# Business Item Item: 2009-256

## Other Business

Meeting date: July 22, 2009

#### **ADVISORY INFORMATION**

Date: July 14, 2009

Subject: Land Use Advisory Committee (LUAC) Appointment

District(s), Member(s): Wendy Wulff - District 16

Policy/Legal Reference: MN Statutes 473.127 and 473.853

Staff Prepared/Presented: Peter Bell, Council Chair (651.602.1453)

Division/Department: Chair's Office

### **Proposed Action**

That the Metropolitan Council approve the appointment of **Karl Drotning** to the Land Use Advisory Committee representing District 16.

#### **Background**

With Wendy Wulff's appointment to the Metropolitan Council, the district 16 position on LUAC became vacant and needs to be filled.

#### Rationale

The LUAC was established by the Metropolitan Council pursuant to MN Statutes 473.127 and 473.853. The committee's purpose is to assist the Council in performing regional land use planning functions and undertake other responsibilities as delegated by the Council or required by law. The committee's advisory duties include rendering advice and assistance regarding metropolitan land use, comprehensive planning, and matters of metropolitan significance.

The LUAC membership consists of at least 16 members plus a chair. As required by statute, membership shall include at least one member from each Council district and provide representation from each metropolitan county. At least half of the members must be elected officials of local governmental units.

When an unscheduled vacancy occurs, the LUAC chair notifies the Council chair, who recommends for appointment a new member to fill the vacated position for the remainder of the term.

The district 16 position on LUAC became vacant when Wendy Wulff was appointed by Governor Pawlenty to the Metropolitan Council. In consultation with Metropolitan Council Member Wulff, Chair Bell is recommending the appointment of Karl Drotning to the Land Use Advisory Committee representing district 16. Mr. Drotning currently serves on the City of Lakeville Planning Commission. If appointed, Mr. Drotning will complete a term ending January 2011.

Funding - N/A

Known Support / Opposition - N/A