



Metropolitan Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 11, 2011
Robert Street Council Chambers
4:00 PM

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Part I - Narrative

Attendance:

Chair Susan Haigh, James Brimeyer, Steven Chávez, Jon Commers, John Đoàn, Adam Duininck, Steven Elkins, Rich Kramer, Harry Melander, Jennifer Munt, Edward Reynoso, Sandra Rummel, Lona Schreiber, Roxanne Smith, Gary Van Eyll, Wendy Wulff

Members absent: Gary Cunningham

Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

A quorum being present, the Chair called the regular meeting of the Metropolitan Council to order at 4:00 p.m. It was moved by Chávez, seconded by Van Eyll to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes

It was moved by Elkins, seconded by Duininck to approve the minutes of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of April 27, 2011. Motion carried.

Public Invitation

David Greene from the public spoke on the proposed Arden Hills location for the Vikings stadium. He would like to see the stadium planned in a more sustainable area and to include transit. Mr. Greene asked the Council to exercise its authority to do a site study and when studying the sites, look at the regional impact. He also recommended to not select a site that isn't good for the region.

Part II - Exhibits

Business

Committee Consent List

Chair Haigh mentioned it was brought up there is a typo in Business Item 2011-108, which the text under "Background" should state "Commercial" rather than "Medium /High Density Residential". This language will be corrected prior to the item being carried out.

2011-108 – City of Lakeville Comprehensive Plan Amendment: Kingsley Shores Senior Housing

It was moved by Rummel and seconded by Wulff,
"That the Metropolitan Council:

1. Allow the City of Lakeville to put the comprehensive plan amendment (CPA) into effect.
2. Acknowledge that the CPA does not change the Council's 2030 Forecasts for the City."

Motion carried.

2011-112 - Authorization to Purchase 26 Option Forty-foot Gillig Buses

It was moved by Rummel and seconded by Wulff,
"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to exercise an existing contract option with Gillig Corporation to purchase 26 forty-foot, low-floor transit buses in an amount not-to-exceed \$10,838,836."

Motion carried.

2011-116 - Authorization to Execute Grant Agreements with Dakota County Regional Railroad Authority, City of Minneapolis, and Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority

It was moved by Rummel and seconded by Wulff,
"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute pass-through agreements with Dakota County Regional Railroad Authority (DCRRA), the City of Minneapolis, and Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority (RCRRA) for the following projects and amounts:

Agency:	Project:	Agreement Amount:
DCRRA	Robert Street Transitway - Alternatives Analysis (AA) Study	\$1,180,000
City of Minneapolis	Red Rock State Bonds – Nicollet-Central Urban Circulator AA Study	\$900,000
RCRRA	Newport Intermodal Bus Facility	\$475,000

Motion carried.

2011-117 - Authorization to Execute Grant Agreements with Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority

It was moved by Rummel and seconded by Wulff,
"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute sub-recipient grant agreements with the Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority (RCRRA) for the Union Depot Project in the amounts of \$1,542,760 and \$781,994."

Motion carried.

2011-118 - Establish Date for Public Hearing – 2012 Annual Public Housing Agency (PHA) Plan

It was moved by Rummel and seconded by Wulff,

"That the Metropolitan Council conduct a public hearing to discuss and receive comment on the 2012 Annual Public Housing Agency (PHA) Plan on August 15, 2011, at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers."

Motion carried.

Report of the Transportation Committee

2011-114 - 2011 Regional Solicitation

It was moved by Elkins and seconded by Duininck,

"That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to adopt the 2011 Regional Solicitation Package, including the schedule of events, for release to solicit project applications."

Motion carried.

2011-115 - Central Corridor Light Rail Transit: Fabrication and Installation of Public Artwork for 15 Central Corridor Light Rail Transit Stations

It was moved by Elkins and seconded by Munt,

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to issue notices-to-proceed to five public artists for fabrication and installation work in an amount not to exceed \$392,000 per artist. The cumulative amount of the notices-to-proceed is not to exceed \$1.96 million."

Motion carried.

2011-121 - 2011-2014 TIP Amendment: Metro Transit TIGGER II funded pilot project for two hybrid-drive buses

It was moved by Elkins and seconded by Munt,

"That the Metropolitan Council concur with the Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) action to amend the 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to include a Metro Transit pilot project that will use TIGGER II Section 5309 funds to purchase two hybrid-drive buses."

Motion carried.

Report of the Joint Community Development and Management Committees

2011-105 - 2012-17 Metro Regional Parks Capital Improvement Program Policy Review

It was moved by Commers and seconded by Wulff,

"That the Metropolitan Council reaffirms the following policy positions for Metro Regional Parks capital spending:

1. Issue \$7 million of short term bonds annually to provide a \$2 match to \$3 of State appropriations for the Council's Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund grants and to State bonds appropriated for the Regional Parks Capital Improvement Program (Parks CIP). Half of the Council bonds are allocated to each program each year.
2. Request \$10.5 million of State bonds in June 2011 as the preliminary State bonding request for the 2012 Legislative session to finance 60% of the 2012-13 Regional Parks CIP.
3. Continue to determine the amount each of the 10 regional park agencies receive from the 2012-13 Regional Parks CIP based on the following formula:
 - 70% based on each park agency's share of the region's population, and
 - 30% based on each park agency's share of non-local visits it hosted. ("non-local visits" are visits by persons that do not live in the park agency's jurisdiction).
 - Data for each part of the formula should come from the same year."

Motion carried.

Report of the Environment Committee

2011-130 - Authorization to Hold a Public Hearing on the Sewer Availability Charges (SAC) Transfer Amount which impacts (SAC) and Wastewater Reserves

It was moved by Rummel and seconded by Shreiber,

"That the Metropolitan Council authorizes staff to schedule and hold a public hearing to gather public input on the Sewer Availability Charge (SAC) Transfer Amount proposed for the 2012 MCES Budget."

Motion carried.

Report of the Management Committee

2011-64 - 2011 Unified Operating Budget Amendment

It was moved by Brimeyer and seconded by Chávez,

"That the Metropolitan Council amend the 2011 Unified Operating Budget as indicated and in accordance with attached tables."

Motion carried on the following roll call vote:

	Yes			No	Absent
	Smith	Duininck	Commers		Cunningham
	Schreiber	Reynoso	Chávez		
	Munt	Đoàn	Wulff		
	Van Eyll	Rummel	Haigh		
	Elkins	Melander			
	Brimeyer	Kramer			
TOTAL	16				1

2011-125 - Authorization to Enter into a Labor Agreement with the Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 1005

It was moved by Brimeyer and seconded by Chávez,

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to enter into a labor agreement with the Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU), Local 1005, effective August 1, 2010 through July 31, 2012."

Motion carried.

Other Business

2011-122 - Appointment of Council Officers

It was moved by Rummel and seconded by Kramer,

"That the Metropolitan Council approve the following slate of officers pursuant to Council Bylaws, Article I.I."

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| First Vice Chair | Harry Melander |
| Second Vice Chair | Lona Schreiber |
| Secretary | Steve Chávez |
| Treasurer | Wes Kooistra |

Motion carried.

Reports

Chair

Chair Haigh reported that she and other Council members have attended the following recent meetings and events:

- The Council Executive Committee started meeting and will meet quarterly. This committee consists of the Chairs of the Council Committees.
- Attended two separate meetings with Legislators: one with the Transportation Conference Committee and one with the minority leaders to discuss the transportation issues.
- Attended with Council members Commers and Cunningham the AEDA/UABA meeting on May 6.
- Attended and spoke at the Regional Council of Mayors meeting on May 9.
- Central Corridor Management Committee was held earlier today.

Chair Haigh mentioned that she has not been involved with the Vikings stadium site selection. Staff will forward to Council Members a summary of the Metropolitan Significance law, which shows the Council's participation in items such as site selections.

Council Members

Council members reported on some of their recent meetings held with cities/counties and events they attended, which included:

- Council Member Munt attended and spoke on behalf of the Council at the Transit Rider Rally at the Capitol on May 10. Council members Munt and Elkins attended a community meeting in Hopkins to discuss SWLRT; Munt attended, along with other Council members, the public/private partnership meeting sponsored by Mn/DOT; and will be attending a meeting with Eden Prairie City Council.
- Council Member Wulff reported that the Cedar Avenue BRT construction is progressing rapidly. Dakota County has been in good communication with the property owners, and Wulff has been hearing positive comments from those who live in this area.
- Council Member Elkins reported he attended the Mn/DOT Complete Streets Task Force on May 2; attended the Minneapolis Regional Chamber Critical Issues Forum; attended Oberstar's presentation at the Humphrey School; met with Bloomington staff; and attended the 494 Corridor meeting.
- Council Member Đoàn attended, with Council Member Duininck, the Riverside Plaza Groundbreaking ceremony held on April 27; Đoàn met with the Suburban Transit Association; met with Anoka County officials; and attended the public/private partnership Mn/DOT task force meeting.
- Council Member Rummel attended the Active Living Ramsey Communities group; and attended with Council Member Melander a meeting with Oakdale community members.
- Council Member Schreiber has met with 5 of the 8 City Councils in her district. She recently met with city of Fridley and is planning to meet with two more cities in the near future.

Regional Administrator

No Report.

General Counsel

No Report.

Adjournment

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 4:40 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 May 11, 2011.

Approved this 25th day of May, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dawn Hoffner". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D".

Dawn Hoffner
Recording Secretary