

## MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING

Tuesday, April 8, 2008  
Metro Council Chamber

Councilors Present: Robert Liberty (Deputy Council President), Kathryn Harrington, Rod Park, Carlotta Collette, Rex Burkholder

Councilors Absent: David Bragdon (excused), Carl Hosticka (excused)

Deputy Council President Liberty convened the Metro Council Work Session Meeting at 2:02 p.m.

### 1. **DISCUSSION OF AGENDA FOR COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING, APRIL 10, 2008/ADMINISTRATIVE/CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATIONS**

Deputy Council President Liberty reviewed the April 10, 2008 Metro Council agenda. Councilor Harrington asked about Resolution No. 08-3923 and relevant information. Councilor Burkholder talked about Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) updates.

### 2. **2035 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE WORK PLAN**

Kim Ellis, Planning Department, introduced the agenda packet materials and framed the RTP update. She identified where Councilor input was utilized, and explained timelines of the current work program. Deputy Council President Liberty asked about categories. Councilor Harrington talked about inclusion of language and a list in RTP documents and additional materials. Ms. Ellis talked about integrating additional language and big-picture perspectives into RTP plans. Deputy Council President Liberty noted he did not see other transportation partners in the RTP Plan Update. Councilor Burkholder clarified why certain things were not included in the RTP plan update, and explained what would happen in the future. Deputy Council President Liberty asked about external performance measures contained within the RTP, and noted it be included within the update plan. Councilor Park talked about transportation partners in the update plan. Councilor Burkholder talked about the bicycle work program, and the issue of safety. He talked about examining different speeds in relation to safety and including such information in the plan. Ms. Ellis talked about collaboration with Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) and other transportation partners, and said that ODOT staff was supportive of Metro's plan. Deputy Council President Liberty asked who specifically would be involved from ODOT. Councilor Park asked about appeals with the Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC). Deputy Council President Liberty asked about the possibility of briefing. Councilor Harrington asked why there was concern. Councilor Burkholder noted the new nature of the work. Tom Kloster, Planning Manager, talked about ODOT amendments. Councilor Park talked about transportation funding perspectives and the process of thinking about the big picture.

Deputy Council President Liberty talked about financing. Ms. Ellis talked about the finance strategy, and noted they wanted a more sustainable funding strategy for the region. Ms. Ellis asked whether frameworks should be linked or not, and noted that determining finance strategies was a foundation for transportation funding. Andy Cotugno, Planning Director, talked about revenue generating capacity, and that the RTP necessitated a strategy rather than an ultra specific finance plan. He said the RTP was more of a conceptual plan. Councilor Burkholder said the RTP was used to address principles to guide future plans, rather than addressing detail specifics. He talked about the RTP's connection to land-use patterns and borrowing from those conceptual

ideas in the same manner. Mr. Cotugno talked about consistencies. Councilor Park talked about the struggle involved in determining engagement and setting specific timelines in addition to funding. He asked what role Metro should play in the plan. Councilor Collette noted overall goals and their relation to Metro's mission.

Deputy Council President Liberty continued to discuss funding. Mr. Cotugno said it was important to influence important decisions by clarifying larger choices. Mr. Cotugno said Metro's role would be to facilitate a discussion. Councilor Burkholder talked about Council involvement in committees regarding transportation issues. Councilor Collette talked about compliance with plans at the state and local levels, and focusing on building Metro's ideal region rather than 'clashing heads' trying to gain funding. Councilor Park talked about the funding list and stated he did not fear an adversarial process because of the way the list was developed.

Mr. Cotugno recapped Councilors' broad conversation. He said participation was important with attention to funding and broad transportation concepts.

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

Time Began: 2:50 p.m.

Time Ended: 3:20 p.m.

Members Present: Robert Liberty (Deputy Council President), Kathryn Harrington, Rod Park, Carlotta Collette, Rex Burkholder

Kathleen Brennan-Hunter, Parks Manager; Paul Garrahan, Metro Attorney; Jim Desmond, Parks Director; Ashley Hohimer, OMA; Kaylene Kirchem, OMA; Hillary Wilton, Parks; Carrie Belding, Parks; Fritz Paulus, Parks; Barbara Edwardson, Parks

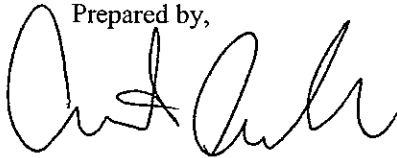
**4. COUNCIL BRIEFINGS/COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilor Collette talked about business alliance meetings she attended. She talked about discussion related to Metro during the meetings. Councilors addressed these concerns and provided clarification for one another. Councilor Collette talked about who was in attendance, and stated she thought the conversation ended productively. Councilors talked about presence in and collaboration with Washington County.

Councilor Harrington talked about the Clackamas County Urban and Rural Reserves Project Policy Advisory Committee. Councilors discussed the Cornelius issue and subsequent issues after the Council vote. Deputy Council President Liberty talked about streetcar meetings that took place. Councilor Park talked about meetings he has attended that discussed 'density.' Deputy Council President Liberty talked about the East Portland Action Plan.

There being no further business to come before the Metro Council, Deputy Council President Liberty adjourned the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

Prepared by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tony Andersen', written in a cursive style.

Tony Andersen  
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**ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF  
APRIL 8, 2008**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Doc. Date</b>	<b>Document Description</b>	<b>Doc. Number</b>
1	Agenda	4/10/08	Agenda: Metro Council regular meeting, April 10, 2008	040808cw-1
4	List	4/8/08	Policy Advisory Committee, Clackamas County Urban and Rural Reserves Project list, April 8, 2008	040808cw-2