MINUTES OF THE METRO COMMITTEE FOR CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT REGULAR COMMITTEE

Wednesday, May 21, 2003 Room 370A

<u>Members Present:</u> Dennis Ganoe (Chair), Norm Andreen, Kay Durtschi, Kathy Henton, Dick Jones, Moji Momeni, Darren Pennington, Scott Siebert, Christine Roth, Skip White, Kathy Everett

<u>Members Absent:</u> Ray Sherwood, Lori Waldo, Elizabeth Tucker, Kate Schiele, Jim Kimball, Ted Kyle,

Also Present: John Donovan, Public Affairs Department, Officer; Cheryl Grant, MCCI Staff, Pam Peck, Public Affairs, and two students observing for a class

Call to Order, Introductions, Appointment of Timekeeper

Chair Ganoe opened the meeting at 7:02 p.m. and asked the committee to introduce themselves. Mr. Pennington was appointed as timekeeper.

Approval of Agenda

Hearing no objections, Chair Ganoe said the agenda stood approved as amended by deleting the Auditor Liaison report.

Approval of April 16, 2003, Minutes

Motion:	Darren Pennington moved, with a second by Kay Durtschi, to approve the April 16, 2003, minutes as amended.
Vote:	The vote was all aye/0 nay/1 abstain, and the motion to approve the minutes passed as amended carried. Dick Jones abstained.

County Fairs

Chair Ganoe reported to the committee that Councilor Susan McLain was going to take on the county fairs as her own project this summer and would like to have MCCI volunteers to help her man the booths. John Donovan explained why Metro was not pursuing this project this year. There was discussion regarding whether there were more urbanized activities that Metro may want to consider instead of fairs, i.e., wine/beer festivals, salmon festivals, etc.

Chair Report

Chair Ganoe said Jane Gillespie had to resign from MCCI due to job considerations. He noted that Christine Roth would take over as the Parks subcommittee chair. He announced that the Steering Committee had discussed it and had decided to cancel the retreat because it was too soon after the last one, and workplan issues could be worked out in the subcommittees. He said the plans would need to be ready for approval at the July meeting, which meant they had 1 ½ months to get the plans done, written, and back to the Steering Committee. He said they would have to work on balancing the subcommittee membership in the near future.

Auditor Report

None.

Community Media Project

Pam Peck reviewed the Public Affairs' department's work on the Community Media Project (see Community Media Project handout included with the permanent record of this meeting). The project Minutes of the Metro Committee for Citizen Involvement Regular Committee Wednesday, May 21, 2003 Page 2 of 3

includes following several families as they try to make sense of the change that is occurring in and around their lives, i.e., traffic congestion, alternative transportation options, land use, the economy and the environment. Chair Ganoe offered MCCI's help on the project in any way needed.

Election Parameters

Chair Ganoe reviewed the annual election process. He noted that the elections are in June and new terms start in July. There was committee discussion of the process. A nominating committee was appointed: Moji Momeni and Kathy Henton.

Subcommittee Reports

Chair Ganoe reported that the Steering Committee had met and decided not to send the letter to the Council. Rather MCCI members would go in person to a work session to air their concerns. Currently, June 3 is the date for the work session. He hoped to have a Steering Committee meeting before the work session.

Chair Ganoe reported there had not been a Membership meeting as the person they were to interview did not show up. Elizabeth Tucker will follow-up with that person to see what happened.

Norm Andreen reported that the Solid Waste and Recycling committee had reviewed their 4 PIPs from last year and decided to sunset two of them, with caveat to revisit in 6 months. One is continued and will be revisited in summer, and one will be on the committee's work plan. They also identified some possible new PIPs.

Christine Roth reported that the Parks committee spent their time talking about their work plan. They have been trying to get a list of people from PSU to find out if they would be willing to have graduate students work on a project regarding best practices of public input for parks projects, probably in the fall. They also looked at reviewing old master plans to see what was happening with them.

Kay Durtschi said Community Planning had a long meeting about South Corridor and the Foster Powell project. She said they were finalizing the UGB process survey and hoped to be done by the end of June.

Council Liaison Report

None.

Staff Report

John Donovan reported that the Metro Council was doing retreat with the new Chief Operating officer to work out how their expectations and needs will be met through the COO and the departments.

Public Comment

Roundtable

Kay Durtschi said there was a big citywide land use meeting the following Tuesday, dealing with regulatory reform in the city.

Kathy Henton reported that Gresham has redone their website and it has good information on meetings and newsletters. She said there was not currently a link to the Metro site. She said a comprehensive citizen task force would work with planning in Gresham on a comprehensive update.

Chair Ganoe announced that Dick Jones won election to the Oak Lodge Water District Board last night.

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Dick Jones said conservation was going to be big issue. He said they were working on Complete Communities again. He commented that the Oak lodge Sanitary Dist had an interesting issue about forming a county wide sanitary agency, and added that it appears the community is not excited about that.

Christine Roth Clackamas County had an interesting program and discussion about dispute resolution. She said they had not even scratched the surface of the issue after 2 ½ hours.

Skip White said there was going to be a meeting at Sauvie Island School on May 28th to finalize siting for the new bridge. He said the St. Johns Bridge was going to be closed 5-7 weeks.

Darren Pennington said the last CPO 5 meeting was the best attended ever because they were talking about the I-5 to 99 Connector study. He said the perception was not good about this study and that the public involvement had not been good as the project had already been defined by Washington County. He said the county planned on doing the study regardless of whether it made Metro's MTIP cut. The other issue affecting his neighborhood was Metro's study of the need for additional industrial land.

Scott Seibert reported that the City of Portland public involvement standards meeting was next Wednesday. He felt it should be interesting. He noted that at his neighborhood meeting, when the discussion came to parking, without exception the neighbors felt there was enough and the businesses felt there was a need for more. The city decided they should put up meters and make residents get passes to park at home. They were going to try to vote on it next week.

Norm Andreen said he had been to lots of meetings. One, a complete community task force was going to identify three communities to be experimented on in terms of becoming a village or a hamlet or a city. He said they were trying for more public involvement in those. Another was the planning commission on Metro's green corridors concept. He said there were 60 upset people in the audience. He thought the county had done an extremely good job of public outreach. They are looking at a design review process. He said their mistake was that they also included zoning restrictions. He was bothered about the IGA between Oregon City , the county, and Molalla in this process. He said there was no jurisdiction by cities involved in this.

Chair Ganoe said his CPO was struggling with road extensions that residents do not want to happen. He said the county was basically trying to connect a road through a wetland in one place.

Adjourn

There being no further business before the committee, Chair Ganoe adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

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