

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM  
THE WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE  
STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE MINNEAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL  
April 11, 2016

A regular meeting of the committee was convened at 1:32 p.m. on this date.

Members Present: Council Members John Quincy (Chair), Elizabeth Glidden, Andrew Johnson, Lisa Bender, Blong Yang, and Linea Palmisano

Matters listed below are hereby submitted with the following recommendations; to-wit:

1. Resolution in support of Minnesota State Environmental Grant Applications ([16-00488](#))

Passage of Resolution authorizing the City Coordinator to apply for an Environmental Assistance grant of \$10,000 from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, to support the development of the Green Zones initiative and provide resources for training and stakeholder engagement. The grant requires a 25% match, which would be met through in-kind staff time and other existing budget expenditures.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

2. Agreement with the Minneapolis Downtown Council for Downtown Activation Services([16-00487](#))

Authorizing an agreement with the Minneapolis Downtown Council, in the amount of \$400,000, for the purpose of supporting downtown activation events in 2016.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

3. Contract amendment with NRG Energy Center Minneapolis, LLC regarding the Steam and Chilled Water agreement ([16-00494](#))

Authorizing a first amendment to the Steam and Chilled Water agreement between the City and NRG Energy Center Minneapolis, LLC, for the operation of the Target Center through a new date of Dec. 31, 2030, from the old date of Dec. 31, 2020, with the current terms remaining intact.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

4. License agreement with M. A. Mortenson Company for Temporary Crane Encroachment ([16-00489](#))

Authorizing a temporary Crane Encroachment License Agreement with M. A. Mortenson Company to assist with the Westminster Presbyterian Church campus renovation project.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

5. Negotiation authorization for potential purchase of 1501 West River Road N ([16-00490](#))

Authorizing City negotiation with Minneapolis Wrought Washer Company for the purchase of 1501 West River Road N for municipal operations purposes including Police evidence operations currently housed in City Hall and property storage transferred from the Grain Belt Annex.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

6. Contract amendment with Deccan International for LiveMUM support ([16-00491](#))

Authorizing an increase of \$65,000 to Contract No. C-36467 with Deccan International for a new not-to-exceed total of \$185,000, for maintenance and support of the LiveMUM application for the City's Computer Aided Dispatch system.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

7. Civil Service Commission appointment ([16-00473](#))

Setting a public hearing for April 25, 2016, to consider the Mayoral reappointment of Ellen McVeigh, Seat 1, for a three year term beginning March 1, 2016, and ending Feb.28, 2019.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the public hearing was set for April 25, 2016 at the regular meeting of the Ways & Means Committee.

8. Appointed position: Director Contract Compliance ([16-00474](#))

1. Adopting findings that the proposed position of Director Contract Compliance meets the criteria in Section 20.1010 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances, City Council to establish positions.
2. Approving the appointed position of Director Contract Compliance, evaluated at 510 total points and allocated to Grade 11.
3. Passage of Ordinance approving the salary schedule for the position, which has a salary range of \$87,486 to \$103,709, effective April 15, 2016.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

9. Collective bargaining agreement: Trades Inspectors Bargaining Unit, 2016 through 2018 ([16-00480](#))

1. Approving a collective bargaining agreement with the Minneapolis Building and Construction Trades Council, AFL-CIO, for the period Jan. 1, 2016, through Dec. 31, 2018.
2. Approving the Executive Summary of the agreement.
3. Authorizing a collective bargaining agreement consistent with the terms of the Executive Summary.
4. Authorizing the Employee Services Director to implement the terms and conditions of the collective bargaining agreement upon ratification by the Union and adoption by the City Council.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

10. Collective bargaining agreement: Electrical Technicians Bargaining Unit, 2016 through 2018 ([16-00481](#))

1. Approving the collective bargaining agreement with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local No. 292, AFL-CIO, Electrical Technicians Unit, for the period Jan. 1, 2016, through Dec. 31, 2018.
2. Approving the Executive Summary of the agreement.
3. Authorizing a collective bargaining agreement consistent with the terms of the Executive Summary.
4. Authorizing the Employee Services Director to implement the terms and conditions of the collective bargaining agreement upon ratification by the Union and adoption by the City Council.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

11. Fiscal Year 2016 Consolidated Plan Action Plan ([16-00375](#))

1. Passage of Resolution approving appropriation to the IGR Department, increasing 2016 Consolidated Plan grant appropriations by \$1,343,952 and \$370,898.
2. Receiving public comments (through the 30-day public comment period of March 14, 2016 through April 13, 2016), and directing staff to summarize comments in the 2016 Consolidated Plan Action Plan.
3. Approving the 2016 Consolidated Plan Action Plan.
4. Authorizing staff to submit the City of Minneapolis 2016 Consolidated Plan Action Plan to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on April 16, 2016.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

12. Hawthorne EcoVillage Apartments affordable housing project Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Plan, TIF Note and redevelopment contract terms ([16-00460](#))
  1. Passage of Resolution approving the Hawthorne EcoVillage Apartments Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Plan.
  2. Passage of Resolution authorizing the issuance of a limited revenue pay-as-you-go TIF note to Hawthorne Ecovillage Limited Partnership in a principal amount not to exceed \$722,300.
  3. Approving the proposed redevelopment contract and business terms.
  4. Authorizing execution of a redevelopment contract, loan agreement and any other necessary documents related to the above recommended actions with Hawthorne EcoVillage Limited Partnership or an affiliated entity.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

13. Changes to home improvement programs and contract with Greater Metropolitan Housing Corporation ([16-00465](#))

Approve the following:

1. Combining the Code Abatement and Home Repair programs into one Home Improvement program with the following changes to terms:
  1. Maximum loan amount of \$25,000 (current maximum loan amount under the Home Repair Program).
  2. Maximum income of 80% of the area median, adjusted by family size (current maximum income under the Home Repair Program).
  3. Removal of the asset limitation (currently only required under the Code Abatement Program).
  4. Removal of the loan to value requirement.
2. Authorizing execution of a program agreement with Greater Metropolitan Housing Corporation in the amount of \$800,000 for program loans and administrative costs.
3. Authorizing an extension of the existing master lending agreement with Greater Metropolitan Housing Corporation to July 1, 2017.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

14. Changes to the Rehab Support Program ([16-00466](#))
  1. Accepting a Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (MHFA) Single Family Fall 2015 Impact Funds award totaling \$280,000.
  2. Approving the use of the funds as an interest rate subsidy for the Community Fix Up loans.
  3. Passage of Resolution approving appropriation to CPED.
  4. Authorizing execution of grant, sub-recipient and/or disbursement and related agreements for these funds.
  5. Approving a contract with Greater Metropolitan Housing Corporation in the amount of \$330,000, of which \$280,000 is for program loans and \$50,000 is for administrative costs.
  6. Approving an extension of current agreement with Greater Metropolitan Housing Corporation to August 1, 2017, to allow the time needed to expend these funds.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

15. Grant acceptance from Medica Research Institute for needs assessment ([16-00431](#))

1. Accepting a grant from Medica Research Institute to provide research support in conducting a needs assessment of communities experiencing racial/ethnic disparities in childhood asthma for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.
2. Authorizing an agreement with Medica Research Institute for the grant.
3. Passage of Resolution appropriating the funds to the Health Department.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

16. Donation of used fire trucks and public/life safety equipment to Bosaso, Somalia ([16-00485](#))

Passage of Resolution donating used fire trucks, a booking van, and other public/life safety equipment to Bosaso, Somalia.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

17. Accepting State of Minnesota GI Bill On-The-Job Training/Apprenticeship Program payments ([16-00482](#))

1. Accepting \$29,000 payment from the State of Minnesota GI Bill OJT/Apprenticeship Program to cover Veteran hires at \$1,000 per hire plus another \$1,000 for Veterans who have 12 consecutive months of employment.
2. Passage of Resolution approving appropriation to the Fire Department.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

18. Contracts with Hennepin County Sheriff's Office, Metro Transit and Minnesota State Patrol for the 2016 Safety Initiative ([16-00483](#))

Authorizing the Police Department to enter into three separate joint powers agreements with the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office, Metro Transit and Minnesota State Patrol for the 2016 Safety Initiative, to help defray costs for Joint Enforcement Team (JET) Patrols, for \$20,000 each, and authorizing execution of any documents necessary to effectuate the agreement.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

19. Bryant Ave N and Warrington Area Residential Street Resurfacing: Project approval and assessment ([16-00442](#))

1. Passage of Resolution ordering the work to proceed and adopting special assessments in the amount of \$235,020.11 for the Bryant Ave N Project and \$1,287,466.49 for the Warrington Area Residential Project.
2. Passage of Resolution requesting the Board of Estimate and Taxation authorize the City's issuance and sale of assessment bonds in the total amount of \$1,522,490 for the projects.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

20. Legal Settlement: Basilica of St. Mary v. City of Minneapolis ([16-00438](#))

Approving the settlement of the Special Assessment Appeal brought in the matter of Basilica of St. Mary v. City of Minneapolis, Court File No. 27-CV-15-10749, in which the City will reassess and/or amend certain special assessments associated with the Nicollet Mall Reconstruction relating to 1600 Hennepin Ave, 1601 Laurel Ave, and 1604 Laurel Ave, and authorizing the City Attorney's Office and the Department of Public Works to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the settlement.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

21. 2016 Northern Lights Express (NLX) fees ([16-00446](#))

Authorizing City of Minneapolis 2016 participation in the Minneapolis-Duluth/Superior Passenger Rail Alliance Board for the development of the Northern Lights Express for a total of \$9,750.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

22. Agreement with City of New Brighton for emergency back-up water supply and wholesale water ([16-00448](#))

Authorizing an agreement with the City of New Brighton for the provision of wholesale water to New Brighton or alternatively to reserve capacity to serve as an emergency back-up water supply for New Brighton.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

*[Clerk's Note: Item 22 was added to the Ways & Means Committee agenda in error. Action taken on this item by the Transportation & Public Works Committee on April 5, 2016, will go forward to the regular full City Council meeting on April 15, 2016.]*

23. Bid for 6th Ave N Street Reconstruction Project ([16-00449](#))

Accepting low responsive bid of Max Steininger, Inc. (OP No. 8201) in the amount of \$1,726,831.79 to furnish and deliver all labor, materials, and incidentals necessary for the 6th Ave N Street Reconstruction Project, and authorizing a contract for the project.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

24. Bid for construction of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) pedestrian intersection ramps ([16-00450](#))

Accepting low bid of Ti-Zack Concrete, Inc. (OP No. 8218) in the amount of \$1,482,700 to furnish and deliver all labor, materials, and incidentals necessary for the construction of ADA pedestrian intersection ramps for the Public Works Paving Division, and authorizing a contract for the service.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

25. Bid for turf establishment ([16-00451](#))

Accepting single bid of Lino Lakes Landscaping, Inc. (OP No. 8223) for an estimated annual expenditure of \$57,000 to furnish and deliver all labor, materials, and incidentals necessary for turf establishment through Dec. 31, 2016, for the Public Works Paving Division, and authorizing a contract for the service.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

26. Bid for large diameter storm sewer cleaning ([16-00452](#))

Accepting low bids of Sewer Services, Inc. in the amount of \$714,446.22, and Mi-Tech Services, Inc. in the amount of \$315,935.54 (OP No. 8238) to furnish and deliver large diameter storm sewer cleaning for the Public Works Surface Water and Sewer Division, and authorizing a contract for the service.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

27. Bid for gray/black Class "A" aggregate ([16-00453](#))

Accepting single bid of Dresser Trap Rock, Inc. (OP No. 8251) for an estimated annual expenditure of \$148,600 to furnish and deliver gray/black Class "A" aggregate through March 31, 2017, for the Public Works Paving Division, and authorizing a contract for the service.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

28. Bid for Nicollet Mall reconstruction planting ([16-00454](#))

Accepting low bid of Wetland Habitat Restorations, LLC (OP No. 8256) in the amount of \$608,368.10 to furnish and deliver all labor, materials, and incidentals necessary for the Nicollet Mall reconstruction planting for the Public Works Transportation Division, and authorizing a contract for the service.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

29. 20-Year Neighborhood Park Plan Resolution ([16-00426](#))

1. Receiving a report considering the financing implications of the proposed 20-Year Neighborhood Park Plan, including but not limited to:

1. Potential funding sources
2. Tax implications
3. Projected year-end general fund balance
4. Anticipated impacts to the City's five-year financial direction related to legislative action on the City's library referendum debt
5. A list of all capital projects (City and Parks) for which bonds have yet to be issued
6. The potential impact of decertification of TIF districts referenced during the 2016 budget process
7. The impact of anticipated pension obligation reductions to the five-year financial direction and other year-end projected fund balances that could be used to fund unspecified capital projects, and
8. Other associated obligations affecting the City's financial commitments under a proposed resolution in support of the proposed 20 Year Neighborhood Park Plan.

Presentation in committee by

1. Mark Ruff, Finance & Property Services.
2. Sandra Christensen, Finance & Property Services.
3. Mike Abeln, Finance & Property Services.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was received and filed.

On motion by Glidden, carried on voice vote, Finance and City Attorney staffs are directed to report back to the Ways & Means Committee on the following:

1. A description of legal uses of sales tax under current state law;
2. A description of projected sales tax proceeds for the next 20 years;
3. A report showing the current plans for debt service and finance plan payment for the Convention Center, Target Center, and Vikings Stadium, and a comparison of sales tax receipts in excess of such finance plans; and

4. Develop a proposal for annual reports on sales tax proceeds and expenditures to the City Council.

On motion by Bender, carried on voice vote, Finance staff and other relevant departments are directed to return to the April 25, 2016, meeting of the Ways & Means Committee with recommendations for funding park capital and operating budget needs.

2. Passage of Resolution approving a 20-Year Neighborhood Park Plan and Directing the Finance Officer and City Attorney to prepare and present to the City Council an Ordinance to implement the plan.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was postponed.

30. Severance pay for appointed employees' ordinance ([16-00290](#))

Passage of Ordinance amending Title 2, Chapter 20 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Administration: Personnel, amending provisions related to severance pay for appointed employees.

The matter was postponed.

With no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 2:59 p.m.

Reported by Kelly Geistler, Committee Coordinator