

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

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
April 20, 2009

Committee Members Present: **Chair Natalie Steffen; Annette Meeks; Kris Sanda; Georgeanne Hilker; Vice-Chair, Tony Pistilli; Daniel Wolter; Richard Aguilar; Sherry Broecker; Polly Bowles**

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Steffen called the regular meeting of the Council's Community Development Committee to order at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, April 20, 2009.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Hilker seconded by Wolter, to approve the agenda. **The motion carried.**

It was moved by Broecker, seconded by Pistilli to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2009 regular meeting of the Community Development Committee. **The motion carried.**

BUSINESS

2009-88 City of Bloomington 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update
Review File No. 20427-1 Denise P. Engen, Principal Reviewer (651-602-1513)

Local Planning Assistance staff member Denise Engen presented the report and the proposed actions to the Community Development Committee.

Recommendation of the Community Development Committee:

1. Authorize the City of Bloomington to put its 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update into effect;
2. Advise the City to:
 - a. Adopt the revised forecasts for population, households and employment.
 - b. Submit the Airport South District Plan, when completed, to the Council as a comprehensive plan amendment.
 - c. Participate in Council activities to monitor redevelopment in developed communities.
 - d. Implement the advisory comments noted in the Review Record for Roadway Functional Classification, Highways, Land Use and Water Supply.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee:

1. Approve the City of Bloomington's Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan.
2. Advise the City to submit its updated Sanitary Sewer Policy Plan, when completed, to the Council as an amendment to the Tier II Sewer Plan.

Steffen asked for a definition of low density in the report. Ms. Engen directed Chair Steffen to page 9 of the report, and stated the density numbers from the report.

Pistilli inquired if the area is unique considerations due to the airport. Ms. Engen responded there are special considerations in the report for more information on the airport south area, and when more information is available a review of the comprehensive plan amendment will be done.

Wolter moved, seconded by Hilker that the Metropolitan Council adopt the Advisory Comments and Review Record, and the recommendations of the Community Development Committee and the Environment Committee. **The motion carried.**

2009-92 City of Anoka 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update

Review File No. 20444-1 Patrick Boylan, Principal Reviewer, (651-602-1438)

Local Planning Assistance staff member Patrick Boylan presented the report and the proposed actions to the Community Development Committee.

Recommendation of the Community Development Committee

1. Authorize the City of Anoka to put its 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update into effect
2. Advise the City to:
 - a. Implement the advisory comments in the Review Record for transportation, forecasts and water supply.
 - b. Participate in Council activities to monitor redevelopment in developed communities.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee:

Approve the City of Anoka's Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan.

Broecker moved, seconded by Hilker that the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record, and the Recommendations of the Community Development and Environment Committees. **The motion carried.**

2009-98 City of Richfield 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update

Review File No. 20472-1 Denise P. Engen, Principal Reviewer, (651-602-1513)

Local Planning Assistance staff member Denise Engen presented the report and the proposed actions to the Community Development Committee.

Recommendation of the Community Development Committee:

1. Authorize the City Richfield to put its 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update into effect;
2. Advise the City to:
 - a. Adopt the revised forecasts for population and households.
 - b. Inform the Council of the date that the City adopted the final version of the Local Surface Water Management Plan.
 - c. Include the revised Water Supply Plan sent to the Council on March 17, 2009 in the final version of the Update.
 - d. Participate in Council activities to monitor redevelopment in developed communities.
 - e. Implement the advisory comments noted in the Review Record for Transit, Aviation, Water Supply and Implementation.

Recommendation of the Environment Committee:

Approve the City of Richfield's Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan.

Steffen inquired about the difference report in the City’s existing land use table for acres of water in 1997 and in 2007. Engen explained the classification process that was done years ago was different than the process used now.

Wolter moved, seconded by Hilker that the Metropolitan Council adopt the Advisory Comments and Review Record, and the Recommendations of the Community Development and Environment Committees. **The motion carried.**

2009-99 City of Centerville Comprehensive Plan Update Review File No. 20397-1 Lisa Barajas, Principal Reviewer, 651-602-1895

Local Planning Assistance staff member Lisa Barajas presented the report and the proposed actions to the Community Development Committee.

Recommendations of the Community Development Committee:

1. Authorize the City of Centerville to put its 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update into effect.
2. Advise the City:
 - a. To revise the text so that the description of the medium density land use category states “minimum 5-acre density” rather than “average 5-acre density.”
 - b. To provide the date to the Council of when the Rice Creek Watershed District approved the 2004 SWMP and the date that the City adopted the plan.
 - c. Participate in Council activities to monitor redevelopment in developed communities.
 - d. Implement the advisory comments in the review record for water supply.

Recommendations of the Environment Committee:

Approve the Centerville’s Tier II Comprehensive Sewer Plan.

Hilker asked for a definition of recommendation of 2C. Ms. Barajas explained the areas are not developed but have identified certain parcels for development.

Steffen asked if recommendation 2A affects plat monitoring. The remaining use minimums but identify the density ranges.

Hilker moved, seconded by Pistilli that the Metropolitan Council adopt the Advisory Comments and Review Record, and the Recommendations of the Community Development and Environment Committees.

The motion carried.

2009-120 2009 Unified Operating Budget Amendment Beth Reetz, Director of Housing & Livable Communities (651) 602-1060

This amendment to the 2009 Unified Operating Budget reflects the increased revenue and associated increased expenditures.

The division of the salary and benefits of the Director of Housing and Livable Communities would transfer \$66,500 of expenditure authority from Community Development to the Housing and Redevelopment Authority. The position of Housing and Livable Communities is responsible for the oversight of the Council’s Housing and Redevelopment Authority.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>Revised</u>
Revenue	\$ 923,000	\$ 1,135,000

Expenses	<u>\$1,094,571</u>	<u>\$ 1,306,571</u>
Projected Deficit	(\$171,571)	(\$171,571)

Pistilli asked if we move this expenditure to another budget will additional funds come over from somewhere else. Reetz explained the amount will be split between the Community Development Division and the Housing and Redevelopment Authority. The CD budget will be reduced by \$66,500 and the HRA budget increased by \$66,500.

Hilker moved, seconded by Broecker that the Metropolitan Council amend the 2009 Unified Operating Budget by increasing authorized expenditures and revenues in the Family Affordable Housing Program as indicated below and that the Metropolitan Council authorize the salary and benefits of the Director of Housing and Livable Communities be divided equally between Community Development Division Management (Fund 100) and the Housing and Redevelopment Authority (Fund 234). **The motion carried.**

Ms Reetz explained the FHAP conversion; this conversion will provide rental revenue while the housing units will remain affordable. The families in FHAP units will remain in their units but will receive rent assistance benefits through the Section 8 program rather than the Public Housing Program and the Council will continue to own the properties.

Steffen asked if we are not getting any additional Section 8 Vouchers for FHAP units.

Ms. Reetz replied since we do not want to decrease the amount of available subsidy, we are applying for vouchers to replace the public housing subsidy.

Steffen wanted to confirm this conversion will not result in anyone being turned out of their housing. Ms. Reetz confirmed Chair Steffen's is correct.

Mr. Peterson asked to Ms. Reetz to explain the public housing reserves, the money currently in reserves come from many sources, those sources allowed the Council to keep the remaining funds to improve housing units.

2009-121 2009-2014 Capital Improvement Plan and Capital Program and Budget Amendment (Arne Stefferud 651-602-1360)

Alan Morris, Principal Financial Analyst of the Budget and Evaluation division presented the report to the Community Development Committee.

The Parks and Open Space Program within the Community Development Department maintains two accounts to provide funding to acquire land for the regional park system:

- The Parks and Trails Fund (PTF) Acquisition Account is funded with regional funds and, in the future, with state funding from the Parks and Trails Fund. Any parcel within regional park system boundaries is eligible for grants from these state and regional funds.
- The Environmental Trust Fund (EFT) Acquisition Account, funded with state Environmental Trust Fund and regional funding. Environmental Trust Fund grants are more restrictive in terms of which parcels are grant eligible.

Wolter moved, seconded by Broecker that the Metropolitan Council:

- Amend the 2009 Authorized Capital Program (Multi-year authorization) by adding \$ 4,700,000 in new spending authority to the Land Acquisition Opportunity Account
- Approve changes as detailed in Attachment 1.

The motion carried.

Steffen asked Mr. Morris to ask Mr. Stefferud if he has any records that would indicate if the Council is currently paying less to purchase land for parks.

INFORMATION

Update from Minnesota Foreclosure Partners Council (Melissa Manderschied)

Melissa Manderschied from Kennedy & Graven addressed the Committee with a presentation regarding the initiatives of the Minnesota Foreclosure Partners Council. She highlighted the current problems with foreclosures and how the Minnesota Foreclosure Partners Council is implementing solutions to the foreclosure crisis.

ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled CDC meeting will be held on Monday, **May 4**, 2009, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Business completed Chair Steffen adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Wenner
Recording Secretary