Minutes

Environment Committee

Meeting date: June 9, 2026 **Time**: 4:00 PM **Location:** 390 Robert Street

Members present:

- ☒ Chair, Gail Cederberg, D11
- ☒ Vice Chair, Wendy Wulff, D16
- ☒ Tyronne Carter, District 3
- ☒ Diego Morales, District 9
- ☒ Peter Lindstrom, District 10
- ☒ Mark Jenkins, District 12
- ☒ Chai Lee, District 13

☒ = 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 Chair Cederberg called the regular meeting of the Environment Committee to order at 4:00 p.m.

Dakota Land, Water, and People Acknowledgment

The Dakota Land, Water, and People Acknowledgment was acknowledged by Council Member Cederberg.

Agenda approved

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

Approval of minutes

It was moved by CM Morales, seconded by CM Carter to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2026, regular meeting of the Environment Committee. **Motion carried**.

Consent business

None at this time.

Non-consent business

1. **2026-78 JT: 2026 Budget Amendment- 2nd Quarter** (Adam Gordon, 651-602-4503)

   It was moved by CM Morales , seconded by CM Jenkins, that the Metropolitan Council amend the 2026 Budget – Authorized Capital Program (ACP) with a reallocation of $13,000,000 as indicated and in accordance with the Capital Program – Environmental Services (Table 10) and the Capital Program Table – Attachment 3.

   Discussion

   Staff presented the 2026 Budget Amendment – Second Quarter and discussed the two projects, Grass Lake Interceptor and 1-MS-100 Condition Assessment, that require a transfer between the North Area Program and the St. Paul Program to allow construction contracts to move forward in 2026. Staff clarified that the transfer is not intentionally between Council Districts but between funding programs. Staff clarified how the transfer of ACP or the initiation of the 1-MS-100 Condition Assessment does not impact the planning, design, or construction of any on-going projects in the CIP. Staff indicated that the 1-MS-100 Condition Assessment contract is anticipated to begin in the fall and under construction through the summer of 2027.

   Motion carried.

Information

1. **ES Preliminary Budget, Rates and Workshops** (Christine Dwyer, 651-602-1115)

   Staff from finance gave a preliminary overview of the 2027 budget, rates and workshops. Staff concluded the presentation with a 2027 rate setting schedule.

Reports

1. Chair
2. Committee
3. General Manager

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Environment Committee meeting of June 9, 2026.

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