

MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING

Tuesday, July 28, 2009
Metro Council Chamber

Councilors Present: David Bragdon (Council President), Kathryn Harrington, Rod Park, Rex Burkholder,

Councilors Absent: Carl Hosticka (excused), Robert Liberty (excused),
Carlotta Collette (excused)

Council President Bragdon convened the Metro Council Work Session Meeting at 2:03 p.m.

1. DISCUSSION OF AGENDA FOR COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING, JULY 30, 2009/ADMINISTRATIVE/CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATIONS

Council President Bragdon reviewed the July 30, 2009 Metro Council agenda. He mentioned Andy Shaw has prepared a staff report for the Council meeting on July 30, 2009. Jim Middaugh director of communications passed a message to Council that there will be new online media website for each councilor coming soon.

2. UPDATE ON ZOO DIRECTOR SEARCH, ROLES, AND STRATEGY: DISCUSSION

Deputy Chief Operating Officer Scott Robinson discussed the Zoo Director Update. Mr. Robinson stressed the importance of finding the “right” person, not just “a” person. He talked about the collective understanding of the desired candidate and the collaboration among stakeholders on job description development. Councilor Harrington mentioned that in the past the Oregon Zoo Director was also the Director of the Oregon Zoo Foundation, asking if there was a possibility that OZF could provide compensation for the role a new director would play in that organization. Council President Bragdon asked if that was still the structure that we desired or is it something that should be visited to change? Mr. Robinson discussed the fact that the salary posted is approximately 17% under market. Councilor Burkholder discussed his concern with having the person hired as director also being the director of OZF. He said that obviously it is able to be done but that it needs to be done carefully.

Mr. Robinson discussed the number of applications to-date that meets the minimum requirements for the job listing. He then presented to council the ‘selection process next steps’ and the ‘key stakeholders to involve along the way.’

Councilor Harrington asked if there would be a need for, or an issue with, a relocation package for the future hire of Zoo director. Mr. Jordan asked Council if they would like to have a meeting as a group prior to Council Recess that would give them a chance to discuss the relationship between the Oregon Zoo and OZF. Councilor Park asked to meet as group as Mr. Jordan recommended.

3. COUNCIL BRIEFINGS/COMMUNICATIONS

Councilor Harrington mentioned the story from the news paper last Saturday. Councilor Burkholder mentioned the Columbia Slough Regatta that he attended last weekend, and a conservancy luncheon that he attended on Sauvie Island. He also asked if anyone on Council had an opinion regarding waste water filtration. Councilor Harrington mentioned taking her husband on the 'Tour de Coupes' over the weekend. Councilor Park mentioned the Eastside Summit on Transportation that will take place in the coming weeks in Gresham.

There being no further business to come before the Metro Council, Council President Bragdon adjourned the meeting at 2:46 p.m.

Prepared by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Scott Hand', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Scott Hand
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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF
July 28, 2009

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
1	Agenda	07/30/09	Agenda: Metro Council regular meeting, July 30, 2009	073009cw-1
2	Handout	07/28/09	Metro Council Zoo Director Update	073009cw-2