

**METROPOLITAN COUNCIL**  
390 North Robert Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**  
Wednesday, July 22, 2009

Committee Members Present     Roger Scherer, Chair; Lynette Wittsack, Vice Chair; Sherry Broecker; Robert McFarlin, Craig Peterson; Kris Sanda.

**CALL TO ORDER**

A quorum being present, Chair Scherer called the regular meeting of the Council's Management Committee to order at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 22, 2009.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES**

It was moved by K. Sanda, seconded by S. Broecker to approve the agenda. *The motion carried.*

It was moved by S. Broecker, seconded by L. Wittsack to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2009 regular meeting of the Management Committee. *The motion carried.*

**BUSINESS**

There were no business items on the agenda.

**INFORMATION**

**Q&A – 2010 Proposed Levies and Regional Administration Operating Budget**

Wes Kooistra asked committee members to review the document and ask questions or address any areas of concern they might have. Some discussion items included corporate approach and its' meaning; hiring freeze; health care costs; SAC charges, increases and reserves; Transit funds and levies used; fuel pricing and hedging; MVST; Metro Council and Suburban providers – "What is our obligation to Suburban Transit Authorities?" This information will be provided to Lynette Wittsack from Arlene McCarthy and staff. Committee Members were reminded of the upcoming Budget Workshops.

**DBE Evaluation and Contract Award for Metro Transit Construction Contracts**

This item was reviewed by Katie Shea. She explained the Diversity and Evaluation role for Transit contracts and the bidding process. DBE is a pass/fail process. All proposals are evaluated consistently and according to established policies and procedures. There is no evidence of any undue influence by ODEO (Office of Diversity and Equal Opportunity) on any aspect of the contracting process.

**2009 Medical RFP**

Gloria Heinz introduced two representatives from Deloitte Consulting: Steve Clausen and Pat Pechacek. They talked about the national growth rate in health care cost and specifically, Minnesota's rates. Health care spending continues to climb causing employers to increase employee's share of the cost. Both employers and employees are looking for more affordable health care options. They are looking at more preventative types of health care through health and wellness programs. They are also watching the national health care reform/federal initiatives.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lana Lindstrom  
Recording Secretary