

# METRO COUNCIL MEETING Meeting Summary April 17, 2014

Metro, Council Chamber

**Councilors Present**: Deputy Council President Sam Chase and Councilors Carlotta Collette,

Shirley Craddick, Craig Dirksen, Kathryn Harrington, and Bob Stacey

Excused: Council President Tom Hughes

Deputy Council President Chase noted a quorum was present and called the regular council meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

#### 1. <u>INTRODUCTIONS</u>

There were none.

#### 2. <u>CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS</u>

Dana Carstensen and Matt Ellison, Portland

Mr. Carstensen and Mr. Ellison spoke to the Council about temporary zoo employees and the need for consistent information among and between employees and management. Mr. Ellison also expressed his appreciation for the creation of three permanent employment positions within the food and admissions department.

# 3. REPORT ON TRIPLE BOTTOM LINE SUCCESS AT GLENDOVEER AND PROPOSED RINGSIDE INVESTMENTS

Deputy Council President Chase invited Lydia Neill of Metro Parks and Environmental Services to come forward and present a staff report noting an overview of changes and mile-stones met at Glendoveer Golf and Tennis Facility. Michael Sharpe and Craig Peterson joined Ms. Neill and provided added details. Highlights included lease agreements with the Ringside Restaurant, new menus, community-wide benefits, improved customer service, increased profit margins, and facility upgrades. Council responded with appreciation and noted accomplishments were achieved in a short period of time.

#### 4. CONSENT AGENDA

Deputy Council President Chase read the items listed under consent agenda to include April 10 Council Meeting Summary and Resolution No. 14-4518 and asked

for a motion. Councilor Craddick moved the consent agenda. Councilor Stacey seconded. Motion passed unanimously, 6-0-0.

#### 5. **RESOLUTIONS**

5.1 **Resolution No. 14-4513**, For the Purpose of Extending Funding Through the Metro Tourism Opportunity and Competitiveness Account (MTOCA) to the Portland Expo Center. MTOCA Funds to Continue to be Directed to the Oregon Convention Center.

Deputy Council President Chase asked that the resolution be read into the record by title where upon a motion was asked for. Councilor Collette moved Resolution 14-4513. Councilor Stacey seconded.

Deputy Council President Chase invited Metro staff Tim Collier, director of the Office of Finance and Regulatory Services, and Mathew Rotchford, director of the Portland Expo Center, to come forward and present their staff report. Mr. Collier and Mr. Rotchford highlighted the program's history, goals, and the purpose of adopting the resolution is to expand the MTOCA funding definition that will include both the Oregon Convention Center (OCC) and the Portland Expo Center.

Mr. Collier and Mr. Rotchford noted MTOCA funds will be used to meet three primary objectives: (1) target capital investments in the Oregon Convention Center and the Portland Expo Center's physical plant, (2) assist the Visitor Development Fund with Oregon Convention Center facility costs, and (3) maintain the Oregon Convention Center and the Portland Expo Center in first-class condition.

Deputy Council President Chase asked for questions and/or comments from the Council. The Council noted the relationship between the Oregon Convention Center and the proposed Convention Center Hotel and over-all success is dependent on each to be successful. Council noted expanded opportunities for events and new marketing opportunities as a result.

Seeing no further questions, Deputy Council President Chase called for a vote and asked the Council Administrator to call roll. The motioned passed unanimously, 6-0-0.

#### 6. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

Ms. Bennett noted four items for the Council's information: she updated the Council on forums relating to the Regional Transportation Plan, the Active Transportation Plan, and Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Plan's (MTIP) public comment periods. Second, Ms. Bennett noted the success of Metro's on-line tools. Third, she also highlighted the success of the Oregon Condors at the zoo, including introducing the first Oregon Condors to the new exhibit and their habitat. She expressed her appreciation for the zoo staff and the bond staff for their focus and hard work in achieving this important milestone. Last, Ms. Bennett noted the partnering of the Oregon Zoo with OMSI regarding a movie screening about the condors on Wednesday, May 7 at 6:30.

### 7. **COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION**

Councilor Dirksen noted he will be out of the office and out of town the week of Monday, April 21. Deputy Council President Chase updated the Council on the Housing Alliance meeting in Salem. Councilor Collette briefed the Council on Councilor Stacey and her attendance at the Oregon Pioneer Recognition Awards.

#### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Deputy Council President Chase adjourned the regular meeting at 3:10 p.m. The Metro Council's next regular council meeting is on Thursday, April 24 at 2 p.m. in Metro's Council Chamber.

# **SUPPLEMENTAL HANDOUTS** (additional information distributed):

Metro Council Meeting Summary, April 10, 2014

Menu for Ringside Grill at Glendoveer

PowerPoint Presentation: Glendoveer Golf & Tennis – 2013 Year in Review & 2014 Looking

Forward