



Metropolitan Governance Task Force

September 27, 2023

10:00AM

Meeting Minutes

Members Present:

Rep. Frank Hornstein, Chair
Sen. Eric Pratt, Vice-Chair
Kristin Beckmann
Commissioner Karla Bigham
Sen. Julia Coleman
Sen. Scott Dibble
Mary Pattock
Commissioner Marion Greene

Mayor James Hovland
Rep. Ginny Klevorn
Rep. Jon Koznick
Professor Myron Orfield
Renae Pereira-Webb
Sam Rockwell
Jeff Reed

Members Excused:

Rep. Mark Wiens
Sen. Lindsey Port

Call to Order:

Chair Hornstein called the Metropolitan Governance Task Force meeting to order at 10:00 AM. A quorum was present.

Adoption of Meeting Minutes:

Representative Klevorn moved to adopt the Meeting Minutes from September 13, 2023. The motion prevailed.

Presentation on the 2020 Blue Ribbon Panel Final Report & Recommendations:

Mary Liz Holberg, Dakota County Commissioner, gave a presentation overviewing the final report and recommendations that came out of the 2020 Governor's Metropolitan Council Blue Ribbon Panel.

Metropolitan Council Presentation on the Community Development and Environmental Services Divisions:

Lisa Barjas, the Metropolitan Council's Community Development Director, gave an overview of the MN statutory provisions which the Community Development Division implements and what that work looks like. Leisa Thompson, the Metropolitan Council's Environmental Services General Manager, gave an overview of the MN statutory provisions which direct the Environmental Services Division's work and the results of that work.

Public Testimony:

Chair Hornstein asked if any member of the public wished to speak, and no member of the public did so. Chair Hornstein directed members to the written testimony of Richard Adair and Barry Schade, which was included in members' folders.

Task Force Discussion:

The task force briefly discussed public engagement efforts. Senator Dibble will bring date proposals for public engagement to the next task force meeting on October 11, 2023.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:09pm.