

MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, October 1, 2009
Gresham City Hall, Conference Center

Councilors Present: Kathryn Harrington, Robert Liberty, Rex Burkholder, Rod Park, Carl Hosticka, Carlotta Collette

Councilors Absent: David Bragdon (excused)

Deputy Council President Harrington convened the Regular Council Meeting at 5:00 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

Councilor Harrington introduced the following Metropolitan Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC) and Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) members sitting with the Metro Council: Craig Dirksen (Mayor of Tigard, JPACT representative), Shirley Craddick (Gresham City Councilor, MPAC representative), Amanda Fritz (Portland City Councilor, MPAC representative), Donna Jordan (Lake Oswego City Councilor, MPAC/JPACT representative), and Jim Kight (Mayor of Troutdale, MPAC representative).

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS UNRELATED TO PUBLIC HEARING

There were none.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

- 3.1 Consideration of minutes of the September 24, 2009, Regular Council Meeting.
- 3.2 **Resolution No. 09-4075**, For the Purpose of Confirming the Council President's Appointment of Councilor Rod Park to the Land Conservation and Development Commission Local Officials Advisory Committee.
- 3.3 **Resolution No. 09-4076**, For the Purpose of Confirming the Appointment of the Vice Chair for the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT).

Motion:

Councilor Liberty moved to adopt the meeting minutes of the September 24, 2009 Regular Metro Council meeting and Resolution Nos. 09-4075 and 09-4076.

Vote:

Councilors Burkholder, Harrington, Liberty, Park, Collette, Hosticka voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 aye, the motion passed.

4. MAKING THE GREATEST PLACE PUBLIC HEARING AND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Jeff Curcoran, Gresham, discussed Hwy. 26 to I-84 connections and critical corridor designs. He discussed express train planning. He discussed transportation efficiency and speed. Councilor Liberty asked about views on rapid transit. He asked about transportation investments, and different ideas for arterial connections. Councilor Burkholder wanted to note they had not

received a lot of testimony regarding transportation.

Patricia Anderson, Wood Village, discussed reserves recommendations, including suitability recommendations. She said many viewpoints were represented. Councilor Park asked about areas south and east of the Sandy River, and their designation as rural reserves. Ms. Anderson said yes, but the decision was not easy. Councilor Park asked about transportation preferences. Councilor Liberty asked about different map recommendations. Councilor Harrington appreciated levels of engagement.

Carol Rulla, Gresham, discussed transportation and corridor connections. Councilor Burkholder noted other options to provide testimony for extra time. Ms. Rulla discussed pedestrian options around schools.

Ron Swaren, Portland, discussed river crossings and tax revenue contributions, including a Columbia River crossing option. Councilor Hosticka said stated identified areas were recommendations.

Jean DeMaster, Portland, discussed transportation safety's involvement in transportation planning. She discussed pedestrian safety and other various social issues including education and employment. Councilors Liberty and Burkholder discussed mobility and cost effectiveness, including equity issues. Donna Jordan discussed changing geographical needs.

R. Claus, Portland, discussed water quality issues and cutting waste, including refuge issues. Councilor Park asked about connections between agriculture and septic tanks.

Margueite Truttman, Gresham, discussed Gresham and Portland high capacity connections. She was opposed to the idea. Councilor Burkholder asked a clarifying question. Ms. Truttman felt light-rail brought undesirable results to the Gresham community. Councilors Burkholder and Collette explained high-capacity transit analysis.

Jim Kight, Mayor of Troutdale, discussed general public unawareness of the reserves and expansion processes. He discussed geographical areas surrounding Troutdale and subsequent southern expansion. Councilor Liberty asked about employment increases and home prices involved in UGB expansion. Councilor Burkholder asked about expansion recommendations. Councilor Park asked about visions associated with transportation. Mayor Kight said visions would react to already developed transportation patterns. Councilor Harrington asked about rural reserve factors associated with Troutdale decisions.

5. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

Michael Jordan, COO, discussed meetings he had attended and shared discussion results with Councilors.

6. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Councilors discussed meetings and events they had attended. They discussed results and discussions.

7. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Metro Council, Deputy Council President Harrington adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Prepared by

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

Tony Andersen
Clerk of the Council

**ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF
October 1, 2009**

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
4.0	Testimony	10/1/09	Testimony and attachments: Re: Making the Greatest Place, Regional Transportation Plan, and Rural and Urban Reserves public testimony To: Metro Council From: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Jeff Curcoran, Gresham;2) Patricia Anderson, Wood Village;3) Carol Rulla, Gresham;4) Ron Swaren, Portland;5) Jean DeMaster, Portland;6) R. Claus, Portland;7) Margueite Truttman, Gresham;8) Jim Kight, Mayor of Troutdale	100109c-1