



METRO COUNCIL MEETING
Meeting Minutes
March 19, 2015
Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

Councilors Present: Deputy Council President Bob Stacey, and Councilors Shirley Craddick, Sam Chase, Carlotta Collette, and Craig Dirksen

Councilors Excused: Council President Tom Hughes and Councilor Kathryn Harrington

Deputy Council President Bob Stacey called the regular council meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

R.A. Fontes, Lake Oswego: Mr. Fontes addressed the Metro Council on the Willamette Shoreline, requesting that the Council support a trail versus the street car plan. He stated that the trail would serve more people than a street car would, citing an alternatives analysis report which provided projections. He also discussed the lack of direct and safe routes for pedestrians and cyclists between Lake Oswego and the Sellwood Bridge, which would be addressed with a built trail.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

2.1 **Resolution No. 15-4611**, For the Purpose of Confirming the Reappointment of Adrian Esteban and Cora Potter and Appointment of Jared Franz and Lanny Gower as Citizen Representatives to the Transportation Policy Alternatives Committee

2.2 Consideration of Council Meeting Minutes for March 12, 2015

Motion:	Councilor Shirley Craddick moved to adopt the consent agenda items.
Second:	Councilor Carlotta Collette seconded the motion.

Vote:	Deputy Council President Stacey, and Councilors Dirksen, Craddick, Collette, and Chase voted in support of the motion. The vote was 5 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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3. ORDINANCES (SECOND READ)

3.1 **Ordinance No. 15-1353**, For the Purpose of Amending and Readopting Metro Code 7.03 (Investment Policy) for FY 2015-16

Motion:	Councilor Sam Chase moved to approve Ordinance No. 15-1353.
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Second:	Councilor Craig Dirksen seconded the motion.
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Deputy Council President Stacey introduced Metro staff, Calvin Smith, to provide a brief staff report. Mr. Smith provided a brief overview of the process regarding the code updates and re-adoption of the Investment Policy, public comments received during the process and how those comments and suggestions were incorporated into the amended Investment Policy.

Council discussion

Councilors discussed prohibited investments, social impacts in investments, the frequency in updating this policy to conform to the State’s Treasury Sample Investment Policy, and other improvements based on best practices.

Vote:	Deputy Council President Stacey, and Councilors Craddick, Dirksen, Collette, and Chase voted in support of the motion. The vote was 5 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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3.2 Ordinance No. 15-1352, For the Purpose of Adopting Solid Waste Charges and User Fees for FY 2015-16

Motion:	Councilor Sam Chase moved to approve Ordinance No. 15-1352.
Second:	Councilor Carlotta Collette seconded the motion.

Deputy Council President Stacey introduced Metro Assistant Finance Director, Brian Kennedy, to provide a brief staff report. Mr. Kennedy explained the solid waste charges and user fees for FY 2015-16, as well as changes in the process to develop the rates this year including using a consultant to review the rate model and make recommendations, using the new tool (based on these recommendations) to develop the FY 2015-16 rates, and per Metro Code, engaged an independent review of the new rate model and the rates. He stated that the review found that the rate model was well designed, the cost allocation methods were sound and fair and that the recommended rates adequately covered system costs. He also noted that the result of all of this means a decrease in Metro’s rate for waste at the landfill will be decreasing by \$2.21 per ton, beginning July 1st, which represents a savings to rate-payers of nearly \$1 million in the next year alone.

Deputy Council President Stacey opened up the ordinance for a public hearing. There were no comments or testimony.

Council discussion

There was none.

Vote:	Deputy Council President Stacey, and Councilors Craddick, Dirksen, Collette, and Chase voted in support of the motion. The vote was 5 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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4. RESOLUTIONS

4.1 Resolution No. 15-4615, For the Purpose of Amending the FY 2014-15 Budget and Appropriations Schedule and FY 2014-15 through FY 2018-19 Capital Improvement Plan to Provide for a Change in Operations

Motion:	Councilor Sam Chase moved to approve Resolution 15-4615.
Second:	Councilor Craig Dirksen seconded the motion.

Deputy Council President Stacey introduced Ms. Kathy Rutkowski to provide a brief staff report on the resolution. Ms. Rutkowski presented the March budget amendment, which includes nine items that were identified since November 2014, which needed some form of budget action and that range between operating and capital items as well as some staffing increases.

Council discussion

Councilors discussed some of the capital improvement costs relating to energy-efficiency.

Vote: Deputy Council President Stacey, and Councilors Craddick, Collette, Dirksen, and Chase voted in support of the motion. The vote was 5 ayes, the motion passed.

4.2 Resolution No. 15-4595, For the Purpose of Approving Amended Construction Excise Tax Administrative Rules Proposed by the Metro Chief Operating Officer for the Community Planning and Development Grant Program

Motion:	Councilor Carlotta Collette moved to approve Resolution 15-4595.
Second:	Councilor Shirley Craddick seconded the motion.

Deputy Council President Stacey introduced Metro staff, Gerry Uba and John Williams, to provide a brief staff report. Mr. Williams discussed the importance of the Community Planning and Development Grant Program, explaining that it is one of the only sources of planning and development grant funds for local communities across the region and is only eligible to local governments, cities and counties. He mentioned that since 2006, Metro has awarded over \$14 million in grants to just about every local jurisdiction in the region. Mr. Williams noted that there have been changes to the administrative rules before and that this resolution was to approve the most recent round of proposed revisions to the administrative rules, which were reviewed by many external stakeholders and recommended by Metro’s technical and policy advisory committees.

Council discussion

Councilors discussed some of the changes to the rules including a new social equity criteria, preapplication meeting, and changes to the screening committee. Councilors thanked Mr. Williams and Mr. Uba for their hard work on the project.

Vote: Deputy Council President Stacey, and Councilors Craddick, Collette, Dirksen, and Chase voted in support of the motion. The vote was 5 ayes, the motion passed.

5. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

Mr. Scott Robinson, Deputy COO, provided an update on the following events or items: Spring Break week events at EXPO and the Oregon Convention Center, including the Roadster Show and the NW Dance Show, as well as the Nature Ranger classes at the Oregon Zoo, free admission at all of the Metro nature parks (all open for the week), US Track and Field Championships coming to the Oregon Convention Center later this year, and the Nature In Neighborhoods next cycle starting with pre-applications due on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 by 4pm.

6. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Councilors provided updates on the following events or items: Blue Heron Design Committee update on choosing the final three design teams (final decision to be made in June), JPACT meeting, Bi-State Coordinating Committee meeting, Nature In Neighborhoods Bond Oversight Committee meeting, upcoming Metro 101 forums and remembrance of Gretchen Kafoury.

7. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Deputy Council President Stacey adjourned the regular meeting at 3:31 p.m. The Metro Council will convene the next regular council meeting on Thursday, April 2, 2015 at 2 p.m. at the Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber.

Respectfully submitted,



Alexandra Eldridge, Regional Engagement & Legislative Coordinator

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF MAR. 19, 2015

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
1.0	Testimony	03/19/2015	Testimony handout from R.A. Fontes	031915c-01
2.2	Minutes	03/12/2015	Council Meeting minutes from March 12, 2015	031915c-02