



Metropolitan Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 13, 2008

Robert Street Council Chambers

4:00 P.M.

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Part I - Narrative

Attendance:

Peter Bell, Chair; Tony Pistilli, Mary Hill Smith, Russ Susag, Peggy Leppik, Annette Meeks, Lynette Wittsack, Natalie Steffen, Georgeanne Hilker, Sherry Broecker, Rick Aguilar, Kirstin Sersland Beach, Daniel Wolter

Members absent: Roger Scherer, Kris Sanda, Brian McDaniel

Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

A quorum being present, the Chair called the regular meeting of the Metropolitan Council to order at 4:10 p.m. It was moved by Broecker, seconded by Meeks to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes

It was moved by Meeks, seconded by Smith to approve the minutes of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of January 23, 2008. Motion carried.

Public Invitation

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

Part II - Exhibits

Business

Committee Consent List

[2008-02](#) - City of Lilydale, City Property Comprehensive Plan Amendment

It was moved by Wolter and seconded by Steffen

"That the Metropolitan Council:

1. allow the City of Lilydale to put the CPA into effect contingent upon review and final approval by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MN DNR);
2. find that the proposed CPA is not consistent with Executive Order 79-19, (Mississippi Critical Area);
Forward the CPA information, staff report and the Metropolitan Council's findings and recommendations to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MN DNR) for review.
3. find that this land use change does not affect the City's system statement forecasts;
4. advise the City to include a description of its I/I program in the City's 2008 comprehensive plan update.

Motion carried.

2008-04 - Empire Township CPA: Mineral Extraction Overlay

It was moved by Wolter and seconded by Steffen

"That the Metropolitan Council:

1. allow the City to put the comprehensive plan amendment into effect;
2. require the Township to submit to the Council all annual monitoring reports as detailed in the February 2007 "*Groundwater and Surface Water Monitoring Plan*" by Barr Engineering."

Motion carried.

2008-07 - Tax Base Revitalization Account Funding Recommendation for Hopkins Town and Country Dodge Project

It was moved by Wolter and seconded by Steffen

"That the Metropolitan Council not award a Tax Base Revitalization Account (TBRA) grant to the Hopkins Town & Country Dodge project."

Motion carried.

2008-16 - Authorization to Award and Execute a Contract for Uniform Rental Services for Metropolitan Council Environmental Services, Contract 07P131

It was moved by Wolter and seconded by Steffen

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a 5-year contract to provide Uniform Rental Services for MCES staff with AmeriPride Services Inc. for a total of \$466,124.60."

Motion carried.

2008-29 - 2008-2011 TIP Amendment: MnDOT Metro District, SP#02-614-29, CSAH 14 and I-35E Interchange reconstruction (TAB Action 2008-02)

It was moved by Wolter and seconded by Steffen

"That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2008-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include SP#02-614-29, Anoka County CSAH 14 at I-35E Interchange in Lino Lakes."

Motion carried.

2008-30 - Non-Represented Plan Effective January 1, 2008

It was moved by Wolter and seconded by Steffen

"That the Metropolitan Council approve the Non-Represented Plan effective January 1, 2008."

Motion carried.

2008-31 - Cash Flow Management Plan for Northstar Project

It was moved by Wolter and seconded by Steffen

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize providing cash flow financing to the Northstar Corridor Commuter Rail Project for passenger car and locomotive contracts while awaiting receipt of federal appropriations."

Motion carried.

2008-32 - Authorization to Purchase Polymer for the Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant

It was moved by Wolter and seconded by Steffen

"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 Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant at a unit price of \$0.134 & \$1.09 per pound, respectively."

Motion carried.

2008-33 - Ratification of Declaration of Emergency to Repair the Portland and Washington Regulator Site

It was moved by Wolter and seconded by Steffen

"That the Metropolitan Council ratify the attached *Justification for and Declaration of Emergency* for repair of the Portland & Washington Regulator Site."

Motion carried.

2008-34 - Increase of Delegated Construction Contract Change Order Authority for Security Improvements, MCES Project No. 801700 and Liquid Waste Discharge Site, Project No. 803300, Contract No. 05P113

It was moved by Wolter and seconded by Steffen

"That the Metropolitan Council increases the delegated construction contract change order authority of its General Manager, Environmental Services, from \$601,480 to \$644,480 for Contract No. 05P113, Security Improvements, MCES Project No. 801700 and Liquid Waste Discharge Site, Project No. 803300."

Motion carried.

2008-36 - MAC 2008-2014 CIP Review and Approval

It was moved by Wolter and seconded by Steffen

"That the Metropolitan Council:

1. find the Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) has an adequate public participation process for development and review of its 2008 Capital Improvement Program (CIP);
2. find that the CIP contains no 2008 projects requiring Council approval, and
3. approve and transmit to MAC the attached findings and comments on the MAC 2008 CIP."

Motion carried.

Report of the Community Development Committee

All items were on the Consent List.

Report of the Environment Committee

All Items were on the Consent List.

Report of the Management Committee

2008-28 - Authorization to Extend Contract for Drug and Alcohol Testing Services

It was moved by Pistilli and seconded by Broecker

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to extend the contract for drug and alcohol testing with Park Nicollet Occupational Medicine for a period of two years, increasing the total contract amount from \$600,000 to \$950,000."

Motion carried.

[2008-35 - Authorization to Award General Obligation Bonds within Established Financial Parameters, Resolutions 2008-02, 2008-03, 2008-04](#)

It was moved by Pistilli and seconded by Smith

"That the Metropolitan Council:

1. authorize a change in the bond issuance model by delegating authority to staff to award the sale of bonds within specific parameters adopted by the Council; and
2. adopt Resolutions [2008-02](#), [2008-03](#), and [2008-04](#) authorizing issuance and award of sale of General Obligation Bonds and execution of other necessary documents to complete the bond sale."

Council Member Smith recused herself and did not participate in the discussion or the vote on this item.
Motion carried.

Report of the Transportation Committee

All items were on the Consent List.

Other Business

Chair Bell acknowledged the presence of Mayor Chris Coleman and thanked him and other Ramsey County officials for supporting a compromise plan for the Central Corridor light rail line through St. Paul.

[Central Corridor LRT Project Scope Scenarios and Discussion](#)

Mark Fuhrmann presented a review of:

Recent public involvement:

- Seven meetings at different dates, times, locations on the corridor
- Talked with over 400 people
- Four listening sessions attended by over 300 people

CEI and cost history

Project scope scenarios

Dan Soler, Sr. Traffic Engineer from the Central Corridor Project Office, presented the scope scenarios. Project Scope Scenario B equates to the agreement approved by Ramsey County Officials.

Technical reports

- Vehicle maintenance facility (VMF)
- Washington Avenue Traffic Analysis

Regional Administrator Weaver noted the technical complexities of computing a CEI for each project scope scenario makes it impossible to add and remove components for consideration and immediately determine a CEI. Each run takes several hours. For that reason, he asked that Council Members advise

him or Chair Bell of components they wish to be included in a scenario so staff is prepared to present that information at the February 20th meeting.

Chair Bell noted it is imperative this project meets the current CEI. The FTA may raise the CEI annually, but Council scope approval will be based on the current CEI.

Reports

Chair

Chair Bell reported devoting much time to Central Corridor LRT and transportation funding.

Council Members

There were no reports this week.

Regional Administrator

Regional Administrator Weaver reported that Moody's and the S&P reconfirmed the Council's AAA Bond rating.

General Counsel

There was no report this week.

Adjournment

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 6:15 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 February 13, 2008

Approved this 27th day of February, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Curtiss
Secretary