



METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Summary

Feb. 16, 2012

Metro, Council Chamber

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

Councilors Excused: Councilor Barbara Roberts

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

1. INTRODUCTIONS

There were none.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

Art Lewellan, 3205 SE 8th Ave., Apt # 9, Portland: Mr. Lewellan was concerned that the Columbia River Crossing Hayden Island Interchange, as currently proposed, is not safe. He expressed his support for *Concept #1 Hayden Island Roadway Network Land Use and Development Proposal* and encouraged members to consider building a southbound-only bridge first. He stated that he wanted his concerns addressed. (Handouts included as part of the meeting record.)

3. CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES FOR JAN. 26, 2012

Motion:	Councilor Carlotta Collette moved to adopt the council minutes for Jan. 26, 2012.
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Vote:	Council President Hughes, and Councilors Burkholder, Hosticka, Collette, Craddick and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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4. CONTRACT REVIEW BOARD

4.1 **Resolution No. 12-4328**, For the Purpose of Approving a Contract Amendment for the St. Johns Landfill Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study.

Council President Hughes declared that the Metro Council was now acting as the Metro Contract Review Board.

Motion:	Councilor Rex Burkholder moved to adopt Resolution No. 12-4328.
Second:	Councilor Collette seconded the motion.

Councilor Burkholder introduced Resolution No. 12-4328. In 2003, Metro entered into an agreement with the with the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality that directed Metro to perform a remedial investigation to identify any remaining risk to human health or the

environment associated with the closed St. Johns Landfill. Unacceptable risks were required to be addressed through an evaluation of feasible alternatives to either control or eliminate potential risks, known as a feasibility study. CH2M Hill, the preferred consulting firm selected in 2005, has completed extensive work to date including – but not limited to – the milestone draft RI report submitted to DEQ in 2010. Progress is being made, and Metro and DEQ have recently determined a clear path to complete the RI-FS. In order to follow the path, consulting service will be needed to complete the final RI report, prepare and implement an FS work plan, and provide regulatory and technical support for achieving a DEQ Record of Decision.

Councilor Burkholder emphasized that Metro has completed lots of work to protect the surrounding environment. He indicated that the resolution, if approved, would extend the contract with CH2M Hill without opening a competitive procurement process. Councilor Burkholder stated that CH2M Hill has developed extensive project knowledge and understanding of the complex situation, and that the cost and time required to bring another consulting firm up-to-speed would result in additional project costs.

Vote:

Council President Hughes, and Councilors Burkholder, Hosticka, Collette, Craddick and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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4.2 Resolution No. 12-4329, For the Purpose of Approving a Contract Amendment for the Central Transfer Station Stormwater Assessment and Source Control Evaluation.

Motion:	Councilor Burkholder moved to adopt Resolution No. 12-4329.
Second:	Councilor Shirley Craddick seconded the motion.

Councilor Burkholder introduced Resolution No. 12-4329. Similar to Resolution No. 12-4328, the resolution, if approved, would extend an existing contract with URS for stormwater investigation services at Metro Central Transfer Station without opening an additional competitive procurement process.

In accordance with the 2005 Portland Harbor Joint Source Control Strategy, the Department of Environmental Quality conducted investigations of possible upland sources of contaminants of concern relevant to the Portland Harbor. Through this process, DEQ identified Metro's Central Transfer Station as one possible contaminant contributor. As a result, in 2010 Metro entered into an intergovernmental agreement with DEQ that required Metro to perform an assessment of stormwater quality for the transfer station, and if deemed necessary, evaluate and implement control measures for stormwater contaminants. URS was awarded, through a competitive procurement process, the contract for the stormwater investigation. URS has completed two phases of the investigation, and is preparing to implement and complete a third phase. Councilor Burkholder stated that URS has developed a strong knowledgebase for this project, and that it would be more expensive to bring another consulting firm up-to-speed. He emphasized that extending URS' current contract is more timely and cost effective.

Vote:

Council President Hughes, and Councilors Burkholder, Hosticka, Collette, Craddick and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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Council President Hughes closed the Metro Contract Review Board meeting.

5. RESOLUTIONS

5.1 **Resolution No. 12-4330**, For the Purpose of Endorsing a Regional Position on the Authorization of a Surface Transportation Act in the US Congress.

Motion:	Councilor Collette moved to adopt Resolution No. 12-4330.
Second:	Councilor Carl Hosticka seconded the motion.

Councilor Collette introduced Resolution No. 12-4330 which, if approved, would endorse the Portland metropolitan region's position on federal transportation authorization legislation. The fundamental message to the US Congress is to adopt a bill and provide clear certainty that the region can use to develop projects and programs. The region's priority policy emphasis is:

- Congress should invest in America's prosperity through infrastructure; and
- Congress should end the indecision and adopt transportation authorization legislation in recognition of the need for long lead times for transportation operation, rehabilitation and improvements.

Additionally, Councilor Collette highlighted key priority elements of interest to the region including – but not limited to – maintaining discretionary programs such as New Starts or TIGER, the importance of multi-modal structures, and preserving the collaborative funding of the Metropolitan Planning Organizations. And while the region's position does not include a long list of earmark requests, the region does call for Congressional assistance with certain projects such as the Portland to Milwaukie light rail and TIGER projects.

The Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation approved the resolution at their Feb. 9 meeting. Pending the Metro Council's approval, JPACT will present the region's position to the Oregon Delegation and administration staff during the annual JPACT lobby trip to Washington, DC in March 2012.

Council questions and discussion focused on specific elements of the House's transportation authorization bill. Councilors noted that the fast pace environment in Washington, DC and the need to adapt as new situations or changes that may develop. Additional discussion included general support for the region's priorities, the importance of a new bill, and the support from the region's congressional delegation.

Vote:

Council President Hughes, and Councilors Burkholder, Hosticka, Collette, Craddick and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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5.2 **Resolution No. 12-4331**, For the Purpose of Confirming the Appointment of Alison Kean Campbell as Metro Attorney.

Council President Hughes passed the gavel to Councilor Burkholder to chair the meeting while he carried the following legislation.

Council President Hughes thanked Mr. Dan Cooper for his service as Metro Attorney and shared a few highlights from Mr. Cooper's career at Metro to date. Mr. Cooper is anticipated to retire in November 2012.

Motion:	Council President Tom Hughes moved to adopt Resolution No. 12-4331.
Second:	Councilor Collette seconded the motion.

Council President Hughes introduced Resolution No. 12-4331, which if approved, would confirm the President's nomination to appoint Alison Kean Campbell as Metro Attorney. Ms. Kean Campbell has served as Deputy Metro Attorney since 2008, and more recently served as Acting Metro Attorney while Mr. Cooper served as Acting Chief Operating Officer during the agency's recruitment for a new COO. Council President Hughes highlighted a few of Ms. Kean Campbell's accomplishments to date.

Mr. Cooper and councilors expressed their strong support for the nomination.

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

Ms. Kean Campbell thanked councilors, Mr. Cooper and Office of the Metro Attorney staff. She emphasized that she takes the responsibility seriously and looked forward to serving as the Metro Council's legal counsel.

Councilor Burkholder passed the gavel back to Council President Hughes to chair the remainder of the meeting.

6. **CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION**

Ms. Martha Bennett provide updates on the Feb. 16 Employee Service Award luncheon, recent Community Investment Strategy Leadership Council retreat, and upcoming Westside Economic Alliance breakfast.

7. **COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION**

Councilors provided updates on recent meetings including Portland Business Alliance, Southwest Corridor Steering Committee, NAIOP breakfast, meetings with former Blue Heron employees, and "State of Industry" meeting hosted by Travel Portland.

8. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the regular meeting at 3 p.m. The Council will reconvene the next regular council meeting on Thursday, Feb. 23 at 2 p.m. at the Metro Council Chamber.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "K. Newell".

Kelsey Newell, Regional Engagement Coordinator

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF FEB. 16, 2012

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
2.	Testimony	N/A	Written testimony submitted by Art Lewellan	21612c-01
5.1	Legislation	N/A	Updated Resolution No. 12-4330	21612c-02