

Minutes of the

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Monday, June 4, 2018

Committee Members Present: Barber, Chavez, Dorfman, Elkins, Kramer, Munt vice chair, Wulff

Committee Members Absent: Commers, Cunningham

Committee Members Excused:

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Committee Vice Chair Munt called the regular meeting of the Council's Community Development Committee to order at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, June 4, 2018.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Elkins, seconded by Wulff to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

It was moved by Kramer, seconded by Elkins to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2018 regular meeting of the Community Development Committee. Motion carried.

BUSINESS

2018-139 Establish Public Hearing Date – 2019 Public Housing Agency Plan

HRA Manager Jennifer Keogh presented the business item to the Community Development Committee.

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Barber, that the Metropolitan Council establish a date to conduct a public hearing to discuss and receive comment on the 2019 Public Housing Agency (PHA) Plan. The hearing will take place on August 20, 2018 at 4:00 PM in the Council Chambers.

Motion carried.

2018-140 City of Cottage Grove Harkness Avenue Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Review File No. 20479-2 Senior Planner Corrin Wendell presented the business item to the Community Development Committee.

It was moved by Kramer, seconded by Barber, that the Metropolitan Council:

1. Adopt the attached Review Record and allow the City of Cottage Grove to place the Harkness Avenue Small Area Plan Comprehensive Plan Amendment (CPA) into effect.
2. Find that the proposed amendment does not change the City's forecasts.
3. Encourage the City to consider alternative methods of development and stormwater management to preserve as much of the existing natural resources in the amendment site as possible.

4. Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Transportation and Housing.

Motion carried.

The Community Development Committee recommended approval of the proposed action without questions or discussion.

2018-141 City of Oakdale Helmo Bus Rapid Transit Station Area Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Review No. 20281-5 Senior Planner Michael Larson presented the business item to the Community Development Committee.

It was moved by Kramer, seconded by Elkins, that the Metropolitan Council:

1. Adopt the attached Review Record and allow the City of Oakdale to place the Helmo Bus Rapid Transit Station Area Comprehensive Plan Amendment into effect.
2. Revise the City's forecasts for population and households for 2030, and 2040, as shown in Table 1 of the Review Record.
3. Advise the City to implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for Forecasts, Land Use, and Housing.

Motion carried.

Emily Shively, Planner from the City of Oakdale, was also present. Council Member Wulff asked if there was imminent development that was creating the need for the comprehensive plan amendment. Michael Larson explained that an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) for development in the station area was recently reviewed by staff. Emily Shively provided additional detail on the planning process and objectives and explained that there was development interest in the area that created an immediate need for the plan.

2018-142 City of Minneapolis Request to Extend the Term for the 4th Street Infrastructure Livable Communities Demonstration Account Grant Beyond the Five Year Maximum Grant Term Livable Communities Manager Paul Burns presented the business item to the Community Development Committee.

It was moved by Dorfman, seconded by Elkins, that the Metropolitan Council:

(1) approve a two-year extension beyond the five-year maximum grant term to Livable Communities Demonstration Account-Transit Oriented Development grant SG013-128 for the 4th Street Infrastructure TOD project; and (2) authorize its Acting Community Development Director to execute an amendment on behalf of the Council.

Motion carried.

Committee members expressed their excitement for this project. Vice-Chair Munt reminded the Committee of Council Member Letofsky's encouragement to approve the extension. Burns confirmed the 4th on Green project is fully funded.

INFORMATION

1. We need more housing: The region's residential development in 2017

Senior Research Matt Schroeder and Research Krysten Ryba-Tures presented the information item to the Community Development Committee.

Under Minnesota Statutes section 473.24, the Metropolitan Council is responsible for preparing population and household estimates for the cities and townships in the seven-county Twin Cities region. As an important input into these population estimates, the Council collects data every year from local governments on building permits.

Research staff have examined data from the recently concluded annual survey of building permits in the context of national trends in residential development. In the Twin Cities region:

- **SUPPLY:** Residential construction continues to increase, but not quickly enough to keep up with household growth. Like many other metro areas across the country, the region needs more housing.
- **TYPE:** The majority of the region's added housing were multifamily units—consistent with the Council's long-term expectations. While other housing markets have “peaked” in this housing type, multifamily construction remains strong in the Twin Cities.
- **LOCATION:** Residential development continues to be distributed across the region, with growth strong in both the developed core and the developing edges of the region.

ADJOURNMENT

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Michele Wenner
Recording Secretary