

METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Summary
August 4, 2011
Metro Council Chambers

Councilors Present: Deputy Council President Carl Hosticka and Councilors Barbara Roberts,

Rex Burkholder, Kathryn Harrington and Shirley Craddick

<u>Councilors Excused</u>: Council President Tom Hughes and Councilor Carlotta Collette

Deputy Council President Carl Hosticka convened the regular Council meeting at 2:03 p.m.

1. <u>INTRODUCTIONS</u>

Deputy Council President Hosticka introduced Mr. Joel Morton. Mr. Morton served as legal counsel in Ms. Alison Kean-Campbell's absence.

2. <u>CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS</u>

<u>Terry Parker</u>, <u>P.O. Box 13503</u>, <u>Portland</u>: Mr. Parker addressed the Council on the Columbia River Crossing (CRC) project. He stated that while the CRC is a multi-modal project that serves autos, light rail and bike and pedestrians, the project's proposed funding only targets auto users. He emphasized that all users – no matter their transportation mode – should be responsible for their share of the project's infrastructure costs. (Written testimony included as part of the meeting record.)

<u>Art Lewellan 3205 SE 8th Ave., Apt. 9, Portland</u>: Mr. Lewellan addressed the Council on the CRC project. He was in support of Concept #1 regarding the Hayden Island interchange. He was in support of building a southbound-only bridge. He also provided comments on Washington State's engineering community. (Written testimony included as part of the meeting record.)

Sharon Nasset, 1113 N Baldwin, Portland: Ms. Nasset addressed the Council on the CRC project. She referenced a note, attached to the recently adopted Oregon Department of Transportation's budget, that highlighted the lack of an oversight committee. She stated that Oregon House Representatives Tobias Read and Cliff Bentz will convene an oversight committee to begin in September 2011 to address areas of major concern. She encouraged Council not to support the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) until the committee has concluded. (Written testimony included as part of the meeting record.)

Deputy Council President Hosticka reminded attendees that the Council is scheduled for a public hearing and vote on the CRC Land Use Final Order on August 11.

3. <u>ADMINISTRATION OF LARGE CONTRACT AUDITS</u>

Ms. Suzanne Flynn, Metro Auditor, with assistance from Mr. Mike Anderson and Ms. Kristin Lieber, provided a brief presentation on the recent audit on the administration of large contracts. The audit, included in the FY 2010-11 audit schedule, focused on three large contracts worth \$130 million: two in Solid Waste Operations (Recology and Allied Waste) and one in Visitor Venues

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(Aramark). The purpose of the audit was to determine if contract administration had improved since prior audits, and if the quality of services were affected by current management practices. Ms. Flynn overviewed the scope and methodology, specifically the key requirements tested, and results for each contract. Audit recommendations highlighted included:

- Clearer procedures
- Clearer roles and responsibilities
- Better documentation
- Develop a plan to ensure authority for contract monitoring and enforcement.

Mr. Scott Robinson and Mr. Paul Slyman presented management's response. Staff thanked the Auditor for her report and expressed support for the overall recommendations and agreed with the underlining premise that contract administration is most successful when responsibility and authority are clearly assigned, procedures clear, documentation occurs and action is taken. Mr. Robinson overviewed steps the agency is taking to address each recommendation. Mr. Slyman briefly overviewed operations at the two solid waste transfer stations including information on safety and customer satisfaction. (Full audit and management response included as part of the meeting record.)

Council discussion included solid waste haulers' staffing levels and payment, definition of "quality," and potential for quality control specialists.

4. BROWNFIELD TASK FORCE RECOGNITION

Councilor Kathryn Harrington provided a brief overview of Metro's Brownfields Recycling Program and Brownfields Task Force. Metro's Brownfields program began in 2006 with a \$200,000 grant award from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Due to the program's success, Metro received an additional community-wide assessment grant in 2008. Funds focused Metro's program on environmental assessment work on petroleum impacted properties and offered technical and financial assistance to spur cleanup of contaminated sites, reduce liability, and improve the viability of sites for redevelopment and restoration to the local community.

In 2007, the Metro Council appointed the Brownfields Task Force to help direct the program efforts and select grant recipients. With assistance from the Task Force, Metro's program has:

- Provided significant technical and financial assistance to thirteen properties in the region over the last five years;
- Leveraged over \$200,000 in additional assessment and cleanup funds; and
- Initiated the cleanup at three specific sites, enabling site improvements, sale, and park redevelopment on site.

While the work of the Task Force is concluding, the Metro Council and agency are committed to better understanding the scope of the region's brownfields.

Ms. Miranda Bateschell of Metro thanked task force members for their service. She welcomed Mimi Doukas of Cardno WRG and Renate Mengelberg of the City of Camby. Presenters shared comments about their experience on the task force and recommendations for moving forward

Ms. Bateschell distributed certificates of appreciation to each task force member. (Committee listed included as part of the meeting record.)

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Council discussion included existing state and federal resources (e.g. legal and financial), Council's work on employment and industrial lands, and redeveloped brownfields sites. Council recommended that the report be forwarded to the Oregon Congressional Delegation for their review.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion: Councilor Harrington moved to adopt the August 4, 2011 consent agenda:

- Consideration of the Minutes for July 14, 2011
- **Resolution No. 11-4278,** For the Purpose of Creating and Appointing Members of the SW Corridor Plan Steering Committee.
- **Resolution No. 11-4281**, For the Purpose of Confirming the Appointment of Members to the Oregon Zoo Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee.
- **Resolution No. 11-4282**, For the Purpose of Establishing Additional One Percent for Art Program Guidelines for Oregon Zoo Ballot Measure 26-96 Construction Projects.
- **Resolution No. 11-4283**, For the Purpose of Eliminating the Proposed Hippopotamus Exhibit Improvements from the Metro Council's Recommended List of Projects to be Funded by Metro Ballot Measure 26-29.

Vote:

Deputy Council President Hosticka and Councilors Roberts, Harrington, Craddick, and Burkholder voted in support of the motion. The vote was 5 aye, the motion <u>passed</u>.

6. ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

6.1 **Ordinance No. 11-1263**, For the Purpose of Amending the FY 2011-12 Budget and Appropriations Schedule to Remodel Metro Regional Center to Accommodate the Consolidation of MERC and Metro Business Services and Declaring an Emergency.

Second read, public hearing and Council consideration and vote are scheduled for Thursday, August 11, 2011. Councilor Rex Burkholder has been assigned as carrier for the legislation.

7. <u>CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION</u>

Mr. Dan Cooper of Metro very quickly highlighted some of Metro's outdoor activities including the Oregon Zoo and Portland Center for the Performing Arts' summer concert series and parks.

8. <u>COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION</u>

Council discussion included updates on recent Urban Growth Management open house, Beaverton's international sustainability conference, and Beaverton/Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation event.

9. <u>ADJOURN</u>

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There being no further business, Deputy Council President Hosticka adjourned the regular meeting at 3:17 p.m. The Metro Council reconvened a work session. Council will reconvene the next regular council meeting on Thursday, August 11 at 2 p.m. at Metro Council Chambers.

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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF AUGUST 4, 2011

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
2.0	Testimony	8/4/11	Written testimony submitted by Terry Parker	80411c-01
2.0	Testimony	N/A	Written testimony submitted by Art Lewellan	80411c-02
2.0	Testimony	6/2/11	Written testimony submitted by Sharon Nasset	80411c-03