Greenspaces Policy Advisory Committee

Mike Ragsdale, Chair



MEETING NOTES

Thursday, Jan. 27, 2005 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. Metro Regional Center, Rm. 501 600 NE Grand Ave., Portland

Committee members present: Chair Mike Ragsdale, Betty Atteberry, Ernie Drapela, Kim Gilmer, John Griffiths, Faun Hosey, Mike Houck, Esther Lev, Zari Santner, Dick Schouten, Jim Zehren

Committee members absent: Steve Greagor, Don Trotter, Jill Zanger

Metro staff and elected officials present: David Bragdon, Chris Deffebach, Jim Desmond, Heather Nelson Kent, Lia Waiwaiole

Guests: Chris Carlson, Scott Montgomery, Mary Swanson

Convene

The meeting was called to order by Mike Ragsdale at 5:30 p.m.

Committee members and guests introduced themselves and welcomed new members Scott Burgess and Betty Atteberry.

Jim Desmond introduced Chris Carlson and explained that she would be providing additional staff support to GPAC, pending approval by the Metro Council. Chris is a regional planner who moved to Portland recently from Minnesota. She will provide planning and analysis type support to the committee over the next several months.

Outcomes and objectives discussion

Committee members assigned to each goal presented their drafts of the outcomes and objectives and the group discussed them. Generally, the committee decided to shorten and streamline some sections to make the objectives more consistent with each other in length and style. The group decided that some of the outcome statements were more strategies than outcomes; these statements will be moved to a new "means" section that will be a part of each objective in the next draft.

The committee asked the chair and staff to prepare a new draft reflecting these and other changes for their review at the February meeting. (The new draft will be a part of this record.)

Bond measure update

Jim Desmond gave a brief update on the process to develop a regional bond measure for 2006. Metro parks staff will be meeting with the Metro Council in special work sessions focused on the bond measure over the next several weeks. Jim assured the committee that they will be kept up to date on the progress and that GPAC will be one of the first stops the council makes when it comes time to talk to stakeholder groups.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.