

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL
390 North Robert Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
Tuesday, January 9, 2007

Committee Members Present: Chair Peggy Leppik, Roger Scherer, Russ Susag, Julius C. Smith, Lynette Wittsack, Daniel Wolter

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Leppik called the regular meeting of the Council's Environment Committee to order at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 9, 2006.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Susag, seconded by Smith to approve the January 9, 2007 agenda and the minutes of the November 28, 2006 regular meeting of the Environment Committee. **The motion carried.**

BUSINESS - CONSENT LIST - None

BUSINESS - NON-CONSENT LIST

2006-27 Ratification of Declaration of Emergency to Repair Primary Digester at the Empire Wastewater Treatment Plant

It was moved by Wolter, seconded by Susag that the Metropolitan Council ratify the attached *Justification for and Declaration of Emergency* for repairing the primary digester at the Empire Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Motion carried. Placed on Council Consent Agenda.

2006-28 Ratification of Declaration of Emergency to Remove and Dispose of Contaminated Soils for the Riverview Siphon Improvements

It was moved by Susag, seconded by Wittsack that the Metropolitan Council ratify the attached *Justification for and Declaration of Emergency* for removal and disposal of contaminated soils for the Riverview Siphon Improvements.

Motion carried. Placed on Council Consent Agenda.

2006-29 Ratification of Declaration of Emergency to Replace Concrete Beam and Floor Slab at the Crystal Lift Station L-30

It was moved by Susag, seconded by Wittsack that the Metropolitan Council ratify the attached *Justification for and Declaration of Emergency* for replacement of a concrete beam and floor slab at the Crystal Lift Station L-30.

Motion carried. Placed on Council Consent Agenda.

2006-30 Authorization to Award Contract for Security Guard Services for MCES Facilities and 390 N. Robert Street Building

It was moved by Wittsack, seconded by Susag that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a contract with General Security Services Corporation (GSSC) to provide Security Guard Services for MCES Facilities and 390 N. Robert Street.

Motion carried. Placed on Council Consent Agenda.

2006-31 Authorization to Purchase Polymer for the Metro Wastewater Treatment Plant

It was moved by Scherer, seconded by Wolter that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to issue a Purchase Order to Polydyne Incorporated, to provide Clarifloc CE-817 & CE-

819 Polymers to the Metro Wastewater Treatment Plant at a unit price of \$0.109 & \$1.05 per pound respectively.

Motion carried. Placed on Council Consent Agenda.

2006-32 Authorization to Negotiate and Execute Contract for Professional Geotechnical and Testing Services with American Engineering Testing

It was moved by Smith, seconded by Susag that the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a contract for professional geotechnical and testing services with American Engineering Testing in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.

Motion carried. Placed on Council Consent Agenda.

2006-33 Authorization to Negotiate and Execute Contract for Professional Geotechnical and Testing Services with Braun Intertec

It was moved by Smith, seconded by Susag that the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a contract for professional geotechnical and testing services with Braun Intertec in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.

Motion carried. Placed on Council Consent Agenda.

2006-34 Authorization to Negotiate and Execute Contract for Professional Geotechnical and Testing Services with STS Consultants

It was moved by Smith, seconded by Susag that the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a contract for professional geotechnical and testing services with Braun Intertec in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.

Motion carried. Placed on Council Consent Agenda.

2006-35 Authorization for a Joint Use Agreement with the City of Minneapolis at the Portland and Washington Regulator Site

It was moved by Wittsack, seconded by Susag that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator negotiate and enter into a joint use agreement with the City of Minneapolis for access at the Portland & Washington Regulator site.

Motion carried. Placed on Council Consent Agenda.

2006-36 Authorization to Negotiate and Execute Intergovernmental Agreement with City of Carver for Construction of Chaska West Interceptor - Phase II, MCES Project 803800

It was moved by Smith, seconded by Scherer that the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Carver for construction of Chaska West Interceptor – Phase II , MCES Project No. 803800.

Motion carried.

2006-37 Authorization to Negotiate and Execute a Construction Cooperation Agreement with the University of Minnesota for the Oak Street Sewer Replacement

It was moved by Susag, seconded by Smith that the Metropolitan Council authorize staff to negotiate an Intergovernmental Agreement with the University of Minnesota and the City of Minneapolis to include construction of elements of the Oak Street sewer between 4th Street and Washington Avenue into the University Gopher Stadium project.

Motion carried. (As an employee of the University of Minnesota, Wolter recused himself from voting.)

2006-38 Authorization to Negotiate and Execute a Construction Cooperation Agreement with Hennepin County for Interceptor 1-MN-320 Improvements

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It was moved by Wittsack, seconded by Susag that the Metropolitan Council authorize staff to negotiate an Intergovernmental Agreements with Hennepin County and Northstar Commuter Rail for the inclusion of interceptor improvements in the construction contracts for the Twins Ball Park and the rail facilities.

Motion carried. Placed on Council Consent Agenda.

INFORMATION

Inflow/Infiltration (I/I) Surcharge Update

Kyle Colvin, Assistant Manager-Engineering Planning, reported that out of the 105 communities that are part of the MDS, 45 were identified as surcharge communities. All 45 communities have committed to expend monies to abate I/I in 2007, and all but three have submitted a specific work plan to reduce or eliminate the 2007 I/I surcharge. In addition to continuing its regional system rehabilitation program, MCES will continue to provide technical assistance, work with communities to evaluate eligible cost credits and submit work plans, and will enter into joint studies/projects with communities that contain regional interceptors within their corporate boundaries. Colvin gave a summary of ES activities as they relate to I/I programs and projects.

Media Coverage

The Committee viewed three news clips that were aired recently:

- 1) Sewer Backup in Columbia Heights
- 2) Septage Dumping on Farm Fields
- 3) Where Does the Water Go

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Harder
Recording Secretary