

## MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL MEETING

October 18, 2001

Metro Council Chamber

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

Councilors Absent: Rod Monroe (excused)

Presiding Officer Bragdon convened the Regular Council Meeting at 2:04 p.m.

### 1. INTRODUCTIONS

There were none.

### 2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

### 3. EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

### 4. AUDITOR COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

### 5. MPAC COMMUNICATIONS

**Presiding Officer Bragdon** summarized MPAC's discussion on criteria and mapping of functional streams.

### 6. CONSENT AGENDA

6.1 Consideration of minutes of the October 4, 2001 Regular Council Meeting.

**Motion:** **Councilor Atherton** moved to adopt the meeting minutes of the October 4, 2001, Regular Council meeting.

**Vote:** The vote was 6 aye/ 0 nay/ 0 abstain, and the motion passed with Councilor Monroe absent from the vote.

### 7. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

7.1 **Ordinance No. 01-920**, For the Purpose of Considering the Application of Recycle America for a Metro Solid Waste Regional Transfer Station Franchise.

**Presiding Officer Bragdon** declared that this ordinance was removed from the agenda as Waste Management had withdrawn its application.

7.2 **Ordinance No. 01-921**, Amending the FY 2001-02 Budget and Appropriations Schedule by Transferring Appropriations from Contingency to Operating Expenses in the Administrative Services Department within the Support Services Fund to Implement GASB 34.

**Motion:** **Councilor McLain** moved to adopt Ordinance No. 01-921.

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

**Councilor McLain** said the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) had issued a new policy statement that required governments to change their financial presentations and statements. There would be a need for additional funds totaling \$35,000 to implement the change.

**Presiding Officer Bragdon** opened a public hearing on Ordinance No. 01-921. No one came forward. Presiding Officer Bragdon closed the public hearing.

**Councilor Atherton** noted that the next item on the agenda included some of the expenditures that applied to GASB 34.

**Vote:** The vote was 6 aye/ 0 nay/ 0 abstain, and the motion passed.

## 8. RESOLUTIONS

8.1 **Resolution No. 01-3113**, For the Purpose of Approving Metro Capital Asset Management Policies.

**Motion:** **Councilor Atherton** moved to adopt Resolution No. 01-3113.

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

**Councilor Atherton** said this resolution was three months worth of excellent work by the Systems Performance Task Force and staff. They were looking at true costs of maintenance. He felt that this policy was necessary to implement for every public organization. He thought the Fire Departments and Flying Clubs did a good job of maintaining equipment. If not, they would be out of business. He was very proud of the work of the Task Force and staff. He felt it was a good document that would work for Metro and be a good model for other public agencies. There was a clear assessment of what maintenance needs were and the requirement to budget ahead to take care of those needs.

**Presiding Officer Bragdon** noted that the process was a good model for problem solving. He appreciated Councilor Atherton's approach to the process and the product.

**Councilor Park** asked about the capital assessment sheets. He noted that there was \$365 million in building values and wanted to know how open spaces acquisitions were counted. He wasn't sure it was a renewal and replacement issue but it was still a maintenance issue.

**Councilor Atherton** said the real focus of the resolution was primarily on buildings. He agreed with Councilor Park that if you let maintenance go on land, the value of the land could go down.

**Councilor McLain** noted two definitions having to do with maintenance and renewal.

**Councilor Park** said he wanted to know if open space lands were included.

**Presiding Officer Bragdon** asked Mr. John Houser to clarify.

**John Houser**, Senior Council Analyst, said there was one policy defined in the resolution calling for an annual maintenance plan. Parks would be included in this policy.

**Councilor Atherton** said one of key aspects of this policy was that every department must budget for maintenance costs. He was hopeful that this would make budget decisions more clear. This was currently being done in the solid waste department. It was a bond assessment requirement.

**Vote:** The vote was 6 aye/ 0 nay/ 0 abstain, and the motion passed.

**Presiding Officer Bragdon** noted Councilor Atherton's good work on this issue.

## 9. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

**Councilor McLain** noted the article in today's Oregonian about the Regional Water Agency potential. The Regional Water Consortium had become a regular meeting but conflicted with Water Resources Policy Advisory Committee on Mondays, which she chaired. She suggested either a councilor or staff person should be going to these meetings.

**Presiding Officer Bragdon** said he had talked with Michael Morrissey about this. Mr. Morrissey, Senior Council Analyst, was unable to attend the next one.

**Michael Morrissey**, said he had recruited Councilor Burkholder to attend the next meeting.

**Councilor McLain** noted that the regional water agency meeting would be held in this building tonight.

**Mr. Morrissey** said he had give notice to the council several weeks ago about tonight's meeting.

**Councilor McLain** said she felt that they should be involved in the meeting tonight. She suggested a councilor should go and be proactive.

**Councilor Burkholder** said he was planning to attend the meeting, welcome them here and note Metro's interest. He felt we could offer our previous experience in providing services on a regional level both from a disaster planning and orderly development standpoint.

**Councilor McLain** said the Regional Water Consortium was reviewing the Regional Water Supply Update currently. She suggested that Councilor Burkholder remind them of this and that Metro was a partner in that consortium.

**Councilor Hosticka** said the Natural Resources Committee yesterday reviewed a white paper prepared by Metro staff on significant and regional resources. He hoped the paper would be widely distributed. They welcomed input.

**Councilor Park** reminded about the Council of the special Community Planning meeting on October 30<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 p.m. inviting local jurisdictions to speak to their Functional Plan compliance.

**10. ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Metro Council, Presiding Officer Bragdon adjourned the meeting at 2:25 p.m.

Prepared by

Chris Billington  
Clerk of the Council

**ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 18, 2001**

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