

Councilmember Musgrove acknowledged the effort of Mr. Tinklenberg. She asked for additional information on The Tinklenberg Group and whether there are anticipated trips to Washington D.C. She commented that the County most likely has a strong desire to see the same improvements along Highway 10.

Mr. Tinklenberg Group clarified that he is the only member of his company. He did not anticipate any upcoming trips to D.C. He advised of some federal funding opportunities and noted that these types of projects require a large mix of funding. He stated that they will continue to work with those in D.C. on those efforts and provided an update on recent conversations with Congressman Emmer's office. He stated that his preference would be to provide in person updates as often as he can, as he understands that written materials cannot always convey the information in the same way.

Mayor LeTourneau commented on the level of awareness that Mr. Tinklenberg brings with him in D.C. and at the Capital. He stated that it is a key part of scheduling meetings and gaining time with legislators and decision makers. He noted that because of the relationships Mr. Tinklenberg has, they have been able to gain conversations with people they may not otherwise gain.

Councilmember Kuzma thanked Mr. Tinklenberg for his efforts and recognized the success the City has had with Mr. Tinklenberg. He commented that he feels that there is value and understand the extra effort that will be needed to get this to the finish line.

Motion by Councilmember Kuzma, seconded by Councilmember Menth, to approve the amendment to the contract with The Tinklenberg Group to increase the monthly fee by \$1,200 per month for the four months (February-May) of the contract, as stated in the proposal dated January 6, 2020.

Further discussion: Councilmember Musgrove stated that she has thought about this case and what to do but will support this because of the value needed for Sunfish Boulevard and Ramsey Boulevard. She recognized that in person updates may not be possible during the legislative session. Councilmember Riley stated that the increase proposed is only for the months of the legislative session, when more work will be involved. He stated that he looks forward to the successes ahead.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Mayor LeTourneau, Councilmembers Kuzma, Menth, Heinrich, Musgrove, Riley, and Specht. Voting No: None.

**7.04: Authorize Staff to Submit Revised 2040 Comprehensive Plan to Metropolitan Council based on Initial Metropolitan Council Comments**

Deputy City Administrator Gladhill reviewed the staff report and recommendation for the Council to direct staff to submit the updated 2040 Comprehensive Plan to the Metropolitan Council for their review.

Councilmember Riley referenced the forecasted growth shown on page six, noting that the Metropolitan Council is asking the City to amend the 2020 numbers to reflect an increase of 1,150 people.

Deputy City Administrator Gladhill stated that the population estimates shown currently are only going back to 2018, and therefore the increase reflects the increased growth the City has experienced in the past few years. He stated that the changes seem to be fairly accurate.

Councilmember Riley referenced the projected growth for 2040 and asked if that would be on track as well.

Deputy City Administrator Gladhill explained that staff was involved in that discussion with the Metropolitan Council based on the City's land use plan and growth trend. He stated that staff is comfortable with the estimates.

Councilmember Riley referenced the land use map and asked for clarification on the decisions the Council is about to make.

Deputy City Administrator Gladhill displayed the tracked change document, highlighting the BK Land parcel that the Council previously discussed tonight. He noted that there was a resolution reviewed by the Council in the past which guided this land use designation.

Councilmember Menth asked if the approval of this draft Comprehensive Plan would lock in the split of the land discussed in the previous sketch plan review.

Deputy City Administrator Gladhill stated that the decision tonight would not lock the Council into a decision. He stated that this would simply authorize staff to send in the updated Comprehensive Plan to the Metropolitan Council for additional review. He noted that the Council will still have the ability to change the plan prior to final adoption of the Comprehensive Plan. He provided additional clarification on the action taken earlier tonight related to the zoning request and sketch plan review.

Councilmember Heinrich asked for additional information on the changes to high density residential on page 37.

Deputy City Administrator Gladhill explained that the Metropolitan Council wants a more detailed land use plan for The COR, compared to the previous master plan which stated that a certain number of households were planned within The COR boundaries.

Motion by Councilmember Riley, seconded by Councilmember Kuzma, to Authorize Staff to Submit the Updated 2040 Comprehensive Plan to the Metropolitan Council.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Mayor LeTourneau, Councilmembers Riley, Kuzma, Heinrich, Menth, Musgrove, and Specht. Voting No: None.