

**MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL MEETING**

Thursday, February 19, 2004  
Beaverton Council Chamber

Councilors Present: David Bragdon (Council President), Susan McLain, Brian Newman, Rod Monroe, Carl Hosticka, Rod Park

Councilors Absent: Rex Burkholder (excused)

Council President Bragdon convened the Regular Council Meeting at 1:30 p.m.

**1. INTRODUCTIONS**

Council President Bragdon thanked Mayor Rob Drake for he invitation to come to Beaverton. He noted that Councilor Kathy Stanton was also in attendance. Mayor Drake welcomed them to Beaverton.

**2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS**

There were none.

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

3.1 Consideration of minutes of the February 12, 2004 Regular Council Meetings.

Motion: 

Councilor Newman moved to adopt the meeting minutes of the February 12, 2004 Regular Metro Council.
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Vote: 

Councilors McLain, Monroe, Hosticka, Newman and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 5 aye, the motion passed with Councilor Park absent from the vote.
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**4. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING**

4.1 **Ordinance No. 04-1034**, For the purpose of Annexing into the Metro District Boundary approximately 202.9 Acres at Evergreen and Shute Roads in the City of Hillsboro and Declaring an Emergency.

Council President Bragdon assigned Ordinance No. 04-1034 to Council.

**5. RESOLUTIONS**

5.1 **Resolution No. 04-3418**, For the Purpose of Amending the 2004-07 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program to Add Funding of A First Phase of the I-5/Macadam Access Improvements for \$2 Million.

Motion:	Councilor Newman moved to adopt Resolution No. 04-3418.
Seconded:	Councilor Monroe seconded the motion

Councilor Newman said the full I-5/North Macadam Access Improvements project was included in the Regional Transportation Plan financially constrained system and was anticipated to be constructed between 2015 and 2025 at an estimated cost of \$20 million. Adoption of this amendment defined a first phase of the project and programs the project in the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) to begin construction in 2004 at a cost of \$2 million. This first phase project was necessary to improve traffic safety by distinguishing lanes for vehicles traveling through the area on North Macadam from local traffic turn movements to and from the South Waterfront area as that area begins to redevelop. These funds will be provided by Oregon Department of Transportation made available from bid savings on other projects. He noted no air quality conformity was required.

Vote:

Councilors Hosticka, McLain, Monroe, Newman and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 5 aye, the motion passed with Councilor Park absent from the vote.

5.2 **Resolution No. 04-3419**, For the Purpose of Recommending Freight Project Priorities to the Oregon Freight Advisory Committee.

Motion:	Councilor Monroe moved to adopt Resolution No. 04-3419.
Seconded:	Councilor Hosticka seconded the motion

Councilor Monroe said this resolution implemented some important pieces of legislation that the Oregon legislature had passed. He provided background concerning that legislation: HB3364 (2001 Legislature) required the Oregon Freight Advisory Committee (OFAC) to advise the Oregon Transportation Commission (OTC) on high priority freight mobility projects in each Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) region. HB2041 (2003 Legislature), known as OTIA III, authorized \$100 million for projects that were recommended by OFAC, provided or improved access to industrial land sites, or provided or improved access to sites where jobs can be created. HB 2041 provided another \$400 million in funding for modernization projects, which could include freight mobility projects.

He said OFAC developed 4 prioritization factors. The project would: 1) Remove identified barriers to safe, reliable and efficient movement of goods, 2) Facilitate public and private investment that creates or sustains jobs, 3) Support multi-modal freight transportation movements, and 4) Likely be constructed within the time frame contemplated (project readiness).

He then spoke to the process. Public comments were solicited in December and early January by Metro, the Regional Freight Committee (made up of representatives from Metro area counties, cities, ports and ODOT) reviewed comments and evaluated each project based on the 4-prioritization factors. The proposed prioritized list of projects – Exhibit A – listed in order of total average score. There was a March 1 deadline by OFAC for comments from MPO’s and jurisdictions.

He said adoption of this resolution would provide input to the Oregon Freight Advisory Committee. OFAC will establish freight priorities for use by the Oregon Transportation Commission in making funding decisions. This could result in funding of key freight mobility projects in the Metro region.

Councilor McLain asked about the Hwy 217 improvements. She noted the language talked about ramp improvements. She wondered if this funding would cause issues concerning the scope of the Hwy 217 Policy Advisory Committee.

Bridget Weighart, Planning Department, said they were part way through their study process. She spoke to the first and second phases of the project. Phase 2 would look at the highest priority interchange. She noted the letters of support for this project (a copy of those letters are included in the meeting record).

Councilor Hosticka said the list was a fair representation of regional needs. He said the focus group that met, uniformly identified I-5 north as the biggest problem. Hwy 217's other major issue was getting on and off Hwy 217. The traffic studies indicated that there were delays getting on and off Hwy 217. Councilor Park commented that all of these projects were \$100 million. There was \$400 million of need in the region. Three-fourths of these projects would not be funded. Councilor Monroe said it was critical to move people and goods around the region to encourage economic vitality. These freight projects were critical to this vitality. He urged support. He thanked the Oregon legislature for OTIA-3 funding.

Vote:

Councilors Park, Hosticka, McLain, Monroe, Newman and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 aye, the motion passed.
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## **6. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION**

Michael Jordan, Chief Operating Officer, thanked the Council for attending the employee recognition luncheon at the Oregon Zoo today. He reminded the Council of the Council retreat next Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>.

## **7. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION**

Councilor McLain said she had visited a number of the Weyerhaeuser business in the region with Solid Waste staff. They got to see the paint kitchen, the box and bag production companies and the clean MRFing. This was another example of the diversity of businesses in western Washington County. It was an interesting tour.

Councilor Newman introduced the presentation on centers. When we discussed regional planning for this region they heard a lot from citizens about using land as efficiently as possible to minimize expansion on farm and forestland. They also wanted to keep existing, established neighborhoods as densification occurred. One of our strategies was to concentrate development in centers. They would have a presentation on centers development today. Metro had allocated \$100,000 to help take the next steps in Beaverton.

## **8. METRO'S ROLE IN THE 2040 CENTERS**

Mary Weber, Planning Department, gave an overview of what Metro had been doing the last 10 years with Centers. She then spoke to the next steps that were necessary for the success of Centers. She gave an overview of the role of Metro in the development of Centers. She noted key elements to making centers successful. She talked about how other Metro programs supported the centers concepts such as the Transit Oriented Development program, Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program and Transportation Demand Management grant program. She gave a power point presentation on Metro's Role in the 2040 Centers (a copy of this is included in the meeting record). Ms. Weber gave examples of center development in the region including Gresham, Cornelius, Milwaukie, and Beaverton. Metro had partnered with Beaverton for quite some time. She spoke to the \$100,000 grant to Beaverton. She talked about the action plan,

market opportunities, access to the center, connectivity with other areas, and finally what the City needed to do in the long term. She talked about the investments that the City of Beaverton had already made towards the Center project.

Councilor Newman commented that while we talk about the centers as a new idea, the pilot center strategy was the next step. This focuses on implementation. Councilor McLain added that this demonstrated the value of governments working together for the success of the program. The public and private partnership also added to the success of the Center. She noted the great leadership in Beaverton to make this the next best place.

**9. ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Metro Council, Council President Bragdon adjourned the meeting at 2:18 p.m.

Prepared by

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Clerk of the Council

**ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 19,**  
**2004**

Item	Topic	Doc Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
5.2	Letter	1/13/04	To: Martin Callery, Chair of OTIA – 3 Freight Project Subcommittee From: Deanna Palm, Executive Director Greater Hillsboro Area Chamber of Commerce Re: OTIA-3 Freight Project Proposal – Widening Hwy 26 from Cornell to 185 <sup>th</sup>	021904c-01
5.2	Letter	1/15/04	To: Martin Callery, Chair of OTIA-3 Freight Projects Subcommittee From: Ralph Quinsey, Chief Executive Director of TriQuint Semiconductor Re: OTIA-3 Freight Project Proposal – Widening Hwy 26 from Cornell to 185 <sup>th</sup>	021904c-02
5.2	Letter	1/26/04	To: Metro Council From: Van Hooper, Vice President of Sysco Food Services Re: Widening of Hwy 26 from Cornell to 185 <sup>th</sup>	021904c-03
5.2	Letter	2/4/04	To: Metro Council From: Bruce Burns, President and CEO of Argyle Re: Wilsonville Rd.I-5 Interchange Project Funding	021904c-04
5.2	Letter	2/4/04	To: Metro Council From: Vicki Hopman Yates, Attorney at Law Re: Wilsonville Rd./I-5 Interchange Project	021904c-05
5.2	Letter	2/4/04	To Rod Park, JPACT Chair From: Vicki Hopman Yates, Attorney at Law Re: Wilsonville Rd./I-5 Interchange Project	021904c-06
5.2	Letter	2/4/04	To: Rod Park, JPACT Chair From: Bruce Burns, President and CEO of Argyle Re: Wilsonville Rd.I-5 Interchange Project Funding	021904c-07
5.2	Letter	2/9/04	To: Metro Council From: Jim Marohn, President of Wilsonville Chamber of Commerce Re: OTIA 3 Funding of Wilsonville.I-5 Interchange Improvements	021904c-08
5.2	Letter	1/13/04	To: Martin Callery, Chair OTIA 3 Freight Projects Subcommittee Re: OTIA-3 Freight Project Proposal – Widening of Hwy 26 from Cornell to 185 <sup>th</sup>	021904c-09
8	Power Point Presentation	2/19/04	To: Metro Council From: Brenda Bernards, Planning Department Re: Metro's Role in the 2040 Centers	021904c-10