

## MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING

Tuesday, March 2, 2010  
Metro Council Chamber

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

Councilors Absent: Carl Hosticka (excused)

Deputy Council President Carlotta Collette convened the Metro Council Work Session Meeting at 1:02 PM.

### **1. DISCUSSION OF AGENDA FOR COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING, March 4, 2010, ADMINISTRATIVE/ CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilors discussed with Metro Attorney Dan Cooper Agenda item 4.1 with regards to hiring outside counsel for litigation. Councilor Park agreed to carry the Ordinance in item 4.1 in place of Councilor Harrington.

COO Michael Jordan and Finance and Administrative Services Director Margo Norton explained the increased costs of the parking garage that are outlined in the attachment to agenda item 4.1 in the meeting packet for Thursday's regular Council meeting.

Mr. Jordan said that the search for a General Manager for Visitor Venues has begun, and he will be speaking with the Councilors about how they would like to be involved in the hiring process. He discussed other topics including MERC's upcoming meeting, as well as hiring processes and meetings Councilors and Mr. Jordan may have with a representative from the SEIU workers union.

### **2. FOLLOW-UP AUDIT ON FUNCTIONAL PLAN COMPLIANCE PROCESS**

Auditor Suzanne Flynn discussed a follow-up audit to the 2008 Functional Plan Compliance audit that her office had completed. The follow-up audit examined whether Metro had followed recommendations made in the 2008 audit to improve its process to monitor local government compliance with the Functional Plan and complete an annual compliance report. She said that recommendations on improving the ongoing compliance monitoring process had been implemented, but that those on the annual compliance report had not been implemented. Robin McArthur, Director of Planning and Development, and Christina Deffebach of Planning explained their approach to these compliance issues and the annual report. Mainly, there is a shift in the way compliance is being monitored to a more outcomes-based approach focused on regional indicators and performance measures, and this will affect how an annual compliance report is formed. Other topics of discussion included State versus Metro compliance issues, the timeline for developing the performance-measures based approach to compliance, and providing resources to local governments to be able to comply with the Functional Plan.

### **3. TUALATIN SERVICE DISTRICT PRESENTATION DISCUSSION OF MARCH 4 COUNCIL RESOLUTION, AND GENERAL QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION**

Doug Rux of the City of Tualatin presented the City's plan for the Central Urban Renewal District (CURD) in preparation for the vote at Thursday's Metro Council Meeting on Resolution No. 10-4131. The City of Tualatin would like to renew CURD, which is about to expire, and this requires an increase in the maximum indebtedness to be approved through concurrence by 75% of overlapping tax districts,

which includes Metro. Mr. Rux gave a PowerPoint presentation on the urban renewal projects the City has envisioned if CURD is renewed, and also illustrated the financial aspects of CURD.

Councilors discussed the details of CURD and urban renewal in Tualatin, including how to achieve concurrence, how mixed-use development would function in the renewal district, and details of the financial aspects of CURD. Council will vote on whether to support Tualatin's increase in maximum indebtedness at Thursday's regular Council Meeting.

#### **4. COUNCIL BRIEFINGS/ COMMUNICATION**

President Bragdon mentioned that some of the Councilors would like to attend a "Green Familiarization" dinner hosted by Travel Portland, to which Council assented.

Dick Benner, Senior Assistant Attorney, briefed Council on updates in the Land Conservation and Development Commission's (LCDC) rulemaking that affects Metro reserves, particularly with regard to amending land use regulations and zoning applied to areas designated as urban or rural reserves. Further adjustments will be made to the rulemaking process, and a Project Management Team including Metro and regional government participants will meet to try to come to a common position on how rulemaking should be changed. Councilors discussed the details of the changes and how they might affect Metro.

Councilor Harrington informed Council that reporter Nick Christensen of the Hillsboro Argus had sent a letter thanking many Metro Councilors and staff members for their help during the Urban/Rural Reserves process.

Councilor Collette informed Council that the Creative Advocacy Network steering committee, of which she is a co-chair, has decided not to bring anything to ballot in 2010.

#### **5. EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD PURSUANT TO ORS 192.660(2)(D) TO CONDUCT DELIBERATIONS WITH PERSONS DESIGNATED BY THE GOVERNING BODY TO CARRY ON LABOR NEGOTIATIONS**

Council President Bragdon commenced the Executive Session at 2:45 PM.

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**ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF**  
**March 2, 2010**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Doc. Date</b>	<b>Document Description</b>	<b>Doc. Number</b>
1	Agenda	03/02/10	Agenda: Metro Council regular meeting, March 4, 2010	030210cw-1
2	Attachment	02/22/10	Functional Plan Compliance Audit Follow-up	030210cw-2
2	Attachment	02/19/10	To: Auditor Suzanne Flynn From: Robin McArthur Re: Functional Plan Compliance Audit Follow-up	030210cw-3
3	Presentation	03/02/10	Central Urban Renewal District Maximum Indebtedness	030210cw-4
3	Attachment	03/10	Resolution No. 10-4131	030210cw-5
3	Attachment	02/22/10	Staff Report: Resolution No. 10-4131	030210cw-6