

MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL MEETING

June 1, 2000

Metro Council Chamber

Councilors Present: David Bragdon (Presiding Officer), Susan McLain, Ed Washington, Rod Park, Bill Atherton, Rod Monroe, Jon Kvistad

Councilors Absent: None

Presiding Officer Bragdon convened the Regular Council Meeting at 2:03 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

Dan Cooper, General Counsel, introduced Lisa Umschied to the Council. She will be job-sharing with Katie Poole, who provides legal work for MERC, Personnel, and Parks.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

None.

3. EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMMUNICATIONS

None.

4. AUDITOR COMMUNICATIONS

None.

5. MPAC COMMUNICATIONS

None.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

6.1 Consideration of minutes of the May 25, 2000, Regular Council Meeting.

Motion: **Councilor Washington** moved to adopt the meeting minutes of May 25, 2000, Regular Council meeting.

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

Vote: The vote was 6 aye/ 0 nay/ 0 abstain. The motion passed, with Councilor Kvistad absent for the vote.

7. ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

7.1 **Ordinance No. 00-865**, For the Purpose of Amending the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan related to Disposal Facilities.

Presiding Officer Bragdon assigned Ordinance No. 00-865 to the Regional Environmental Management Committee.

7.2 **Ordinance No. 00-866**, For the Purpose of Amending Metro Code Chapter 5.01 Related to Solid Waste Facilities.

Presiding Officer Bragdon assigned Ordinance No. 00-866 to the Regional Environmental Management Committee.

7.3 **Ordinance No. 00-867**, For the Purpose of Amending Metro Code Chapter 5.02 Related to Regional System Fee Credits and Making other related changes.

Presiding Officer Bragdon assigned Ordinance No. 00-867 to the Regional Environmental Management Committee.

8. CONTRACT REVIEW BOARD

8.1 **Resolution No. 00-2943**, For the Purpose of Authorizing Amendment Number Four of the Personal Services Agreement with Pac/West Communications.

Motion: **Councilor Atherton** moved to adopt Resolution No. 00-2943.

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

Councilor Atherton asked Mr. Bruce Warner to explain the details of the resolution. He said the essence of it is that Metro would be amending its current contract with PacWest Communication to increase the funds by \$22,000, for a total of \$156,000. This would not extend the contract's expiration date, but authorize funds to pay for services already provided.

Bruce Warner, Chief Operating Officer, said this issue would have been before the Council earlier, but the committee had questioned how the contract was managed, how the legislative committee would provide oversight in the future, and the committee had requested that Metro issue a Request for Proposals for these services. Mr. Warner said that Councilor Park had asked about yearly costs. This contract began in September of 1998, and for that fiscal year expenditures totaled \$58,000. For this fiscal year \$76,000 was authorized, and with this addition it would bring to the total to \$98,000. The office of General Counsel has budgeted \$100,000 for similar services for the next fiscal year.

Councilor Washington asked Mr. Warner how many months we were behind in paying our contract.

Mr. Warner said Metro was not in arrears regarding actual billings, which arrive about 30 days after services have been rendered. This action would authorize payment for billings expected in the next couple of days.

Councilor Washington asked if this happened often.

Mr. Warner said no.

Councilor Atherton urged an aye vote.

Vote: The vote was 6 aye/ 0 nay/ 0 abstain. The motion passed, with Councilor Kvistad absent for the vote.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD PURSUANT TO ORS 192.660 (1) (d) FOR THE PURPOSE OF DELIBERATING WITH PERSONS DESIGNATED TO CONDUCT LABOR NEGOTIATIONS.

Members Present: Scott Moss, Nancy Meyers, Lilly Aguilar, Jennifer Sims, Bruce Warner, Alexis Dow, Tony Ciez.

10. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATIONS

Councilor Monroe gave a review of the transit system in Bermuda, an island about 21 miles long with about 65,000 residents and a lot of tourists. The bus system was effective, but expensive compared with here--\$11.00 for a daily pass or \$4.00 for one ride. A rubber-wheeled train runs around the urban area, which mostly serves tourists. They also have an elaborate system of expensive taxi cabs.

Councilor Park said that the growth management committee would be forwarding a work plan to LDCD on June 9th for discussion only. Also, at 3:30 p.m. there would be a special SWAC meeting in the chamber to go over the current drafts of ordinances concerning the excise tax. Those ordinances would be considered at REM on June 7, and at Council on June 15, 2000.

Councilor Atherton asked Councilor Monroe about the rubber-tired train.

Councilor Monroe said it operated on regular roads with the rest of the traffic. It had an engine that pulled three open-air cars.

Councilor Atherton suggested that it might be something useful for the Willamette Trolley system. He noted that the Council had just discussed rising costs of health care benefits in executive session, which included dental benefits. He said fluoridating the water has the highest payback of any public health measure. He suggested that as a partner in the Water Consortium, Metro might have some influence on promoting water fluoridation in the region.

Councilor McLain reminded the Council of the TSCC public hearing on June 8th at 1:00p.m. in the annex. She also said she would be bringing an amendment to Council on June 15th requesting funding for Metro's membership in the Water Consortium. She thought the regional government should remain active in regional water issues. Finally, she announced that Water Resources Policy Advisory Committee (WRPAC) would meet on June 12th. She said she could report on WRPAC either at the Growth Management Committee or at the Council under Councilor Communication. She noted that WRPAC had been working on issues related to Goal 5 this past year. She thought it would be important for the WRPAC information to reach the Council in a timely manner.

Presiding Officer Bragdon thanked the Council for the time spent on the retreat. He noted that the issue of charter reform with regard to the Executive Officer's position had been discussed, and he and Councilor Monroe had refined the comments and suggestions that had been made. A questionnaire based on that has been distributed, along with people's comments. In addition, with regard to the suggestion of having roundtables of opinion leaders moderated by someone outside the agency, Governor Barbara Roberts has agreed to moderate three of those four roundtables.

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He announced that both the Informal meeting scheduled for June 6, and the Council meeting scheduled for June 8 had been cancelled.

11. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Metro Council, Presiding Officer Bragdon adjourned the meeting at 2:49pm.

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