

MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, October 2, 2008
Metro Council Chamber

Councilors Present: Robert Liberty (Deputy Council President), Rod Park, Carl Hosticka, Kathryn Harrington

Councilors Absent: Rex Burkholder (excused), David Bragdon (excused), Carlotta Collette (excused)

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

1. INTRODUCTIONS

There were none.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

Sharon Nasset, 1113 N. Baldwin, Portland Oregon 97217 said we have a lovely Zoo. She thought it was important that we maintain our Zoo at its highest quality. She talked about feeding the animals at the Zoo and the high expense of that food. She had previously recommended using lands in the Oregon area to create an area to grow food for Oregon Zoo animals. This food could help feed other Zoos feed their animals and create revenue for the Oregon Zoo.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Consideration of minutes of the September 25, 2008 Regular Council Meeting.

3.2 **Resolution No. 08-3973**, For the Purpose of Approving the Air Quality Conformity Determination for the Oregon Highway 213/Redland Road Improvements as Part of the Federal Component of the Amended 2035 Regional Transportation Plan and Amended 2008-11 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP).

3.3 **Resolution No. 08-3974**, For the Purpose of Amending the Federal Component of the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and the 2008-11 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) to add the Highway 213 and Redland Road Intersection Project.

Motion:

Councilor Park moved to adopt the meeting minutes of the September 25, 2008 Regular Metro Council.
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Vote:

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

4. RESOLUTIONS

4.1 **Resolution No. 08-3954**, For the Purpose of Amending the Greenspaces Master Plan By Updating the Regional Trails System Map.

Motion:	Councilor Hosticka moved to adopt Resolution No. 08-3954.
Seconded:	Councilor Park seconded the motion

Councilor Hosticka said this resolution updated the trails map. We did these updates periodically. We revised the map by making additions to the map. The additions were made through nominations by citizens and local governments. Mary Ann Cassin, Sustainability Center, provided a review of the 10 additions to the map which we re included in exhibit A. Councilor Harrington asked about the name, Power Line Trail now referred to as Westside Trail. Mel Huie, Sustainability Center, said it was now called the Westside Trail. Councilor Liberty asked how many miles were included in the total trail system. Mr. Huie said about 900 miles of trails.

Vote:

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

5. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

Michael Jordan, COO, said it was day two of the Sustainability Metro Initiative. He said he had been checking in with the new groups. He had been getting good feedback on the change. He felt they would see some interesting proposals in the next couple of months. Councilor Harrington felt this was an exciting project. Mr. Jordan said they have an agreement with the new Human Resource Director. He would be making an announcement soon. He also talked about the Communications Director final interviews. Molly Chidsey had been hired as the Sustainability Coordinator. He talked about her background. Mr. Jordan said they had rescheduled the budget work session for November 5th 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon.

6. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Councilor Harrington said yesterday she and some Metro staff members had met with the Gilliam County Board of Commissioners about the waste transport contract. There was also representation from the contractor at the meeting. Commissioner Bettencourt was on the commission when the landfill was started. He had high praise for Metro. He said he had a lot of faith in Metro so he had confidence in the transport contract. Next Tuesday, she will be going to Salem to present the reserve program to the Oregon House Agriculture Committee. Councilor Park said this Saturday in Gresham there would be the East Area Parks and Tree Summit. He announced that the annual Salmon Festival at Oxbow Park was October 11th and 12th.

Councilor Liberty said at the Oregon Zoo Foundation Board met this morning. They had met their goal for the Serengeti exhibit and attained 20% more money than their goal. He had asked Ina Zucker to draft a resolution in gratitude for their work of the committee led by Suzanne Bishop. They achieve their goals in less time than anticipated and achieved 20% more than their original goal. He had also gone out to see Mayor Dirksen of Tigard to talk about light rail and the line on Barbur Blvd. He set aside the entire afternoon. They toured the city and talked about the city's plan. There were real changes in perspective around the region about ambitions for the cities and what they want.

7. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Metro Council, Deputy Council President Liberty adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

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

Chris Billington
Clerk of the Council

**ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF
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Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
3.1	Minutes	9/25/08	Metro Council Meeting Minutes of September 25, 2008	100208c-01