

# C Community Development Committee E Environment Committee

Item: 2007-195

Meeting date: May 21, 2007

Meeting date: May 22, 2007

For the Metropolitan Council Meeting on June 13, 2007

## ADVISORY INFORMATION

**Date:** May 15, 2007

**Subject:** Authorization to Hold Public Hearing on Proposed Amendment to the 2030 Water Resources Management Policy Plan

**District(s), Member(s):** 9, Natalie Steffen

**Policy/Legal Reference:** Council Policy 1-2-1a.

**Staff Prepared/Presented:** Bryce Pickart, 651-602-1091

**Division/Department:** MCES c/o William G. Moore, 651-602-1162

### Proposed Action/Motion

That the Metropolitan Council authorize a public hearing for the proposed amendment to the 2030 Water Resources Management Policy Plan to be held on July 31, 2007.

### Issue(s)

- Amendments to Policy Plans/System Plans require a public hearing prior to Council action.

### Overview and Funding

In December, 2006, the Council amended the 2030 Water Resources Management Policy Plan to designate a portion of East Bethel as a Rural Growth Center and to delineate a long-term wastewater service area in East Bethel. Further, the proposed wastewater treatment plant will be located in southwest East Bethel, approximately one mile from Oak Grove, and has been designated as a potential regional plant which could serve communities beyond East Bethel.

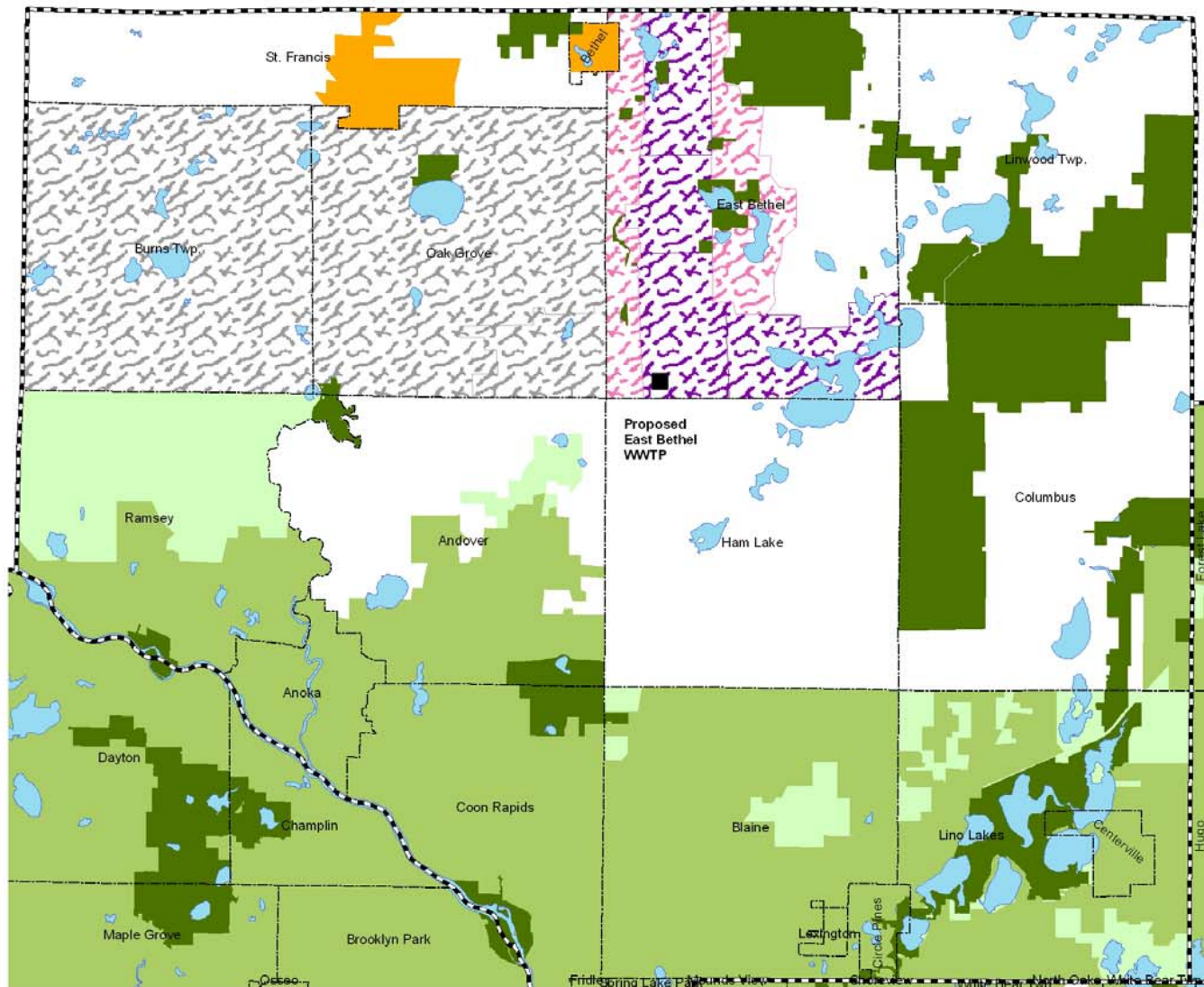
The long-term wastewater service area map in the regional wastewater system plan designates Oak Grove as an area which can have "potential sewered development by WWTP with rapid infiltration" (groundwater recharge). This proposed amendment designates the portion of Oak Grove which is most feasible for future sewered development with wastewater service provided by the proposed East Bethel WWTP and Rapid Infiltration system.

Criteria used to determine the potential area of future sewered development include:

- (1) potential capacity of proposed East Bethel wastewater treatment plant and rapid infiltration basin system;
- (2) transportation system, including Hwy 65 (north-south), Viking Blvd (east-west), and Hanson Blvd (south);
- (3) preservation of major natural resources, including surface waters, wetlands, and parks/wildlife areas;
- (4) proximity to proposed East Bethel WWTP;
- (5) reasonably contiguous undeveloped land parcels of  $\geq 10$ -acre size.

The proposed long-term wastewater service area in southeast Oak Grove (see attached map) has approximately 1,300 acres of developable land and is located approximately one mile from the proposed East Bethel WWTP site. The proposed wastewater service area would qualify for interceptor service to be extended from the proposed East Bethel WWTP to the Oak Grove border.

The proposed amendment to the Policy Plan defines a long-term wastewater service area, which is proposed to receive service after 2030, consistent with the 2030 Development Framework and System Statement for Oak Grove. However, from the standpoint of the regional wastewater system plan, it would be feasible to provide service prior to 2030, based upon City request via its Comprehensive Plan Update.



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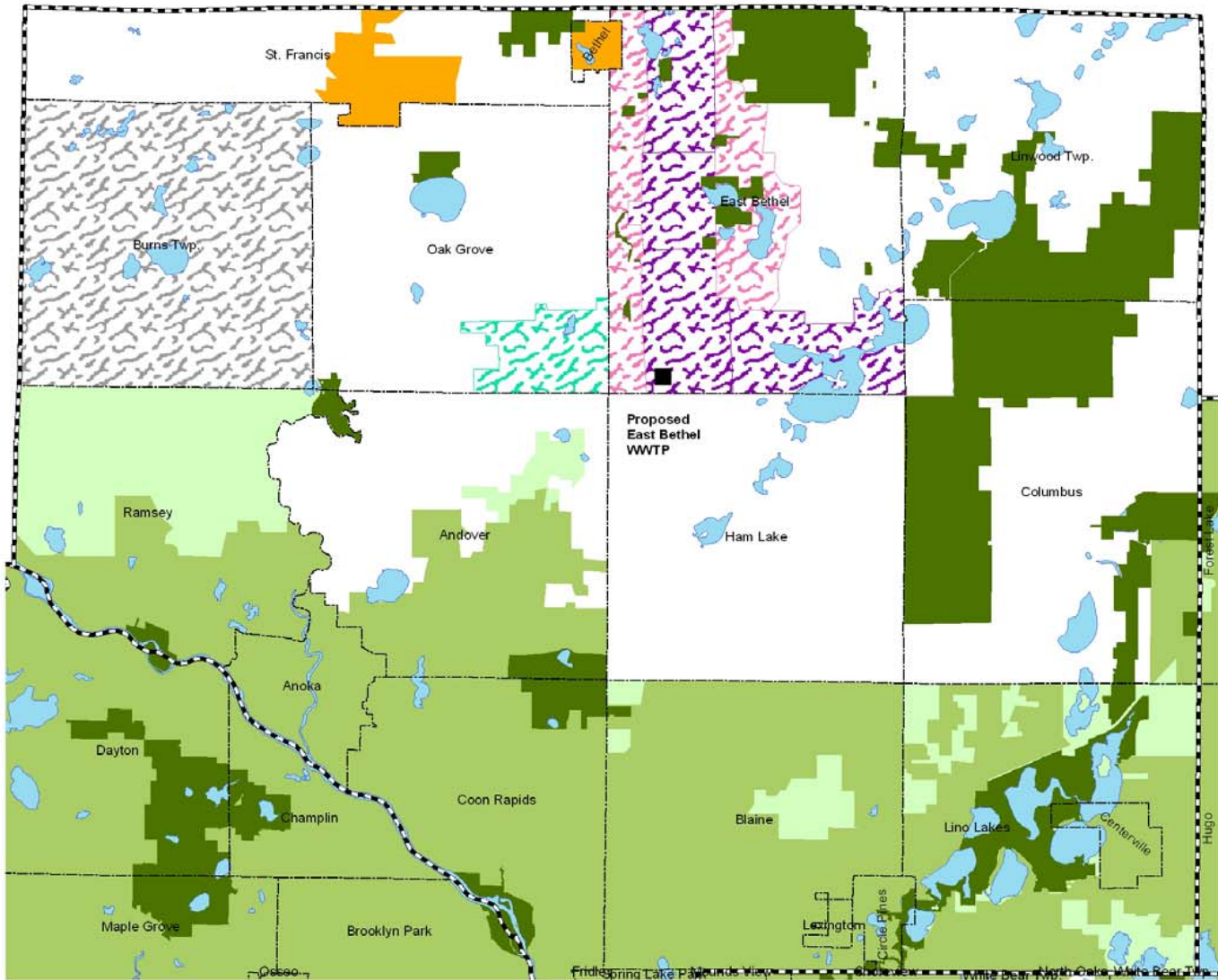
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