



Metropolitan Council Meeting

Wednesday, January 17, 2006

Council Chambers

4:00 P.M.

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Part I - Narrative

Members present:

Peter Bell, Chair; Tony Pistilli, Jules Smith, Mary Hill Smith, Russ Susag, Annette Meeks, Lynette Wittsack, Kris Sanda, Georgeanne Hilker, Rick Aguilar, Daniel Wolter, Brian McDaniel

Members absent: Roger Scherer, Peggy Leppik, Natalie Steffen, Chris Georgacas, District 14 Vacant

Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

A quorum being present, the Chair called the regular meeting of the Metropolitan Council to order at 4:03 p.m. It was moved by J. Smith seconded by Meeks to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes

It was moved by Wolter, seconded by M. Smith to approve the minutes of the Metropolitan Council meeting of December 13, 2006. Motion carried.

Public Invitation

No one asked to address the Council regarding matters not on today's agenda.

Chair Bell announced the Council now has the ability for staff and Council Members to dial into the Council meeting to monitor. This is one-way communication; so Council members cannot participate in the meeting. The Open Meeting Law permits a member of a public body to participate from a remote location only if all members can both see and hear one another and can see and hear all discussion and testimony presented. Minn. Stat. 13D.02

Regional Administrator Weaver added that an on-line connection enabling employees and Council Members to monitor Council and perhaps committee meetings via the computer (audio only) will be available soon.

Part II - Exhibits

Business

[I-35W / Crosstown TIP Amendment](#)

Arlene McCarthy introduced Khani Sahebjam, MnDOT Metro District, who presented a summary of a proposed 2007-2010 TIP amendment that includes increased cost estimates for the I35W Crosstown project and TH 12 near Long Lake and defers the TH 169 and CSAH 81 interchange project from 2008 to 2010. Action will be taken at the January 24, 2007 Metropolitan Council meeting.

Committee Consent List

2006-331 - City of Farmington Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Land Use Change & 270 Acre MUSA Expansion, Review File 18248-24

It was moved by McDaniel and seconded by M. Smith

"That the Metropolitan Council:

1. Allow the City of Farmington to put the proposed amendment into effect with no modifications including the MUSA expansion of 270.22 acres.
2. Inform the City that the CPA will not change the City's forecasts.
3. Advise the City:
 - a) It's local surface water management plan update is due by October 2007; and,
 - b) To continue participating in the Council's annual plat monitoring program.
4. Encourage the City to consider transit service in the site plan
5. The Council supports the environmentally sensitive land use designation in the North Creek natural area."

Motion carried.

2006-341 - Spring Lake Regional Park Development Master Plan, Scott County

It was moved by McDaniel and seconded by M. Smith

"That the Metropolitan Council:

1. Approve the Spring Lake Regional Park development master plan (Referral No. 19844-1)
2. Request Scott County to submit to the Metropolitan Council estimated annual costs to operate and maintain Spring Lake Regional Park and projected revenue sources to cover those costs when it submits capital improvement grant requests for the park."

Motion carried.

2006-342 - Elm Creek Park Reserve Development Master Plan, Three Rivers Park District

It was moved by McDaniel and seconded by M. Smith

"That the Metropolitan Council approve the Elm Creek Park Reserve Development Master Plan (Referral No. 19864-1)."

Motion carried.

2006-368 - Request for Reimbursement Consideration in Future Regional Parks CIP for Design/Engineering of Mississippi River Regional Trail Segment in Dakota County and Related Amendment to 2006-07 Regional Parks CIP

It was moved by McDaniel and seconded by M. Smith

"That the Metropolitan Council approve the request to consider reimbursing Dakota County up to \$102,000 for design/engineering of the Mississippi River Regional Trail from Spring Lake Park Reserve to the City of Hastings. \$80,000 of the reimbursement is proposed to be funded by amending the 2006-07 CIP project description for project 06D-23 as follows:

"Partial reimbursement for design and engineering of regional trail from Spring Lake Park Reserve to the west Hastings city limit along CSAH 42, a distance of approximately 3.4 miles."

The remaining \$22,000 would be considered for reimbursement in a future regional parks capital improvement program. However, the Council does not under any circumstances represent or guarantee that reimbursement will be granted, and expenditure of local funds never entitles a park agency to reimbursement.”

Motion carried.

[2006-388](#) - Request for Reimbursement Consideration in a Future Regional Parks CIP for Dakota Rail Regional Trail Design/Construction Plans, Three Rivers Park District

It was moved by McDaniel and seconded by M. Smith

"That the Metropolitan Council:

1. Approve the request to consider reimbursing Three Rivers Park District up to \$648,644 for final design development and construction plans for the Dakota Rail Regional Trail in a future regional parks capital improvement program. However, the Council does not under any circumstances represent or guarantee that reimbursement will be granted, and expenditure of local funds never entitles a park agency to reimbursement.
2. Request Three Rivers Park District to submit construction plans detailing the exact location of the trail and any other pertinent information to Metropolitan Council Environmental Services (MCES) to ensure that the proposed construction will not interfere with the operation of any MCES sewer interceptors.”

Motion carried.

[2006-400](#) - 2007 Annual Affirmation of Transaction-Based Financial Contracts

It was moved by McDaniel and seconded by M. Smith

"That the Metropolitan Council affirm its use of the transaction-based financial vendors for 2007 as described below and that the Council authorize the Regional Administrator to amend the terms of these contracts as follows:

1. Extend the expiration date of the general banking services contract with US Bank to December 31, 2008; and,
2. Extend the expiration date of the credit card processing contract with Metavante to January 27, 2008.
3. Remove the contractual dollar value limit for contracts that are based on negotiated fixed rates for transaction services. As transaction volumes increase, the value of the contract also increases.”

Motion carried.

[2006-401](#) - List of Authorized Financial Institutions

It was moved by McDaniel and seconded by M. Smith

"That the Metropolitan Council approves the list of Authorized Financial Institutions.”

Motion carried.

[2007-30](#) - Authorization to Award Contract for Security Guard Services for MCES Facilities and 390 North Robert Street Building

It was moved by McDaniel and seconded by M. Smith

"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.

[2007-31 - Authorization to Purchase Polymer for the Metro Wastewater Treatment Plant](#)

It was moved by McDaniel and seconded by M. Smith

"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.

Report of the Community Development Committee

[2006-322 - TBRA Funding Recommendations](#)

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by Pistilli

"That the Metropolitan Council recommends that the Metropolitan Council award \$2,910,000 for 11 Livable Communities Act (LCA) Tax Base Revitalization Account (TBRA) grants to remediate contamination and prepare sites for redevelopment in the cities of Blaine, Chaska, Columbia Heights, Minneapolis, New Brighton, South Saint Paul and Saint Paul."

Motion carried.

[2007-19 - Proposed Resolution Granting Lake Elmo's Request to Extend the Time for Amending Conflicting Official Controls and Fiscal Devices, Resolution 2007-01](#)

It was moved by Meeks and seconded by M. Smith

"That the Metropolitan Council adopt Resolution 2007-01 Granting Lake Elmo's Request to Extend the Time for Amending Conflicting Official Controls and Fiscal Devices, subject to reasonable requirements and conditions."

Motion carried.

Report of the Transportation Committee

[2007-5 - Northstar / Master Cooperation Agreement and Burlington Northern Santa Fe Agreements Presentation and Authorization to Negotiate and Execute said Agreements](#)

Following a presentation by Mark Furhman, Cliff Green. Representing MnDOT and Mary Richardson representing NCDA, a discussion ensued with no action being taken. Action will be taken at the January 24, 2007 Metropolitan Council meeting.

Report of the Environment Committee

No Report other than those on the Consent List.

Report of the Management Committee

[2006-360 - 2007 Sole Source Procurement of Maintenance Services for Software and Hardware](#)

It was moved by J. Smith and seconded by Sanda

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to make ongoing maintenance and support service payments (Services) on a solesource basis for installed software and hardware, with the Services to be procured from the vendors on the attached *2007 Information Services Sole Source Vendor List* up to the amount listed."

Motion carried.

[2006-403 - Authorization to Make Reimbursements to Medicare](#)

It was moved by J. Smith and seconded by Wittsack

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize reimbursement to Medicaid Services for Medicare payments made for retirees who were rehired. The amount of the reimbursement is \$272,422.25."

Motion carried.

Other Business

The Metropolitan Council 40th Anniversary presentation was moved to the January 24, 2007 Council agenda.

Reports

Chair

Chair Bell reported

- he appeared before a Senate committee today for his confirmation hearing and the recommendation has gone to the full Senate.
- expects to have information soon on the 2nd term agenda and the seating of the 2nd term Council.

Council Member

There was no report.

Regional Administrator

Regional Administrator Weaver reported the Council's 2006 annual report was distributed to all Council members and will be available to the public at the State of the Region event on February 5, 2007.

General Counsel

There was no report.

Adjournment

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Part III - Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of January 17, 2006.

Approved this 24th day of January, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Curtiss
Recording Secretary