

BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE
METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

FOR THE PURPOSE OF REAPPOINTING) RESOLUTION NO. 86-636
CITIZENS TO THE METROPOLITAN)
SERVICE DISTRICT SOLID WASTE RATE) Introduced by the
REVIEW COMMITTEE) Executive Officer

WHEREAS, The Metropolitan Service District Code, Section 5.01.170, provides that the Council appoints members to the Solid Waste Rate Review Committee; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of the Committee is to gather information and provide recommendations for the establishment of rates; and


WHEREAS, The terms of the individuals currently serving on the Committee have expired; and

WHEREAS, The Solid Waste staff will within the next two months provide the Council with a list of individuals who are interested in serving on the two positions which will remain vacant; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,

That Edward Gronke, George Hubel and Douglas Plambeck are reappointed to the Solid Waste Rate Review Committee for two-year terms to run from January 1, 1986, through December 31, 1987.

ADOPTED by the Council of the Metropolitan Service District
this 27th day of March, 1986.


Richard Waker, Presiding Officer

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STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item No. 8.3

Meeting Date March 27, 1986

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 86-636, FOR THE
PURPOSE OF REAPPOINTING CITIZENS TO THE METRO-
POLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT SOLID WASTE RATE REVIEW
COMMITTEE

Date: March 13, 1986

Presented by: Rich McConaghy

FACTUAL BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

The purpose of this Staff Report is to introduce Resolution No. 86-636 which reappoints three current members to the Solid Waste Rate Review Committee.

Metro Code Section 5.01.170 provides for the appointment of members to the Rate Review Committee by the Metro Council. The five-member Committee is to be composed as follows:

1. One Certified Public Accountant with expertise in cost accounting and program auditing.
2. One Certified Public Accountant with expertise in the solid waste industry or public utility regulation.
3. One local government administrator with expertise in governmental financing, agency budgeting and/or rate regulation.
4. Two members of the public.

No representative or affiliate of the solid waste industry nor an employee of Metro is to serve as a member of the Committee. The term of service on the Rate Review Committee is for two years and memberships of three members are to expire every other year while the terms of the other two members are staggered to expire in the odd years.

There are currently four members of the Committee and their terms have all expired (on or before January 1, 1986). Position #1 (a CPA with cost accounting and program auditing experience) has been vacant for over a year. David Chen, who has served as the local government administrator (position #3), has indicated that due to other commitments he does not wish to be reappointed to the Committee unless no suitable replacement can be found. David has done a commendable job of serving on the Committee and his work has been appreciated.

The three remaining members, Edward Gronke, George Hubel and Douglas Plambeck, have also done excellent work in their Committee roles and have expressed a willingness to be reappointed for additional two-year terms. Edward Gronke and George Hubel who serve as the two public members of the Committee (position #4) have recently been appointed to membership on the Solid Waste Policy Advisory Committee (SWPAC). These two joint memberships provide a needed link between the rate review role of the Committee and the policy advisory role of SWPAC. Douglas Plambeck has provided the Committee with his expertise as a CPA in the area of public utility regulation (position #2). Reappointment of these three individuals through the adoption of Resolution No. 86-636 would provide for continuity in membership of the Committee and would be appropriate because of the commitment and knowledge which these members have displayed. Retroactive reappointment to January 1, 1986, will provide for terms which expire on December 31, 1987.

The Solid Waste staff will immediately begin a process for obtaining a list of candidates which can be presented to the Council in April or May for filling the two vacant positions. Resumes will be requested from those interested in serving on the Committee through the notification of relevant professional associations and through advertisements in local newspapers.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

The Executive Officer recommends adoption of Resolution No. 86-636.

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Councilor Gardner explained that although he had some problems with the overpass solution, he would support the Resolution and believed a solution would be found for the east-west traffic problem. He also said the plan preserved an option for light rail transit.

Vote: A vote on the motion resulted in:

Ayes: Councilors Frewing, Gardner, Hansen, Kirkpatrick, Kafoury, Kelley, Myers, Van Bergen and Waker

Absent: Councilors Cooper, DeJardin and Oleson

The motion carried and Resolution No. 86-632 was adopted.

8.3 Consideration of Resolution No. 86-636, for the Purpose of Reappointing Citizens to the Metropolitan Service District Solid Waste Rate Review Committee

There was no discussion on the item.

Motion: Councilor Van Bergen moved to adopt Resolution No. 86-636 and Councilor Kelley seconded the motion.

Vote: A vote on the motion resulted in:

Ayes: Councilors Frewing, Gardner, Hansen, Kirkpatrick, Kelley, Myers, Van Bergen and Waker

Absent: Councilors Cooper, DeJardin, Kafoury and Oleson

The motion carried and Resolution No. 86-636 was adopted.

9.1 Consideration of a Lease Contract with Peoples National Bank of Washington for Furniture and Telephone Equipment

Ms. Sims explained at the request of the Council and with the assistance of Councilor Cooper, staff had investigated advantageous contract options for furniture and phone equipment. The contract with Peoples National Bank would cover the equipment for 8.5 percent, she said.

Motion: Councilor Van Bergen moved the lease contract be approved and Councilor Kirkpatrick seconded the motion.

A discussion followed about the advantages of entering into the five year lease contract. Ms. Sims explained that although the lease would cost 8.5 percent, Metro would have the advantage of paying for the equipment over time, thus saving money for other projects in any given year.