MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, April 13, 2006 Metro Council Chamber

Councilors Present: David Bragdon (Council President), Susan McLain, Robert Liberty (by

phone), Rex Burkholder, Carl Hosticka, Rod Park, Brian Newman

Councilors Absent:

Council President Bragdon convened the Regular Council Meeting at 2:01 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

There were none.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

Suzanne Bishop, Oregon Zoo Foundation, 1827 SW Myrtle, Portland, OR 97201 announced their new fund raising campaign, to bring back the lions. "Bring Back the Roar", a fund raising campaign, would fund the lion's exhibit planned to open in three years. She acknowledged Councilors Newman and Liberty for their efforts at the Oregon Zoo. Councilor Newman spoke to the campaign, which would include paying for the operations as well as the exhibit itself. He thanked the Oregon Zoo Foundation for their efforts. Ms. Bishop said they had already received several gifts towards this effort.

Chris Havelka, ACE Event Services, 1631 NE Broadway Portland OR 97232 said he wanted to bring this briefly before the Council in the event that the Contracting Manager should need guidance from the Council. He said he was a possible contractor for the security contract at Oregon Convention Center (OCC). He said he was here to let the Council know that ACE could help them balance their budget. He explained how ACE Security could help save money. He spoke to the current security expenditures. He suggested privatizing the security force at OCC.

Jennifer Zelen, ACE Event Services, 11985 SW Lanewood St Portland OR 97225 said she was the Payroll and Accounting Manager For ACE. She reiterated what Mr. Havelka said about security contracting for the convention center (both of their remarks were included in writing and are attached to the meeting record). Councilor Burkholder said the Council delegates this responsibility to Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Center (MERC). Mr. Havelka said he had talked briefly with the Commission. Councilor McLain suggested that Michael Jordan check in with the MERC Manager about this issue.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Consideration of minutes of the March 30, 2006 Regular Council Meetings.

Motion: Councilor Liberty moved to adopt the meeting minutes of the March 30, 2006 Regular Metro Council.

Vote: Councilors Burkholder, McLain, Liberty, Park, Newman, Hosticka and

Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7

aye, the motion passed.

4. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

4.1 **Ordinance No. 06-1114,** An Ordinance Confirming the Re-Adoption of Metro Code 7.03 (Investment Policy)

Council President Bragdon assigned Ordinance No. 06-1114 to Council.

4.2 **Ordinance No. 06-1117,** For The Purpose of Dedicating a Metro Open Spaces Property in the Tryon Creek Linkages Target Area.

Council President Bragdon assigned Ordinance No. 06-1117 to Council.

5. **RESOLUTIONS**

5.1 **Resolution No. 06-3659**, For the Purpose of Establishing the Oregon Zoo Future Vision Committee.

Motion:	Councilor Newman moved to adopt Resolution No. 06-3659.
Seconded:	Councilor Liberty seconded the motion

Councilor Newman said this resolution, if adopted, would form a Future Vision Committee for the Oregon Zoo. The Metro Council acts as the governing body for the Zoo. The Zoo will turn 120 years this year. The Oregon Zoo is the oldest Zoo west of the Mississippi River. He talked about attendance at the Oregon Zoo last year. It was the top tourist attraction in Oregon. The citizens of the state supported the Oregon Zoo. He talked about the Oregon Zoo Foundation, its goals and membership. He noted that the Zoo was focusing on conservation and environmental education. This was part of their core mission. He spoke to fiscal challenges of the Zoo; expenses every year were growing faster than revenues so there were a lot of challenges for the Zoo. They would be looking at the future of the Zoo including the Master Plan, programming and operations. They would appoint the membership for the committee in this resolution. He talked about the charge of the Committee. He urged approval.

Councilor McLain thanked the Oregon Zoo, Zoo management and the Metro Council for their efforts in forming this committee. This advisory committee was just as important as the other advisory committees that served the Council. She felt this was an extremely important venue for the Zoo.

Councilor Park asked if the fiscal issues were included in the discussion of the Master Plan. Councilor Newman responded to his question.

Council President Bragdon commented that this was a multidisciplinary Master Plan effort and he was pleased that multiple stakeholders were involved in this effort.

Councilor Liberty wondered if we had an idea of how we were going to integrate this effort with the other partners in this area? Councilor Newman responded to his question.

Councilor Newman mentioned the timeline for the committee.

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Vote: Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, Newman, McLain, Liberty, and

Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye,

the motion passed.

Resolution No. 06-3667, For the Purpose of Certifying That the Portland Metropolitan Area is in Compliance With Federal Transportation Planning Requirements.

Motion:	Councilor Burkholder moved to adopt Resolution No. 06-3667.
Seconded:	Councilor Park seconded the motion

Councilor Burkholder said they had three transportation related items on the agenda. This resolution was a self-certification to ensure compliance with the federal transportation planning requirements. He said they would have to add several new requirements, which would be part of the Regional Transportation Plan update. He urged support.

Vote: Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, Newman, McLain, Liberty, and

Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye,

the motion passed.

Resolution No. 06-3668, For the Purpose of Approving the FY 2007 Unified Planning Work Program.

Motion:	Councilor Burkholder moved to adopt Resolution No. 06-3668.	
Seconded:	Councilor Park seconded the motion	

Councilor Burkholder explained that the work program dealt with a variety of agencies and the transportation planning for the region. With the approval of this resolution it allowed authorization to receive funding. Councilor Liberty asked about ranking of congestion hot spots. Councilor Liberty wondered what the status of this ranking was. Tom Kloster, Planning Department, responded that this issue came out of federal requirements and was a corrective action. Councilor Liberty asked further questions about the work program. Mr. Kloster responded to his question. Councilor Liberty felt this congestion hot spot was an interesting requirement and wanted to spend some time thinking about this while they were discussing the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) update. Mr. Kloster talked about how Title 6 worked.

Vote: Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, Newman, McLain, Liberty, and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.

Councilor Burkholder introduced the State Transportation Implementation Program (STIP) Comments letter (a copy of this letter is included in the meeting record). Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) had talked about this letter this morning. This was the first step looking at proposed project for the State. He said the letter laid out some of the issues that their region had. They would have a decision by June about the short list of projects for the region. He summarized JPACT's discussion on the comment letter. They wanted to make the best investments possible. He urged approval. Councilor Park thanked Councilor Burkholder for his leadership on this issue. Council President Bragdon asked about a portion of the letter that got taken out. Councilor Burkholder responded to his question. Councilor Newman commented on the discussion at JPACT and the difficulty of turning someone down for a project. He asked

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how soon they would start the conversation. Councilor Burkholder said they would plan additional meetings for this discussion. Councilor Park would be managing JPACT during the month of May. Councilor Newman asked about the projects outside of our jurisdiction. Councilor Burkholder said there was two other ACTS that Metro was required to coordinate with, within Region 1. Council was comfortable with the letter.

6. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER (COO) COMMUNICATION

Michael Jordan, COO, said he had nothing to add.

7. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Councilor Park talked about the listening post this afternoon concerning the Nature in Neighborhood grants. He was hopeful to learn about the innovations that grant applicants would share. He talked about future stages.

8. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Metro Council, Council President Bragdon adjourned the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

Prepared by

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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF APRIL 13, 2006

Item	Topic	Doc Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
2	Talking points	4/13/06	To: Metro Council	041306c-01
	and proposal		From: Chris Havelka and Jennifer Zelen	
			Ace Event Services	
5.4	Memo and	4/5/06	To: Metro Council	041306c-02
	Letter		From: Ted Leybold, Planning	
			Department	
			Re: JPACT Recommended comments	
			on Region 1 STIP proposal	