



METRO COUNCIL MEETING
Meeting Minutes
May 7, 2015
Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

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

Councilors Excused: Council President Tom Hughes

Deputy Council President Bob Stacey called the regular council meeting to order at 2:06 p.m.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

2. CELEBRATING ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PRESENTATION

Councilor Chase introduced Reverend Joseph Santos-Lyons, (APANO), and Ms. Lisa Hasegawa, National Coalition for Asian Pacific American Community Development, to talk about Asian Pacific Heritage Month and the Asian Pacific Islander communities in the Portland region. Mr. Santos-Lyons discussed the changing demographics in the area, particularly the fast-growing population of Asian and Pacific Islanders, as well as the history and economic contribution of the community in the Portland area. He noted that the Vietnamese and Chinese communities are the largest Asian communities in the Oregon, with Korean, Japanese and Filipinos as the second largest, and also noted the number of languages that are of Asian or Pacific Islander extraction, such as over 92 spoken in our schools. Mr. Santos-Lyons discussed some of the statewide and local issues that APANO works on including good consistent standards for data collection (without aggregating in big lumps), disparities relating to access to jobs, education and health, and fully engaging the community early on in all levels. He also discussed the current work and success in the APANO-Metro partnership in the Jade District and on land use and transportation planning projects including around SE Division and SE 82nd. He thanked Metro for their hard work and partnership with the communities.

Next, Ms. Lisa Hasegawa described her organization, which is a national coalition of local community-based organizations (like APANO is locally), looking at national community development issues. Ms. Hasegawa discussed types of community development through her organization including household counseling groups, micro-lending, small business technical assistance, assistance with grants, and research reports on poverty and demographics. She further discussed the increased poverty among the native-born Asian Americans (more so than those that are immigrants or refugees), relating issues such as housing and some potential strategies to look at for Oregon's population.

Council discussion

Councilors thanked APANO for their partnership and work in the community, as well as Ms. Hasegawa for coming to speak today. They noted the great discussions and plans for the Powell-

Division area as well as strong community participation through APANO’s network at public events relating to the Powell-Division area projects, in addition to helping with discussions around affordable housing, displacement and equity issues. Councilors discussed the history of Chinatowns around the country and any shifts from residential to solely commercial/retail districts, similar to what has happened in Portland. Councilors also discussed longer-term issues and possible strategies relating to affordable housing, access to transit, community engagement, home ownership, and investments in neighborhoods (creating a sense of place).

3. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion:	Councilor Craig Dirksen moved to adopt items on the consent agenda.
Second:	Councilor Sam Chase seconded the motion.

Vote: Deputy Council President Stacey, and Councilors Harrington, Chase, Collette, Craddick, and Dirksen voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion passed.

4. RESOLUTIONS

4.1 Resolution No. 15-4619, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to Sell Certain Real Property as Part of the Natural Areas Program

Motion:	Councilor Carlotta Collette moved to approve Resolution 15-4619.
Second:	Councilor Shirley Craddick seconded the motion.

Deputy Council President Stacey introduced Dan Moeller, Metro staff, to provide a brief staff presentation. Mr. Moeller discussed the purpose of the resolution, which is to dispose of five houses and a group of non-buildable lots and one subdivision, currently on Metro properties that were purchased with bond funds. Mr. Moeller noted that the proceeds from the sale of the properties will be administered according to the bond regulations, allowing Metro to acquire other properties as directed in the bond measure.

Council discussion

Councilor Chase thanked staff for working with him on this resolution and for taking time to research and look into the issues that he had brought up in past work sessions. There were no further comments or questions.

Vote: Deputy Council President Stacey, and Councilors Harrington, Craddick, Collette, Dirksen, and Chase voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion passed.

4.2 Resolution No. 15-4612, For the Purpose of Adopting the Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-16, Making Appropriations, Levying Ad Valorem Taxes, and Authorizing an Interfund Loan

Deputy Council President Stacey stated that Martha Bennett, Metro Chief Operating Officer, in her capacity as Metro's Budget Officer, presented the proposed budget to the Metro Council, sitting as the Metro Budget Committee, at the April 16, 2015 meeting. He noted that this resolution, which formally would adopt the budget, was read into the record, a public hearing was held, and then the resolution is carried over to today's meeting for an additional public hearing. He stated that in addition to today's meeting, the resolution would be heard again and voted on in June. Deputy Council President Stacey stated that Council would also be considering a separate resolution at today's meeting that would approve the proposed budget and transit it to the Multnomah County Tax Supervising and Conservation Commission for review.

Deputy Council President Stacey opened up a public hearing. There were no public comments, so the public hearing was closed.

Council discussion

There was none.

4.3 Resolution No. 15-4613, For the Purpose of Approving the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget, Setting Property Tax Levies and Transmitting the Approved Budget to the Multnomah County Tax Supervising and Conservation Commission

Motion:	Councilor Shirley Craddick moved to approve Resolution 15-4613.
Second:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington seconded the motion.

Deputy Council President Stacey introduced Tim Collier, Metro Finance and Regulatory Services Director, to provide a brief staff report on the resolution. Mr. Collier reiterated the resolution title to describe the purpose and reminded Council that Metro proposes three tax levies at a rate set under Measure 50, which cannot be increased. He noted that Council will participate in a hearing on June 4th with the Multnomah County Tax Supervising and Conservation Commission, then will hold additional budget meetings in June to discuss, consider and vote on any amendments and ultimately adopt the budget prior to June 30th.

Council discussion

Councilors noted that this was a good budget and that the Metro COO works very collaboratively with the Metro Council to put together a strategic budget, incorporating feedback from staff as well. There was no further discussion.

Vote:	Deputy Council President Stacey, and Councilors Harrington, Craddick, Collette, Dirksen, and Chase voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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4.4 Resolution No. 15-4629, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Metro Attorney to Defend, Appeal, or Commence Litigation Related to Ownership of Burial Rights at Metro's Historic Cemeteries

Motion:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington moved to approve Resolution 15-4629.
Second:	Councilor Carlotta Collette seconded the motion.

Deputy Council President Stacey introduced Ms. Michelle Bellia, Office of the Metro Attorney, to provide a brief staff report. Ms. Bellia provided a brief background noting that this resolution primarily authoring the Metro Attorney to take legal action if necessary on behalf of the Metro Council related to Metro's Historic Cemeteries.

Council discussion

There was no discussion.

Vote:

Deputy Council President Stacey, and Councilors Harrington, Craddick, Collette, Dirksen, and Chase voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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5. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

Ms. Martha Bennett provided an update on the following events or items: Opening of K-Unamokwst Park (formerly Cully Park) and the recent award received by Human Resources Director, Mary Rowe, on behalf of Metro, for "Excellence in the Medium (sized) Agency class" by the International Public Management Association for Human Resources Western Region Conference and Mother's Day Smash-Up Brunch at the Oregon Zoo on Sunday.

6. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings or events: the Division-Midway Alliance Visioning open house, Powell-Division Bus Rapid Transit Development Project open house in Gresham inviting residents to look at potential route options, Powell-Division project staff meeting with the North Central Neighborhood in Gresham to discuss Bus Rapid Transit options, grand opening of Ringside at Glendoveer Golf Course, Welcome Home campaign event, State of Black Oregon presentation & report, Tualatin Mountains event and public meetings on property usage, MERC meeting on the Equity Strategy, Central Enhancement Committee meeting on new guidelines, Region 1 ACT nominating committee meeting to select committee members, Age-Friendly Housing conference, presentation by David Allway of the Oregon DEQ on food scrap handling solutions, joint open house hosted by ODOT and the City of Hillsboro on the Cornelius Pass Road interchange improvements with Highway 26, Multnomah County Cornelius Pass Road Safety Committee meeting, Quarterly Policy Committee meeting for the Regional Disaster Preparedness Organization, Nature In Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee, and the Rose Apartments opening in Gateway area.

7. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Deputy Council President Stacey adjourned the regular meeting at 3: 09 pm. The Metro Council will convene the next regular council meeting on Thursday, May 14, 2015 at 2 p.m. at the Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber.

Respectfully submitted,



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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF MAY 7, 2015

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
2.0	Handout	05/01/2015	Executive Summary of the Poverty Report (National CAPACD)	050715c-01
2.0	Handout	05/01/2015	JADE District and APANO handout	050715c-02
3.4	Minutes	04/16/2015	Council Meeting Minutes from Apr. 16, 2015	050715c-03