

Minutes

Community Development Committee



Meeting date: November 17, 2025

Time: 4:00 PM

Location: 390 Robert Street

Members present:

E Chair, Robert Lillgren, D6

☒ Vice Chair, Toni Carter, D14

☒ Reva Chamblis, District 2

☒ Anjuli Cameron, District 8

E Diego Morales, District 9

☒ Peter Lindstrom, District 10

☒ Chai Lee, District 13

E Victor Obisakin, District 15

☒ Wendy Wulff, District 16

☐ = present, E = excused

Dakota Land, Water, and People Acknowledgment

The Metropolitan Council acknowledges that the land we currently call Minnesota and specifically the seven-county region is the ancestral homeland of the Dakota Oyate who are present and active contributors to our thriving region. As part of the Metropolitan Council's commitment to address the unresolved legacy of genocide, dispossession, and settler colonialism and the fact that government institutions, including the Metropolitan Council, benefitted economically, politically, and institutionally after the forceable removal of the Dakota Oyate, the Metropolitan Council is dedicated to instilling Land, Water, and People Commitments in regional policy. These commitments support the Dakota Oyate, the eleven federally recognized Tribes in Minnesota, Ho-Chunk Nation, and the American Indian Communities representing over 150 diverse Tribal Nations that call the seven-county region home.

Call to order

A quorum being present, Committee Vice Chair Carter called the regular meeting of the Community Development Committee to order at 4:10 p.m.

Dakota Land, Water, and People Acknowledgment

The Dakota Land, Water, and People Acknowledgment was read by Council Member Carter.

Agenda approved

Council Members did not have any comments or changes to the agenda.

Approval of minutes

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Cameron to approve the minutes of the November 3, 2025, regular meeting of the Community Development Committee. **Motion carried.**

Consent business

Consent Business Adopted (Items 2025-295)

2025-295: City of Norwood Young America Residential Densities Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Review File 22238-7

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Chamblis that the Metropolitan Council adopt the attached Advisory Comments and Review Record and take the following actions:

1. Authorize the City of Norwood Young America to place its comprehensive plan

amendment into effect.

2. Find that the amendment does not change the City of Norwood Young America's forecasts.

Motion carried. Shawn James 651-602-1233.

Non-consent business – Reports of standing committees

1. **2025-296:** Amend scope of Minneapolis Upper Harbor LCDA Development Grant (SG-18080)

It was moved by Chamblis, seconded by Lee, that the Community Development Committee approve the amendment to the project details of the project summary and grant term for the Upper Harbor (SG-18080) Livable Communities Demonstration Act Development Grant Award, as shown in Attachment 2.

CM Lee indicated he wanted slide #2 that outlined the changes to clearly delineate the removal of the townhomes from the project. This has been updated and reposted.

Motion carried. Nicole Clapp, 651-602-1723, presented on behalf of Kelly Nezworski, 651-602-1757.

2. **2025-297:** Funding Recommendations for 2025 Livable Communities Affordable Homeownership Grants

It was moved by Lindstrom, seconded by Wulff, that the Metropolitan Council:

1. Award six (6) Livable Communities Demonstration Account Affordable Homeownership Grants totaling \$3 million, as outlined in Table 1.
2. Authorize the Executive Director of Community Development to execute the grant agreements on behalf of the Council.

Table 1. 2025 Livable Communities Affordable Homeownership Funding Recommendation

City	Project	Funding Recommendation
City of Maplewood	Duluth Street	\$400,000
City of Minneapolis	Pedzo Star	\$229,212
City of Minnetonka	Mills Twinhomes	\$420,000
City of Minnetonka	Scattered Site	\$300,000
City of Saint Paul	642 Selby (The Beasley)	\$900,000
City of Saint Paul	Serenity Townhomes	\$750,788
Total		\$3,000,000

Motion carried. Emily Seddon 651-602-1023; Valerie Quarles, Livable Communities Advisory Committee Member presented the item.

Information

No Items

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 4:41 p.m.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Community Development Committee meeting of November 17, 2025.

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