

# MINUTES OF THE METRO OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

August 9, 2000

Council Chamber

Councilors Present: Rod Monroe, (Chair), Bill Atherton (Vice Chair), Ed Washington

Councilors Absent: None

Also Present: Peggy Coats

**Chair Monroe** called the meeting to order at 3:34 p.m.

## 1. CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES

**Motion:** **Councilor Atherton** moved to adopt the minutes of the July 19, 2000, Metro Operations Committee meeting.

**Vote:** There were no amendments to the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

## 2. Ordinance No. 00-870, For the Purpose of Increasing to One Year the Maximum Period of Exclusion from the Oregon Zoo and Declaring an Emergency.

**Councilor Washington** moved the ordinance.

**Kathy Kiaunis**, Deputy Zoo Director, said this legislation requested a change from a 45-day maximum exclusion at the zoo to a one year exclusion for inappropriate behavior on the part of zoo visitors. The types of behavior causing exclusion would be harassment of animals, theft, inappropriate behavior towards staff or guests, or defacing zoo property. Severity of some of these behaviors warrant a longer exclusion from the zoo. Approximately a dozen zoo visitors are excluded per year. **Councilor Washington** asked if there are already guests whose behavior would fall into this category. **Ms. Kiaunis** said yes, there were. **Councilor Atherton** asked if the police department had been consulted. **Ms. Kiaunis** said this legislation had been drafted with Metro attorney assistance. She said the zoo works closely with the police department on activities that are criminal in nature, and the police take over on those types of incidents. **Councilor Atherton** asked about the exclusion of people from public property. **Ms. Kiaunis** said that this had been reviewed by legal counsel. She said the increase from 45 days to one year would not commonly be put into place, only in severe cases. A period of exclusion for two or three or more years could be put into place, but she said that exceeded what the zoo needed. **Councilor Atherton** asked why the police didn't restrict the violators from entering the zoo. **Ms. Kiaunis** responded that some offenders, though charged by police, return the next day.

**Chair Monroe** opened a public hearing on Ordinance No. 00-870 at 3:45 p.m. No one came forward. The public hearing was closed at 3:45 p.m.

**Vote:** The Committee voted 3/0, unanimously passing Ordinance No. 00-870. **Councilor Atherton** will carry the resolution to the full Council.

## 3. Resolution No. 00-2979, For the Purpose of Confirming the Nomination of Rod Peters to the Regional Parks and Greenspaces Advisory Committee

**Councilor Atherton** moved approval of the resolution.

**Charlie Ciecko**, Director, Parks and Greenspaces, was substituting for Ron Klein of the Parks Department. The Regional Parks and Greenspaces Advisory Committee had a vacancy due to term expiration in District 3, and Mr. Peters applied to fill the position. He is an attorney who has been actively involved in many groups including the City of Tualatin, SOLV, and previously with the Yakima River Greenway Project.

**Councilor Atherton** asked if Councilor Kvistad had been consulted with regard to this applicant. The application solicitations were processed through the district counselors, but Mr. Ciecko was not certain of Councilor Kvistad's knowledge in this regard. **Chair Monroe** said the district councilor should be consulted and assumed Councilor

Kvistad had been. He asked Ms. Coats to check with Councilor Kvistad before the full Council took action on this resolution.

**Vote:** The Committee voted 3/0, unanimously passing Resolution No. 00-2979. **Councilor Monroe** will carry the resolution to the full Council.

**4. Resolution No. 00-2983, For the Purpose of Authorizing an Amendment to the Contract Between Metro and First Cascade Corporation for Construction Services at Oxbow Regional Park**

**Councilor Atherton** moved approval of the resolution.

**Charlie Ciecko**, Director, Parks and Greenspaces said this resolution proposed authorization of an amendment of considerable size related to capital improvements underway at Oxbow Park. Capital improvements underway total \$798,000. The proposed amendment is a change order of \$73,000. The purpose of this contract amendment is the result of changes in DEQ requirements in regard to specifications for the sewage treatment plant. The final permit differed significantly from the original, tentative permit given to Oxbow Park.

**Glen Taylor**, Parks and Greenspaces Department, said the bulk of these funds were related to the DEQ changes, although DEQ had been consulted and their initial criteria had been used. First Cascade Corp. was the low bid and a contract had been signed with them after tentative approval had been given by DEQ and Multnomah County. The final design review comments were received from DEQ on June 22, 2000, which indicated significant changes were needed. Mr. Taylor negotiated a reduction in the contractor charge from \$110,000 to \$73,000.

**Councilor Atherton** said he appreciated the detail that had been included. He mentioned the double check valves. **Mr. Ciecko** said Mr. Taylor had discussed this with the Gresham plumbing inspectors, pointing out the lack of necessity of these specific valves, but without success.

**Vote:** The Committed voted 3/0, unanimously passing Resolution No. 00-2983. **Councilor Atherton** will carry the resolution to the full Council.

**5. Consideration of an Eco-Roof as a Component of the OCC Expansion Project**

**Karl Schulz**, Expansion Project Manager, Oregon Convention Center, provided an overview of the purpose and benefit of an eco-roof system. Overall, its purpose is to reduce the stormwater runoff and improve the quality of the stormwater system. It is supported by the City of Portland. If installed, this would be the largest installation of this kind of system at this time. It is the first time an eco-roof has been considered as a treatment facility. He discussed the two steps to designing the eco-roof system: the structural support system related to supporting the roof materials, and the actual design of the system. **Chair Monroe** stated that the structural update would only be needed if it was decided to go forward with the eco-roof. If the upgrade was approved and the eco-roof was found to be unworkable, then the building would have incurred unnecessary costs. **Mr. Schulz** agreed. However, he stated, other space uses could be considered if the structure was upgraded and the eco-roof not used. He said the cost of the upgrade would be \$27,675 on an average cost basis, which is substantially less than the costs of upgrading after the fact. **Ms. Coats**, Council Analyst, said the City of Portland has committed to at least \$100,000, and possibly \$200,000. **Chair Monroe** asked if the City of Portland was willing to be responsible for the entire cost of structural upgrade whether or not Metro went forward with the eco-roof system. **Ms. Coats** said it had not been determined at this time. Commissioner Saltzman, representing the City of Portland, had the authority to release funds for this project. However, she was uncertain if the City of Portland would commit to funding if Metro was not also willing to commit. **Mr. Schulz** said the Oregon Convention Center would be the best location for a public demonstration project and would get a good deal of attention for the City and the facility. The eco-roof would be visible from secondary levels and high-rises. **Chair Monroe** said he could support the eco-roof system if it proved to be economically sound, but at this time, that was not known. He directed Ms. Coats to draft a letter to Commissioner Saltzman explaining the situation Metro was in, and ask him to make a commitment on behalf of the City of Portland for the cost of the structural upgrade as soon as possible. **Councilor Washington** suggested a time limit be included in the letter. **Chair Monroe** asked that the Presiding Officer also sign the letter. **Ms. Coats** informed the Committee that Mr. Schulz would be making a presentation at tomorrow's council meeting (August 10, 2000). **Mr. Schulz** added that he was looking forward to negotiating the OCC stormwater management fee with the City of Portland once this feature has been installed.

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Ms. Aleta Woodruff supported continuing exploration of installing an eco-roof at OCC.

**6 Councilor Communications**

There were none.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Mannhalter  
Council Assistant

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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF AUGUST 9, 2000

| Document Number | Date | Document Description                    | RES/ORD |
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| 080900.01       |      | Proposed Eco-Roof For the OCC Expansion |         |