



Metro Cities Draft Policies Are Online for Review

Metro Cities' Draft 2018 Legislative Policies are now online for review. The draft policies were recommended by members through Metro Cities' four policy committees and approved by the Metro Cities Board of Directors. Copies of the policies and Metro Cities' policy adoption protocol were mailed to city administrators/managers. The policies will be adopted by Metro Cities' membership at the Policy Adoption Meeting on Wednesday, November 29, 2017. Please be sure to mark your calendar! [Click](#) here to read the agenda and here to register.

Comments or questions on the proposed policies should be directed to kimberly@metrocitiesmn.org. The policies will receive final adoption at the meeting on November 29. Each member city has one vote, with one additional vote for each 50,000 population above the initial 50,000.

Once the policies are adopted, they will serve as the framework for Metro Cities' work at the Legislature and Metropolitan Council in 2018. We hope to see you at the meeting!

SAC Task Force Recommendations and Outreach Meetings

Metro Cities staff and several city officials, as well as representatives from the business community, participated over the last several months on a task force to discuss the regional SAC (Sewer Availability Charge) program. The task force's initial charge was to consider SAC for outdoor seating, and was later broadened to include a more comprehensive look at the SAC program and potential changes to the process for determining SAC. The task force conducted an in-depth look at using gross square footage for SAC determinations rather than net square footage for individual uses, and has made some recommendations for the program that are intended to simplify the process without changing the SAC rate.

Metropolitan Council Environmental Services (MCES) staff will conduct a series of outreach meetings in November to provide detailed information, and ask for feedback on the task force recommendations. Metro Cities encourages city officials to attend one of the meetings below:

Eagan

Thursday, November 2, 9 to 11 a.m.

Eagan Community Center Oasis Room, 1501 Central Parkway

Golden Valley

Thursday, November 9, 1 to 3 p.m.

Golden Valley City Hall, Council Chambers, 7800 Golden Valley Road

Register at SACProgram@metc.state.mn.us.

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