MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, October 8, 2009 Happy Valley City Hall, Happy Valley Council Chamber

Councilors Present: Kathryn Harrington, Robert Liberty, Rod Park, Carl Hosticka

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

(excused)

Deputy Council President Harrington convened the Regular Council Meeting at 5:15 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

Deputy Council President Harrington introduced Metropolitan Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC) and Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) members seated at the dais with Councilors, including: Shirley Craddick (Gresham City Councilor, MPAC) and Donna Jordan (Lake Oswego City Councilor, MPAC/JPACT).

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS UNRELATED TO THE PUBLIC HEARING

There were none.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Consideration of minutes of the October 1, 2009, Regular Council Meeting.

Motion: Councilor Hosticka moved to adopt the meeting minutes of the October 1,

2009 Regular Metro Council meeting.

Vote: Councilors Harrington, Liberty, Park, and Hosticka voted in support of the

motion. The vote was 4 aye, the motion passed.

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

Robin McArthur, Planning and Development Director, introduced the COO recommendation. She discussed timelines and public hearing processes. She discussed outcomes-based approaches, including plan investments and implementation. She discussed specifics of the COO recommendation and investment strategy principles.

Councilor Harrington invited Mayor Wheeler to comment before Council. He provided comments on the reserves timeline and process. He welcomed Councilors to Happy Valley. Councilor Park asked Mayor Wheeler about Happy Valley town center development and expansion. Mayor Wheeler described the development history of Happy Valley.

Mayor Rob Wheeler, Happy Valley, provided testimony on extension issues and corridors. Councilor Park asked about highway corridor specifics. Councilor Liberty asked about investment priorities. Mayor Wheeler discussed road and highway specifics, including Sunnyside intersection issues. Councilor Liberty asked about successes of transit and mixed-use areas.

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Mayor Wheeler said there were issues with bus frequency and demand for transportation options. He talked about a shuttle option.

Caroline MacLaren, Portland, discussed specific geography related to reserves issues. Councilor Liberty asked about specific boundaries. He asked about capacity and land generation. Ms. MacLaren said there would be expenses involved in redevelopment. Councilor Harrington asked about specific geography and boundaries. Councilor Hosticka asked about a southern arterial option. Ms. MacLaren said there was somewhat of a path.

Stephan Lashbrook, Wilsonville staff, provided testimony thanking the Council for their work on the recommendation. He discussed issues surrounding bus service between West Linn and I-205 and funding issues. Councilor Liberty asked about Wilsonville holding conversations regarding transit services.

Mara Gross, Coalition for a Livable Future, provided testimony on the Regional Transportation Plan. She said people required support and automobiles should not be an end goal of the plan. She discussed project details and the subsequent need. Councilor Liberty asked about performance measure development and project list consistency. Ms. Gross discussed project rating in relation to Metro's goals. Councilor Harrington asked about Ms. Gross's policy advice for basic transportation network improvements, and how to distinguish different needs throughout the region. Councilor Park asked about freight and goods movement. Ms. Gross said projects were broken down more by roads and bridges. Ms. Jordan asked about road widening strategies conducive to pedestrian and cycling transportation. Ms. Craddick thanked Ms. Gross for her testimony.

5. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

There were none.

6. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Councilors discussed meetings and events in the region and that they had attended.

7. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Metro Council, Deputy Council President Harrington adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Prepared by

Tony Andersen Clerk of the Council

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF October 8, 2009

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
4.0	Testimony	10/8/09	Testimony and attachments:	100809c-1
			Re: Making the Greatest Place,	
			Regional Transportation Plan, and Rural	
			and Urban Reserves public testimony	
			To: Metro Council	
			From:	
			1) Mayor Rob Wheeler, Happy Valley;	
			2) Caroline MacLaren, Portland;	
			3) Stephan Lashbrook, Wilsonville	
			staff;	
			4) Mara Gross, Portland, Coalition for a	
			Livable Future	