



Metropolitan Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 13, 2009

Robert Street Council Chambers

4:00 P.M.

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Part I - Narrative

Attendance:

Peter Bell, Chair; Roger Scherer, Bob McFarlin, Craig Peterson, Polly Bowles, Peggy Leppik, Annette Meeks, Lynette Wittsack, Natalie Steffen, Kris Sanda, Georgeanne Hilker, Sherry Broecker, Rick Aguilar, Kirstin Sersland Beach, Wendy Wulff

Members absent:

Tony Pistilli, Daniel Wolter

Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

A quorum being present, the Chair called the regular meeting of the Metropolitan Council to order at 4:06 p.m. It was moved by Steffen seconded by Meeks to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes

It was moved by Broecker seconded by Wulff to approve the minutes of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of [April 22, 2009](#). Motion carried.

Public Invitation

No one asked to address the Council regarding matters not on today's agenda.

Part II - Exhibits

Business

Joint Report of the Community Development and Management Committees [2009-120 - 2009 Unified Operating Budget Amendment](#)

It was moved by Scherer and seconded by Sanda

"That the Metropolitan Council amend the 2009 Unified Operating Budget as indicated and in accordance with attached tables:"

Motion carried on the following roll call:

	Yes				No	Absent
	Scherer	Leppik	Sanda	Aguilar		Pistilli
	McFarlin	Meeks	Hilker	Sersland Beach		Wolter
	Peterson	Wittsack	Broecker	Wulff		
	Bowles	Steffen		Bell		
TOTAL	15					2

Joint Report of the Community Development, Transportation and Management Committees

2009-121 - 2009 Unified Capital Improvement Plan and Capital Program and Budget Amendment

It was moved by Scherer and seconded by Steffen

"That the Metropolitan Council:

- Amend the 2009 Authorized Capital Program (Multi-year authorization) by adding spending authority as follows:
 - Metro Transit \$ 68,627,098
 - Metropolitan Transportation Services \$ 1,492,728
 - Parks and Open Space \$ 4,700,000
- Amend the 2009 Capital Budget (annual appropriation) by increasing spending authority as follows:
 - Metro Transit \$ 2,110,855
 - Metropolitan Transportation Services \$ 1,492,728
- Approve new projects and transfers between capital projects as detailed in Attachment 1."

Motion carried on the following roll call:

					Yes	No	Absent
	Scherer	Leppik	Sanda	Sersland Beach			Pistilli
	McFarlin	Meeks	Hilker	Wulff			Wolter
	Peterson	Wittsack	Broecker	Bell			
	Bowles	Steffen	Aguilar				
TOTAL					15		2

Committee Consent List

2009-117 - Authorization to Execute Agreement with MVTA, Northstar Corridor Development Authority and Plymouth

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Hilker

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to:

1. execute an agreement with the Northstar Corridor Development Authority (NCDA) to provide \$443,000 for the lease of a coach bus;
2. execute an agreement with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority (MVTA) to provide \$346,000 for facility repairs and improvements;
3. execute an agreement with the City of Plymouth to provide \$300,000 for park-and-ride repairs."

Motion carried.

2009-127 - Authorization to Exercise Contract Options to Purchase Eight Thirty-Foot Transit Buses for Anoka County

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Hilker

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to exercise existing contract options with Gillig Corporation, to purchase eight thirty-foot replacement buses for Anoka County in an amount not to exceed \$2,700,000 contingent upon approval of Council capital amendment business item 2009-121 on May 13, 2009."

Motion carried.

2009-128 - Technical Amendments to Legal Services Agreements; No Budget Impacts

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Hilker

"That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the General Counsel to amend legal services agreements to increase the maximum contract prices as follows:

<u>Law Firm</u>	<u>Services</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Current Price</u>	<u>Proposed Increase</u>	<u>New Price</u>
Heacox	Legal Services related to	06/30/08	\$500,000	\$125,000	\$625,000
Hartmann	Workers Compensation Contract No. 05P044B	to 06/30/11			

Motion carried.

2009-146 - American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA) Grant Applications

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Hilker

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to issue applications for competitive grant funds under the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA)."

Motion carried.

2009-147 - Authorization to Exercise Contract Options to Purchase 29 Articulated Transit Buses

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Hilker

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to exercise an existing contract option with New Flyer of America, Inc., to purchase 29 sixty-foot, articulated low-floor transit buses in an amount not-to-exceed \$19,000,000 contingent upon approval of Council item 2009-121, titled "2009 Unified Capital Improvement Plan and Capital Program and Budget Amendment" on May 13, 2009."

Motion carried.

2009-149 - Authorization to Award and Execute a Construction Contract for the Plymouth Forcemain Rehabilitation, MCES Project Number 804700, Contract No. 08P117

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Hilker

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award and execute a construction contract with Michels Corporation for the Plymouth Forcemain Rehabilitation in the amount of \$5,712,328."

Motion carried.

2009-150 - Authorization to Negotiate and Execute an Agreement for a Vehicle Global Positioning System for the MCES Fleet, Contract Number 07P124

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Hilker

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an agreement with Thomtech Design for a Fleet Vehicle Global Positioning Tracking and Diagnostic System for MCES in an amount not to exceed \$270,835 (\$267,035 plus \$3,800 contingency)."

Motion carried.

2009-151 - Authorization to Purchase Nitrate Salts and Odor Control Related Services

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Hilker

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute purchase orders with Siemens, Inc. for a total "Not to Exceed" amount of \$3,300,000 to provide nitrate salts and odor control related services for a total contract period of three years."

Motion carried.

2009-152 - Procurement of Metro Mobility Buses

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Hilker

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a purchase agreement with Hogle Bus Company Inc. (MNDOT Contract 440473) for up to 16 buses in an amount not to exceed \$1,745,000 contingent upon approval of Council capital amendment business item 2009-121 on May 13, 2009."

Motion carried.

2009-153 - Carver County Comprehensive Plan Update – extension request

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Hilker

"That the Metropolitan Council extends the County's "decennial" comprehensive plan update for Carver County and all of its townships (Update) submission deadline to September 30, 2009, and direct staff to execute an amendment of the planning grant amendment to reflect the new submission and grant end date deadlines."

Motion carried.

2009-154 - Authorization to Purchase Process Chemicals for Metropolitan Council Environmental Service

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Hilker

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to issue purchase orders to the following companies:

- Hawkins Chemicals, Inc. in the amount of \$3,685,527 for the procurement of Chlorine (1-Ton Cylinders), Sodium Hydroxide Solution (Caustic Soda), Sodium Hypochlorite (Bleach > 1,000 gallons), Aluminum Sulfate (Alum – totes), and Ferric Chloride;
- DPC Industries in the amount of \$88,150 for Sodium Hypochlorite (Bleach < 1,000 gallons) and Liquid Sulfur Dioxide (1-Ton Cylinders);

- C&S Chemicals, Inc. in the amount of \$1,251,070 for Aluminum Sulfate (Alum > 1,000 gallons); and
- PVS Chemical Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$650,370 for Sodium Bisulfite.”

Motion carried.

[2009-155](#) - Authorization to Negotiate and Execute a Master Utility Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation for Interceptor Modifications Necessitated by the TH 610 Improvements Project, and Utilize Funding from the Elm Creek Interceptor Project 9004

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Hilker

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Master Utility Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) for modification of the Elm Creek Interceptor (900410) facilities located in the vicinity of the proposed TH 610 Improvements Project – TH 169 to Fernbrook Drive and utilize funding from the Elm Creek Interceptor Project 9004.”

Motion carried.

Report of the Environment Committee

Items are on the Consent List and Joint Committee Reports

Joint Report of the Community Development and Environment Committee

[2009-32](#) - City of Andover 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update, Review No. 20326-1 Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan

It was moved by Steffen and seconded by Bowles

"That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record, and the following:

Recommendation of the Community Development Committee:

1. Authorize the City of Andover to put its 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update into effect;
2. Advise the City:
 - a. that a comprehensive plan amendment is required to be submitted to the Council prior to the City bringing any of the 860 acres of the Rural Reserve into the Municipal Urban Service Area, including the 430 acres scheduled for 2010 and 2020.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee:

Approve the City of Andover’s Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan.”

Motion carried.

[Single Motion for 2009-74, 2009-88, 2009-92, 2009-97, 2009-98, 2009-99](#)

It was moved by Steffen and seconded by Broecker

"That the Metropolitan Council adopt the advisory comments, review records, and the recommendations of the Community Development and Environment Committees for the Plan Updates for the cities of Forest Lake (2009-74), Bloomington (2009-88), Anoka (2009-92), Falcon Heights (2009-97), Richfield (2009-98) and Centerville (2009-99).”

Motion carried.

2009-74 - City of Forest Lake 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update Review File No. 20377-1 Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan

It was moved by Steffen and seconded by Broecker

"That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record, and take the following recommended actions:

Recommendations of the Community Development Committee:

1. Authorize the City of Forest Lake to put its 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update into effect.
2. Adopt the revised forecasts for the City as detailed in Table 1 of the attached Review Record, along with the revised share of the region's affordable housing need, which is 551 units as detailed in the Housing section of the Review Record.
3. Advise the City:
 - b. that the Rush Line corridor is currently under study and no mode or alignment has been selected and references to a completed commuter rail line in the Rush Line Corridor must be removed from the Update.
 - c. to follow the Council's Flexible Development Ordinance Guidelines for the Diversified Rural Area (August 2008) in updating development and cluster ordinances that apply to the area bounded by Ingersoll Avenue North, 200th Street, and the proposed MUSA boundary. The City needs to submit those ordinances to the Council for review to determine conformance in protecting the area for potential future provision of wastewater services.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee:

Approve the City's Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan."

Motion carried.

2009-88 - City of Bloomington 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update, Review No. 20427-1 Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan

I It was moved by Steffen and seconded by Broecker

"That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record, and the following:

Recommendation of the Community Development Committee:

1. Authorize the City of Bloomington to put its 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update into effect;
2. Advise the City to:
 - a. Adopt the revised forecasts for population, households and employment.
 - b. Submit the Airport South District Plan, when completed, to the Council as a comprehensive plan amendment.
 - c. Participate in Council activities to monitor redevelopment in developed communities.
 - d. Implement the advisory comments noted in the Review Record for Roadway Functional Classification, Highways, Land Use and Water Supply.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee:

1. Approve the City of Bloomington's Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan.
2. Advise the City to submit its updated Sanitary Sewer Policy Plan, when completed, to the Council as an amendment to the Tier II Sewer Plan."

Motion carried.

[2009-92 - City of Anoka 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update Review File No. 20444-1 Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan](#)

It was moved by Steffen and seconded by Broecker

"That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record, and the following

Recommendation of the Community Development Committee

1. Authorize the City of Anoka to put its 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update into effect
2. Advise the City to:
 - a. Implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for transportation, forecasts and water supply.
 - b. Participate in Council activities to monitor redevelopment in developed communities.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee:

Approve the City of Anoka's Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan."

Motion carried.

[2009-97 - City of Falcon Heights 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update, Review No. 20398 Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan](#)

It was moved by Steffen and seconded by Broecker

"That the Metropolitan Council adopts the attached Review Record and takes the following actions from each committee:

Recommendations of the Community Development Committee

1. Authorize the City of Falcon Heights to put its 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update into effect without any plan modifications.
2. Inform the Council of the date when the Rice Creek Watershed District approved the City's Water Resources Management Plan, and forward to the Council a copy of the approved plan.

Recommendations of the Environment Committee:

Approve the City of Falcon Heights' Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan."

Motion carried.

[2009-98 - City of Richfield 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update, Review No. 20472-1 Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan](#)

It was moved by Steffen and seconded by Broecker

"That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record, and the following:

Recommendation of the Community Development Committee:

- Authorize the City Richfield to put its 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update into effect;
- Advise the City to:
 - a. Adopt the revised forecasts for population and households.
 - b. Inform the Council of the date that the City adopted the final version of the Local Surface Water Management Plan.
 - c. Include the revised Water Supply Plan sent to the Council on March 17, 2009 in the final version of the Update.
 - d. Participate in Council activities to monitor redevelopment in developed communities.

- e. Implement the advisory comments noted in the Review Record for Transit, Aviation, Water Supply and Implementation.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee:

Approve the City of Richfield's Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan."

Motion carried.

[2009-99](#) - City of Centerville 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update, Review No. 20397-1 Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan

It was moved by Steffen and seconded by Broecker

"That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record, and take the following recommended actions:

Recommendations of the Community Development Committee:

1. Authorize the City of Centerville to put its 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update into effect.
2. Advise the City:
 - a. To revise the text so that the description of the medium density land use category states "minimum 5-acre density" rather than "average 5-acre density."
 - b. To provide the date to the Council of when the Rice Creek Watershed District approved the 2004 SWMP and the date that the City adopted the plan.
 - c. Participate in Council activities to monitor redevelopment in developed communities.
 - d. Implement the advisory comments in the review record for water supply.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee:

Approve the City's Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan."

Motion carried.

Report of the Community Development Committee

Items are on Consent List and Joint Reports.

Report of the Transportation Committee

[2009-139](#) - Cooperative Construction and Relocation Agreement with the Board of Water Commissioners of the City of Saint Paul for Public Water

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Steffen

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize and direct the Regional Administrator

- to negotiate and execute a Cooperative Construction and Relocation Agreement with the Board of Water Commissioners of the City of Saint Paul relative to the 4th Street Advance Utility Construction in Saint Paul in an amount not to exceed \$425,000
- that execution of this agreement shall be contingent on the Metropolitan Council completing the Final Environmental Impact Statement process and receiving a Letter of No Prejudice (LONP) from the FTA."

Motion carried.

2009-140 - Cooperative Construction and Relocation Agreement with the City of Saint Paul for Public Sewers

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Steffen

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize and direct the Regional Administrator

- to negotiate and execute a Cooperative Construction and Relocation Agreement with the Board of Water Commissioners of the City of Saint Paul relative to the 4th Street Advance Utility Construction in Saint Paul in an amount not to exceed \$425,000."

Motion carried.

2009-141 - Contract Amendment for Central Corridor Light Rail Transit Engineering Services Consultant

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Leppik

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator:

- To execute an amendment to the professional services contract with AECOM USA, Inc. for advancing Preliminary Engineering for the Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (CCLRT) project in an amount not to exceed \$995,799, for a total amended contract amount of \$92,235,715; and
- To issue a Notice-To-Proceed (NTP) to AECOM USA, Inc. to advance Preliminary Engineering for Central Corridor Light Rail Transit for the additional design and engineering activities set forth below, in an amount not to exceed \$995,799 for total contract spending authority not to exceed \$52.3 million."

Motion carried.

Chair Bell asked to reconsider Item 2009-140 for clarification of the motion.

Move to reconsider

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Steffen

"That the Metropolitan Council reconsider 2009-140 Cooperative Construction and Relocation Agreement with the City of Saint Paul for Public Sewers."

Motion carried.

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Steffen

"That the Metropolitan Council amend 2009-140 by adding the following language: that execution of this agreement shall be contingent on the Metropolitan Council completing the Final Environmental Impact Statement process and receiving a Letter of No Prejudice (LONP) from the FTA."

Motion carried.

2009-140 - Cooperative Construction and Relocation Agreement with the City of Saint Paul for Public Sewers

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Steffen

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize and direct the Regional Administrator

- to negotiate and execute a Cooperative Construction and Relocation Agreement with the Board of Water Commissioners of the City of Saint Paul relative to the 4th Street Advance Utility Construction in Saint Paul in an amount not to exceed \$425,000
- that execution of this agreement shall be contingent on the Metropolitan Council

completing the Final Environmental Impact Statement process and receiving a Letter of No Prejudice (LONP) from the FTA.”

Motion carried.

2009-144 - 2009-2012 TIP Amendment, Include eight cable median barrier installation projects, safety grants under Title 23 TAB Action 2009-26

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Leppik

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator:

- to execute an amendment to the professional services contract with AECOM USA, Inc. for advancing Preliminary Engineering for the Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (CCLRT) project in an amount not to exceed \$995,799, for a total amended contract amount of \$92,235,715; and
- to issue a Notice-To-Proceed (NTP) to AECOM USA, Inc. to advance Preliminary Engineering for Central Corridor Light Rail Transit for the additional design and engineering activities set forth below, in an amount not to exceed \$995,799 for total contract spending authority not to exceed \$52.3 million.”

Motion carried.

2009-145 - 2009-2012 TIP Amendment, Include New Starts funding for the Central Corridor LRT Project TAB Action 2009-27

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Broecker

"That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include a total of \$25,000,000 for the Central Corridor LRT New Starts PE and Final Design.”

Motion carried.

2009-156 SW - Authorization to Eliminate Transit Route 255

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Sanda

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the termination of Route 255, providing reverse commute service between downtown St. Paul and the Wells Fargo Operations Center in Shoreview, effective May 30, 2009.”

Motion carried.

2009-161 SW - Hiawatha Light Rail Transit American Boulevard Station, Project 63701

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Sanda

"That the Metropolitan Council Authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract with the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Sheehy Construction, for the construction of the new American Boulevard Station in Bloomington on the Hiawatha Light Rail Transit (HLRT) line at a cost of \$2,265,300.”

Motion carried.

Joint Report of the Transportation and Management Committee
2009-138 SW - Cooperative Construction and Utility Relocation Agreement and Loan Agreement with District Energy St. Paul and District Cooling St. Paul

It was moved by Scherer and seconded by Broecker

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize and direct the Regional Administrator to

- To negotiate and execute a Cooperative Construction and Utility Relocation Agreement with District Energy St. Paul and District Cooling St. Paul relative to the 4th Street Advance Utility Construction in Saint Paul in a principal amount not to exceed \$2,500,000; and
- To negotiate a Loan Agreement acting as the Metro Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) with District Energy and District Cooling requiring full reimbursement to the Council for the cost of installation. The execution of the agreement is subject to final review by the Council."

Motion carried.

Report of the Management Committee

Items are on the Consent List and Joint Committee Reports

Other Business

Remove 2009-137 from the table

It was moved by Steffen and seconded by McFarlin

"That the Metropolitan Council remove 2009-137 from the table and place it on today's meeting agenda.

Motion carried

The question that resulted in placing the item on the table was why there were two appointments to District 4. Since District 4 contains both Scott and Carver Counties, two representatives need to be appointed in order to comply with the authorizing statute and committee bylaws, naming one representative for each county.

2009-137r - Land Use Advisory Committee Appointments

It was moved by Peterson and seconded by Sanda

"That the Metropolitan Council approve the appointments of Jerry McDonald and Jon Ulrich to the Land Use Advisory Committee representing District 4."

Motion carried.

2009-162 - Metropolitan Council Member Committee Assignments

It was moved by Hilker and seconded by Meeks

"That the Metropolitan Council approve the following committee assignments recommended by the Chair Pursuant to Council Bylaws, Article III.1.

Transportation	Community Dev.	Environment	Management
<i>Meeks, Chair</i>	<i>Steffen, Chair</i>	<i>Leppik, Chair</i>	<i>Scherer, Chair</i>
Aguilar	Aguilar	Beach	Broecker
Beach	Bowles	Bowles	McFarlin
Hilker	Broecker	Peterson	Peterson
Leppik	Hilker	Scherer	Pistilli
McFarlin, Vice Chair	Meeks, Vice Chair	Wittsack	Sanda
Peterson	Pistilli, Vice Chair	Wolter, Vice Chair	Wittsack Vice Chair
Scherer	Sanda	<u>Wulff</u>	
Steffen	Wolter		
	<u>Wulff</u>		

Motion carried.

2009-163 - Litigation Review Special Committee Appointment

It was moved by Wittsack and seconded by Leppik

"That the Metropolitan Council approve the appointment of Council Member Polly Bowles to the Litigation Review Special Committee, effective immediately."

Motion carried.

Risk Management Update

Phil Waljasper, Manager of Liability and Worker’s Compensation, presented an overview of the department services: administering the Council’s self-insured claims, contract review, risk analysis for Council projects, risk claim management and property and casualty insurance procurement.

Responding to questions, Mr. Waljasper noted the Council does have reserves to cover future liabilities on current claims. He stated the commuter rail industry has had discussions about creating a risk pool to cover rail properties nationwide.

“Distracted Drivers” At What Cost?”

Vince Pellegrin, Assistant General Manager, Transit Bus Operations and Mike Conlon, Director of Transit Rail and Bus Safety, presented a video featuring bus operators in a variety of settings that illustrate the range of distractions they face every day and steps transit agencies and operators can take to control distractions. The 17-minute video, produced by Metro Transit, was named winner of the 2009 Bus Safety Gold Award by the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) at its recent national meeting..

Reports

Chair

Chair Bell reported:

- the Transportation Bill passed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor, plugged a \$62.4 million hole in the transit operating budget for the coming two years. It will allow operation of current and committed transit services;
- he appeared before the ULI MN/RCM CTLUS Committee to discuss transportation funding;
- he presented information on the Regional Parks Foundation to Washington County Commissioners;
- he met with University of Minnesota officials regarding CCLRT;
- he spoke about the Metropolitan Council to visiting Chamber groups from Atlanta GA and Columbus OH.

Council Members

Council Member Sersland Beach reported the Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS) Minnesota Chapter presented the Rosa Parks Diversity Leadership Award to the Central Corridor Community Outreach staff for their work in the spirit of inclusiveness in the community. The award is presented to organizations for being bold in their support and promotion of diversity, inclusiveness and multi-cultural awareness within the transportation agency.

Regional Administrator

Regional Administrator Weaver

- acknowledged Environmental Services for completing 27-months of perfect compliance at the Wastewater Treatment Plants;
- reminded Council Members that Council and Committee meetings are on www.metrocouncil.org so members can check back on items or view meetings they may have missed.

General Counsel

Assistant General Counsel Mark Thompson had no report.

Adjournment

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Part III - Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of May 13, 2009.

Approved this 10th day of June, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Curtiss
Secretary