

METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Summary Mar. 13, 2014 Metro, Council Chamber

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

Councilors Excused: None

Council President Tom Hughes called the regular council meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

1. **INTRODUCTIONS**

There were none.

2. <u>CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS</u>

<u>Art Lewellan, Portland</u>: Mr. Lewellan distributed a design proposal for a replacement to the Marquam Bridge. He proposed that the replacement bridge be a single-deck, side-by-side four-lane bridge. Mr. Lewellan discussed the issue of replacing the I-5 North ramp and stated a need for transit access from Jantzen Beach over the river. He requested a public explanation of Oregon House Bill 4113.

<u>Les Poole, Gladstone</u>: Mr. Pool stated that the carrying capacity of the Portland-Metropolitan region and urban growth boundary is being tested. Mr. Poole stated that if counties and local jurisdictions had greater jurisdictional authority, the region would face less discord and disconnect. He discussed the need for more citizens like himself, whom he calls reformers, to hold Council seats. Mr. Poole stated that he wants to address how to ensure that citizens are better informed about Metro's work.

<u>Matt Ellison, Portland</u>: Mr. Ellison discussed the temporary status of many Oregon Zoo employees, the benefits denied to temporary staff, and how the workforce is affected. He explained wages were frozen for temporary Zoo workers three years prior and performance reviews have been cancelled since. Mr. Ellison identified this as a removal of financial incentive for hard work. He addressed that food service and catering workers are forbidden to accept tips. Mr. Ellison stated that improved wages and benefits would allow Zoo staff to improve the level of service provided.

3. <u>CONSENT AGENDA</u>

Motion:	Councilor Shirley Craddick moved to approve Mar. 13 consent agenda, which consisted of:			
	Consideration of the Council Minutes for Feb. 20, 2014; and			
	Consideration of the Council Minutes for Feb. 25, 2014			

Second:	Councilor Carlotta Collette 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 <u>passed</u> .			

4. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

4.1 **Ordinance No. 14-1324**, For the Purpose of Adopting Solid Waste Charges and User Fees for FY 2014-15.

Second read, public hearing and Council consideration and vote scheduled for Mar. 20.

5. ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

5.1 **Ordinance No. 14-1325**, For the Purpose of Annexing to the Metro District Boundary Approximately 10.57 Acres Located at 17255 NW Brugger Road in the North Bethany Area of Washington County.

Council President Hughes stated that Ordinance No. 14-1325 required a quasi-judicial hearing. As part of the hearing process, councilors were required to declare a conflict of interest or ex parte contact prior to the staff presentation. No councilors declared conflicts of interest or ex parte contacts for Ordinance No. 14-1325.

Metro Attorney Alison R. Kean read the procedural requirements for the quasi-judicial hearing for Ordinance No. 14-1325.

Council President Hughes gaveled and opened a public hearing on the ordinance. He welcomed Mr. Tim O'Brien of Metro for staff's presentation. Mr. O'Brien presented the proposed property, approximately 10.57 acres in the North Bethany area, for annexation into the Metro District Boundary. He stated that the land was included in the urban growth boundary in 2002 and is part of the North Bethany Subarea Plan that was adopted by Washington County. The land must be annexed into the Metro District Boundary for urbanization to proceed. Mr. O'Brien overviewed how the application satisfies each of the 3 criteria for annexation as outlined in Metro Code, Section 3.09.070E:

- 1. <u>The affected territory is within the UGB</u>: The territory was included in the UGB in 2002.
- <u>The territory is subject to measures that prevent urbanization until it is annexed to a city or service districts that will provide necessary services</u>: Washington County applied interim protection measures for areas added to the UGB as outlined in Urban Growth Management Functional Plan Title 11 and prevented premature urbanization of the area.
- 3. <u>The proposed change is consistent with any applicable or cooperative urban service</u> <u>agreements and any concept plan</u>:

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> The territory proposed for annexation is part of Washington County's North Bethany Service District established by the County Board of Commissioners on June 7, 2011 and the annexation is consistent with that agreement.

Staff recommended Council approve the application and adopted Ordinance No. 14-1325.

Seeing no citizens – either in support or opposition – who wished to testify, the public hearing on the ordinance was closed.

Motion:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington moved to approve Ordinance No. 14-1325.
Second:	Councilor Carlotta Collette 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 <u>passed</u>.

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

Ms. Martha Bennett provided updates on the following items:

- Women's History Month, for which Chelsea Althauser created a display of labels illustrating the commercial depiction of women throughout history.
- Metro's new Planning and Development Department Director, Christopher Wierzbicki.
- Implementation of the Parks and Natural Areas Levy.

7. <u>COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION</u>

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings or events: Intertwine Alliance Spring Summit and Newell Creek Canyon bicycle group in Oregon City. Council President Hughes welcomed Metro's new Regional Engagement and Legislative Coordinator, Troy Rayburn, and thanked Jill Schmidt for her assistance during the transition to filling this position.

8. <u>ADJOURN</u>

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the regular meeting at 2:45 p.m. to reconvene a work session in the Council Annex. The Metro Council will convene the next regular council meeting on Thursday, Mar. 20 at 2 p.m. at Metro's Council Chamber.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jill Schmidt, Council Policy Assistant

Item	Торіс	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
2.0	Handouts	N/A	Gemstone Bridge Proposals from Citizen	31314c-01
3.1	Handout	2/20/14	Council Minutes from Feb. 20, 2014	31314c -02
3.2	Handout	2/25/14	Council Minutes from Feb. 25, 2014	31314c -03

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF MAR. 13, 2014