



## Special Metropolitan Council Meeting

Wednesday, October 31, 2012  
Robert Street Council Chambers  
3:00PM

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**Part I - Narrative**

Attendance:

Gary Van Eyll, Steve Elkins, James Brimeyer, Gary Cunningham, Harry Melander, Rich Kramer, Jon Commers, Sandra Rummel, Lona Schreiber, Susan Haigh, Jennifer Munt, Steven Chávez, Adam Duininck, Roxanne Smith  
Members absent: Wendy Wulff, Edward Reynoso, John Đoàn

*Call to Order and Approval of Agenda*

A quorum being present, Chair Haigh called the special meeting of the Metropolitan Council to order at 3:03PM. It was moved by Cunningham, seconded by Rummel to approve the agenda with the removal of 2012-312 Authorization to Extend Dental Contract from the Consent List, per CM Munt's request.

**Motion carried.**

*Minutes*

It was moved by Van Eyll, seconded by Smith to approve the minutes of the Metropolitan Council Meetings of October 10, 2012.

**Motion carried.**

*Public Invitation*

Mark Hughes asked to address the Council regarding his issues with Metro Mobility.

**Part II - Exhibits**

*Business*

**Consent List**

It was moved by Rummel, seconded by Munt to approve the consent list.

**Motion carried.**

**2012-307 City of Saint Paul Request for a Project Change to the TBRA Grant to Rayette Lofts**

"That the Metropolitan Council approve an amendment to the Tax Base Revitalization Account grant for the City of Saint Paul's *Rayette Lofts* project (SG011-179), changing the project description to indicate that all the residential units will be market rate and reduce the amount from \$324,800 to \$231,100."

**2012-310 Southwest Light Rail Transit Project (Green Line Extension) Phase I & Limited Phase II Environmental Site Assessment**

"That the Metropolitan Council (Council) authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. (SEH) for a Phase I and Limited Phase II Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) for the

Southwest Light Rail Transit (SWLRT) Project during the period November 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013 in an amount not to exceed \$415,565."

**2012-315 Final Ratification of Expenditures for Emergency Repairs of Interceptor MSB 69U1**

"That the Metropolitan Council ratify the expenditures made for repairs to interceptor MSB 69U1 in Fridley."

**2012-316 Intercity Regional Trail Master Plan, Three Rivers Park District**

"That the Metropolitan Council:

1. Approve the Intercity Regional Trail Master Plan (Referral No. 50027-1)
2. Require that prior to development of new trail segments, development plans be sent to Metropolitan Council Environmental Services for review and comment in order to ensure the integrity of the interceptor system
3. Advise Three Rivers Park District, the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, and the City of Bloomington that the design of any bridges crossing Trunk Highway 62 or Interstate 494 must avoid encroachment into the airspace of the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport and require that any correspondence between the regional park implementing agencies and the Metropolitan Airport Commission be forwarded to the Metropolitan Council's Senior Aviation Planner
4. Retain the regional trail search corridor from the terminus of the Intercity Regional Trail at the 86<sup>th</sup> Street Bikeway south to the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge and the planned Minnesota Valley State Trail in Bloomington within the *2030 Regional Parks Policy Plan*."

**2012-317 City of Carver 2011 System Statement Comprehensive Plan Amendment Review File No. 20325-4**

"That the Metropolitan Council:

1. Adopt the attached review record and allow the City of Carver to put the 2011 System Statement comprehensive plan amendment (CPA) into effect
2. Find that the proposed CPA does not change the City's forecasts."

**2012-318 2012-2013 Section 8 Utility Allowance Schedule**

"That the Metropolitan Council approve the attached 2012-2013 Section 8 Utility Allowance Schedule effective November 1, 2012 for use by the Metropolitan Housing and Redevelopment Authority (Metro HRA) in the administration of Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher and other Rent Assistance Programs."

**2012-319 Adoption of Payment Standards for the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program**

"That the Metropolitan Council adopts amounts listed below as Payment Standards for the federal Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher and other rental assistance programs effective November 1, 2012."

**2012-320 Request to Extend Livable Communities Demonstration Account Grant Award for Longfellow Station**

"That the Metropolitan Council: (1) approve a 12 month extension to the 2007 Livable Communities Demonstration Account grant number SG007-115 for the Longfellow Station project in the City of Minneapolis; and (2) authorize its Community Development Director to execute an amendment on behalf of the Council."

**2012-321 City of Eden Prairie Mitchell Crossing Apartments Comprehensive Plan Amendment Review File No. 20401-6**

"That the Metropolitan Council:

1. Adopt the attached review record and allow the City of Eden Prairie to put the Mitchell Crossing Apartments comprehensive plan amendment (CPA) into effect.
2. Find that the proposed amendment does not change the City's forecasts."

*Report of the Community Development Committee—Reports on Consent List*

*Report of the Transportation Committee—Reports on Consent List*

*Report of the Environment Committee—Reports on Consent List*

*Report of the Management Committee*

**2012-312 Authorization to Extend Dental Contract**

It was moved by Smith, seconded by Schreiber

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to extend Dental Insurance with HealthPartners for one year."

**Motion carried**, CM Munt abstained.

*Other Business*

**2012-330 Adopting the Metropolitan Council's Public Comment Drafts of the 2013 Unified Operating Budget and 2013 Unified Capital Program**

It was moved by Brimeyer, seconded by Rummel

"That the Metropolitan Council adopt the Public Comment Drafts of the 2013 Unified Operating Budget and 2013 Unified Capital Program."

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

Aye: 12—Smith, Schreiber, Munt, Van Eyll, Brimeyer, Cunningham, Duininck, Rummel, Melander, Kramer, Chávez, Haigh

Nay: 0

Absent: 5—Elkins (arrived during Reports), Reynoso, Doan, Commers (arrived during Reports), Wulff

*Reports*

**Chair:** Attended the Rail~Volution conference in Los Angeles. We will be hosting the event in 2014.

Participated in a TFAC meeting, which involved getting the recommendations ready for the Governor by November 15.

Attended the Employee Recognition brunch along with several Council members.

**Council Members**

Brimeyer—There will be 17 Ukrainian middle and high school students observing at the Nov. 14 meeting.

Munt—Met with the Hopkins school board and discussed light rail and station development. Representatives from the EPA and HUD were here to talk about environmental justice and Munt welcomed our community partners to that meeting. Community Advisory Committee on SWLRT had a great discussion about two of the stations in Eden Prairie.

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Smith—Also had the opportunity to welcome people to a meeting regarding environmental justice which included representatives from MnDOT.

Chávez—Attended an open house on Oct. 18 at Valley Ridge in Burnsville, which was a redevelopment project funded by the Council.

Rummel—Attended the Water Resources Conference along with several staff from MCES. The Water Supply Advisory Committee met recently and had presentations on stormwater and water supply planning.

Duinick—Attended the ceremonial ribbon cutting at the Lowry Avenue bridge. Prior to the ribbon cutting there was a Mississippi Watershed Management Organization building dedication near the bridge. Serving on an advisory committee with CM Cunningham which will look at the Nicollet and Central Avenue corridor, particularly looking at streetcars, but also looking at potential for BRT.

**Regional Administrator**—No report.

**General Counsel**—No report.

*Adjournment*

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 3:17PM.

**Part III - Certification**

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Special Metropolitan Council Meeting of October 31, 2012.

Approved this 14 day of November, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Getty  
Recording Secretary