



METRO COUNCIL MEETING
Meeting Minutes
Jan. 29, 2015
Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

Councilors Present: Council President Tom Hughes, and Councilors Sam Chase, Craig Dirksen and Bob Stacey

Councilors Excused: Councilors Shirley Craddick, Carlotta Collette and Kathryn Harrington

Council President Tom Hughes called the regular council meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

2.1 **Resolution No. 15-4601**, For the Purpose of Confirming the Appointments of a New Member to the Nature In Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee

2.2 Consideration of Council Meeting Minutes for January 15, 2015

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

Vote:	Council President Hughes, and Councilors Dirksen, Chase and Stacey voted in support of the motion. The vote was 4 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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3. RESOLUTIONS

3.1 **Resolution No. 15-4597**, For the Purpose of Endorsing Regional Policy and Funding Priorities for 2015 State Transportation Legislation

Motion:	Councilor Craig Dirksen moved to approve Resolution No. 15-4597.
Second:	Councilor Sam Chase seconded the motion.

Council President Hughes introduced Councilor Craig Dirksen, to provide background and a brief report on the resolution. Councilor Dirksen explained that the resolution sets Metro’s legislative priority going into the Oregon State Legislature for the current session. He stated that it specifically moves to endorse the work of and proposal put forth by the Oregon Transportation Forum, which recommends funding two packages: one that is a “fix-it” package and another is for funding an enhance package for road improvements, in addition to funding an orphan highway program, encouraging the legislature to help fund elderly and disabled transit service, a youth transit service plan, and to replace funding for Amtrak.

Council discussion

Councilors discussed the recommendations for approval of this resolution that came out of both the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) and Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC), prior to coming to Metro Council.

Vote:

Council President Hughes, and Councilors Dirksen, Chase and Stacey voted in support of the motion. The vote was 4 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .

3.2 Resolution No. 15-4602, For the Purpose of Providing Direction to Metro Concerning Bills Before the 2015 Oregon Legislature

Motion:	Councilor Sam Chase moved to approve Resolution No. 15-4602.
Second:	Councilor Craig Dirksen seconded the motion.

Council President Hughes provided background on the purpose of the resolution, explaining that before every legislative session, Metro Council adopts a resolution that describes Metro’s specific priorities for the session and articulates some broader principles to guide Metro staff in responding to issues as they arise.

Council discussion

There was none.

Vote:

Council President Hughes, and Councilors Dirksen, Chase and Stacey voted in support of the motion. The vote was 4 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .

4. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

Ms. Martha Bennett, COO, provided an update on the following events or items: Upcoming birthday of the Oregon Zoo’s oldest Sumatra orangutan, Council retreat follow-up, and January Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Program events including Diversity at Metro Day. Ms. Bennett introduced DEI staff: Patty Unfred, Bill Tolbert and Cassie Salinas, who provided more information about some of the new DEI events happening around the agency and presented the Metro Council with DEI Difference-Maker Award certificates for their ongoing support of the DEI Program.

5. **COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION**

Councilors provided updates on the following events or items: Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC) meeting, which discussed the Urban Growth Management Decision and results from the 2014 draft Urban Growth Report.

6. **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the regular meeting at 2:28 p.m. The Metro Council will convene the next regular council meeting on Thursday, February 12, 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. 29, 2015

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
2.2	Minutes	01/15/2015	Council Meeting Minutes from January 15, 2015	012915c-01