



Metropolitan Council Meeting

Wednesday, September 14, 2011

Robert Street Chambers

4:00 PM

Table of Contents

Part I - Narrative

Attendance	1
Call to Order and Approval of Agenda	1
Minutes	1
Public Invitation	1

Part II - Exhibits

Business

2011 Unified Budget Amendment.....	1
Unified Capital Program Amendment.....	2
Committee Consent List	2
Report of the Transportation Committee.....	4

Other Business

Results of the GANs sale	4
Regional Benchmarks	4
Corridors of Opportunity Update and Status Report	4

Reports

Chair	4
Council Members	4
Regional Administrator	5
General Counsel	6

Adjournment	6
--------------------------	----------

Part III - Certification	6
---------------------------------	----------

Metropolitan Council Meeting

Wednesday, September 14, 2011

Council Chambers

4:00 PM

Part I - Narrative

Attendance:

James Brimeyer, Steven Chávez, Jon Commers, Gary Cunningham, John Doan, Adam Duininck, Steven Elkins, Rich Kramer, Harry Melander, Jennifer Munt, Edward Reynoso, Sandra Rummel, Lona Schreiber, Roxanne Smith, Gary Van Eyll, Wendy Wulff

Members absent: Susan Haigh

Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

A quorum being present, First Vice Chair Melander called the regular meeting of the Metropolitan Council to order at 4:02 p.m. It was moved by Commers, seconded by Rummel to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes

It was moved by Kramer, seconded by Chavez to approve the minutes of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of August 24, 2011. Motion carried.

Public Invitation

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

Part II - Exhibits

Business

2011-205- 2011 Unified Budget Amendment

It was moved by Brimeyer and seconded by Chavez,

“That the Metropolitan Council: Amend the 2011 Unified Operating Budget as indicated and in accordance with attached tables”

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

	Yes			Abstain	Absent
	Smith	Cunningham	Melander		Haigh
	Schreiber	Duininck	Kramer		Munt
	Van Eyll	Reynoso	Commers		
	Elkins	Doan	Chavez		
	Brimeyer	Rummel	Wulff		
TOTAL	15				2

2011-206 Unified Capital Program Amendment

It was moved by Brimeyer and seconded by Chavez,

"That the Metropolitan Council: Amend the 2011 Unified Capital Program as indicated and in accordance with the attached tables."

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

	Yes			Abstain	Absent
	Smith	Cunningham	Melander		Haigh
	Schreiber	Duininck	Kramer		Munt
	Van Eyll	Reynoso	Commers		
	Elkins	Doan	Chavez		
	Brimeyer	Rummel	Wulff		
TOTAL	15				2

Committee Consent List

2011-219 - Central Corridor Light Rail Transit: Subordinate Funding Agreement with the City of Minneapolis

It was moved by Commers and seconded by Van Eyll,

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute Subordinate Funding Agreement (SFA) #9 under the existing Master Funding Agreement to reimburse the City of Minneapolis for water inspection and construction services for an amount not to exceed \$350,000."

Motion carried.

2011-220 - Authorization to Execute Grant Agreement with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority for Cedar Avenue BRT Station Construction

It was moved by Commers and seconded by Van Eyll,

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a grant agreement with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority (MVTA) for an amount up to \$3,543,691 for design and construction of two walk-up stations on Cedar Avenue BRT."

Motion carried.

2011-221 - Authorization to Purchase 41 Option 40-Foot Replacement Buses

It was moved by Commers and seconded by Van Eyll,

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to exercise an existing contract option with Gillig Corporation to purchase 41 forty-foot, low-floor transit buses in an amount not-to-exceed \$23,537,561."

Motion carried.

2011-225 - Authorization to Hold Public Hearing on Draft Facility Plan for Minneapolis Interceptor Rehabilitation, MCES Project No. 809040

It was moved by Commers and seconded by Van Eyll,

"It is recommended that the Metropolitan Council authorize its General Manager of Environmental Services to hold a public hearing for the Draft Facility Plan for the Minneapolis Interceptor Rehabilitation Project, MCES Project No. 809040."

Motion carried.

2011-231 - Copier equipment purchase and maintenance agreement

It was moved by Commers and seconded by Van Eyll,

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an agreement to purchase multi-function devices (MFD) and maintenance agreement for a 5 year period with Toshiba in an amount not to exceed \$700,000. This amount includes purchase price, maintenance, copier costs and support."

Motion carried.

2011-232 - Authorization to Amend Supplemental Funding Grant Agreement with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority

It was moved by Commers and seconded by Van Eyll,

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to amend Supplemental Transit Operating Funding grant agreement (SG-2011-001) with Minnesota Valley Transit Authority (MVTA) to increase the grant amount by \$729,000 for a revised total of \$2,679,000."

Motion carried.

2011-234 - Amendment of Business Item 2010-201, Northstar Locomotive Purchase

It was moved by Commers and seconded by Van Eyll,

"Amendment of Business Item 2010-201, approved on June 9, 2010, by \$112,813, authorizing the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a

purchase agreement with the Utah Transit Authority for an MP-36 locomotive in the not-to-exceed amount of \$2,798,536 to a new not-to-exceed amount of \$2,911,349."

Motion carried

Report of the Transportation Committee

2011-233 – Approval of the Draft Transitway Guidelines for Public Comment

It was moved by Wulff and seconded by Rummel,

"That the Metropolitan Council adopt the Draft *Regional Transitway Guidelines* for the purpose of soliciting public comments. The Draft *Regional Transitway Guidelines* will be available for public review and comment at the Web address below or by requesting a copy from the Metropolitan Council Data Center:

<http://www.metrocouncil.org/planning/transportation/transitways/RegionalTransitwayGuidelinesDraftAug2011.pdf>."

Motion carried.

Other Business

Brief report by Councilmember Brimeyer on the Results of the GANs sale and the Metropolitan Council bond rating.

Regional Benchmarks presentation by Libby Starling. The benchmarks can be found at: <http://www.metrocouncil.org/planning/framework/benchmarks.pdf>

Corridors of Opportunity Update/Status report by: Mark Vander Schaaf, Director of Planning and Growth Management in the Community Development Department, and a project director of the Corridors of Opportunity; and Allison Brummel, project manager of the HUD portion of the Corridors of Opportunity. [PowerPoint Presentation](#)

Reports

Chair: No Report

Council Members:

Council members reported on recent meetings and events:

- Councilmember Wulff met with the St. Paul Association of Realtors and Governmental Affairs
- Council members Chavez, Wulff & Elkins attended meetings with MN Valley Transit Association. Councilmember Chavez also attended a Burnsville City council Meet and Greet.
- Council members Kramer and Chavez will be attending a meeting of the Robert Street Study Task Force soon.

- Council members Rummel, Reynoso and Schreiber attending a meeting with Anoka County Commissioners regarding their transportation concerns.
- Councilmember Doan attended a workshop in Washington DC with the Federal Highway Administration. Also attended a meeting with staff and members of the Minnesota Vikings on the risk assessment of the Arden Hills site, and there will be a site visit soon for the members.
- Councilmember Duininck met with Mayor Rybak after his budget address on Monday. TAB news is the federal transportation reauthorization should be done soon.
- Councilmember Cunningham attended the Fourth Street flats opening on August 25th in Dinkytown. On August 26th, met with senior citizens in North Minneapolis and Harrison neighborhood on senior transit issues. Had a great meeting with Brian Lamb and staff on the 7th and Nicollet issue. Had a meeting with Congressman Ellison who is interested the Met Council work on Central Corridor development and affordable housing. Also attended events for the Bottineau line at the Minneapolis Urban League, and Take Action Minnesota.
- Councilmember Brimeyer gave an update on the visiting Ukrainians and their itinerary.
- Councilmember Van Eyll attended a Greater MSP event, encouraged others to attend these events.
- Councilmember Munt, Wulff, Brimeyer and Elkins learned about best practices from Dallas and how they maximize their rail lines with jobs economic development.
- Councilmember Schreiber attended the counties energy task force, she and Councilmember Rummel sit on the environment committee.
- Councilmember Smith attended the bus tour for the Bottineau line. Was also at the Dallas event.
- Councilmember Elkins participate on the Mileage-Based User Fee Task Force. Also attended the Metro Cities Transportation and General Government meeting.
- Councilmember Melander attended his first Gateway Corridor meeting and also met with Isaiah.
- Councilmember Doan and others attended a Public-Private partnership task force, and also the Anoka County Greater MSP event.

Regional Administrator

- Gave an update on the work for the Governor on the Arden Hills Vikings site.
- The second of three Council planning sessions is scheduled for a week from Friday. We will hear Steve Berg's report on stakeholders.
- This is the time of year to assemble legislative strategies. If you have any, let Judd Schetnan or me know. They will take them to the governor.
- U.S. Secretary of Transportation is coming on Monday. He is holding a press conference at the Union Depot. You are all invited. FTA Administrator Rogoff is also coming.
- Encouraged council members to attend Greater MSP events, they are good events.

General Counsel: No Report.

Adjournment

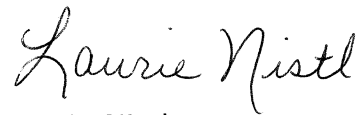
The meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Part III – Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of September 14, 2011.

Approved this 28th day of September, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laurie Nistl".

Laurie Nistl
Recording Secretary