

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM
THE WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE
STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE MINNEAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL
February 23, 2015

A regular meeting of the committee was convened at 1:31 p.m. on this date.

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

Members Absent: Council Member Andrew Johnson

Chair Quincy called the meeting to order in Room #317, City Hall, a quorum being present. He read through consent items 1-21 as follows:

1. Legal Settlements ([15-00212](#)):

Approving resolution authorizing the legal settlement of Rose Engstrom (\$5,500).

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

2. Legal Services Agreement and Waiver of Conflicts of Interest ([15-00213](#)):

Authorizing proper City officials to enter into a Master Agreement for legal services with Fredrikson & Byron, P.A. in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, and that the City waive any conflict of interest arising out of the firm's representation of the City in certain land use matters at Nicollet Avenue and Lake Street.

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

3. Supreme Court Amicus Brief ([15-00214](#)):

Authorizing the Mayor and Police Chief to sign on to Supreme Court amicus brief in favor of petitioners re: the James Obergefell, et al., Petitioners v Richard Hodges, Director, Ohio Department of Health, et al., matter pending before the United States Supreme Court.

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

4. Minneapolis Board of Appeal and Equalization ([15-00215](#)):

a) Approving resolution establishing the 2015 Board of Appeal and Equalization; and

b) Appointing Tad Marinac, Sandy Loescher, and Earl Netwal to the Minneapolis Board of Appeal and Equalization for terms to run April 27-May 1, 2015.

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

5. Statement of Economic Interest (SEI) ([15-00216](#)):

Approving list of City positions subject to SEI filing requirements.

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

6. Convention Center and Target Center Consulting Pool ([15-00217](#)):

Authorizing appropriate city staff to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Convention Center and Target Center Consulting Pool. Contracts with firms would be active for three years, January 2016-December 2018.

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

7. Fridley Water Softening Plant Facility Assessment ([15-00218](#)):

Amending contract C-36626 with Miller Dunwiddie Architecture, increasing it by \$16,000, for a revised contract amount of \$82,885 to identify code issues (including ADA), deferred maintenance, and systems and building deficiencies in order to bring the facility to current standards.

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

8. Medical Review Bill Services ([15-00219](#)):

Amending contract C-27300 with Alpha Review Corporation by extending administration fees for medical review billing services to April 1, 2015, with the same fee structure and scope of services.

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

9. Workers' Comp and Employment Services Medical Billing Services ([15-00220](#)):

Authorize to negotiate and enter into a contract with Alpha Review Corporation for the provision of Workers' Compensation (WC) and Employment Services (ES) Medical Billing Services.

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

10. Traffic Sign Management System ([15-00221](#)):

a) Extending contract C-35649 with Cartegraph Systems, Inc., for three additional years, through May 31, 2018, for the support and maintenance of the traffic sign management system; and

b) Increasing contract amount by \$48,000 for a new not-to-exceed total of \$133,000.

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

11. Minneapolis Police Department (MPD) Citation System ([15-00222](#)):

Amending contract C-23403 with Advanced Public Safety to allow the license transfers of 50 handheld citation writers to desktop devices.

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

12. 2015 National Forensic Sciences Improvement Program ([15-00223](#)):

a) Executing a contract for the 2015 National Forensic Sciences Improvement program;

b) Accepting grant funds from the Minnesota Department of Public Safety-Office of Justice Programs in the amount of \$16,535; and

c) Approving resolution appropriating funds.

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

13. Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) Contamination Cleanup and Investigation Grant Program, Metropolitan Council Livable Communities Tax Base Revitalization Account (TBRA) Grant Program and the Hennepin County Environmental Response Fund (ERF) Awards ([15-00197](#)):

a) Accept and/or approve grants (for City of Mpls recipient grants);

b) Approving resolution appropriating grant funds; and

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

2014 Metropolitan Council Livable Communities Demonstration Account (LCDA) and Livable Communities Demonstration Account - Transit Oriented Development (LCDA-TOD) Pre-Development Grant Awards ([15-00198](#)):

- a) Accept and appropriate Metropolitan Council LCDA grants of \$1,250,000 for the MoZaic East project and \$500,000 for the Broadway Flats project, and a Metropolitan Council LCDA-TOD Pre-Development Grant of \$100,000 for the Glendale Redevelopment project;
- b) Approving resolution appropriating grant funds; and
- c) Authorizing execution of agreements as may be necessary to implement the LCDA grants and LCDA-TOD Predevelopment grant with the Metropolitan Council, Ackerberg Group, Rose Development, and Minneapolis Public Housing Authority (or affiliated entities).

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

15. Maternal and Child Home Visiting Services ([15-00209](#)):

- a) Authorizing contract with the Minnesota Department of Health to receive \$180,000 for home visiting services for women and young children; and
- b) Approving increase in the appropriation and revenue estimate in the Health Department Grants-Federal Fund by \$180,000.

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

16. Penn, Penn E & McKinley Areas, Girard and Humboldt Aves N Street Resurfacing Project ([15-00181](#)):

- a) Approving resolution ordering the work to proceed and adopting special assessments in the amount of \$2,381,933.91 for the project; and
- b) Approving resolution requesting the Board of Estimate and Taxation to authorize the City's issuance and sale of assessment bonds in the amount of \$2,381,935 with the bonds to be paid for from special assessments.

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

17. Sale of City-Owned Land to the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority ([15-00069](#)):

Authorizing the proper City officers to conduct a real estate closing and execute a Quit Claim Deed to the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority for the sale of two segments of public right-of-way along 4th St S and 5th St S for the current market value of \$1,572,000.

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

18. MPCA Grant for Commercial Waste Evaluation ([15-00182](#)):

Authorizing acceptance of a Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Environmental Assistance Grant in the amount of \$26,567 to evaluate approaches to increase the diversion of commercial, industrial, and multifamily waste; and directing the Division of Solid Waste & Recycling to perform tasks outlined in the Grant Agreement.

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

19. Hennepin-Lyndale Corridor Street Reconstruction Project & Design Contract Amendment ([15-00183](#)):

- a) Approving resolution designating the location and improvements proposed to be made in the Hennepin-Lyndale Corridor Street Reconstruction Project (Franklin Ave W to Dunwoody Blvd);
- b) Receiving the cost estimate of \$12,000,000; directing the City Engineer to prepare proposed special assessments against the list of benefited properties; and setting a public hearing to be held on June 9, 2015; and

- c) Authorizing increase of \$240,450 to the Engineering Services Agreement with Kimley Horn and Associates, Inc., for a revised contract total of \$1,148,905, for preliminary and final design of the Hennepin-Lyndale Corridor. No additional appropriation required.

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

20. 35W South Storm Tunnel Rehabilitation Cooperative Construction Agreement ([15-00185](#)):

Authorizing execution of a Cooperative Construction Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation for cost participation in the I-35W South Storm Tunnel Rehabilitation Project.

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

21. Bid ([15-00186](#)):

OP 8039, Accepting low bid of Hydromax USA, LLC for an estimated expenditure of \$559,871.90 for closed circuit inspection of the City's sanitary sewer system.

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

Following approval of the Consent items, Chair Quincy introduced the single item of discussion, a quasi-judicial hearing on the CenturyLink Cable Television Franchise application, and called on staff Matt Liable for background on the application.

Quasi-Judicial Hearing

22. CenturyLink Cable Television Franchise ([15-00224](#)):

Considering a franchise application from CenturyLink Cable Television for constructing a cable system and providing cable service within the territorial limits of the City of Minneapolis.

Matt Liable spoke briefly and then introduced Mike Bradley, Bradley Law firm, who presented further background information on the item with a PowerPoint presentation. Duane Ring, President Midwest Region/CenturyLink, introduced their application and also presented Jim Campbell, Regional VP for Legislative Affairs/CenturyLink for further discussion.

The public hearing was opened at 2:30 p.m. and the following persons spoke:

- a) Pete Rhodes, 2214 Blaisdell Ave
- b) Amanda Axvig, 20 16th Ave NE
- c) Hamud Wardere, 2929 Chicago Ave

With no further persons wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed at 2:38 p.m.

On motion by Quincy, carried on voice vote, the matter was Received and Filed. Written public comment will continue to be received into the public record through 5:00 p.m. Friday, February 27, 2015.

With no further business to transact, the meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Reported by Diana Armstrong, Council Committee Coordinator