The meeting was adjourned at 4:36PM.

# Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of August 26, 2015.

Approved this 9th day of September, 2015.

Emily Getty Recording Secretary