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### MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL WORK SESSION

#### August 2, 2011 Metro Council Chamber

**Councilors Present**: Councilors Rex Burkholder, Carlotta Collette, Shirley Craddick, Kathryn Harrington, Carl Hosticka, and Barbara Roberts

Councilors Excused: Council President Hughes

Deputy Council President Carl Hosticka convened the Metro Council work session at 2:02 p.m.

#### 1. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE / COUNCIL AGENDA FOR AUGUST 4, 2011/CHIEF OPERATING</u> <u>OFFICER COMMUNICATIONS</u>

There were none.

#### 2. <u>COMMUNITY INVESTMENT STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION: BEAVERTON COMMUNITY</u> VISION AND CIVIC PLAN

Ms. Chris Deffebach of Metro introduced the Community Investment Strategy Road Map and a brief history of the work which has led to the Road Map.

Mayor Denny Doyle of Beaverton briefed the council about the Beaverton Community Vision and discussed the strategy behind Beaverton's project process including the importance of community participation.

Mr. Don Mazziotti of Beaverton (Director of Community Development) discussed Beaverton's recent growth in the past eighteen months and the planning efforts utilized to prepare for future growth. Further discussion focused on the Beaverton Regional Center's size and density in comparison to other regional centers throughout the region, the need for a housing strategy, the employment land shortage, and the need to identify and reverse areas of economic distress. The City of Beaverton has an employment goal of 30,000 new jobs by the year 2030. Challenges to that goal are the shortage of employment land due to the collection of many small lots with multiple owners that take up a large percentage of available land. The City of Beaverton will use Urban renewal, new market tax credits, strategic investments, and a property acquisition program as tools to achieve civic plan goals.

Mr. John Fregonese of Fregonese and Associates briefed the council on the core concepts of the Beaverton Civic Plan and the community involvement component. Citizens communicated the desire to see the numerous creeks in Beaverton utilized as an amenity rather than simple ditches behind buildings. According to survey responses citizens want to see a vibrant downtown and an updated bike plan. Metro Council Work Session August 2, 2011 Page 2

In order to create the Beaverton Civic Plan three strategic documents were utilized. The three categories for the documents are:

- Central City
- Land Use and Transportation
- Housing and Neighborhoods

The larger themes represented within the plan are:

- Walkability and Connectivity
- Creeks, Plazas and Open Spaces
- Revitalization and Redevelopment

Mr. Gerry Uba of Metro briefed the council on the partnership between the City of Beaverton and Metro. The partnership has identified ten different projects that have potential for financial investment and development.

Councilor discussion included what type of effect the plan might have on different ethnic groups within the community, what type of zoning changes will need to be made, where the funding will come from to complete the civic plan, the benefits to living in a city as opposed to an unincorporated section of the county, and whether the potential South Cooper Mountain urban growth boundary expansion will be a distraction to the implementation of the civic plan. Discussion also focused on the type of help the City of Beaverton might need in order to meet ODOT's alternative mobility standards and what role Metro will take in that process.

Mr. Uba expressed that Metro can help the City of Beaverton revamp the zoning rules for Canyon Road and Hall Blvd which Metro's transportation planners have been working started working on.

## 3. <u>2011 LEGISLATIVE SESSION REPORT</u>

Mr. Randy Tucker of Metro briefed the council on the outcomes from the 2011 Oregon legislative session. Next fiscal year, 2012, will have limited options for filing legislation; each member of the house will only be allowed to file two pieces of legislation and committees will be allowed five pieces of legislation. The Climate Smart Communities Scenarios has a required check-in with the Oregon Legislature in February of 2012; Mr. Tucker is actively speaking to state representatives to clarify what the legislature is looking for on the report back.

Council discussion focused on potential legislation which Metro will consider sponsoring during the 2012 legislative session including the Oregon Zoo background check legislation. The 2012 legislative session will only be five weeks long making it even more difficult to pass legislation. Councilors expressed a desire for more clarification on the burial plot issue and the future of the plastic bag ban in Oregon.

## 4. <u>COUNCIL BRIEFING / COMMUNICATION</u>

Mr. Dick Benner of Metro briefed the committee about a pre-existing agreement between Metro and the City of Sandy regarding land-use and rural reserves. Councilors gave brief recaps of the Glendoveer open house and the open house in Hillsboro regarding the growth management

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decision. Thursday is a short agenda work session on the growth management decision immediately following the Metro Council session.

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## ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF AUGUST 2, 2011

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	Doc Date	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT NO.
2.0	Report	4/12/11	Beaverton Civic Plan: Civic Plan Strategies	080211cw-01
2.0	Powerpoint	8/2/11	Beaverton Civic Plan & Community Vision	080211cw-02
3.0	Memo	7/07/11	2011 Legislative Session: Next Steps	080211cw-03
4.0	Memo	8/01/11	Sandy IGA Draft	080211cw-04
4.0	IGA	7/13/11	Intergovernmental Agreement on Highway 26 Corridor	080211cw-05