



METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Summary

Jan. 12, 2012

Metro, Council Chamber

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

Councilors Excused: None.

Council President Hughes convened the regular Council meeting at 2:15 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

There were none.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

Arnie Hollander, 13440 SW McCabe Chapel Road, McMinnville: Mr. Hollander stated his concerns with Metro's use of the Riverbend Landfill in Yamhill County. He questioned why the Metro Council doesn't encourage Waste Management to move its garbage to a different landfill that would have fewer negative environmental impacts; he provide the Metro Council photographs of the Riverbend Landfill, which are included in the meeting packet.

Susan Meredith, 14100 SW McCabe Chapel Road, McMinnville: Speaking against expansion of the Riverbend Landfill, Ms. Meredith noted that Yamhill County was home to 127 wineries, 30% of the wineries in the state, and that the Oregon's wine industry contributes \$2.7 billion annually to the Oregon economy. She stated that the Oregon Wine Industry has voted to oppose the expansion of the landfill due to the significant negative environmental impacts from the facility and the deleterious impacts on the local wine industry in particular.

Ms. Isla Perse, President of Waste Not of Yamhill County: Ms. Perse spoke to the Council about her concerns with the Riverbend Landfill. She noted that over 50% of the garbage in the landfill is generated in the Portland Metro area, and that the progressive standards of environmental stewardship of waste adopted by the Metro region should be applied to all areas that accept the region's garbage.

Mr. Ramsey McPhillips, McPhillips RD McMinnville: Mr. McPhillips also expressed his concerns with the Riverbend Landfill; he noted that the landfill is slated to be completely full by 2014, and that Waste Management is currently lobbying to expand the landfill. Oregon's Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is currently analyzing if this expansion is appropriate. Mr. McPhillips encouraged Metro to be proactive and help find a more sustainable alternative landfill for the region's waste, noting that the Riverbend Landfill had destroyed his farm and was ruining an entire basin of prime, Class 1 soil. Mr. McPhillips also requested to be added to the agenda for the January 19 Council meeting, stating that he had seven-minute film to show to the Council.

Councilor Kathryn Harrington thanked the citizens for their testimony, and asked clarifying questions about Yamhill County's current engagement on this issue, and what could plausibly happen to the waste produced by Yamhill County residents if the Riverbend Landfill was closed.

3. CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES FOR JANUARY 5, 2012

Motion:	Councilor Shirley Craddick moved to adopt the Jan. 5, 2012 Council minutes.
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Vote:	Council President Hughes and Councilors Hosticka, Craddick, Harrington and Collette voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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4. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

4.1 **Ordinance No. 12-1268**, For the Purpose of Annexing to the Metro District Boundary Approximately 99 Acres Adjacent to and Including a Portion of the Portland Community College Rock Creek Campus at 17705 NW Springville Road, Portland.

Motion:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington moved to adopt Ordinance No. 12-1268.
Second:	Councilor Carlotta Collette seconded the motion.

Council President Tom Hughes invited Mr. Tim O'Brien of Metro to testify about the impacts of this legislation, which will annex a portion of Unincorporated Washington County into the Metro jurisdiction. Because this area is far from the nearest cities of Hillsboro and Beaverton, planning for this area has been undertaken by the County; Councilor Rex Burkholder discussed the need for a continued conversation about the possibility of annexation of unincorporated areas.

Vote:	Council President Hughes and Councilors Hosticka, Craddick, Collette, Harrington, Roberts, and Burkholder voted in support of the motion. The vote was unanimous, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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5. RESOLUTIONS

5.1 **Resolution No. 12-4318**, For the Purpose of Confirming the Appointment of Members of the Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee.

Motion:	Councilor Carl Hosticka moved to adopt Ordinance No. 12-1268.
Second:	Councilor Rex Burkholder seconded the motion.

Councilor Carl Hosticka invited Heather Kent of Metro to discuss the appointments to Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee, noting the high caliber of applicants and the technical expertise held by Committee members.

Vote:

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

6. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATIONS

COO Martha Bennett briefed Councilors on Metro's efforts to write new operation contracts for the Glendoveer facility, noting that the current contracts expire December 31, 2012. Mr. Paul Slyman of Metro is the sponsor of the project. Councilor Rex Burkholder noted the existence of several similar public golf courses in the region, and expressed interest in having Metro learn from these other existing public facilities.

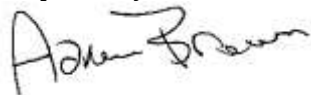
7. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Councilor Kathryn Harrington briefed the Council on Aloha's recent centennial celebration, and noted that The Tualatin-Valley Highway Corridor Study has a policy group meeting taking place Friday, January 13; more information can be found at www.tvhighway.org. Councilor Hosticka noted that the Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC) voted on Wednesday, January 11 to accept the findings of the Climate Smart Communities project; Councilor Carlotta Collette noted that JPACT voted to accept the findings of this project as well, and stated that the Portland to Lake Oswego streetcar project has been tabled because of the economic conditions of the two jurisdictions. Councilor Collette also announced that the Oregon Transportation and Research and Education Consortium (OTREC) recently received a Tier 1, \$3.5 million federal grant, designating the institution as a national research center of significance. Councilor Shirley Craddick discussed her recent meeting with the Centennial School Board, which she noted was very interested in Metro's work with the East Metro Connections Plan.

8. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the regular meeting at 3:23 p.m. The Metro Council will reconvene the next regular council meeting on Thursday, Jan. 19 at 2 p.m. at the Cascade Crest Banquet Room at the Oregon Zoo, located at 4001 SW Canyon Road, Portland, OR, 97221.

Respectfully submitted,



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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JAN. 12, 2012

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
2	Testimony	01/12/12	Written Testimony from Mr. Arnie Hollander	011212c-01
2	Testimony	01/12/12	Written Testimony from Ms. Susan Meredith	011212c-02
2	Testimony	01/12/12	Written Testimony from Mr. Ms. Isla Perse,	011212c-03
3	Minutes	01/12/12	Jan. 5, 2012 Council minutes	011212c-04
5.1	Resolution	01/12/12	RESOLUTION NO. 12-4318	011212c-05