



METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Summary

Oct. 27, 2011

Metro, Council Chamber

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

Councilors Excused: Councilor Carlotta Collette

Council President Hughes convened the regular Council meeting at 2:03 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

There were none.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

3. AWARD PRESENTATION: "OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FOR THE EXCELLENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION PREPARATION, PORTLAND - MILWAUKIE LIGHT RAIL PROJECT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT"

Ms. Bridget Wieghart of Metro presented the Federal Transit Administration's 2011 Outstanding Achievement Award for excellence in environmental documentation preparation for the Portland to Milwaukie light rail project. Ms. Wieghart read the list of Metro and partner jurisdiction staff who contributed to the study.

Council thanked Ms. Wieghart and team for their work. Council discussion included Portland to Milwaukie light rail project funding, wildlife protection, and Council thanked Councilor Collette for her leadership on the project.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion:	Councilor Carl Hosticka moved to adopt the Oct. 27 consent agenda which consisted of: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consideration of the Minutes for Oct. 20, 2011• Resolution No. 11-4303, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to Grant an Easement Relating to the Expo Center Conditional Use Master Plan.• Resolution No. 11-4305, For the Purpose of Welcoming the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) to the Oregon Convention Center and Thanking Them for Hosting the 68th Annual Convention and Marketplace in the Portland Region.
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Vote: Council President Hughes and Councilors Hosticka, Roberts, Craddick, Harrington and Burkholder voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion passed.

5. RESOLUTIONS

5.1 **Resolution No. 11-4302**, For the Purpose of Adopting Amendments to the 1998 “Green Corridor” Intergovernmental Agreement Among Metro, Clackamas County and the City of Sandy and Authorizing the Council President to Sign the Amended Agreement.

Motion:	Councilor Shirley Craddick moved to adopt Resolution No. 11-4302.
Second:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington seconded the motion.

Councilor Craddick introduced Resolution No. 11-4302. The resolution, if approved, would adopt a revised “green corridor” agreement among Metro, the City of Sandy, and Clackamas County. The proposed revisions would bring the current intergovernmental agreement, originally adopted in 1998, into conformance with today’s Urban Growth Boundary and urban and rural reserves designations. Additionally, the revised IGA would assign duties to each of the three governments to protect the green corridor along portions of Highway 26. All parties have agreed to strive to establish a vegetated buffer screen of trees along the corridor.

Work to establish the corridor would commence in Title 11, *Concept Planning*, for the Clackanomah urban reserve prior to the area’s addition into the UGB. The agreement would implement Policy 1.11(2) of Metro’s Regional Framework Plan that calls for Metro to enter into agreements with neighboring cities.

Council discussion

Councilor Rex Burkholder was concerned that the IGA only addressed future commitments along the easement by Clackamas County, and not the City of Sandy, to protect the green corridor. He stated that all parties should participate equally and be responsible for maintaining the unique corridor. He asked if the topic was addressed in meetings with the two jurisdictions. Mr. Dick Benner of Metro indicated that the topic, to his recollection, was not discussed. He anticipated this was in part due to the fact that there were no similar commitments in the existing IGA with the exception of maintaining separation. He noted that the corridor is defined as the area along Highway 26 between the Cities of Gresham and Sandy. While the UGB area under discussion is outside the City of Sandy, a portion of it does exist in Clackamas County and therefore subject to the proposed agreement. He indicated that the County would be charged with coordinating the involved parties and jurisdictions, including the City of Sandy, for the discussed stretch along Highway 26. Councilor Burkholder indicated that this did address his concerns, but was still concerned that intent was not clear as written in the IGA.

Additional discussion and clarifications included the City of Sandy’s process for expanding its UGB and coordination with Metro on population forecasts. Mr. Dan Cooper of Metro provided a brief historical overview of the IGA for context.

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

6. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

Mr. Cooper reminded attendees that the Friends of Lone Fir Cemetery's annual "Tour of Untimely Departures" is scheduled for Oct. 31.

Mr. Cooper also noted that Ms. Martha Bennett, Metro's new COO, is scheduled to begin on Oct. 31. Mr. Cooper, who has been serving as Acting Metro COO since Mr. Michael Jordan's departure, will resume his role as Metro Attorney.

7. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Council updates included the Oct. 19 1000 Friends of Oregon speaker series presentation, the Oct. 26 Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC) meeting, and upcoming Oct. 28 City Club presentation on the Greater Portland Pulse, and Centro Cultural's 40th anniversary.

8. ADIURN

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the regular meeting at 2:43 p.m. The Metro Council will reconvene the next regular council meeting on Thursday, Nov. 3 at 3 p.m. at the Metro Council Chamber. The Council will hold an executive session, pursuant with ORS 192.660(2)(e) - to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions - prior to the regular meeting at 2:15 p.m. The executive session will be held in the Council Annex.



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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF OCT. 27, 2011

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
	Agenda	10/25/11	Revised 10/27/11 Council agenda	102011c-01
4.1	Minutes	10/20/11	Council minutes for 10/20/11	102011c-02
4.3	Legislation	N/A	Resolution No. 11-4305 and staff report	102011c-03
5.1	Map	10/2011	Map of the Intergovernmental agreement area	102011c-04