

MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, July 11, 2002
Metro Council Chamber

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

Councilors Absent:

Presiding Officer Hosticka convened the Regular Council Meeting at 2:06 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

There were none.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

3. ANNUAL VOLUNTEER PROGRAM REPORT

Charles Ciecko, Director of Parks of Greenspaces, said they established the volunteer program four years ago. He noted the level of volunteer leadership that had developed over the four years. They were fortunate to have citizens in this region whom cared so much by donating their time.

Lupine Hudson and Mary West, Parks and Greenspaces Program Managers of Volunteer Services, presented Metro's Regional Parks and Greenspaces Department Volunteer Program Year-end Report 2001 (a copy is found in the meeting record). Ms. Hudson said their word for the year was symbiosis and explained why. She talked about the volunteer naturalists, annual training, and the need for long term volunteers. She gave an overview of creation of the Nature University Program, which included a course catalogue and the program's curriculum. The effort had created an extended educational experience. She then introduced Deb Scriven, Environmental Educational Coordinator.

Deb Scriven, Parks and Greenspaces Program, shared her experience about training the volunteers. She highlighted the benefits of the Nature University Programs and the lessons they had learned by offering the naturalist training. Ms. West talked about the 15-hour training for crew leaders, which included leading a work party, restoration practices and other components of the program. They had combined the training with the naturalist training. She introduced Jeff Locke, a volunteer who exemplified their program's goals. He had had the opportunity to teach the volunteers as well as lead.

Jeff Locke, volunteer, thanked the Council for the opportunity to do the volunteer work. The new crew leaders were amazing. The program the new leaders went through was more intensive and it showed in the results out in the field. He talked about his own experience as a volunteer. He noted how wonderful Metro's staff naturalists were. He was now a site steward at Smith and Bybee Lakes. Ms. West talked about the site steward program. She introduced the Nystrom family.

Pat, Stephanie, Zoe, Parker and Marshall Nystrom, volunteers, talked about the volunteer experience in the Gresham area. Pat said that it was a good community experience, he got to

know his neighbors better and he became acquainted with Metro’s vision. Stephanie said they had volunteered for about a year and half and had been around the region with that work. She noted her favorite thing about volunteering was the ability to see something accomplished in a day. Parker said their volunteer work was a time for bonding with his family and he liked eradicating invasive plants. Councilor Park asked Ms. Parker to talk about her other volunteer experience in Gresham. Ms. Parker said they had been working on preserving the Hogan Butte area and explained in detail some of what they had don. Councilor Park updated the Council on the Hogan Butte purchase.

Ms. West acknowledged their office volunteers and talked about what they had accomplished which included designing a tracking database. Ms. Hudson added that everyone was playing into the work that others were doing, symbiosis truly represented the system they worked in. She also talked about what the volunteers got in return.

Councilor McLain thanked Ms. Hudson and Ms. West for their efforts. "One person with passion was worth 40 people who were interested." She really saw the volunteers’ passion in their volunteer efforts at Metro.

4. MPAC COMMUNICATIONS

Presiding Officer Hosticka said MPAC met and discussed sub-committee reports. They talked primarily about sub-regional issue. He noted that the LDCD subcommittee was meeting at Metro on July 23rd and MPAC would meet again on July 24th.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

5.1 Consideration of minutes of the June 27, 2002 Regular Council Meeting.

Motion	Councilor Atherton moved to adopt the meeting minutes of the June 27, 2002, Regular Council meeting. Councilor Burkholder noted a change under MPAC communications concerning centers.
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Vote:	Councilors Bragdon, Atherton, Monroe, Park, Burkholder, McLain and Presiding Officer Hosticka voted aye. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed as amended.
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6. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

6.1 Ordinance No. 02-956, Amending the FY 2002-03 Budget and Appropriations Schedule by Recognizing \$28,039 in Additional Grant Funds and Increasing Appropriations in the General Revenue Bond Fund for the Council Chambers Camera Project; and Declaring an Emergency.

Presiding Officer Hosticka assigned Ordinance No. 02-956 to the Budget and Finance Committee.

7. RESOLUTIONS

7.1 Resolution No. 02-3198, For the Purpose of Appointing Lori Waldo and Jane Gillespie to the Metro Committee for Citizen Involvement (MCCI)

Motion	Councilor Burkholder moved to adopt Resolution No. 02-3198.
Seconded:	Councilor McLain seconded the motion

Councilor Burkholder invited Ms. Waldo and Ms. Gillespie to the testimony table. He talked about their credentials, which districts they represented, and their interest in service.

Ms. Waldo thanked the Council for giving her the opportunity to serve on MCCI. She said she had found out about MCCI on the web site. She was new to the concepts of land use planning. She felt her background would bring a breadth of knowledge to the table and an opportunity to educate the citizens of the region on Metro.

Ms. Gillespie said she was excited about serving on MCCI. She had a background in community development. She felt strongly that everyone should take their turn volunteering. She had chosen Metro for that experience.

Councilor Burkholder urged an aye vote.

Vote:	Councilors Park, Burkholder, McLain, Bragdon, Atherton, Monroe and Presiding Officer Hosticka voted aye. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.
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8. EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD PURSUANT TO ORS 192.660(1)(e). DELIBERATIONS WITH PERSONS DESIGNATED TO NEGOTIATE REAL PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS.

Session Began 2:47 p.m.

Members Present: Jim Desmond, Charles Ciecko, Nancy Chase, Fritz Paulus, William Eadie, Joel Morton, members of the media

Session Ended: 3:03 p.m.

8.1 **Resolution No. 02-3200**, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Executive Officer to Purchase Properties and Accept a Donation of Real Property in the Jackson Bottom - Dairy/McKay Creeks Target Area.

Motion	Councilor McLain moved to adopt Resolution No. 02-3200.
Seconded:	Councilor Bragdon seconded the motion

Councilor McLain said she was excited to be adding more acreage to their acquisition program. She talked about this purchase of the property along Council Creek and the importance of the area. She noted the unusual circumstances, which included a donation of land. The owners believed in Metro’s vision. Both the City of Hillsboro and City of Cornelius had been supportive of the purchase. She urged support.

Vote:	Councilors Burkholder, McLain, Bragdon, Atherton, Monroe, Park and Presiding Officer Hosticka voted aye. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.
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8.2 **Resolution No. 02-3201**, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Executive Officer to Purchase the Ackerman Property in the Rock Creek Greenway Target Area.

Motion	Councilor McLain moved to adopt Resolution No. 02-3201.
Seconded:	Councilor Park seconded the motion

Councilor McLain said this property was to the eastside of Hillsboro by Century High School. She said that Hillsboro had said the Rock Creek area was one of the most important areas. She talked about habitat and the uplands areas. She felt this was an excellent purchase for the openspaces program. She urged support.

Vote:	Councilors McLain, Bragdon, Atherton, Monroe, Park, Burkholder and Presiding Officer Hosticka voted aye. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.
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9. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Presiding Officer Hosticka said tonight was the night for the Portland U.G.B. open house starting at 5:30 p.m.

Councilor Park said he was pleased to have the Regional Parks people here to talk about the volunteer program. He talked about the 4th of July celebration at Blue Lake Park. He thanked staff for their fantastic job of organizing the event.

Councilor McLain reminded folks that they were working on the wildlife habitat. She said there were two upcoming Natural Resource Committee meetings on July 17th and 31st. where citizens could come and share their thoughts.

10. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Metro Council, Presiding Officer Hosticka adjourned the meeting at 3:13 p.m.

Prepared by

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Clerk of the Council

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JULY 11, 2002

ITEM #	TOPIC	DOC DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOC. NUMBER
3	PARKS AND GREENSPACES VOLUNTEER PROGRAM	YEAR END RERORT 2001	METRO'S REGIONAL PARKS AND GREENSPACES DEPARTMENT VOLUNTEER PROGRAM YEAR-END REPORT 2001	071102C-01