

MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING

Tuesday, May 11, 2010
Metro Council Chamber

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

Councilors Absent: Carl Hosticka, Robert Liberty (excused)

Council President David Bragdon convened the Metro Council Work Session Meeting at 2:01 p.m.

1. DISCUSSION OF AGENDA FOR COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING, May 13, 2010, ADMINISTRATIVE/ CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATIONS

Council President Bragdon reminded the Council that there would be events at the Metro Regional Center plaza after Thursday's regular meeting to celebrate the launch of the recent edition of the Bike There! map.

2. 3rd QUARTER QUARTERLY MANAGEMENT REPORT & FINANCIAL REPORT

Scott Robinson, Deputy COO, discussed the third quarter management report. He focused on the categories of significant work being done at Metro including tactical operations, convening, implementing Metro/MERC Title 6 changes, and strategic operations. Councilors asked questions on the Paint Care program, the timing of the release of the quarterly reports, and other topics.

Margo Norton, Director of Finance and Regulatory Services, briefed the Council on the third quarter financial report. She said that revenues continue to be down and discussed the implications and necessary actions to take. Councilors discussed related topics such as CET grant funding, visitor venue revenues, and reserves rates.

3. MAKING THE GREATEST PLACE: OVERVIEW OF THE COMMUNITY INVESTMENT STRATEGY

Robin McArthur, Director of Planning and Development, described how Metro is in the process of implementing the major policy work that has been done on the Community Investment Strategy (CIS). She discussed how efforts should be focused to start engaging the community and taking action, and what kinds of tools need to be developed.

John Williams, Land Use Planning Manager, discussed the elements of the CIS that will be included as part of the COO recommendations this summer. Councilors discussed related topics including how local aspirations correspond to population and what the market can bear in terms of development, standardization of codes and regulations, and the importance of gaining community acceptance of the CIS.

Andy Shaw, Infrastructure Finance Manager, introduced guiding principles for staff in engaging with the community on the funding portion of the CIS. Councilors discussed related issues,

including continued concern about community acceptance, support for using these principles for the CIS as a whole and not exclusively for the funding piece of the strategy, the importance of being opportunistic about partnerships, and the importance of using investments to leverage opportunities and support innovative projects.

4. BREAK

5. COLUMBIA CROSSING UPDATE

Council President Bragdon gave an overview of the recent activity and current state of the Columbia River Crossing project. Andy Cotugno, Senior Policy Advisor, provided more specifics on the Hayden Island interchange, performance measures, and further steps for Metro Council action. Councilors discussed this project in detail. Topics included the importance of using Metroscope as a tool to find the best bridge alternative, which conditions the Council put forward that have not been met in the current proposal and/or are not agreed upon by project partners, tolling and demand management, and other related issues. President Bragdon discussed the next steps on this project and suggested the Council revisit this topic in the near future.

6. COUNCIL BRIEFINGS/ COMMUNICATION

Councilor Park noted that MPAC would be discussing the employment subcommittee's recommendations on large-lot sites.

President Bragdon mentioned that he would be attending the Women's Transportation Seminar awards dinner where Councilors Collette and Harrington were being honored with awards for Women of the Year.

Councilor Collette said that the Oregon Zoo Bond Advisory Committee had met and is making progress.

Adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF
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Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
1	Agenda	05/11/10	Agenda: Metro Council regular meeting, May 13, 2010	051110cw-1
2	Handout	05/11/10	Metro management report at-a-glance 3 rd quarter FY 09-10	051110cw-2
2	Handout	05/11/10	Metro management report: 3 rd quarter FY 09-10	051110cw-3
2	Handout	05/10/10	To: President David Bragdon, members of Metro Council From: Margo Norton Re: Third quarter FY 2009-10 Construction excise tax	051110cw-4
2	Handout	03/10	2009-10 Third quarter financial report	051110cw-5
3	Handout	05/07/10	Guiding principles for Community Investment Strategy funding	051110cw-6
5	Handout	02/24/10	Columbia river crossing: local agencies project refinement scope of work	051110cw-7
5	Handout	05/10	Draft resolution 08-3960B	051110cw-8
5	Handout	05/10	Columbia River crossing maps	051110cw-9
5	Handout	05/10	Columbia River crossing alternatives maps	051110cw-10