

MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL MEETING

September 20, 2001

Metro Council Chamber

Councilors Present: David Bragdon (Presiding Officer), Susan McLain, Rod Park, Bill Atherton, Rod Monroe, Carl Hosticka, Rex Burkholder

Councilors Absent:

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

1. INTRODUCTIONS

There were none.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

3. DEPARTMENT OF LAND CONSERVATION DEVELOPMENT FALL OUTREACH PLAN.

Ms. Kathleen Van Velsor, DLCD, Communications Manager, spoke to the council about launching the video streaming to watch proceeding of the DLCD. She noted the press release (a copy of which may be found in the meeting record).

Ms. Sherry Oeser, Regional Planning Manager, said that DLCD had given \$72,000 to the Planning Department for web enhancement and a public opinion survey. She noted DLCD's web site and the "Where do we grow" link.

Ms. Van Velsor concluded by saying they appreciated the work that the Planning Department was doing on "Let's Talk" link.

Councilor Burkholder said next week the Council would be considering camera installation in our own chamber. He asked if Metro could do something similar with web streaming?

Ms. Van Velsor said they would be happy to share any information they gathered or experienced in going through their own process.

Councilor Park concluded by adding his thanks for DLCD work with Metro. It helped in trying to make the process more transparent to the public. He felt that land use planning was simple but the process was complicated. He noted that he and Presiding Officer Bragdon had been out talking to others about the process.

Presiding Officer Bragdon also thanked Ms. Van Velsor for her efforts.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Consideration of minutes of the September 6, 2001 Regular Council Meeting.

Motion: **Councilor Park** moved to adopt the meeting minutes of the September 6, 2001, Regular Council meeting.

Vote: The vote was 7 aye/ 0 nay/ 0 abstain, and the motion passed

5. ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

5.1 **Ordinance No. 01-915**, For the Purpose of Amending the Metro Code Section 4.01.050, and Revising Admissions Fees at the Oregon Zoo Effective January 1, 2002.

Motion: **Councilor Burkholder** moved to adopt Ordinance No. 01-915.

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

Councilor Burkholder said this ordinance would increase admission from \$6.50 to \$7.50 for adult fees. He noted that admission fees had not increased since 1994. He spoke to the light rail and parking issues raised at the committee. He also noted the affordability issue. He recommended the council pass the ordinance. He felt the increase would not cause economic harm to individuals or decrease attendance.

Councilor McLain acknowledged Councilor Burkholder's excellent report. She added that the Oregon Zoo had more to give now, more exhibits and amenities. The public was getting a better, richer experience. She supported the ordinance and reiterated the opportunity for the free admission Tuesday each month.

Presiding Officer Bragdon opened a public hearing on Ordinance No. 01-915.

Mr. Phil Pruitt, Oregon Zoo Animal Keeper, 6116 NE Willow St., Portland, OR 97213 said there was no question that the Zoo was the best bargain in the region. He made several recommendations for changes.

Mr. Fred Nussbaum, 6510 SW Barnes Rd, Portland, OR 97225 said he was a neighbor of the Oregon Zoo. They had an ongoing problem with the Zoo administration concerning the park and ride issue. He said the neighbors had been trying to work with the Zoo on the issue.

Presiding Officer Bragdon acknowledged Councilor Burkholder's note about Zoo parking and the intergovernmental agreements that Metro held with other entities.

Mr. Nussbaum spoke to the need to resolve this issue and thanked the council for listening.

Presiding Officer Bragdon closed the public hearing.

Councilor Atherton pointed out that there were still costs concerning ongoing renewal and replacement that must also be considered. He urged an aye vote.

Vote: The vote was 7 aye/ 0 nay/ 0 abstain, and the motion passed.

6. RESOLUTIONS

Presiding Officer Bragdon asked the council if they objected to considering item 6.4 first as Ms. Christine Roth was currently in the audience. There were no objections.

6.4 **Resolution No. 01-3102**, For the Purpose of Appointing Christine Roth to the Metro Committee for Citizen Involvement (MCCI).

Motion: **Councilor Hosticka** moved to adopt Resolution No. 01-3102.

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

Councilor Atherton spoke to Ms. Christine Roth's credentials, who had served on the Lake Oswego Committee for Citizen Involvement. She also participated actively in her community. She would be a welcome addition to Metro Committee for Citizen Involvement.

Ms. Christine Roth thanked Councilor Atherton and said it was a pleasure to serve on MCCI. She was interested in public involvement and had served on both the Clackamas CCI and Lake Oswego CCI. She thanked the council for their consideration.

Councilor Atherton urged support of the resolution.

Vote: The vote was 7 aye/0 nay/ 0 abstain. The motion passed.

6.1 **Resolution No. 01-3089A**, For the Purpose of Amending the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program to Allocate 2004-2005 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Program (STP) Funds.

Motion: **Councilor Monroe** moved to adopt Resolution No. 01-3089A.

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

Councilor Monroe said this resolution was the JPACT recommendation for the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program. JPACT's recommended list was passed unanimously as noted in the packet and included money for transportation planning, road modernization, road reconstruction, freight, boulevard development, pedestrians facilities, bike and trail additions, transportation demand management programs, transit oriented development, various kinds of transit program and main-line freeway additions. The proposal was now before the Council. The Council could approve, or send back to JPACT but could not amend.

Presiding Officer Bragdon opened a public hearing on Resolution No. 01-3089A.

Mr. Stephen Bosak, representing Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation District and the Green Spaces Technical Advisory Committee, 15707 SW Walker Road, Beaverton, OR 97006, noted two letters he submitted for the record (a copy of which may be found in the meeting record). The Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation District and GTAC letters both supported the council's passage of the resolution.

Mr. Fred Nussbaum, representing AORTA Portland Chapter, 6510 SW Barnes Rd., Portland, OR 97225, commended Councilor Monroe's letter to him acknowledging his testimony at the Community Planning public hearing and the fact that the letter included specifics about his testimony. He acknowledged the change in award to the Springwater Corridor. He was also happy to see SMART park and rides funded. He thought that the Sunrise Corridor study was a dead-end.

He noted last week's tragedy back east and spoke to the disruption in transportation service. He felt this region needed to kick in a commuter rail system that addressed Clark, Yamhill and various other counties.

Presiding Officer Bragdon closed the public hearing.

Councilor Park said dollars were policy. What we were doing with these dollars with the MTIP process was really doing what we had said must be done to accomplish the 2040 Goals. He commended both Councilor Burkholder and Presiding Officer Bragdon for their efforts in this area. He noted Charlie Hales thanks to the council for allowing a policy decision at JPACT. He noted Councilor Monroe's comments about half of the dollars going to public transit. He was hopeful for additional dollars in the future.

Councilor Atherton appreciated Councilor Park's remarks about Mr. Hales. This policy discussion had been outside of JPACT, federal monies were declining. This was a small amount of money in the overall scheme of things. Policy and discussions had become more real. We were going to have to start paying for what was current subsidized. He thought JPACT had a very healthy discussion, the best thing that happened was clarification.

Councilor Burkholder summarized his experiences during the MTIP process. He acknowledged the successes of making progress toward providing more choices for people in how they moved around the region. He saw an increase in local public involvement. He acknowledged that a majority of projects supported Region 2040 goals, which encouraged walkable/bikeable areas. He also noted a number of boulevard projects which attracted walking as well as businesses. He suggested failures were that they were still not balancing transportation funding in the region, not funding fully those business partnerships with transportation management associations as well as related funding for commuter options program, and only maintaining but not expanding these programs. He hoped that in the future they continued to use scarce dollars to spend on community development through investments in transportation infrastructure. He questioned how do we make it so that what we need was where we were. He hoped to use money to make this goal happen.

Councilor McLain added that it was not just a balance of mode but completing systems. Some of the choices limited completion. All projects would not have the connections to complete the system. We needed to figure out more strategies to make links happen, not just on funding and planning but working with partnerships. She thanked both Councilor Monroe and Burkholder for their hard work.

Councilor Atherton praised Councilor Monroe's efforts at JPACT.

Councilor Monroe said we started off this year with a different thrust. The Council got involved early on. Each entity had their own project requests, they all had to agree to a recommendation to send to the council and hoped that the council would concur. The open process worked. He felt early guidance from Council helped the process tremendously.

Vote: The vote was 7 aye/ 0 nay/ 0 abstain, and the motion passed.

6.2 **Resolution No. 01-3104**, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Executive Officer to Amend the Intergovernmental Agreement with Tri-Met for the South Corridor Transportation Study.

Motion: **Councilor Monroe** moved to adopt Resolution No. 01-3104.

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

Councilor Monroe briefed the council on the resolution requesting an amendment to the intergovernmental agreement for the South Corridor Transportation Study.

Presiding Officer Bragdon opened a public hearing.

Mr. Fred Nussbaum representing AORTA, 6510 SW Barnes Road, Portland, OR 97225 supported the resolution and in looking at the proposal for the review committee thought the committee should include qualified citizens who had a good understanding of light rail systems.

Presiding Officer Bragdon closed the public hearing.

Presiding Officer Bragdon said part of this study was to examine the capacity issue in the downtown area, train speeds and the number of stops the trains made. He urged Tri-Met to reduce the number of stops in the downtown area.

Councilor Burkholder corrected Councilor Monroe by saying what we had been asked to do was to study light rail possibilities. He supported the Presiding Officer's suggestion to lower travel time through downtown Portland. He asked Mr. Brandman about the citizen review process planned in this resolution.

Mr. Richard Brandman, Transportation Planning Director, said the review process had not included citizens. He would bring this suggestion up to Tri-Met.

Councilor Atherton supported the change order and expressed appreciation for listening to citizens in that part of the region. He suggested that the study would satisfy some of the concerns. He noted that I-205 was originally designed to accept light rail in the corridor.

Councilor McLain said she liked the number of stops in the downtown area but when you added something to the system, there had to be an understanding of the complexities of the system.

Councilor Park said the question was not the frequency of the stops but how you sped up the transit in downtown. He said that increased capacity of trains had caught his eye. He felt both increases in capacity and efficiency was important.

Presiding Officer Bragdon noted that the neighbor chairs in the city of Milwaukie have been very constructive and supportive.

Councilor Monroe spoke to the number of stops in downtown and urged support of the resolution. He hoped light rail would come to Clackamas County. He said they would study light rail on two routes in conformity with the neighborhoods but also study bus routes. He felt this study was a positive movement from where we were several years ago.

Vote: The vote was 7 aye/ 0 nay/ 0 abstain, and the motion passed.

6.3 **Resolution No. 01-3091**, For the Purpose of Confirming the Appointments of Kevin Neary and Chuck Sellers as Members of the Visitor Development Fund, Inc. Board.

Motion: **Councilor Park** moved to adopt Resolution No. 01-3091.

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

Councilor Park spoke to the resolution and both Mr. Neary and Mr. Sellers qualifications to serve. He urged an aye vote.

Vote: The vote was 7 aye/ 0 nay/ 0 abstain, and the motion passed.

6.5 **Resolution No. 01-3103**, For the Purpose of Acquiring a Conservation Easement in the Newell Creek Canyon Target Area and Entering into a Boundary Agreement.

Motion: **Councilor Atherton** moved to adopt Resolution No. 01-3103.

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

Councilor Atherton reviewed the committee report noting that the resolution authorized a conservation easement allowing for linkage of essential open spaces properties. He felt this was a win-win situation.

Presiding Officer Bragdon added that this was a promising area for a trail and connection to educational opportunities. He felt the cooperation with another public agency was a positive and made sense.

Presiding Officer Bragdon opened a public hearing on Resolution No. 01-3103. No one came forward. Presiding Officer Bragdon closed the public hearing.

Vote: The vote was 7 aye/ 0 nay/ 0 abstain, and the motion passed.

7. **EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD PURSUANT TO ORS 192.660(1)(e).
DELIBERATIONS WITH PERSONS DESIGNATED TO NEGOTIATE
REAL PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS.**

7.1 **Resolution No. 01-3015**, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Executive Officer to Purchase the Kistner Property in the Jackson Bottom-Dairy/McKay Creeks Target Area.

Motion: **Councilor McLain** moved to adopt Resolution No. 01-3105.

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

Councilor McLain reviewed Resolution No. 01-3015. She noted the exceptional qualities of the property. She felt it was one of the stars of the regional system. She spoke to the special circumstances explained in executive session and felt we were still getting every single cent out of the purchase. She felt this was a very special purchase.

Presiding Officer Bragdon added his support. He felt it was a tremendous site. Many organizations had supported the site such as the Nature Conservancy and Audubon Society of Portland.

Councilor Atherton said that Lake Oswego had purchased a farm, Luscher Farm, people were flocking to this area. It included a community garden and educational experiences.

Councilor Park said he would be supporting this resolution. He understood the value of these purchases and the need to complete the triangle in the region. This property epitomized what they were trying to accomplish around the region.

Councilor McLain encouraged the public to come and see the site.

Vote: The vote was 7 aye/ 0 nay/ 0 abstain, and the motion passed.

8. EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

9. AUDITOR COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

10. MPAC COMMUNICATIONS

Presiding Officer Bragdon said MPAC met last week and discussed the EcoNorthwest Report on consulting on Centers. He noted that MPAC would next meet on Wednesday September 26th at 5 p.m.

Councilor Park said they also discussed finance issues and the timeline related to the exceptions process.

11. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Councilor McLain handed out the Water Consortium Packet to the council and spoke to the council about the issues discussed at the meeting (a copy of which may be found in the meeting record).

Councilor Monroe said he attended the grand opening of Environmental Learning Center near Wilsonville and heard the key note address given by Dr. Jane Goodall, one of the true environmental heroines of our times.

Councilor Burkholder reported that the Regional Facilities and Metro Operation Committee discussed Human Resource issues at its last meeting and would meet with the Information Technology Department at its next meeting.

12. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Metro Council, Presiding Officer Bragdon adjourned the meeting at 3:54 p.m.

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Clerk of the Council

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2001

TOPIC	DOCUMENT DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT NUMBER
PRESS RELEASE FROM DLCD ON LCDC MEETING BROADCASTS	9/18/01	PRESS RELEASE	092001c-01
COMMITTEE REPORT	9/13/01	ORDINANCE No. 01-915 REGIONAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT	092001c-02
COMMITTEE REPORT	9/13/01	RESOLUTION No. 01-3102 REGIONAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT	092001c-03
AMENDED RESOLUTION PACKET	UNDATES	RESOLUTION No. 01-3098A APROVED JPACT RESOLUTION AND EXHIBITS	092001c-04
MTIP LETTER	9/20/01	LETTER TO METRO COUNCIL FROM CHARLES CIECKO, METRO REGIONAL PARKS AND GREENSPACES AND STEPHEN BOSAK, GTAC MEMBER SUPPORTING MTIP TRAILS PROJECTS	092001c-05
MTIP LETTER	9/18/01	LETTER TO METRO COUNCIL FROM BRUCE DALRYMPLE, THPRD BOARD OF DIRECTORS SUPPORTING FANNO CREEK REGIONAL TRAIL PROJECT	092001c-06
EMAIL CONCERNING MTIP	9/19/01	EMAIL TO METRO PLANNING DEPT FROM KRIS NELSON, THE CLIMATE TRUST SUPPORTING INTIATIVE FUNDING FOR WEB-BASED CARPOOL MATCHING PROGRAM	092001c-07
MTIP LETTER	9/10/01	LETTER TO ROD MONROE, CHAIR JPACT FROM JOSEPH HENRY, PRESIDENT, PORTLAND AIR CARGO ASSOCIATION SUPPORTING CONSTRUCTION OF COLUMBIA/KILLINGSWORTH EAST END CONNECTION	092001c-08
MTIP LETTER	9/13/01	LETTER TO COMMISSIONER BILL KENNEMER FROM DONNA CRAWFORD, CHAIR, DISABILITY ADVOCATES COALITION CONCERNING MTIP FUNDING OF	092001c-09

		PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO TRANSIT GRANT PROGRAM	
MTIP EMAIL	9/18/01	EMAIL TO PLANNING DEPARTMENT FROM KIM NELSON, THE CLIMATE TRUST SUPPORTING FUNDING FOR COMPLETION OF BICYCLE CORRIDOR BETWEEN ESPLANADE AND SPRINGWATER TRAIL	092001c-10
COMMITTEE REPORT	9/20/01	COMMITTEE REPORT FROM COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTION NO. 01-3104	092001c-11
COMMITTEE REPORT	9/13/01	COMMITTEE REPORT FROM REGIONAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTION NO. 01-3091	092001c-12
COMMITTEE REPORT	9/20/01	COMMITTEE REPORT FROM NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTION NO. 01-3103	092001c-13
RESOLUTION UPDATE	NO DATE	AMENDED RESOLUTION NO. 01-3105	092001c-14
BANKS WETLAND PROPERTY PURCHASE LETTER	9/18/01	LETTER TO DAVID BRAGDON FROM CHRISTINE SCARZELLO SUPPORTING PURCHASE OF BANKS WETLAND PURCHASE	0920101c-15
LETTER SUPPORTING PURCHASE OF JACKSON BOTTOM PROPERTY	9/18/01	LETTER TO METRO COUNCIL FROM RUSS HOEFELICH, VICE PRESIDENT OF THE NATURE CONSERVANCY SUPPORTING PURCHASE OF JACKSON BOTTOM-DAIRY/MCKAY CREEKS TARGET AREA	092001c-16
MEETING AGENDA AND PACKET	9/5/01	MEETING PACKET AND AGENDA FOR REGIONAL WATER PROVIDERS CONSORTIUM BOARD	092001c-17