



**METRO COUNCIL WORK SESSION**  
Meeting Minutes  
January 8, 2015  
Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

**Councilors Present:** Council President Tom Hughes, and Councilors Bob Stacey, Shirley Craddick, Carlotta Collette, Craig Dirksen, Kathryn Harrington, and Sam Chase

**Councilors Excused:** None

Council President Tom Hughes called the Metro Council work session to order at 2:03 p.m.

**1. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION**

Chief Operating Officer Martha Bennett updated the Council on the following items:

- Record attendance for the Oregon Zoo's "Zoo Lights" during the 2014 winter holiday season.
- January 2015 is Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Month at Metro. The Metro Regional Center will hold a Diversity Expression Day on January 29.

**2. Resolution No. 15-4596, For the Purpose of Accepting the November 4, 2014 General Election Abstract of Votes for Measure 26-160**

Motion:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington moved to approve Resolution No. 15-4596.
Second:	Councilor Bob Stacey seconded the motion.

Vote: Council President Hughes, and Councilors Stacey, Craddick, Collette, Dirksen, Harrington, and Chase voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 ayes, the motion passed.

**3. Resolution No. 15-4598, For the Purpose of Organizing the Metro Council and Confirming Committee Members**

Motion:	Councilor Carlotta Collette moved to approve Resolution No. 15-4598.
Second:	Councilor Shirley Craddick seconded the motion.

Vote:

Council President Hughes, and Councilors Stacey, Craddick, Collette, Dirksen, Harrington, and Chase voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 ayes, the motion passed.

#### **4. REVISED ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FOR CONTRUCTION EXCISE TAX AND COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS IMPLEMENTATION**

Ms. Bennett, along with Mr. John Williams, Deputy Director of Metro's Planning Department, and Mr. Gerry Uba, Metro Community Planning and Development Grants Project Manager, provided Council with the Revised Administrative Rules for Construction Excise Tax (CET) and Community Planning and Development Grants (CPDG) Implementation presentation. The purpose of the discussion was to provide Council with the recommendations of the Metro Technical Advisory Committee (MTAC) to the Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC) and Chief Operating Officer (COO), on the revisions to the CET and CPDG Administrative Rules. The desired outcomes were for Council to consider adoption of the revised Administrative Rules for the CET and CPDG, and to provide direction on how to update MPAC on the proposed revisions to the Administrative Rules. Key elements of the presentation included:

- Metro COO's recommended revisions to the Administrative Rules.
- MTAC's recommended revisions to the "revenue distribution" section of the Administrative Rules.
- MTAC's recommended changes to the Application Handbook.

#### ***Council Discussion:***

Councilor Harrington spoke to the importance of greater Council involvement in the revision of the Grant Application Handbook. Council President Hughes spoke to the potential for the 10% local match requirement to further the disparity between communities that can raise the funds to receive the match and those that cannot. Councilors spoke to their concerns regarding changes to this criterion. Councilor Stacey spoke to the importance of identifying affordable housing as an example of a style of project to encourage through the grant program. Councilor Craddick spoke to emphasizing the relationship between land use and transit in changes to the Application Handbook, in line with Metro's Climate Smart Strategy goals. Councilor Chase spoke to tools for addressing social equity, and to the importance of including a social equity representative on the CPDG Screening Committee. Councilors spoke about MTAC's recommendation to incorporate a deadline for projects to start into the grant intergovernmental agreement section. Councilor Harrington expressed her desire for a timeline of CPDG cycles, and expressed her concerns regarding the dissemination of relevant information among elected officials at various levels. Councilor Collette spoke about sharing with the region the connection between urban growth management and community planning grants.

#### **5. STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA**

Mr. Randy Tucker, Metro Legislative Affairs Manager, presented the 2015 State Legislative Agenda. The purpose of the item was to finalize discussion of the 2015 legislative session and the Metro Council's objectives for the session. Mr. Tucker presented proposed legislative principles and concepts, as well as a draft version of an overall legislative agenda, which included concepts discussed at previous work sessions. The desired outcome was for Council to discuss any specific legislative concepts or principles, and to direct staff to prepare the agenda for formal adoption.

Mr. Tucker invited Mr. Andy Sloop, Metro Resource Conservation and Recycling Manager, to discuss with Council the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) Funding and Recycling Goals legislative issues. Mr. Tucker also discussed with Council its 2015 Legislative Principles and Priorities, along with the following legislative issues:

- Oregon Clean Car Bill
- Willamette Falls Legacy Project
- Technical Amendments to HB 4078

***Council Discussion:***

Councilor Craddick inquired about any bills in the 2015 Oregon Legislature that Council may not support. Councilor Harrington spoke to the role of youth involvement in the success of recycling programs. Councilor Chase spoke to the importance of DEQ's engagement with air quality issues, for the purpose of enhancing predictability and reducing conflicts between residential and industrial areas. Councilor Dirksen spoke about his support for this legislative issue, and about its importance as the country works to become a leader in the hybrid and electric car industry. Councilors discussed the importance of separating this issue from the Oregon Transportation Forum's (OTF) legislative transportation package. Councilor Harrington spoke to framing the clean car issue in terms of enhancing health outcomes, and to the intent of methodologies used to draw various boundary lines in House Bill (HB) 4078. Councilor Collette mentioned that Clackamas County may introduce its own amendment(s) to HB 4078. Councilor Craddick inquired about discussion regarding legislative support for light rail transit. Councilor Chase spoke to including a legislative principle on affordable housing. Councilors discussed the region's Climate Smart Strategy as it pertains to Council's 2015 legislative principles.

**6. COUNCIL LIAISON UPDATES AND COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

Councilor Dirksen mentioned that the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) approved the recommendation of referring Council the OTF's Transportation Package without amendment. Councilor Craddick thanked Metro staff for their work in putting on Councilor inaugurations on January 6. Councilors Harrington, Collette, and Craddick provided overviews of the new local elected officials in their districts.

**7. ADJOURN**

Seeing no further business, Council President Tom Hughes adjourned the Council work session at 4:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Joel Cvetko, Council Policy Assistant

**ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JAN. 8, 2015**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DOCUMENT TYPE</b>	<b>DOC DATE</b>	<b>DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>DOCUMENT No.</b>
<b>1.0</b>	Agenda	1/13/15	Joint MERC/Metro Council Work Session Agenda for Jan. 13, 2015	010815cw-01
<b>4.0</b>	Handout	1/8/15	Draft Explanation of Regionally Significant Sub-criteria in the Application Handbook	010815cw-02
<b>5.0</b>	Handout	1/8/15	Metro Council Legislative Priorities for the 2015 Legislative Session	010815cw-03
<b>5.0</b>	Handout	1/8/15	Current List of 2015 Legislative Issue Papers	010815cw-04
<b>5.0</b>	Handout	1/2/15	Metro 2015 Legislative Issue Identification: Oregon Clean Car Bill	010815cw-05
<b>5.0</b>	Handout	1/2/15	Metro 2015 Legislative Issue Identification: Willamette Falls Legacy Project	010815cw-06
<b>5.0</b>	Handout	1/2/15	Metro 2015 Legislative Issue Identification: Technical Amendments to HB 4078	010815cw-07