



Metropolitan Council Meeting

Wednesday, January 11, 2012
Robert Street Council Chambers
4:00 P.M.

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Part I - Narrative

Attendance:

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

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 Munt, seconded by Duininck, to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.

Minutes

It was moved by Smith, seconded by Elkins, to approve the minutes of the Metropolitan Council Meeting of December 14, 2011. Motion carried.

Public Invitation

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

Part II - Exhibits

Business

Consent List

2011-334 Hiawatha Light Rail Vehicle Passenger Door

"That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator to purchase passenger door overhaul replacement parts for the Blue Line (Hiawatha) light rail vehicles in an amount not to exceed \$650,000 over a two-year period."

2011-353 Authorizin to Exercise Contract Options with Motor Coach Industries

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to exercise existing contract options on contract 08P114 with Motor Coach Industries (MCI) to purchase six coach buses in an amount not to exceed \$3,244,800."

2011-362 Authorization for Sole Source Procurement from Alfa Laval for Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) Parts

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to procure DS 706 centrifuge backdrive system upgrades from the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) on a sole source basis from Alfa Laval for ten existing centrifuges. This is for an amount not to exceed \$750,000 over a three-year period."

2011-363 Authorization to Negotiate and Execute an Amendment to the Construction Cooperation and Cost Sharing Agreement with the City of East Bethel, MCES Project Nos. 801620 and 801621, Contract No. 10I017

“That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an amendment to the Construction and Cost Sharing Agreement with the City of East Bethel, MCES Project Nos. 801620 and 801621, Contract No. 101027.”

2011-364 Bassett Creek Regional Trail Master Plan, Three Rivers Park District, Referral No. 50013-1

“That the Metropolitan Council:

1. Approve the Bassett Creek Regional Trail Master Plan (Referral No. 50013-1).
2. Require that prior to development of new trail segments, development plans be sent to Metropolitan Council Environmental Services for review and comment in order to ensure the integrity of the interceptor system.
3. Advise Three Rivers Park District that the construction costs described in the master plan for Segment D (striping a bike lane along Nevada Avenue) and for Segment E6 (reconstruction of the existing trail parallel to TH 100 as part of a future residential subdivision) are not eligible for regional parks funding.”

2011-365 Scott West Regional Trail Master Plan, Scott County, Review No. 50011-1

“That the Metropolitan Council approve the Scott West Regional Trail Master Plan.”

2011-366 Reimbursement Consideration Request for Completing Nature Play Area at Bald Eagle-Otter Lake Regional Park, Ramsey County

“That the Metropolitan Council authorize Ramsey County to expend up to \$150,000 of its own funds for the construction of the remaining Tamarack Nature Center Play Area elements consisting of the gathering shade arbor, tunnel/climbing features and interpretive signage at Bald Eagle-Otter Lakes Regional Park. This project is proposed to be funded from the County’s share of the SFY 2013 Parks and Trails Legacy Fund appropriation. The County will not be reimbursed for its expenses from the SFY 2013 Parks and Trails Legacy Fund appropriation until the appropriation is available and after execution of a grant agreement for this project.”

2011-369 Sciota Township 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update, Review No. 20827-1

“That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record, and the following:

1. Authorize Sciota Township to put its 2030 Comprehensive Plan Update into effect.
2. Advise the Township to implement the advisory comments for Subsurface Sewage Treatment Systems (SSTS) and Parks.”

It was moved by Rummel and seconded by Chavez to approve the Consent List.
Motion carried.

Report of the Management Committee

2012-25 Authorization to Enter into a Labor Agreement with the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, District Lodge No. 77, AFL-CIO

It was moved by Brimeyer and seconded by Cunningham

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to enter in an agreement with the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, District Lodge No. 77, AFL-CIO, (IAM) effective for the period January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2013."

Motion carried.

Report of the Transportation Committee

2011-358 Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (Green Line): 2012 Counties Transit Improvement Board Capital Grant

It was moved by Elkins and seconded by Doan

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a CY2012 capital grant agreement for the Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (LRT) project for right-of-way acquisition, fare collection equipment, construction and purchase of Light Rail Vehicles in the amount of \$97,879,633."

Motion carried.

2011-359 Southwest Light Rail Transit (Green Line): CY2012 Counties Transit Improvement Board Capital Grant

It was moved by Elkins and seconded by Munt

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a CY2012 capital grant agreement for the Southwest Light Rail Transit (SWLRT) project for Preliminary Engineering (PE) in the amount of \$13,562,000."

Motion carried.

2011-360 Authorization to Execute Agreement with Counties Transit Improvement Board for Transit and Rail Operations

It was moved by Elkins and seconded by Rummel

"That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to execute agreements with the Counties Transit Improvement Board (CTIB) to receive operating funds for CY12 for the following projects:

- Hiawatha LRT - \$12,734,091
- Northstar Commuter Rail - \$8,964,925
- I-35W BRT - \$169,455
- Cedar Ave. BRT Express Service - \$453,047
- Cedar Ave. BRT Station to Station Service - \$269,909."

Motion carried.

2012-5 Metropolitan Council Vanpool Service Re-Branding

It was moved by Elkins and seconded by Munt

"That the Metropolitan Council:

- 1) Approve "Metro Vanpool" as the new name for the Council subsidized vanpool program.
- 2) Approve the recommended logo and vehicle branding designs, attached."

Motion carried.

2011-283 ADA and Transit Link Service Agreements with Scott and Anoka Counties

It was moved by Elkins and seconded by Van Eyll

“That the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute intergovernmental agreement for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Transit Link dial-a-ride services with two paratransit providers not to exceed the following amounts:

Anoka County Traveler	\$4,511,247
Smart Link (Scott/Carver County)	\$3,463,222

The agreements shall be effective for the period January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013.”

Motion carried.

Report of the Community Development Committee

2011-367 LCA Tax Base Revitalization Account (TBRA) Grant Recommendations

It was moved by Cunningham and seconded by Duinincik

“That the Metropolitan Council award 13 Tax Base Revitalization Account (TBRA) grants as follows:

Projects recommended for Fall 2011 TBRA funding	Recommended amount
Contamination Site Investigation	
Minneapolis – Jackson Flats	\$28,000
White Bear Lake – Boat Works Commons	\$18,600
Contamination Cleanup	
Minneapolis – 430 Oak Grove	\$265,300
Minneapolis – Jaguar	\$442,900
Minneapolis – Riverside Plaza II	\$300,000
Minneapolis – Snelling Apartments	\$140,600
Minneapolis PHA – Heritage Park Senior Service Center II	\$26,900
Saint Louis Park EDA – Ellipse II	\$275,000
Saint Paul – Chittenden & Eastman Building	\$128,000
Saint Paul – Rayette Lofts	\$324,800
Saint Paul – Schmidt Brew House II	\$248,200
Saint Paul Port Authority – Beacon Bluff II	\$111,800
Saint Paul Port Authority – Beacon Bluff III	\$97,400
TOTAL	\$2,407,500”

Motion carried.

2011-368 City of Wayzata Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Local Scenic Byways Review File No. 20529-3

It was moved by Cunningham and seconded by Munt

"That the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record, and the following:

1. Adopt the attached review record and allow the City of Wayzata to put the Local Scenic Byways comprehensive plan amendment (CPA) into effect.
2. Advise the City that the Council will continue to support the designation and function of CSAH 101/Bushaway Road as an "A" Minor arterial (expander).
3. Find that the proposed CPA does not change the City's forecasts."

Motion carried.

Report of the Environment Committee - Item on Consent List

Other Business – None

Reports

Chair: Chair Haigh reported on recent meetings and events. Highlights include:

- Spoke to the Hopkins Rotary Club;
- Attended meeting with Executive Director of FTA, Matt Welbus;
- Reminded Council members that the State of the Region will be held next week;
- Met with MnDoT;
- Will make final appointments soon to the Legacy Advisory Committee;
- Received updates on the interchange project at Target Field.

Council Members

- Cunningham: Attended Isaiah breakfast, where the future of the region was discussed.
- Melander: Meetings held with Woodbury Mayor and City Manager about multiple issues; discussed housing issues with the City of Mahtomedi; and met with Grey Cloud Island community.
- Rummel: She and Council Transit staff met with mayor of North Saint Paul regarding its concerns with Council transportation plans. Attended Minnesota Energy Policy Coalition (MEPC) meeting where the economic value of developing alternative energy policies state-wide was discussed.
- Munt: Working with folks in her district to convey to the governor how important it is to include funding in the bonding bill for the SW LRT Line.

Regional Administrator: No report

General Counsel: No report

Adjournment

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 4:30 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 11, 2012.

Approved this 25th day of January, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Harder
Recording Secretary