

Council Retreat February 25, 2004

Attendees: David Bragdon, Rex Burkholder, Dan Cooper, Andy Cotugno, Jane Hartline, Carl Hosticka, Michael Jordan, Susan McLain, Rod Monroe, Brian Newman, Rod Park, Julie Reed, Bill Stringer, Tony Vecchio, Mike Wetter, Mark Williams

Minutes taken by Kim Bardes.

Planning Presentation:

Andy Cotugno gave a PowerPoint presentation to the Councilors pertaining to his vision of where Metro Planning should go in the next few years.

Discussion centered on issues that Metro would want to pursue versus issues that were not necessarily needed. The group agreed that more discussion and focus would be needed to determine the future goals of Metro and the Council and the main mission of Metro for future endeavors.

Zoo Presentation:

Tony Vecchio gave a PowerPoint presentation to the Councilors pertaining to the current and future Zoo finances, including his vision for the future.

Discussion centered on the maintenance needs for the Zoo as it seemed some items were in great need of upkeep and repair.

MERC:

Mark B. Williams gave a PowerPoint presentation on MERC and discussed his future vision for MERC/OCC/Expo.

Liaisons:

David Bragdon and Mike Wetter reviewed a system of Council Liaisons by Issue. Mike Wetter explained the process and asked for discussion on where there might be breakdowns in the newly formed process.

Discussion centered on lines of communication between Metro staff and Metro Councilors pertaining to issues. Councilors expressed a desire for a formal communication mechanism. Councilors shared some ideas on how to streamline the process.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Bardes