

## MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, June 7, 2007  
Metro Council Chamber

Councilors Present: David Bragdon (Council President), Robert Liberty, Rex Burkholder, Rod Park

Councilors Absent: Brian Newman (excused), Kathryn Harrington (excused), Carl Hosticka (excused)

Council President Bragdon convened the Regular Council Meeting at 2:02 p.m.

### 1. INTRODUCTIONS

There were none.

### 2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

### 3. RECOGNITION OF GEORGE FORBES'S YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE MERC COMMISSION

Council President Bragdon recognized George Forbes for his service on the Commission. He talked about Commissioner Forbes contribution and his history on the Commission. Councilor Park said Mr. Forbes was one of the first commissioners he had met. He felt Commissioner Forbes support of the expansion of the convention center helped the community tremendously. He spoke to how the Convention Center had benefited the region. It had been a pleasure to serve with Commissioner Forbes. Councilor Burkholder added his thanks. There had been a long history of conflict and tension between Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission (MERC) and the Council. He felt Commissioner Forbes helped overcome many of those issues and helped recover the relationship between the two bodies. Councilor Liberty said he had known Commissioner Forbes 10-12 years. He appreciated Commissioner Forbes service to the community.

Commissioner Janice Marquis thanked Commissioner Forbes for being a great leader. He was a man of many interests. She also appreciated what Commissioner Forbes had done on the headquarters hotel. Commissioner Don Trotter said they had served together for 4 ½ years. They had worked well together. Commissioner Forbes had been a great leader particularly in hiring the new General Manager. David Wilson, Chief Operating Officer of MERC, said he had known Commissioner Forbes for 15 years. He felt Commissioner Forbes was a first class guy. He appreciated his humor and foresight. Jeff Miller, Portland Oregon Visitors Association Director, said Commissioner Forbes had always given sage counsel. He was a great mentor and man.

Commissioner George Forbes said he wanted to praise the staff at MERC. They were extraordinary. He mentioned the three general managers that he had served with at MERC. Mike Burton, past Executive Officer, had been recruited him. He had enjoyed his time on the Commission and his work with Metro. Council President Bragdon presented Commissioner Forbes with an engraved clock.

**4. COLUMBIA RIVER INTER-TRIBAL FISH COMMISSION AWARD**

Deb Scrivens, Regional Parks and Greenspaces Department, said the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission presented an award to Metro. She explained we had received this award because they had originally had a traditional salmon bake at the Salmon Festival and asked for participation from the tribal commission. Metro had then added a Native Village at the Salmon Festival. She presented the Council with a salmon pottery bowl. Councilor Park said he was honored to receive the award on behalf of Metro.

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

5.1 Consideration of minutes of the May 31, 2007 Regular Council Meeting.

Motion:

Councilor Park moved to adopt the meeting minutes of the May 31, 2007 Regular Metro Council.

Vote:

Councilors Burkholder, Liberty, Park, and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 4 aye, the motion passed.

**6. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING**

6.1 **Ordinance No. 07-1147**, Amending Metro Code Chapters 5.01, 5.02, 5.05, and 7.01 to Ensure That All of the Region’s Non-Putrescible Waste Undergoes Material Recovery Prior to Disposal, to Eliminate the Regional System Fee and Excise Tax Credit Program, and to Make Related Changes.

Council President Bragdon assigned Ordinance No. 07-1147 to Council

6.2 **Ordinance No. 07-1149**, For the Purpose of an Ordinance Confirming the Re-Adoption of Metro Code 7.03 (Investment Policy).

Council President Bragdon assigned Ordinance No. 07-1149 to Council.

**7. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION**

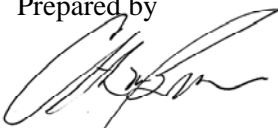
Michael Jordan, COO, had nothing to say.

**8. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION**

**9. ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Metro Council, Council President Bragdon adjourned the meeting at 2:21 p.m.

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**ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF  
JUNE 7, 2007**

There were no attachments to the meeting record.