



METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Summary

Feb. 17, 2011

Metro Council Chambers

Councilors Present: Council President Tom Hughes and Councilors Shirley Craddick, Kathryn Harrington, Carl Hosticka, Carlotta Collette and Rex Burkholder

Councilors Excused: None

Council President Tom Hughes convened the regular Council meeting at 2:02 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

There were none.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

Art Lewellan, 3205 SE 8th Ave., Apt 9, Portland: Mr. Lewellan addressed the Council on the Columbia River Crossing project. He discussed the proposed bridge height, bridge bike lanes, and the proposed Concept #1 regarding the Hayden Island interchange. Mr. Lewellan requested that his comments be included in the record.

Council members clarified that Mr. Lewellan's previous testimonies have been recorded in the appropriate meeting summaries and all written testimony provided has been included as attachments to the Council records.

Ken Smelser, 1324 NE Prescott, St, Portland: Mr. Smelser addressed the Council on the CRC project. He emphasized concerns with the bridge designs and locations, and concern with project team David Evans and Associates.

3. CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 10, 2011

Motion:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington moved to adopt the Feb. 10, 2011 Council meeting minutes.
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Vote:	Council President Hughes and Councilors Harrington, Craddick, Hosticka, Collette and Burkholder voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 aye, the motion passed.
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4. ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

4.1 **Ordinance No. 11-1254**, For the Purpose of Amending Metro Code Chapter 10.03, Regarding Conservation Easements.

Motion:	Councilor Carl Hosticka moved to adopt Ordinance No. 11-1254.
Second:	Councilor Harrington seconded the motion.

Councilor Hosticka introduced Ordinance No. 11-1254. Currently, on occasions, Metro will acquire conservation easements to acquire property use rights or the right to exclude uses on a property versus purchasing the property outright. Metro's procedure is governed by state law and is incorporated in the Metro Code. However, as state laws continue to change, Metro must continue to update their code. This resolution, if adopted would, permit Metro to acquire conservation easements in accordance with the law. Highlighted changes included that Metro code changes would not be needed each time state law changes, and public hearings would not be required each time a conservation easement is acquired.

Council President Hughes opened a public hearing on Ordinance No. 11-1254. Seeing no public comments the hearing was closed.

Vote:

Council President Hughes and Councilors Harrington, Craddick, Hosticka, Collette and Burkholder voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 aye, the motion <u>passed</u> .

5. **RESOLUTIONS**

5.1 **Resolution No. 11-4231**, For the Purpose of Adopting the Recommendations of the Regional Flexible Fund Task Force.

Motion:	Councilor Carlotta Collette moved to adopt Resolution No. 11-4231.
Second:	Councilor Harrington seconded the motion.

Councilor Carlotta Collette introduced Resolution No. 11-4231. The resolution, if approved, would adopt the recommendations of the Regional Flexible Fund Task Force on the approach and criteria for allocating approximately \$60 million to transportation projects in the Portland metropolitan region for 2014-15.

A task force was charged with developing a recommendation in order to build on the policy framework approved by JPACT and the Metro Council to create a more coordinated and targeted process to meet significant outcomes with the limited dollars the region has to invest. The task force developed policy recommendations for maximizing the impact of these funds through two focus areas: Active Transportation/Complete Streets and Freight/Green Economy. Councilor Collette introduced RFF Task Force members Stephen Gomez and Steve Ganiere who provided an overview of the committee membership, policies and criteria developed and recommendations for the allocation of 2014-15 funds.

Council President Hughes opened a public hearing on Resolution No, 11-4231:

- Larry Harvey, Portland's Western Railroad: Mr. Harvey expressed his support for Resolution Nos. 11-4231 and 11-4232. He clarified comments from the JPACT meeting regarding safety, stating that the Railroad would like to safety improvements that benefit both rail and bike/pedestrians.

Seeing no further comments, Council President Hughes closed the public hearing.

Council discussion included the pros and cons of establishing an Active Transportation technical advisory committee, project review process and participants (i.e. JPACT, county coordinating committee, TriMet), and general support from the local business sector.

Vote:

Council President Hughes and Councilors Harrington, Craddick, Hosticka, Collette and Burkholder voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 aye, the motion passed.

5.2 Resolution No. 11-4232, For the Purpose of Endorsing procedures for the Allocation of 2014-15 Regional Flexible Funds to Individual Projects.

Motion:	Councilor Collette moved to adopt Resolution No. 11-4232.
Second:	Councilor Burkholder seconded the motion.

Councilor Collette introduced Resolution No. 11-4231, the companion resolution to Resolution No. 11-4231. The resolution, if adopted, would endorse a set of procedures for allocating RFF through a collaborative project nomination process. The procedures have been developed to implement JPACT and the Council direction and the task force recommended approach and criteria for developing projects to be nominated for funding consideration. Adoption of the resolution would provide procedures that utilize regional staff in a more proactive manner to educate local agencies about regional policies and data in the development of their project nominations. It will also utilize local agency expertise and sub-regional coordinating committees to apply though policies at the local level.

JPACT unanimously approved both Resolution Nos. 11-4231 and 11-4232.

Vote:

Council President Hughes and Councilors Harrington, Craddick, Hosticka, Collette and Burkholder voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 aye, the motion passed.

5.3 Resolution No. 11-4237, For the Purpose of Appointing a Replacement Councilor to Fill the Office of the Metro Councilor for Council Subdistrict No. 6

The recruitment for the vacant Metro Councilor District 6 position closed on Feb. 9, 2011. Metro received 8 applicants: Kenneth Heggem, Jonathan Levine, Walt Nichols, Alescia Reese, Bob Shiprack, Barbara Roberts, Bob Stacey, and Martha Dibblee (Mr. Stacey and Ms. Dibblee later withdrew their applications.)

Motion:	Councilor Harrington moved to commence the nominating process.
Second:	Councilor Collette seconded the motion.

Vote:

Council President Hughes and Councilors Harrington, Craddick, Hosticka, Collette and Burkholder voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 aye, the motion passed.

Mr. Tony Andersen of Metro distributed ballots to each councilor with the names of the six remaining applicants. Candidates who received two or more votes moved on to the second round. Mr. Bob Shiprack and Ms. Barbara Roberts each received more than two votes and therefore moved to the second/final round.

Mr. Andersen distributed ballots to each councilor and asked that they fill in the name of the candidate, either Mr. Shiprack or Ms. Roberts, they wish to appoint as to the vacant Council District 6 seat. The vote count was Roberts – 5 (Harrington, Hosticka, Collette, Craddick, Burkholder) and Shiprack – 1 (Hughes).

Motion:	Councilor Hosticka moved to show unanimous support for Barbara Roberts.
Second:	Councilor Harrington seconded the motion.

Vote: Council President Hughes and Councilors Harrington, Craddick, Hosticka, Collette and Burkholder voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 aye, the motion passed.

Motion:	Councilor Harrington moved to adopt Resolution No. 4237.
Second:	Councilor Collette seconded the motion.

Vote: Council President Hughes and Councilors Harrington, Craddick, Hosticka, Collette and Burkholder voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 aye, the motion passed.

Ms. Roberts' swearing in is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 24 at 2 p.m. Ms. Roberts will serve as Metro Councilor for District 6 until Jan. 2013.

6. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

Mr. Michael Jordan of Metro provide an update on the Metro 101 meetings, the Metro Council District 6 swearing in ceremony, and newly scheduled Council work session for Feb. 24 immediately following the regularly scheduled council meeting.

7. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Council discussion included availability of electronic and hard copies of Metro 101 materials, a Council tour of the 40-mile loop, and a letter to Washington County expressing support for bikeways.

7. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the regular meeting at 3:05 p.m. The Metro Council will reconvene the next regular council meeting on Thursday, Feb. 14 at 2 p.m. at the Metro Council Chambers.

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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF FEB. 17, 2011

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
	Agenda	2/10/11	Revised Feb. 10, 2011 Council meeting agenda	21711c-01
3.0	Minutes	2/10/11	Feb. 10, 2011 Council minutes	21711c-02
5.1	Legislation	N/A	Revised Resolution No. 11-4231, Exhibit A and Staff Report	21711c-03
5.2	Legislation	N/A	Revised Resolution No. 11-4232, Exhibit A, Staff Report and Attachment 1	21711c-04
5.3	Legislation	N/A	Resolution No. 11-4237	21711c-05
5.3	Applications	N/A	Applications for Metro Councilor, District 6	21711c-06
5.3	Map	9/2010	Map of the Metro Council Districts	21711c-07