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METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Summary June 28, 2012 Metro, Council Chamber

<u>Councilors Present</u>: Council President Tom Hughes and Councilors Rex Burkholder, Barbara Roberts, Kathryn Harrington, and Carlotta Collette

<u>Councilors Excused</u>: Councilors Shirley Craddick and Carl Hosticka

Council President Tom Hughes convened the regular council meeting at 2:35 p.m.

1. **INTRODUCTIONS**

There were none.

2. <u>CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS</u>

There were none.

3. <u>RESOLUTIONS</u>

Motion:	Councilor Carlotta Collette moved to approve Resolution No. 12-4356
Second:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington seconded the motion.

In 2006 the region's voters passed a natural areas bond measure to support water quality and wildlife habitat protection in 27 target areas across the region. A recent opportunity in one of the target areas, Johnson Creek, prompted staff to request Council direction on a specific property as required when a transaction falls outside parameters laid out in Metro's work plan. The resolution, if approved, would authorize staff to proceed with a natural areas acquisition according to the direction given by the Council in executive session. Due to the nature of the discussion regarding real property, the specifics of the Council's direction to staff will remain confidential until the property is purchased.

Council President Hughes read a statement from Councilor Shirley Craddick who was excused from the meeting. The statement expressed Councilor Craddick's support for the resolution stating that the property is located in Councilor Craddick's district and acquiring the property would protect an important section of the creek. She emphasized in her statement that the resolution, if approved, would carry forward the Council's goals for the Johnson Creek and Watershed target area including improved water quality, habitat restoration and overall watershed health.

Vote:

Council President Hughes, and Councilors Burkholder, Roberts, Collette and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 5 ayes, the motion passed.

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

Ms. Martha Bennett stated that Metro was randomly selected by the IRS for an audit of the 2006 natural areas bond measure. The audit will look at the use of bond funds and determine if the use of funds is truly tax exempt.

Additionally, Ms. Bennett noted that she will be out of the office July 5 – 6, 2012. Deputy COO Scott Robinson will serve as the agency and Council's contact in her absence.

5. <u>COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION</u>

There were none.

6. <u>ADJOURN</u>

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the regular meeting at 2:40 p.m. The Council will reconvene the next regular council meeting on Thursday, July 12 at 2 p.m. at the Metro Council Chamber.

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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JUNE 28, 2012

There were none.