



METRO COUNCIL MEETING
Meeting Minutes
Jan. 15, 2015
Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

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

Councilors Excused: None

Council President Tom Hughes called the regular council meeting to order at 2:06 p.m.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

Derek Ruckman, Republic Waste Services, Wilsonville: Mr. Ruckman, General Manager for Republic Services, gave a presentation about an anaerobic digestion project to deal with current processing capacity issues. He provided details of the project through a PowerPoint presentation, which will be located in St. Helens and will specifically handle commercial food waste.

Stephen Bates, Boring: Mr. Bates addressed the Metro Council on the petition to withdraw the City of Boring from Metro, requesting that Metro support the passage of House Bill 2640 which would remove the city from Metro's jurisdictional boundary.

Michael Fitz, Boring: Mr. Fitz addressed the Metro Council on the petition to withdraw the City of Boring from Metro and supported Stephen Bates' previous testimony.

Les Poole, Gladstone: Mr. Poole addressed the Metro Council on the petition to withdraw the City of Boring from Metro, requesting support for the passage of House Bill 2640.

Council Discussion

Councilors discussed the petition to withdraw Boring from Metro, Urban and Rural Reserves, and potential options and issues relating to incorporation of the area in Boring that is not within the Metro jurisdictions boundary.

2. NATURAL AREAS PROGRAM PERFORMANCE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

Council President Hughes introduced the Director of Metro's Sustainability Center, Jim Desmond, to provide a presentation on the Natural Areas Program Performance Oversight Committee's Annual Report. Mr. Desmond described the make-up of the volunteer committee as experts in real estate, land use, finance/accounting, auditing and philanthropy, specifically noting their tremendous value to the region and Metro staff. Mr. Desmond recognized and introduced Drake Butsch, committee chair, thanking him for his hard work and service to the committee. Mr. Butsch presented the annual report, describing the program's progress on their primary goals, explaining how the committee

reviews and monitors bond measure fund expenditures and describing the review process for applications.

Council Discussion

Councilors thanked Mr. Butsch for their work as well as the time and effort of other committee members. In response to councilor inquiries, Mr. Desmond and Mr. Butsch clarified a few points of the report regarding fundraising and timing of acquiring properties. Mr. Butsch also expressed appreciation to the Metro Council for their support and work on the region’s natural areas. After the presentation, the Metro Council, Metro’s COO and Attorney each provided closing comments, expressing appreciation and gratitude for the hard work, dedication and great leadership of Mr. Desmond, as it would be his last Metro Council meeting before departing Metro.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 2.1 **Resolution No. 14-4524**, For the Purpose of Confirming the Appointment of B. Jonas Biery to the Investment Advisory Board
- 2.2 **Resolution No. 15-4600**, For the Purpose of Delegating to the Chief Operating Officer to Execute Employment Agreement with the Interim Zoo Director
- 2.3 Consideration of Council Meeting Minutes for December 18, 2014

Motion:	Councilor Craig Dirksen moved to adopt the consent agenda items.
Second:	Councilor Bob Stacey seconded the motion.

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

3. RESOLUTIONS

- 3.1 **Resolution No. 15-4599**, For the Purpose of Renewing the Historic Cemeteries Advisory Committee

Motion:	Councilor Shirley Craddick moved to approve Resolution No. 15-4599.
Second:	Councilor Bob Stacey seconded the motion.

Council President Hughes introduced Melisa McDonald, Metro staff, and Dr. Verne Duncan, committee chair, to provide a brief staff report and presentation. Ms. McDonald also introduced Hannah Allen, vice chair of the committee. Dr. Duncan provided an update on the committee’s previous work as well as continued work that needs to be done at the historic cemeteries, requesting that the Metro Council renew the volunteer committee. Ms. McDonald explained that the reauthorizing of the committee is one year at a time, so this decision will need to be made again at the end of this year or beginning of the following year.

Council discussion

Councilors discussed public engagement goals of the committee and the historic significance of the cemeteries, as well as thanking the committee for helping Metro preserve them and serve the public in the best possible way.

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

3.2 Resolution No. 14-4541, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to Sell Certain Real Property as Part of the Natural Areas Program

Motion:	Councilor Sam Chase motioned to postpone the resolution until April 2, 2015.
Second:	Councilor Bob Stacey seconded the motion.

Council discussion

Council President Hughes called on Councilor Sam Chase, who requested that the resolution be postponed until April 2, 2015, which would allow for more time to consider the Exhibit B to the resolution. He stated that postponing would allow the Council to consider some revisions to guidelines relating to disposal of properties in Metro-owned natural areas. Council President Hughes called on Kathleen Brennan-Hunter, Metro staff, to provide any additional comments. Ms. Brennan-Hunter stated that the delay wouldn't create any problems for staff or projects.

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

4. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

Ms. Martha Bennett, COO, provided an update on the following events or items: memo from Tim O'Brien, Metro staff, on the annual report on minor adjustments to the Urban Growth Boundary, upcoming Metro closures for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday, the MLK Annual Breakfast at the Oregon Convention Center, and volunteer opportunities on the holiday such as one at Glendoveer Fitness Trail.

5. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Councilors provided updates on the following events or items: JPACT finance subcommittee meeting, the quarterly OMPOC meeting in Albany, City of Tigard's upcoming State of the City Address, Killen Wetland stakeholder event and upcoming open house in February, Clackamas County Business Alliance meeting, and the 4th Annual Milwaukie Watershed Film Festival.

6. **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the regular meeting at 4:19p.m. The Metro Council will convene the next regular council meeting on Thursday, January 29, 2015 at 2 p.m. at the Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alexandra Eldridge".

Alexandra Eldridge, Regional Engagement & Legislative Coordinator

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JAN. 15, 2015

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
1.0	Testimony/ Handout	01/15/2015	Handout from Derek Ruckman: Presentation on St. Helens Organics Recycling	011515c-01
1.0	Testimony/ Handout	01/08/2015	Handout from Stephen Bates: Petition for withdrawal from Metro on behalf of Boring	011515c-02
1.0	Testimony/ Handout	01/15/15	Handout from Stephen Bates: House Bill 2640	011515c-03
2.0	Handout	12/01/2014	Closing In: Annual Report from the Natural Areas Program Performance Oversight Committee	011515c-04
3.3	Minutes	12/18/2014	Council Meeting Minutes from December 18, 2014	011515c-05
4.1	Handout	01/15/2015	Resolution No. 15-4599	011515c-06
4.1	Handout	01/15/2015	Exhibit A to Resolution No. 15- 4599	011515c-07
4.1	Handout	01/15/2015	Staff Report to Resolution No. 15- 4599	011515c-08
4.1	Handout	01/15/2015	Metro Historic Cemetery Program: Cemetery Advisory Committee Annual Report – 2014	011515c-09
5.1	Handout	01/05/2015	Memo: End of Calendar Year Urban Growth Boundary Minor Adjustment Report	011515c-10