

BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE
METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING)	RESOLUTION NO. 90-1259
AN EXEMPTION TO THE REQUIREMENT OF)	
COMPETITIVE BIDDING, AUTHORIZING THE)	Introduced by Rena Cusma,
USE OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL TO)	Executive Officer
DESIGN, BUILD AND INSTALL A WASTE)	
REDUCTION EXHIBIT AT THE ZOO.)	

WHEREAS, The Council of the Metropolitan Service District approved funding to the design, build and install a waste reduction exhibit at the Metro Washington Park Zoo; and

WHEREAS, The design of such a project is a qualitative issue and requires extensive work with a contractor to find solutions to design problems in creating an interactive exhibit; and

WHEREAS, The quality and design capability is the most important factor in creating an interactive exhibit and therefore the most important factor in hiring a contractor for the project; and

WHEREAS, ORS 279.015 authorizes the exemption of certain contracts from the competitive bidding requirement; and

WHEREAS, Metro Code 2.04.041 (c) authorizes, where appropriate, the use of alternative contracting and purchasing practices that take account of market realities and modern innovative contracting and purchasing methods which are consistent with the public policy of encouraging competition; and

WHEREAS, The RFP solicitation process described in the Staff Report is in accordance with Metro Code 2.04.041 (c) such that the contractor to design, produce and install the waste reduction exhibit will be selected on the basis of the most competitive offer considering quality and cost where the term "cost" refers to costs related to quality as well as the labor and materials costs; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,

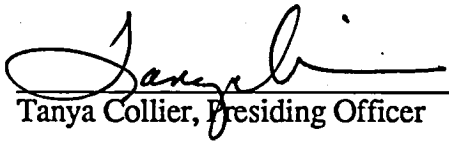
1. That the Council of the Metropolitan Service District finds that:

a.) It is unlikely that exempting the solicitation to design, build and install a waste reduction exhibit at the zoo will encourage favoritism in the awarding of public contracts or substantially diminish competition for public contracts; and

b.) The contract, if awarded pursuant to the exemption, will result in substantial cost savings to the Metropolitan Service District.

2. That based on these findings, the Council of the Metropolitan Service District directs that the contract for the procurement of services to design, build and install a waste reduction exhibit at the zoo be exempted from the competitive bid process and that the staff is authorized to use a Request for Proposals solicitation process.

ADOPTED by the Council of the Metropolitan Service District
this 24th day of May, 1990.


Tanya Collier, Presiding Officer

SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE REPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 90-1259, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING AN EXEMPTION TO THE REQUIREMENT OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO DESIGN, BUILD AND INSTALL A WASTE REDUCTION EXHIBIT AT THE METRO WASHINGTON PARK ZOO

Date: May 15, 1990

Presented by: Councilor
Gary Hansen

Committee Recommendation: The Solid Waste Committee voted 3 to 0 to recommend Council adoption of Resolution No. 90-1259. Voting: Councilors Hansen, Buchanan and DeJardin. Absent: Councilors Bauer and Wyers. This action was taken May 14, 1990.

Committee Discussion/Issues: The staff report was presented by Vickie Rocker, Public Affairs Director. The proposed waste reduction exhibit at the Metro Washington Park Zoo is a combined effort of the Solid Waste Department and the Zoo Education Division. The design component of the exhibit is a qualitative issue that is essential to the success of the project. A Request for Proposals (RFP) process is recommended because it will allow an evaluation and a selection of a contractor based on design capabilities, creativity and quality of proposed design.

The estimated cost of the project is \$20,000 and is provided for in the FY 1990-91 Budget.

The Solid Waste Committee commented that the idea of a waste reduction exhibit at the Zoo is a good one because there are about one million visitors to the Zoo each year. The idea was suggested two or three years ago by Councilor DeJardin.

The Committee asked what the artistic aspects of the project were that suggested the use of an RFP process. Staff stated that the project would include dimensional diorama, illustrations, and other creative aspects.

The Committee pointed out that this resolution is a companion resolution to Resolution No. 90-1960. This resolution authorizes an exemption to the competitive bidding requirements and the other resolution authorizes the issuance of an RFP.

There being no further questions, comments or issues, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend Council adoption of Resolution No. 90-1259.

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Staff Report

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 90-1259 FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING AN EXEMPTION TO THE REQUIREMENT OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO DESIGN, BUILD AND INSTALL A WASTE REDUCTION EXHIBIT AT THE METRO WASHINGTON PARK ZOO.

Date: April 24, 1990

Presented by: Vickie Rocker
Joan Saroka

FACTUAL BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

For the reasons summarized below, the Public Affairs Department wishes to use a request for proposals (RFP) solicitation process to design, build and install the waste reduction exhibit at the Metro Washington Park Zoo.

The waste reduction exhibit at the zoo is a combined effort of the solid waste department, public affairs department and the zoo education division. The exhibit is a combination of design, production and installation. Although many of the required features of the exhibit have been outlined, it is desirable to use a proposal process rather than a bid document because of the design component of the project.

The design component is a qualitative issue that is essential to the success of the overall project. The contractor is expected to complete the design detail and develop solutions to problems that exist in the overall exhibit design. The quality of the work is essential to the success of the exhibit.

The quality of the final design and the interpretive goals of the design play a major factor in the project. It is essential for public affairs and zoo education staff to work closely with the contractor on the display design in order to have a quality project and have it meet the goals set out by the staff.

The quality of the design is important for this exhibit to be successful. A review of a firm's design capability is important in selection of the best contractor and the ability of the contractor to develop creative solutions to some of the design problems is important.

An RFP process will allow the public affairs and zoo education division staff to evaluate and select a contractor based on design capabilities, creativity and quality of proposed design.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

The Executive Officer recommends adoption of Resolution No. 90-1259 which authorizes an exemption to the requirement of competitive bidding, authorizing the use of a request for proposal solicitation process to design, build and install the waste reduction exhibit at the Metro Washington Park Zoo.