

June 13, 2014

Ms. Julie Farnham
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**RE: City of Bloomington, Penn American District Plan Comprehensive Plan Amendment -
Post Council Action**
Metropolitan Council Review File No. 20427-5
Metropolitan Council District 5

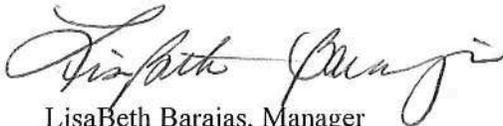
Dear Ms. Farnham:

At its meeting on June 11, 2014, the Metropolitan Council reviewed the City's Comprehensive Plan Amendment (CPA), based on the staff report. The amendment addresses 133 acres in the Penn American District and incorporates the plan by reference, as well as associated minor text amendments to the 2008 Comprehensive Plan. The CPA addresses redevelopment planning objectives for the district, which include a dense, walkable, mixed-use district served by METRO Orange Line Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) and a potential future American Boulevard Arterial BRT.

The Council found that the CPA conforms to the regional system plans for transportation, wastewater, and parks; is consistent with the *2030 Regional Development Framework* and Council policies; and is compatible with the plans of adjacent jurisdictions. Therefore, the City may place the CPA into effect. As you know, the Metropolitan Council did not concur with the forecast change request as submitted, but has adopted revised citywide forecasts for 2040 as articulated in the Forecasts section of the Review Record.

A copy of the staff report to the Council is attached for your records. The Council will append the amendment, submission form and supplemental information to the City's plan in the Council's files. If you have any questions, please contact Michael Larson, Principal Reviewer at 651-602-1407.

Sincerely,



LisaBeth Barajas, Manager
Local Planning Assistance

Attachment

CC: Crystal Sheppeck, Minnesota Housing
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Steve Elkins, Metropolitan Council District 5
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