## MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL MEETING

March 9, 2000

### Metro Council Chamber

Councilors Present: David Bragdon (Presiding Officer), Susan McLain, Ed Washington, Rod

Park, Bill Atherton, Jon Kvistad

Councilors Absent: Rod Monroe (excused)

Presiding Officer Bragdon convened the Regular Council Meeting at 7:00 pm.

# 1. INTRODUCTIONS

Presiding Officer Bragdon introduced Peggy Coats, the new Council Financial Analyst.

#### 2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

None.

### 3. EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMMUNICATIONS

None.

### 4. AUDITOR COMMUNICATIONS

None.

# 5. MPAC COMMUNICATIONS

**Councilor Park** said MPAC met yesterday. He reviewed their discussions regarding Goal 5 and the Endangered Species Act. He said their next meeting would be March 22 at 5 PM.

### 6. CONSENT AGENDA

6.1 Consideration of minutes of the March 2, 2000 Regular Council Meeting.

**Motion:** Councilor Washington moved to adopt the meeting minutes of March 2, 2000 Regular Council meeting.

**Seconded:** Councilor Kvistad seconded the motion.

**Vote:** The vote was 6 aye/ 0 nay/ 0 abstain. The motion passed.

# 6. CONSIDERATION OF ANNEXATION OF COOPER MOUNTAIN AND SOUTH HILLSBORO AREAS TO THE URBAN GROWTH BOUNDARY – PUBLIC HEARING

**Presiding Officer Bragdon** opened a public hearing and asked Dan Cooper, General Counsel, to review public hearing procedures.

**Mr. Cooper** explained the procedures and said that these proposals required other decisions to be made before any decision on annexation was made by the Metro Council. He recommended hearing from members of the public who wished to speak at this meeting, and then continuing the matter until the Metro Council was ready to determine whether to consider the annexation.

**Lydia Neill**, Growth Management Services Department, reviewed the area map for Cooper Mountain, formerly known as Area 49. She spoke to the site and the support by the City of Tigard for annexation at a future time. She said the applicant, Pacific Capital, was proposing to annex 126 acres into the Metro boundary. This area included 23 tax lots and 12 single family homes. She said the annexation met the double majority guidelines and service providers had indicated they could provide service to this area. She said the area was also consistent with the 2040 design type neighborhood. Upon annexation to the city appropriate zoning and comprehensive plan changes would be made to bring the area into conformance with the 2040 plan designation for the area. The applicant had demonstrated that they could meet the Metro Code.

Councilor Atherton asked if the double majority was required by the Metro Code.

**Ms.** Neill indicated that the double majority method of annexation was indicated in the ORS as a method of annexation.

**Mr. Cooper** explained that Metro was considered a special district. He said the only two ways to annex land to a special district under state law were 1) a double majority of property owners and electors in a territory outside the district asked to be added, or 2) the territory and the district both asked for the area to be added, in which case voters in both would have to approve it.

Councilor Atherton clarified that it was a double majority inside the area.

**Dan Cooper** said that was correct, and then the Council made the decision for adding it or not.

Councilor Washington asked what was the difference between MUO 100 and MUO 200.

**Scott Weddle**, Growth Management Services Department, responded that the number on the map was given when they applied to the Department of Revenue as a way to refer to them.

Councilor Washington asked if they would both be considered at the same time.

**Ms.** Neill said the second application had been withdrawn by the applicant.

**Presiding Officer Bragdon** noted written communication from Genstar concerning continuation of the application for annexation to the South Hillsboro area (a copy of which may be found in the permanent record of this meeting).

**Gretchen Buehner**, PO Box 1233, Portland OR 97207, said she was an attorney, a representative of the Tigard Water District board, president of CPO 4K, and also represented one of the property owners in this area. She clarified that this area was actually on the side of Bull Mountain, not Cooper Mountain. She said the water district board had discussed the matter and it was certainly part of their planning to see full development of this area in the future. She said the

area immediately south had been identified as the only property suitable in the entire Tigard-Tualatin school district for its third high school. She said the CPO was very interested in having this area brought in to provide for well-planned and sensible development. The vast majority in this area had voted that they wanted the annexation. She also noted this was definitely not prime farm land and was already densely developed to the east.

In response to a question from Councilor Atherton, Ms. Buehner reviewed the history of the properties.

Lee Leighton, Westlake Consultants, Inc. 15115 SW Sequoia Parkway, Suite 150, Tigard, OR 97224 reviewed an aerial photograph of property lines for the area (the large aerial map may be found in the permanent record of this meeting). He explained his client's interest in the area. He said the staff report covered most of their concerns except the timetable. He said the petitions were submitted to Metro in December. He was concerned that the petitions would become stale and the council would be faced with either having to redo them or would not be able to act on bringing the land into the UGB because it remained outside the jurisdiction boundary. He urged the Council to make their decision as soon as possible.

**Councilor Park** asked Mr. Cooper about the application and the double majority question. He wondered, as long as things remained static, would the application stay viable.

**Mr. Cooper** said that was generally true, however there could be uncertainty because you could have a major shift of owners who could withdraw an approval that was already part of the process. He said there was some potential for a shift.

Councilor Park asked what would happen if they were in the middle of the process and there was a major shift.

**Mr. Cooper** said Council did not have to seek out new information as long as they stayed in the process, but that someone would have to come tell them if there was a major shift.

**Councilor Park** asked if someone had a change right before a vote, could they force the council to withdraw from a decision.

**Mr.** Cooper said it was premature to surmise about facts that had not occurred.

Councilor McLain referred to Mr. Cooper presentation that indicated what had been a 2-step process had now become a process that had 2 steps that needed to happen together. She asked if something could be said about the condition of the petition when it entered the process.

Mr. Cooper said they could go back and amend the code.

**Councilor McLain** asked if there was a solution to the fact that a petitioner may not have understood the new process.

**Mr. Cooper** responded that the ordinance required the Metro Council to make a preliminary determination about intent to move the UGB. He read that as requiring a fairly detailed set of determinations based on the same criteria used to move the UGB, including a determined need number and consideration of all Goal 14 factors. At this time they only had the annexation

petition. The other information was still pending so the decision had to be deferred until they had the same information in the record that they needed for UGB decision.

**Steve Larrance**, 20660 SW Kinnaman Rd., Aloha, OR 97007, Citizens Against Irresponsible Growth (CAIG), said the total annexation for the south Hillsboro area was around 1,200 acres when you included the west 55 that had already been included. He noted it was a very large expansion of over 15,000 people and would have a major impact. He said CAIG was opposed to urbanization at this time because of the transportation impacts. They hoped CAIG could be included in the discussions of the area.

**Ron Cortopassi**, 16403 SW Leeding Lane, Tigard, OR 97223 said he was a homeowner adjacent to the Cooper Mountain area. He expressed concern about wetlands, transportation, high density housing units, lack of parklands and recreation areas in new development areas. He noted that there was an interest in increasing the density, which was fine for developers, but not for homeowners.

**Councilor Washington** suggested that Mr. Cortopassi ask the Growth Management staff to respond to his concerns. He asked the staff to make sure they answered all his questions.

**Steven Tabor**, 16387 SW O'Neill Ct., Tigard, OR, adjacent, though not directly, to the property in question, spoke about the traffic problem. It was his hope that the Metro Council would address the traffic issue and hold them accountable for improving the roads in the area so it would not be a bigger problem than it already was. He also spoke about the power lines into the area. He felt they should be put underground.

In response to a question from Councilor Atherton, Mr. Tabor said there had not been a specific group meeting to discuss the planning for the area.

**Councilor Washington** noted there was a lot of information to get through this evening and he knew there was a lot of interest from the Councilors, but it was his hope that they would be considerate of the others who wanted to testify.

**Presiding Officer Bragdon** announced a continuance of the hearing and closed the public hearing.

# 7. METRO COMMITTEE FOR CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT PRESENTATION ON THE BUDGET

Ray Sherwood, MCCI Chairman, commended the council for holding an evening meeting to allow citizens to comment on the budget. He said MCCI appreciated having a place on the agenda. He noted that citizen involvement is mandated by the charter, but that it costs money. He distributed summary materials (a copy of which may be found in the permanent record of this meeting), and called attention to two charts that show the amount of money expended on citizen involvement on two different budgets. He said the disparity between the two can be narrowed either by increasing the money allocated for citizen involvement or decreasing Metro's undertakings. He noted a letter contained in the MCCI materials from Ted Kyle, which called for cutting back on Metro's undertakings in favor of increasing citizen involvement. He explained MCCI's efforts to organize for effective involvement using the Public Involvement Planning Guide as a model. He appealed to the Council for sufficient money to make MCCI effective. He

pointed out that MCCI has been a valuable tool for gaining public support and has saved Metro money in, for example, mailing costs.

Mr. Sherwood said MCCI's mission is specified in the Metro Charter as a two-way communications vehicle between the public and the Council. He said that to be more effective, MCCI needs expanded membership and one that included members with particular expertise. It needs the support of the Executive Office and the Council to attract high-caliber members. It needs good, timely information presented in a useful form for itself and to communicate to citizens. That requires financial support. The printed information contains MCCI recommendations for funding its activities.

**Councilor McLain** thanked Mr. Sherwood for his presentation. She invited him to consult with the staff for help in developing amendments and for submitting specific suggestions for review by the Budget committee.

## 9. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

9.1 **Ordinance No. 00-851**, For the purpose of amending the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan regarding goals, objectives, and recommended strategies for the management of Household Hazardous Wastes.

**Presiding Officer Bragdon** assigned Ordinance No. 00-851 to the Regional Environmental Management Committee.

### 10. ORDINANCES -SECOND READING

10.1 **Ordinance No. 00-847,** For the Purpose of Adopting the Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2000-01, making appropriations, and levying ad valorem taxes, and declaring an emergency.

**Presiding Officer Bragdon** opened a public hearing on Ordinance No. 00-847. He noted that this would be the first of three public hearings on this matter.

Councilor McLain introduced the ordinance and explained the budget process. She recognized two letters received for the record, one from George E. Bell, Chair of MERC; the other from the Friends of the Performing Arts Center, signed by their officers and past presidents.

George Bell, MERC Chair, 102 Garibaldi St. Lake Oswego, OR 97035, spoke in support of the MERC budget. He said that MERC takes seriously its mission to operate the MERC facilities efficiently and cost-effectively. The future of the facilities depends on successful partnerships. He summarized the history of the entrepreneurial approach the MERC facilities have taken in the past five years. He said the success of this approach depends on keeping overhead costs low. He said the MERC has an obligation to the public to do so. He urged the Council not to allow overhead costs to increase faster than inflation.

Councilor Washington asked Commissioner Bell to suggest an amount for overhead costs.

**Commissioner. Bell** said MERC currently pays \$1.1 million for services. The budget submitted includes a 3% increase in those costs. He said the \$1.7 million suggested by the Executive Officer would create a hardship on the facilities.

**Councilor Atherton** asked if Commissioner Bell had compared MERC's overhead costs with those of other, similar facilities around the nation.

**Commissioner Bell** said preliminary information suggests that the services could be purchased for considerably less —some \$200,000 less.

Jim Neill, Past President, Friends of the Performing Arts Center, 6428 SE Reed College Place, Portland OR 97201. He read his letter of testimony into the record (a copy of which may be found in the permanent record). He said the facilities are already at the top of their markets, and any increase in charges to \$1.7 million could put some of them out of business. The Best of Broadway, which involves a multi-year contract, cannot raise its rates under its contract. He said he was not in a position to recommend where the Council should cut money. He said he had been involved in budget cutting and recognized it could be done using an innovative approach.

**Jerry Mounce**, Solid Waste and Industrial Source Control, City of Portland, 1120 SW 5<sup>th</sup> Rm 1000 Portland OR said her job involved managing the finances for the neighborhood clean-ups and bulky waste clean-ups. She said in the past 18 months, more than \$300,000 had been allocated from her budget for the bulky waste clean-ups. Next year she would be releasing a request for proposals from the Portland Neighborhood Coalitions for a \$300,000 contract for bulky waste clean-ups. By the end of May, 82,000 homes will have been covered for bulky waste clean-ups. She noted that Metro proposed allocating only \$100,000 for all three counties for disposal. She proposed that Metro increase its allocation by an addition \$50,000 or \$60,000. She noted that neighboring jurisdictions had requested assistance from the City of Portland in doing similar clean-ups.

Paul Mortimore, 1630 N Highland St., Portland, Oregon 97221 said he was speaking on behalf of the Miracle Theater Company and the Profile Theater project. He said that the proposed fee increases for support services would be passed on by MERC to the individual non-profit groups that use its facilities. That would force those groups to try to raise those dollars from the private sector, which had become extremely competitive. Thus, the fee increase would amount to a tax on private, non-profit organizations. It would affect not only the users, but it would make it very difficult for small non-profits, such as the Miracle Theater, to compete for philanthropic dollars with larger organizations with greater needs. He told Councilor Atherton that past user fees at the Portland Center for the Performing Arts (PCPA) were three times the national average. That put long-lasting burden on PCPA users that has continue to plague them even though the situation has since improved. He said the agreement made three years ago needed to be honored. He urged the Council not to further burden private, non-profit organizations by raising the charges for support services for MERC.

**Mike Houck**, Audobon Society of Portland and the Coalition for Livable Future, 5151 NW Cornell Rd, Portland OR 97210 read two letters of testimony into the record (both copies of which may be found in the permanent record of this meeting). On behalf of the Coalition testified against making any budget cuts for key programs, particularly those that address affordable housing needs. Instead, the Coalition suggested exploring ways to raise revenues, and it offered

suggestions for and its help in doing so. On behalf of the Audubon, his testimony included opposition to cutting programs dealing with water quality and salmon protection.

William Warren, citizen involvement coordinator, Central NE Neighbors, 5540 NE Sandy Blvd., Portland, OR 97213 explained his written testimony and accompanying material (copies of which may be found in the permanent record of this meeting). He testified in favor of Metro's increasing its funding for disposal waiver fees for the bulky waste clean up events. He noted the huge quantity of recyclable and reusable items that have been picked up at these events (see written testimony for exact figures). He noted that these events have been made possible through partnerships with the non-profits, the Bureau of Environmental Services, and Metro. He noted the value of these events in introducing neighborhood associations to those who live in their boundaries. In addition, Metro's recycling number has been widely distributed.

**Virginia Seivers**, program manager, Central NE Neighbors, 5540 NE Sandy Rd., Portland, Oregon 97213 spoke to the 130,000 households invited to participate in bulky waste collected events in central northeast neighborhoods this spring. She spoke to the success of the clean-ups.

**Councilor Atherton** asked if there was any indication that this program had helped to reduce illegal dumping in vacant lots and in the countryside.

**Ms. Seivers** said those numbers might be obtained from Ms. Mounce, City of Portland, but she believed it had.

**Mr. Warren** said the reports neighborhood associations had received from citizens indicated less dumping, particularly of tires. He said future events would allow more accurate comparisons.

**Councilor Kvistad** clarified for the television audience that bulky waste included items such as tires, mattresses, furniture, and appliances.

**Presiding Officer Bragdon** noted that the Council had received a letter that day from Sylvia Bogert, Southwest Neighborhood, Inc., lauding this program and mentioning the reduction in illegal dumping.

**Councilor Washington** said one of these events had been conducted recently in his neighborhood, and he had been amazed at the amount of waste that had been put out.

**Mr. Warren** offered to meet with citizen involvement personnel or with staff to explain the program and to offer any technical assistance that might be useful.

**Ricki McIlwraith**, Chairman of the Volunteer Council for the PCPA, 13155 SW Thatcher Rd. Beaverton OR 97008 She shared with the Council a volunteer's view of the PCPA. She said that the volunteer program had begun in 1984 as a marketing tool, to increase awareness of the newly refurbished Schnitzer Hall and to build excitement for the new theater building that was then under construction. Over the years the program has grown in size and scope. She summarized the different activities with which volunteers help. They contributed more than 40,000 hours valued at more than \$500,000. Volunteers have the opportunity to see first-hand how the PCPA operates in a lean and efficient manner.

Mark Crawford, Managing Director of Portland Center Stage, 1111 SW Broadway, Portland, OR, spoke on behalf of other major non-profit organizations serving this community. He focused on the implications of a MERC increase on community service organizations. A cost increase to these organizations does not mean improved services, but financially imperils them. An increase would mean either a cut in services provided to the community, or an increase in ticket prices, which might price the services out of affordable range. He urged Ordinance No. 00-847 not be passed.

**Roy Jay**, President and CEO, Oregon Convention and Visitors Services Network, 516 SE Morrison Street, Suite 650 Portland, OR, 97214 spoke in opposition to Ordinance No. 00-847 as it pertains to increasing fees to MERC. He asked that no cuts be made from the MERC budget as it would greatly impact visitor events to the community facilities.

Councilor Atherton asked how money MERC currently spends on marketing.

**Mr. Jay** responded that he thought it was less than \$2 million. Nationally, Oregon is ranked 44th in the country as far as money spent on marketing for convention and tourism. POVA, the convention marketing staff and the Oregon Convention and Visitors Services Network market about \$2.4 for this area. There is no room to reduce marketing expenditures.

**Craig Thompson**, President, Tri-County Lodging Association, 506 SW Washington, Portland OR 97204 gave the perspective of the lodging industry on the MERC budget. He thanked Presiding Officer Bragdon for his interest in working with other councilors to develop a budget to meet the Metro commitments to the industry.

Councilor Park thanked Mr. Thompson for the willingness of his organization to step forward and tax itself for the expansion of the Convention Center. He asked Mr. Thompson to consider expanding the taxing base, and he invited his fellow Councilors from Washington and Clackamas Counties to join Multnomah County in its support for the expansion.

**Brian McCartin**, General Manager, Double Tree Hotel Downtown and Lloyd Center, and Chair of Directors, Portland Oregon Visitors Association (POVA), 100 NE Multnomah, Portland, OR 97232 commented on the MERC budget. He said MERC facilities greatly enhanced the region, as the result of excellent management and promotion of the facilities. He said this was an example of public/private partnership at its best, and it was important to honor the commitments made and work to ensure that the facilities continue to benefit to the region.

Larry Harvey, Larry Harvey Public Relations, 22830 Southwest Ninety-Third, Tualatin, OR said the previous agreement under discussion was Ordinance No. 97-677B, passed by the previous Council. The ordinance talked about the agreement between the county, the city, and Metro Council concerning the operation of the MERC facilities. He noted Metro's responsibility to maintain the region's quality of life, and he listed a number of benefits the region's residents receive from public/private partnerships, such as Fareless Square and neighborhood arts projects. He asked the Council to honor the industry request that Metro maintain the integrity of previous commitments in their future relationship.

**Valeria Ramirez**, Portland Opera and PCPA Advisory Committee, 2725 NE 42rd Portland OR 97213 thanked the Council for the opportunity to show some of the work currently underway that supported PCPA's FY 2000-01 budget as prepared and submitted. She gave a brief history of the

budget's development, and noted the lack of a funded plan to maintain and improve PCPA's facilities as the primary challenge facing PCPA. She noted the proposal before the Metro Council to increase its charges for services provided to PCPA through MERC, and said it would either result in higher costs for users or further compromising of the facilities. She said neither option was a viable solution. She said most companies were actively selling subscriptions for the upcoming season, and would not be able to increase revenue. She asked the Council to adopt PCPA's budget for FY 2000-01 as submitted.

Christopher Kopca, Chair, PCPA Advisory Committee, 715 SW Morrison Suite 423 Portland OR 97205 implored the Council to adopt the budget prepared by MERC. The primary issue was the proposed 43% increase in Metro support services, which he noted was on top of a 7% increase issued last year. He said the amount budgeted by MERC for Metro support services for this year was not a subsidized cost for service; it was well within the amount that would be required to purchase the same services from a third party. He said they could not schedule more events to increase revenue, and they were at the top end of their fees and user charges. They have deferred capitol improvements and drawn down their ending fund balance. He said the 3% fee proposed by MERC was reasonable, and he asked the Council to support it.

**Councilor Atherton** asked Mr. Kopca how much of PCPA's operating budget was covered by fees such as ticket sales.

**Mr. Kopca** said he thought it was 80%, but he would need to verify that with staff.

**Councilor Kvistad** said this budget was part of a continual assault on arts and culture programs in the community. He said the proposal was a hidden tax increase, and was not appropriate.

Councilor Park explained to the public that MERC was part of Metro, even though it was partly autonomous. He asked Joe D'Alessandro, President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of POVA, what portion of the 1% paid by the City of Portland through its hotel/motel tax was dedicated to promotion of POVA.

**Mr. D'Alessandro** said POVA currently held the marketing contract for the Oregon Convention Center, which was about \$2.2 million a year. In addition, POVA had a contract with the City of Portland equal to one point of the room tax collected within the city of Portland, which equaled about \$2 million this year. In addition, POVA received private sector and membership dollars. The total marketing budget for Portland, the region, and the Convention Center was \$5.4 million a year. To answer Councilor Atherton's question, he said Portland ranked 42<sup>nd</sup> of its competitive set, which was far below the national average. It was currently in a competitive market place, but it had to sell the Convention Center and the region to make it successful, and they could do it with limited marketing resources. Any attempt to limit the resources would jeopardize the success of the facilities and of the region.

Councilor Washington said Jeff Stone, Council Chief of Staff, met with Bruce Warner, Chief Operating Officer, and Mark Williams, General Manager of MERC, to work out the support services agreement for MERC, but they were unable to reach an agreement. Now it was the Council's responsibility, and he said he asked Mr. Stone to write an amendment that would accomplish the following: 1) assume \$1.7 million as Metro's charge to MERC for support services, 2) lock the agreement for three years, and 3) neither privatize nor take over operation of MERC. He said it was time to acknowledge that Metro and MERC were part of each other, and

work through each decision as a family. His goal was to find a solution that was fair and equitable to everyone.

**Councilor Atherton** thanked Mr. D'Alessandro for the information he provided. He noted the good news that while Portland may be 42<sup>nd</sup>, it was ahead of Arlington, Texas, Sucatomato, California, and El Paso.

Councilor McLain said she has been working hard to communicate to her constituents in Forest Grove that MERC facilities were regional. She said as a private citizen, she has brought a 5,000 high school student convention to the Oregon Convention Center. She said the Council supported its facilities, honored its agreements, appreciated its volunteers, and expected efficiency, viability, fair charges, equitability and excellent program management. She said the Council was charged with the responsibility to review MERC's budget, and it took its responsibility very seriously. She thanked everyone for coming. The next step of the budget would be Council work sessions. She mentioned the next meetings on March 15, and March 29, and said the MERC budget would probably be discussed at the first meeting in April.

Presiding Officer Bragdon closed the public hearing.

### 11. RESOLUTIONS

11.1 **Resolution No. 00-2906,** For the Purpose of Amending the TOD Project Procedures to Facilitate TOD Projects including the Round at Beaverton Central.

**Motion:** Councilor Kvistad moved to adopt Resolution No. 00-2906.

**Seconded:** Councilor Park seconded the motion.

**Councilor Kvistad** introduced Resolution No. 00-2906. A staff report to the resolution includes information presented by Councilor Kvistad and is included in the meeting record.

Councilor McLain added her support to the resolution. She said she has sat on the TOD committee for the past two years, and it seemed to be bringing a new quality to the type of development along the transit line. She said the resolution simply would allow the funds to be used in a different way.

**Councilor Park** said he would also be supporting this resolution for some of the same reasons as stated by Councilors Kvistad and McLain. Also, the ability to steer this activity into a different venue from the more traditional strip mall-type project but into premier projects benefiting the region. These newer type of projects can be difficult to put together, and the Council needs to help them move along.

**Councilor Atherton** said this resolution relates to expanding the flexibility of the TOD program. Metro's role is to provide research and development, that once proven, can go forward and be replicated. He said he would support the resolution.

**Councilor Washington** appreciated the support of the Council for this project. Three years ago this project was first reviewed. It's been waiting to be finished and its completion will greatly benefit the community.

**Presiding Officer Bragdon** said he would be supporting this resolution as it was the type of engagement with the private sector that would bring about the reality of the 2040 plan.

**Councilor Kvistad** closed by saying that this new development pattern caused by the new urban form needs support and close working relationships with the private sector to provide them surety regarding their lending policies. This new kind of development pattern has caused concern with regard to lending practices and needs Council support.

Vote: The vote was 6 aye/ 0 nay/ 0 abstain. The motion passed.

### 12. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATIONS

**Presiding Officer Bragdon** said he and Councilor Washington both had conversations with Diane Linn, Multnomah County Commissioner and liaison to MERC apprising her of current discussions with regard to MERC and to lessen concerns that the Council would act unilaterally. She appreciated the Council's willingness to work with the County, and they, too, would work cooperatively. Also, Presiding Officer Bragdon had conversed with City Councilman Saltzman and relayed the same information.

Presiding Officer Bragdon stated he would be out of the office the following Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at a meeting in Montreal, Canada, and that Councilor Washington would be handling the arrangements for next Thursday's Council meeting.

### 13. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Metro Council, Presiding Officer Bragdon adjourned the meeting at 9:40pm.

Prepared by,

Chris Billington
Clerk of the Council