

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

390 North Robert Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

Minutes of the REGULAR MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Tuesday, September 11, 2012

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

Committee Members Excused: John Đoàn

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Rummel called the regular meeting of the Council's Environment Committee to order at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 11, 2012.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

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

It was moved by Melander, seconded by Van Eyll, to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2012 regular meeting of the Environment Committee. **Motion carried.**

It was moved by Reynoso, seconded by Van Eyll, to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2012 regular meetings of the Environment Committee. **Motion carried.**

BUSINESS

2012-271 Authorization to Award and Execute Construction Contract for Hopkins Force Main, St. Louis Park/Minneapolis, Project No. 804122, Contract No. 12P076

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Wulff, that the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract for construction of the North Minneapolis Interceptor Rehabilitation, MCES Project Number 807610, Contract No. 12P026, with Visu-Sewer, Inc. in the amount of \$6,425,681. **Motion carried.**

2012-272 Authorization to Award a Construction Contract for North Minneapolis Interceptor Rehabilitation, MCES Project No. 807610, Contract No. 12P026

It was moved by Van Eyll, seconded by Wulff, that the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award and execute a construction contract for Hopkins System Improvements Contract B – St. Louis Park/Minneapolis Force Main, Project No. 804122, Contract No. 12P076, with Lametti and Sons, Inc. for their low bid of \$13,873,700.00.

Motion carried.

2012-273 Authorization to Hold Public Hearing on Draft Facility Plan for Burnsville Interceptor Rehabilitation, MCES Project 809058

It was moved by Reynoso, seconded by Van Eyll, that the Metropolitan Council authorize its General Manager of Environmental Services to hold a public hearing for the Draft Facility Plan for the Burnsville Interceptor Improvements Project, MCES Project No. 809058. **Motion carried**

2012-274 Authorization to Hold Public Hearing on Draft Facility Plan for Minneapolis Interceptor Rehabilitation Phase 2, MCES Project No. 807625

It was moved by Reynoso, seconded by Wulff, 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, Phase 2, MCES Project No. 807625. **Motion carried.**

2012-289 Authorization to Award a Construction Contract for Wayzata Area Improvements – Phase 2, MCES Project No. 802844, Contract No. 12P056

It was moved by Van Eyll, seconded by Wulff, that the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract for construction of the Wayzata Area Improvements – Phase 2, MCES Project Number 802844, Contract No. 12P056, with S. J. Louis Construction, Inc., for their low responsive bid of \$3,724,56. **Motion carried.**

2012-290 Authorization for Sole Source Procurement of Moyno Pumps and Repair Parts

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Van Eyll, that the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to procure Moyno-brand pumps, repair parts, and services from Van Bergen & Markson, Inc. on a Sole Source basis in an amount not to exceed \$750,000 for a three-year period. **Motion carried.**

INFORMATION

1. Water Resource Plan Update

Keith Buttleman, Assistant General Manager of Environmental Quality Assurance, reviewed the basic elements of the Water Resources Management Policy Plan (WRMPP). He explained the current regional development framework policy directives. Buttleman then reviewed the proposed regional development framework (Thrive MSP 2040) policy relative to water sustainability. The policy is to work with local and regional partners to provide for sustainable regional water resources through effective wastewater, storm water, and water supply management. The committee reviewed the proposed water sustainability strategies for Thrive (wastewater, water supply, and surface water responsibilities). The committee requested that a category for drinking water be developed. Buttleman provided an update on the emerging issues for WRMPP. Next steps include: policy development for Thrive MSP 2040; issue identification for WRMPP; policy development for WRMPP; adoption of Thrive MSP 2040 in February 2014, and adoption of WRMPP in May 2014.

2. General Manager's Report

Leisa Thompson asked Bryce Pickart, Assistant General Manager of Technical Services, to provide an update on the City of East Bethel's concerns about meeting its financial responsibilities in the absence of planned development. Council staff met with city staff and informed the committee that the council is offering what it can, i.e. restructure wastewater service agreements, or possibly offer a reserve capacity loan.

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

Susan M. Harder
Recording Secretary