



METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Summary

Nov. 15, 2012

Metro, Council Chamber

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

Councilors Excused: Councilors Barbara Roberts and Carl Hosticka

Council President Tom Hughes convened the regular council meeting at 2:02 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

Council President Hughes welcomed Mr. Ichiro Miyazaki, Director of Toyama, Japan's Tourism Division. Mr. Miyazaki was shadowing Metro staff to learn about planning, sustainability and Metro's venues.

Council President Hughes also recognized Deputy Chief Operating Officer Scott Robinson with a pin commemorating his five years at Metro.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

Craig Peterson, Ringside Restaurant: Mr. Peterson thanked the Metro Council for allowing Ringside to stay at Glendoveer and stated that he was happy Metro viewed the venue as a vital part of the community. He stated that over the past 35 years, Ringside has hosted many functions for the community, and emphasized that Ringside looks forward to moving forward with the new golf course management group. Mr. Peterson also recognized Metro staff for their professionalism and stated that the process had been a pleasure.

Ramsey McPhillips, Coalition to Stop the Dump: Mr. McPhillips represented the Coalition to Stop the Dump, a group comprised of agencies, organizations, and individuals in Yamhill County who are opposed to the extension of Riverbend Landfill – a landfill which Metro supplies 40 percent of its capacity. He requested that Metro Council allot time at their Nov. 29 meeting to discuss the Riverbend franchise agreements.

Kathie Oriet, City of Carlton: Mayor Oriet stated that 165 trucks pass through the City of Carlton's Main Street (Highway 47) each week. She stated that there is no base under the main road, and as such the road constantly has potholes. She stated that the City has tried to work with ODOT to rebuild the road. Additionally, Mayor Oriet stated that few merchants provide sidewalk seating because of garbage truck odor and liquid spills. She stated that the problems would continue as long as Riverbend accepts garbage from the north coast and the Metro region as waste is hauled from the Forest Grove Transfer Station via Highway 47. Additional comments addressed impacts to local businesses due to truck travel. Mayor Oriet requested time on the Nov. 29 agenda for further discussion.

Jeff Lorton, Travel Yamhill Valley: Mr. Lorton stated that he was the chair of the Marketing Committee and a local business owner. He stated that he recently rented a helicopter and took aerial photos of the Riverbend Landfill. He expressed his support for Mayor Oriet's concerns and echoed her comments about the garbage trucks' odor and spillage. He stated that the area draws in pedestrians and tourists and provided an example of a local winery that tried to open – but unfortunately had to close – an outdoor tasting room. He stated that it is hard for Carlton and the surrounding cities to engage in the wine industry with the landfill. He petitioned the Council to allow time for further discussion and offered to provide a presentation of his aerial photos to illustrate the scope and scale of the landfill and proposed expansion.

Council recommended that Mayor Oriet, Mr. McPhillips and Mr. Lorton work with Metro staff to schedule time with Council. Council asked clarifying questions about rerouting traffic down Carlton's Monroe Street. Testifiers clarified that the trucks still use Main Street as the primary route and only use Monroe Street – which is still in the city's winery district – when Main Street undergoes construction.

3. NATURAL AREAS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE REPORT

Ms. Linda Craig and Mr. Drake Butsch of the Natural Areas Oversight Committee provided a brief presentation on the committee's July 2011 to June 2012 report. Their presentation provided information on the committee composition, FY 11-12 accomplishments, site stabilization, Natural Areas Information System (e.g. TerraMet), bond sale, administrative costs and staff, and dashboard reports for regional acquisition, local share projects, and the Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grant program. Ms. Craig stated that the committee believed the bond program was moving along very well and that the benefits were accumulating for the region. The committee did not recommend any changes for FY 12-13, but encouraged Metro to continue its current work and to further work on the performance implementation so the agency and committee can learn more about the benefits the bond measure has had on the region. Mr. Drake also noted that the committee would like to be kept in the loop on the expenditure of unusual circumstances such as the Blue Heron site.

Councilor Kathryn Harrington, on behalf of the full Council and Metro, recognized, thanked and presented Ms. Craig and committee member David Pollock (not present) with photo plaques for their service on the committee. Councilors discussed the value the oversight committee provides and the potential to use the public-private partnership as a model for other programs. Councilors stated that the committee provides the public consistent and coherent information and helps to build confidence that the voters' money is spent wisely. Additionally, councilors stated that the committee has also helped Metro establish a level of credibility for possible future bond requests.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion:	Councilor Rex Burkholder moved to approve the Nov. 15 consent agenda which consisted of: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consideration of the Minutes for Nov. 8, 2012;• Resolution No. 12-4376, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to Issue a Renewed Non-System License to Crown Point Refuse, Inc. for Delivery and Disposal of Putrescible Waste at the Wasco County Landfill Located in Wasco County, Oregon;
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Resolution No. 12-4377, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to Issue a Renewed Non-System License to Willamette Resources, Inc. For Delivery and Disposal of Putrescible Waste at the Coffin Butte Landfill Located in Benton County, Oregon;• Resolution No. 12-4378, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to Issue a Renewed Non-System License to Arrow Sanitary Service, Inc. for Delivery of Putrescible Waste to the West Van Materials Recovery Center and the Central Transfer and Recycling Center Located in Clark County, Washington;• Resolution No. 12-4379, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to Issue a Renewed Non-System License to American Sanitary, Inc. for Delivery of Putrescible Waste to the West Van Materials Recovery Center and the Central Transfer and Recycling Center Located in Clark County, Washington;• Resolution No. 12-4380, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to Issue a Renewed Non-System License to Waste Management of Oregon, Inc. for Delivery of Putrescible Waste from the Troutdale Transfer Station to the Columbia Ridge Landfill Located in Gilliam County, Oregon, and Under Certain Unusual Circumstances to Riverbend Landfill in Yamhill County, Oregon; and• Resolution No. 12-4386, For the Purpose of Declaring the Restaurant Property at Glendoveer Golf and Tennis Center Surplus Property, Exempting the Restaurant from Paying Excise Tax and Authorizing the Execution of a Lease with Ringside Restaurant.
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Vote:

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

5. ORDINANCES – FIRST READ

5.1 **Ordinance No. 12-1294**, For the Purpose of Amending Metro Code Chapter 2.19.100 Regarding Term Length and Membership of the Public Engagement Review Committee (PERC).

Second read, public hearing, and Council consideration and vote are scheduled for November 29. Councilor Harrington was assigned carrier for the legislation.

5.2 **Ordinance No. 12-1295**, For the Purpose of Amending the FY 2012-13 Budget and Appropriations Schedule and the FY 2012-13 through 2016-17 Capital Improvement Plan.

Second read, public hearing, and Council consideration and vote are scheduled for November 29. Council President Hughes was assigned carrier for the legislation.

6. RESOLUTIONS

6.1 Resolution No. 12-4375, For the Purpose of Adopting the Metro Diversity Action Plan.

Motion:	Councilor Burkholder moved to approve Resolution No. 12-4375.
Second:	Councilor Harrington seconded the motion.

Councilor Burkholder introduced Resolution No. 12-4375. Councilor Burkholder stated that he was proud to bring the resolution forward for Council consideration and that the process first started in 2005 with the formation of Metro’s Diversity Action Team. He stated that the plan was about making a great place and emphasized that equity was one of region’s six desired outcomes. He stated that the plan aims to create an inclusive agency culture as well as outreach into the community. Councilor Burkholder stated that the plan was developed by Metro staff and various community partners, and emphasized that plan was a living document. He stated that as times change, the community changes, and as Metro’s understanding of its responsibilities change so will the plan in order to ensure Metro is up-to-date and doing its best to be inclusive. Additionally, the Diversity Action Plan provides greater accountability to Metro’s decisions, interactions and how the agency convenes the region’s citizens and leadership to better serve the region. Councilor Burkholder also highlighted that the MER Commission adopted a letter of support expressing their full commitment to implementing the recommendations of the Action Plan.

Councilor Burkholder introduced Mr. Bill Tolbert for staff’s presentation. Mr. Tolbert thanked the Council for their continued support and contributions to the plan. He stated that Metro has received great, critical feedback from staff and community partners, and emphasized that staff would continue to receive feedback from stakeholders throughout the process. Mr. Tolbert stated that Metro is currently doing a lot of work, but that there is more to do, and hoped Metro would become a leader for other jurisdictions.

Vote:	Council President Hughes and Councilors Craddick, Burkholder, Collette and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 5 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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6.2 Resolution No. 12-4383, For the Purpose of Adopting Policy Direction to the Regional Flexible Funding Allocation (RFFA) Process for Federal Fiscal Years 2016-18.

Motion:	Councilor Carlotta Collette moved to approve Resolution No. 12-4383.
Second:	Councilor Shirley Craddick seconded the motion.

Councilor Collette introduced Resolution No. 12-4383 which if approved would provide guidelines for allocating the region’s 2016-18 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) Regional Flexible Fund monies. She stated that this year’s process was unusual due to the recent MAP-21 federal legislation which calls for allocation of money in three-year cycles versus the normal two-year cycles, and an additional allocation of approximately \$34 million.

Councilor Collette provided a brief overview of the region’s three-step process for allocating the 2016-18 RFFA funds which total approximately \$94 million. She stated that Step 1 funds are allocated to regional priority projects or programs such as the Transit Oriented Development or

Regional Travel Options programs. Step 2 funds – or community investment funds – are allocated to active transportation and complete streets, and freight and green economy projects. Lastly, the new step – Step 3 *Regional Economic Opportunity Fund*– will allocate the additional \$34 million to projects that provide a regional economic impact. Councilor Collette stressed that environmental justice groups must be included in the process. Councilor Collette stated that the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) approved the resolution at its Nov. 8 meeting.

Councilors thanked Councilor Collette for her leadership on the committee and the RFFA process. Councilors stated that the plan was developed through a collaborative process and regional discussion, and that local leaders were able to come together with a common goal of how to distribute the funds. Councilors encouraged the public to download a copy of the plan and flagged that the deadline for the REOF projects is quickly approaching. Councilors encouraged the public to be proactive and engage with their local cities and counties to ensure their opinions and thoughts would be heard. Additional discussion included the accelerated timeline to match ODOT’s State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) timeline.

Vote:

Council President Hughes and Councilors Craddick, Burkholder, Collette and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 5 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .

7. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

Ms. Martha Bennett provided an update on meetings regarding the possible natural area local option levy – for example, she and Council President Hughes met with the region’s mayors on Nov. 14.

8. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Councilors recognized Mr. Dan Cooper for his service at Metro. Mr. Cooper, Metro’s former Attorney, will retired November 20. Councilors shared stories and praised Mr. Cooper for his contributions to Metro.

Councilor updates included the following recent meetings or events: the Community Investment Initiative Leadership Council meeting, Tom Murphy presentation, the Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC) meeting, Greater Portland, Inc. summit, Hillsboro Chamber meeting, and Willamette Pedestrian Coalition – Oregon Walks event.

Additionally, Council President Hughes asked councilors to authorize the full Council to represent Metro at Travel Portland’s familiarization tours on November 29 to December 1.

Motion:	Councilor Harrington moved to authorize the full Metro Council to participate in the upcoming Travel Portland familiarization tour.
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Vote:

Council President Hughes and Councilors Craddick, Burkholder, Collette and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 5 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .

9. **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the regular meeting at 3:40 p.m. Council will convene the next regular council meeting on Thursday, Nov. 29 at 2 p.m. at the Metro Council Chamber.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Kelsey Newell, Regional Engagement and Legislative Coordinator

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF NOV. 15, 2012

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
	Agenda	11/15/12	Revised Nov. 15 agenda	111512-01
4.1	Minutes	11/08/12	Council summary for Nov. 8, 2012	111512-02
6.1	Legislation	N/A	Revised legislation - Resolution No. 12-4383 and attachments	111512-03