

## METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

390 North Robert Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Tuesday, September 27, 2011

Committee Members Present: Chair Sandra Rummel, Lona Schreiber Gary Van Eyll,  
Vice-Chair Wendy Wulff

Committee Members Absent: John Đoàn

Committee Members Excused: Harry Melander, Edward Reynoso

#### CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Rummel called the regular meeting of the Council's Environment Committee to order at 4:05 p.m. on Tuesday, September 27, 2011.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Van Eyll, seconded by Wulff, to approve the agenda. **The motion carried.**

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Van Eyll, to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2011 regular meeting of the Environment Committee. **The motion carried.**

#### BUSINESS

##### **2011-263 Authorization to Acquire Fee Title, Permanent and Temporary Easements and to File a Condemnation Petition, Interceptor 7019-B Rehabilitation, MCES Project 802815, Resolution 2011-29**

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Van Eyll, that the Metropolitan Council pass Resolution 2011-29 which authorizes acquisition of the fee title, permanent and temporary easements necessary for the Interceptor 7019-B Rehabilitation, MCES Project No. 802815, and which authorizes the Council's legal staff to initiate condemnation proceedings for those parcels which staff cannot acquire by negotiation. **Motion carried.**

##### **2011-264 Authorization to Acquire Fee Title, Permanent and Temporary Easements and to File a Condemnation Petition, Interceptor 1-MN-330 Rehabilitation, MCES Project 809050, Resolution 2011-30**

It was moved by Van Eyll, seconded by Wulff, that the Metropolitan Council pass Resolution 2011-30 which authorizes acquisition of the fee title, permanent and temporary easements necessary for the Interceptor 1-MN-330 Rehabilitation, MCES Project No. 809050, and which authorizes the Council's legal staff to initiate condemnation proceedings for those parcels which staff cannot acquire by negotiation. **Motion carried.**

#### INFORMATION

##### 1. 2012 Legislative Initiatives

Judd Schetnan, Director of Government Affairs, explained the Council's legislative procedures and the Governor's process. Jason Willett, ES Finance Director, and Keith Buttleman, Assistant General Manager of EQA, reviewed three proposed Environmental Services bills: one is a housekeeping bill, one involves the sewer availability charge, and the third concerns data privacy. A final legislative agenda will be presented to the council members prior to the session starting.

##### 2. Minnesota Water Sustainability Framework Study - postponed

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3. Dakota County Trail Plan and MCES Facilities

Bryce Pickart, Assistant General Manager of Technical Services, informed the committee that there are a couple of proposed trails in Dakota County that involve the Empire Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP), the Seneca WWTP, and the Regional Maintenance Facility. Issues related to wastewater operations and trail alignments across MCES property were discussed. Staff has prepared comments on the plan and submitted them to Dakota County for consideration.

4. General Manager's Report

William G. Moore updated the committee on the PFOS issue relative to the reissuance of the MPCA NPDES permit.

5. Council Member Van Eyll reported that he attended the City of Victoria Council meeting on September 26. The city council spoke well of Metropolitan Council staff and their response to the concerns of the city.

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 5:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan M. Harder  
Recording Secretary