

Council Chair Adam Duinick

Council Members

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, April 22, 2015 4:00PM Council Chambers

### IN ATTENDANCE

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

### CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Vice Chair Melander called the meeting to order at 4:00PM.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Cunningham, seconded by Schreiber.

CM Wulff requested the word “interest” be changed to “concern” in her report given at the March 25 meeting. It was moved by Kramer, seconded by Commers.

### BUSINESS

#### Joint Report of the Transportation, Community Development, and Management Committees

1. 2015-65 Authorize the amendment of the 2015 Unified Budget as indicated and in accordance with the tables attached to the business item.

It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Schreiber.

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

Aye: 14 Rodriguez, Schreiber, Barber, Elkins, Cunningham, Letofsky, McCarthy, Rummel, Melander, Kramer, Commers, Chávez, Wulff

Nay: 1 Munt

Absent: 2 Dorfman (arrived after roll call), Duinick

### CONSENT AGENDA

#### Approval of the Consent Agenda (Items 1-8)

##### Consent Agenda Adopted

1. 2015-62 Approve the Metro Transit Service Improvement Plan (SIP).
2. 2015-69 Concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include an increase in cost for construction of a roundabout on CSAH 18 at CR 62 in Columbus.
3. 2015-70 Concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program

(TIP) to install bike lane pavement markings on Emerson Ave. N., 2<sup>nd</sup> St. S., 15<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE, and Como Ave. SE.

4. 2015-71 Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Master Funding Agreement (MFA) with the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) for the proposed Blue Line Extension LRT Project (BLRT).
5. 2015-72 Allow the City of Brooklyn Park to place the North Park Business Center comprehensive plan amendment (CPA) into effect; revise the City's official forecasts as shown in Table 1 of the review record.
6. 2015-73 Adopt the review record and allow the City of Golden Valley to place the Liberty Crossing comprehensive plan amendment (CPA) into effect; find that the CPA does not change the City's forecasts; advise the City to implement advisory comments on Transit and Wastewater.
7. 2015-75 Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute seven professional services contracts with the following artists for Integrated Public Art for the Southwest Light Rail Transit (Green Line Extension) project for a total amount not to exceed \$4.5 million: Shin Gray Studio to design, fabricate, and install public art at the Downtown Hopkins, Beltline, and West Lake Stations, in an amount not to exceed \$750,000; Craig David, LLC to design, fabricate, and install public art at the Mitchell, SouthWest, and City West Stations, in an amount not to exceed \$750,000; Seitu Ken Jones to design, fabricate, and install public art at the Town Center, Blake, and Van White Stations, in an amount not to exceed \$750,000; Foster Willey Sculptor, LLC to design, fabricate, and install public art at the Wooddale, 21<sup>st</sup> Street, and Penn Stations, in an amount not to exceed \$750,000; Volkan Alkanoglu to design, fabricate, and install public art at the Operations and Maintenance Facility, Shady Oak, and Louisiana Stations, in an amount not to exceed \$750,000; Martin & Pitz Associates, Inc., to design, fabricate, and install public art at the Golden Triangle and Opus Stations, in an amount not to exceed \$500,000; Gita Patina, LLC, to design, fabricate, and install public art at the Royalston Station, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.
8. 2015-77 Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute Interagency Agreement 14I075 with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) for funding construction of A Line bus rapid transit (BRT).

## **BUSINESS**

### **Community Development—Reports on Consent Agenda**

#### **Environment—No Reports**

#### **Management—No Reports**

#### **Transportation**

2015-68 Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a contract with Transit Team for Metro Mobility Demand Service in the Metro West Zone from August 30, 2015 to June 30, 2020 with an option for one additional year in an amount not to exceed \$179,265,707.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Commers.

**Motion carried.**

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

2015-78 Approve the appointment of the following people as members of the Transportation Accessibility Advisory Committee: District A—Julianne Bina, District B—Christopher Bates, District C—Adora Sage, District D—Ken Rodgers, District E—Douglas Moody, District G—Jeffery Smith, District H—Kim Trenary.

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Elkins.

**Motion carried.**

2015-82 Approve the following appointments to the Metropolitan Parks and Open Space Commission: District E—Michael Kopp, District F—Sarah Hietpas, District G—Rachel Gillespie.

It was moved by Kramer, seconded by Elkins.

**Motion carried.**

**INFORMATION**

Water Resources Policy Plan Update

Bryce Pickart and Judy Sventek provided an update on the Water Resources Policy Plan (WRPP). The outcomes and operating principles of *Thrive MSP 2040* set the stage and provided direction for the WRPP. The WRPP focuses on the sustainability outcome as it pertains to our water resources. Input from our partners (including WMOs, MAWSAC, and Metro Cities) informed the draft policies and strategies. Elements of the WRPP that reflect the connection to *Thrive* include integrated and collaborative water resource planning, efficient and effect government, an emphasis on conservation and reuse opportunities as a way to make progress on our water quality and quantity issues, and climate change. All of the policies and strategies were developed with the end goal of protecting and improving the quality and quantity of our region’s water, including lakes, rivers, streams, wetlands, and aquifers.

**REPORTS**

Chair: The Chair was attending a meeting at the Capitol and unable to be at today’s meeting.

Council Members:

Rodriguez: Attended last week’s TAB meeting where TAAC presented the scores for the Regional Solicitation. There was consensus to pursue the mid-point funding level for the three modal categories (roads, transit, and bike/ped) with the understanding that there will be ongoing discussions at the next two meetings regarding the individual projects.

Munt: MoveMN had a great rally on the Capitol lawn. There were over 500 attendees. Several station design workshops have been held along the proposed SWLRT line.

Elkins: Attended an open house in Hopkins along with CM Munt. There were 90 attendees and it was a very positive atmosphere.

Letofsky: Attended the Commuter Choice Awards. Met with some Minneapolis Council members and listened to their concerns. Visited the Mayor of the Village of St. Anthony.

Rummel: Participated in a Water Summit in the NE metro, which was very well-attended. Had a meeting with Columbus regarding their comprehensive plan.

Commers: Attended the Midway Chamber’s Economic Development Summit. The two key themes were transit investment and workforce development and the intersection of the two. Brian Lamb presented on transit.

Cunningham: Attended the Finance & Commerce awards dinner where Metro Transit received an award for the Green Line.

Regional Administrator: Confirmation hearings for the Council members and Chair will start at 9AM on Monday. The pedestrian bridge item will be presented in May. We have tentatively scheduled our Habitat Build Day for July 17. This is the Council's gift to former Chair Sue Haigh.

General Counsel: No report.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:38PM.

### **Certification**

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of April 22, 2015.

Approved this 20th day of May, 2015.

Emily Getty  
Recording Secretary