



METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Summary

Jan. 23, 2014

Metro, Council Chamber

Councilors Present: Council President Tom Hughes, and Councilors Shirley Craddick, Sam Chase, Kathryn Harrington, Bob Stacey, Carlotta Collette and Craig Dirksen

Councilors Excused: None

Council President Tom Hughes called the regular council meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

There were none.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

Les Poole, Gladstone: Mr. Poole stated that he is active in Clackamas County and spoke on behalf of local citizens. He addressed Damascus and stated that the city is right between urban and rural area. He stated that Metro's reaction to activities in the city has been safe and convenient despite the pressures of growth. Mr. Poole also addressed potential legislation at the Oregon Legislature regarding urban growth boundary decisions. He was not in support of the potential legislation and expressed support for more local involvement, at the city and county level, in land use issues.

3. METRO CENTRAL ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE OUTCOMES FOR 2013 AND NEW SLATE OF AWARDS 2014

Councilor Sam Chase and Ms. Heather Nelson Kent of Metro introduced a presentation on the Metro Central Enhancement Committee grant awards for 2014. The Metro Central grants, which primarily support northwest Portland, were created with the intention of enhancing neighborhoods impacted by the Metro Central transfer facility. The target area stretches along the west side of the Willamette River from the Northwest Neighborhood Association to Linnton and the Cathedral Park neighborhoods. The 2014 grant funding cycle marks the 20th year of the grant awards.

Ms. Kent recognized the full committee for their service, and introduced Ms. Mary Peveto of the grant committee and Mr. Daniel Faccinett, a grant recipient from the Linnton Community Center, to share a few words. Ms. Pevetro stated that the committee selected 10 applications to receive funding in 2014. In total, the committee awarded nearly \$72,000 in grants ranging from \$3,500 to \$20,000. Examples of organizations and projects funded in 2014 included: (1) Golden Harvester's application for the purchase and installation of a joint heat and air conditioning unit; (2) Portland Festival Symphony's application to support a free classical concert in Cathedral Park; and (3) Tsuga's application for funds to support the Parks Learning and Community Enhancement summer camp. (Full slate of awards included as part of the meeting record.)

Mr. Faccinett thanked Metro for its support. Linnton Community Center, through the *Hungry Families* emergency food services program, served over 10,000 people in 2013 – an increase of over 23 percent since 2012. Mr. Faccinett stated that 2013 Metro Central grant funds were used to purchase a three-door refrigerator. The fridge has allowed the program to store an increased, and more consistent, supply of fresh vegetables and fruits for local families.

Council discussion

The Metro Council thanked Mr. Faccinett and Ms. Peveto for their presentations and Councilor Chase for his leadership on the committee. Councilors stated that the presentations bring the grant awards to life. Councilors emphasized that the Metro Central Enhancement Committee sets the gold standard in terms of grant criterion, and review and presentation processes.

Councilors also addressed the importance of equitable distribution of the region’s benefits and burdens, and recognized current and past Councilors for always keeping in mind the impact of policy decisions that are regionally good, but may have implications for immediate communities. Councilors stated that the Metro Central program is an example of where the rubber meets the road and that program helps to mitigate the impacts, caused by the regional facility, on the surrounding community.

Additional discussion addressed the Metro South Enhancement Fund program, a program in Oregon City. For more information, visit www.orcity.org. Grant applications are due May 2, 2014.

4. CONSIDERATION OF THE COUNCIL MINUTES FOR JAN. 16, 2014

Motion:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington moved to approve the Council Minutes for Jan. 16, 2014.
Second:	Councilor Craig Dirksen seconded the motion.

Vote: Council President Hughes, and Councilors Craddick, Harrington, Chase, Dirksen, Collette and Stacey voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 ayes, the motion passed.

5. ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

5.1 **Ordinance No. 14-1323**, For the Purpose of Amending Metro Code Chapter 5.02 and Related Provisions of Metro Code Chapter 7.01 to Allow Solid Waste Disposal Fees and Charges and Solid Waste Excise Tax Rates to Take Effect at the Beginning of Each Fiscal Year, and to Update Other Sections of Metro Code.

Second read, public hearing and Council consideration and vote are scheduled for Feb. 13, 2014.

6. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

Ms. Martha Bennett provided updates on the following items:

- She distributed two annual compliance reports to the Metro Council: (1) the 2013 annual report on amendments to the Employment and Industrial Areas map, and (2) 2013 Urban

Growth Boundary minor adjustment report. (Memorandums included as part of the meeting record.)

- She announced two upcoming events: (1) the Center for Architecture event with the author of Made for Walking, Density and Neighborhood Form on Jan. 30, and (2) *Creation of the Thriving Cities* event on Feb. 5.

Ms. Bennett and Council also took at moment to recognize Ms. Kelsey Newell for her service at Metro. Ms. Newell will depart Metro on Feb. 5 after seven years of service in the Planning and Council offices.

7. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings or events: the Metro Policy Advisory Committee meeting, the lighting of Oregon City's municipal elevator, the Nature in Neighborhood capital grants steering committee meeting, and kick off of the ID Southwest group. Highlighted upcoming meetings included the Feb. 25 offsite Metro Council meeting in Forest Grove. The regular meeting will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Forest Grove Auditorium.

8. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the regular meeting at 2:52 p.m. The Metro Council will convene the next regular council meeting on Thursday, Feb. 13 at 2 p.m. at Metro's Council Chamber. The Metro Council is scheduled for a retreat on Thursday, Feb. 6 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Portland's Centers for the Performing Arts, Madison Room.

The Metro Council recessed into the Council Annex for a work session.

Respectfully submitted,



Kelsey Newell, Regional Engagement & Legislative Coordinator

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JAN. 23, 2014

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
2.0	Handouts	N/A	Handouts delivered by citizen Art Lewellan. No testimony provided.	12314c-01
3.0	PowerPoint	1/23/14	Metro Central Enhancement Committee 2014 Funding	12314c-02
3.0	PowerPoint	N/A	Linnton Community Center: Hungry Families Program	12314c-03
4.0	Minutes	1/16/14	Council minutes for Jan. 16, 2014	12314c-04
6.0	Memo	1/1/14	2013 Annual Report on Amendments to the Employment and Industrial Areas Map	12314c-05
6.0	Memo	1/3/14	End of Calendar Year Urban Growth Boundary Minor Adjustment Report	12314c-06