MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, July 17, 2003 Fairview Council Chamber

Councilors Present: David Bragdon (Council President), Brian Newman, Rod Monroe, Rex

Burkholder, Rod Park, Carl Hosticka

Councilors Absent: Susan McLain (excused)

Council President Bragdon convened the Regular Council Meeting at 2:02 p.m. He called on Mayor Mike Weatherby, City of Fairview. The Mayor welcomed Metro Council to Fairview. He announced that the 223rd overpass would be replaced.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

Councilor Park introduced Mayor Becker and Councilors Haverkamp and Shields from the City of Gresham.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Consideration of minutes of the July 10, 2003 Regular Council Meetings.

Motion: Councilor Hosticka moved to adopt the meeting minutes of the July 10,

2003, Regular Metro Council meeting.

Vote: Councilors Burkholder, Park, Hosticka, Monroe, Newman and Council

President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 aye, the

motion passed.

4. **RESOLUTIONS**

4.1 **Resolution No. 03-3321,** For the purpose of Approving the Sunrise Corridor Unit 1 Work Program to Address Conditions Identified in Resolution No. 01-3098A.

Motion:	Councilor Newman moved to adopt Resolution No. 03-3321.
Seconded:	Councilor Park seconded the motion

Councilor Newman introduced the resolution. He gave an overview of the work program and budget. This was updating the 1998 Sunrise Corridor plan. He detailed funding for the project. He noted a map and diagram that explained the project.

Ron Weinmann, Clackamas County Project Manager for the Sunrise Corridor, explained the Unit 1 project. They were being proactive in this area. This was a joint project between Clackamas County and Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT). Councilor Burkholder asked who would be the ultimate owner of the facility? Mr. Weinmann responded that ODOT would be.

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Councilor Burkholder asked how that was determined? Mr. Weinmann said it would be discussed as part of the environmental Impact. Councilor Park explained the history of the Sunrise Corridor. This facility would now be an urban facility. Mr. Weinmann said they were looking at all modes since Damascus had been brought into the Urban Growth Boundary (UGB). Councilor Park talked about the original design and suggested reexamining the design for future expansion. Mr. Weinmann talked about the alternative analysis for the Sunrise Corridor. They would have to look at additional arterials for access. Councilor Newman urged support.

Vote: Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, Monroe, Newman and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 aye, the motion passed.

4.2 **Resolution No. 03-3340,** For the purpose of Amending Resolution No. 01-3098A and Allocating a Transit Reserve Account to Specific Transit Projects.

Motion:	Councilor Monroe moved to adopt Resolution No. 03-3340.
Seconded:	Councilor Hosticka seconded the motion

Councilor Monroe said this measure amends the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP). He detailed some of the changes. Andy Cotugno, Planning Director, said this resolution was part of a series of funding actions. This action allowed the funds to be released. Phil Sellinger, Project Planning Director of TriMet, said this would activate 04-05 MTIP funds. It was requested that TriMet be specific as to how these funds be used and provide this in the context of a five-year plan. The program that was included in these funds was consistent with the five-year plan and the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). He talked about the focus areas and frequent corridors. He explained the specifics of these areas and corridors. The 04-05 MTIP funds would continue those improvements. The other part of the MTIP allocation was for on-street capital improvements. The money would also be used for bus shelters. All of these investments had a regional equity focus. He talked about the operating support, which would be used to buy buses. These projects were detailed in the resolution. The region north/northeast was the focus area for these funds. TriMet in partnership with Metro, ODOT and local jurisdictions had focused on access for pedestrians. All of these improvements were prepared in close coordination through public hearings and with Metro. Mr. Cotugno talked about the past, present and future planning for these funds.

Councilor Burkholder said he appreciated what TriMet was doing on the ground including sidewalks, access, and curb extensions. What was the effect of the law that required motorists to allow buses to pull out? Had there been an impact? Mr. Sellinger said that had not been studied but he felt it helped the bus drivers. Councilor Burkholder asked if he would explain coordination with other agencies to get the best bang for the buck. Mr. Sellinger detailed some of those partnerships and their project successes. Councilor Park asked about bus shelters and other improvements, was there a set standard and process? Mr. Sellinger said they had public guidelines and processes. Councilor Park asked if placement of the facilities had been a problem. Mr. Sellinger said one of the greatest challenges was space. He gave an example of trying to put a bus shelter in an area that had a ditch. Council President Bragdon spoke to the teamwork involved in these projects. Councilor Monroe closed by saying that TriMet and the Port of Portland were both regional governments. He felt this was truly a cooperative effort. It was important for the region and for the citizens. He urged an aye vote.

Vote: Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, Monroe, Newman and Council

President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 aye, the motion passed.

4.3 **Resolution No. 03-3348,** For the Purpose of Establishing Intent to Amend the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) to Include I-205 Auxiliary Lanes from I-5 to the Stafford Road Interchange.

Motion:	Councilor Newman moved to adopt Resolution No. 03-3348.
Seconded:	Councilor Hosticka seconded the motion

Councilor Newman said this resolution addressed another important transportation improvement in Clackamas County. He detailed the project and the amendment. This resolution allowed for a temporary third auxiliary lane on I-205. He talked about the federal rules for temporary auxiliary lanes. He noted the demand for a third lane and the request to have the lane remain permanent. He spoke to the plan for a full corridor plan. He was hopeful that this plan would move forward once funded.

Thomas Picco, ODOT Senior Planner, highlighted a few elements of the plan. He was hopeful to bring ODOT funding to the project. He talked about the additional funding needs. They were looking to get the best-cost value. Councilor Newman added that Congresswoman Hooley had been involved in seeking additional funding.

Councilor Hosticka added his support to this project. He pointed out that this was designed to deal with existing problems. Other areas would feel the effects of this project. Councilor Monroe spoke to the two mergers, which impacted the I-205 areas. The traffic backed up on to I-5. This project needed to be done as quickly as possible. This was a win-win project. Councilor Burkholder asked about Plan B if the congressperson was not successful in obtaining funding. Mr. Picco said he felt this was a high priority for ODOT. Councilor Burkholder said getting congress to fund projects was never a sure thing. We may have to fund this locally. Councilor Newman said the intent of this was to have these auxiliary lanes remain.

Vote: Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, Monroe, Newman and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 aye, the motion passed.

5. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Councilor Park thanked everyone for coming to east county. Council President Bragdon said Council would not meet next week but on July 31, 2003.

6. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Metro Council, Council President Bragdon adjourned the meeting at 2:48 p.m.

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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JULY 17, 2003

Item	Topic	Doc Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
3.1	Minutes	7/10/03	Minutes of the July 10, 2003 Metro	071703c-01
			Council Meeting	
4.1	Concept Plan	3/19/03	To: Metro Council From: Ron	071703c-02
	and Map		Weinmann, Clackamas County Project	
			Manager Re: Damascus/Boring Concept	
			Plan and Sunrise Corridor – Southern	
			Alignment in reference to Resolution	
			No. 03-3321	
4.2	Project	7/17/03	To: Metro Council From: Phil Sellinger,	071703c-03
	Description		TriMet Project Planning Director Re:	
			FY 2004-05 MTIP Transit Reserve	
			Account On-Street Capital Projects	
			Description in reference to Resolution	
			No. 03-3340	
4.2	Transit	June 2003	To: Metro Council From: Phil Sellinger,	071703c-04
	Investment		TriMet, Re: TriMet Transit Investment	
	Plan		Plan related to Resolution No. 03-3340	
4.3	Maps	Undated	To: Metro Council From: Tom Picco,	071703c-05
			ODOT Re: Design Map and Aerial	
			maps related to Resolution No. 03-3348	