



**METRO COUNCIL WORK SESSION**  
Meeting Minutes  
June 30, 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 2:02 p.m.

**1. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION**

Deputy Chief Operating Officer Scott Robinson updated the Council on the following items:

- Mr. Robinson reminded Council that the July 2<sup>nd</sup> Council Meeting is canceled.
- The Summer Arts on Main Street series put on by Portland'5 begins Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> and occurs every Wednesday through September 2<sup>nd</sup>. Councilors are encouraged to attend.
- The Expo Center will host the PDX Drive-In Movie Spectacular, a drive in movie event on the weekends of August 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Ms. Elissa Gertler and Mr. Dan Kaempff provided a brief update of MTIP RFFA process and outreach. The public comment period will be delayed.

**2. CONDORS AND WILDLIFE & LEAD OUTREACH PROGRAM UPDATE**

- Mr. David Shepherdson briefed Council on the Condors of the Columbia exhibit, developments, potential condor release in Northern California and the Oregon Zoo's Wildlife and Lead Outreach Program. This program is supported by Council Resolution No. 14-4538, highlighting the rationale for conducting outreach, setting goals and objectives, creating an action plan, and accomplishments to date.
- Lead fragments in animal carrion from disintegrated lead bullets leads to lead poisoning in scavengers such as condors and is the primary cause of death in condors.
- Mr. Grant Spickelmier described the survey results of the exit interview at the Oregon Zoo's condor exhibit and the success of the exhibit in protecting condors. The "Get the lead out" poster featuring an x-ray image of a deer carcass with lead fragments from a bullet and a condor eating a dead deer was the most compelling poster.
- Mr. Leland Brown explained the environmental health problems caused by hunting with lead based ammunition. Wildlife and human exposure to lead can lead to lead poisoning and death in many animals. Conducting outreach to stakeholders such as hunting groups, sportsman organizations, and wildlife protection and conservation agencies promotes

responsible hunting practices. Outreach to hunting groups also breaks down perceived barriers regarding non-lead based ammunition.

***Council Discussion:***

- Councilor Carlotta Collette inquired as to why animals that have been killed by hunters are being left in the wild and not taken away by the hunters.
  - Mr. Brown answered that the hunters leave certain portions of the animal meat behind that may contain fragments of lead based bullets. This meat is a great source of food for scavenging animals, except when contaminated with lead.
- Councilor Collette also inquired about the NRA's stance on switching to non-lead based ammunition.
  - Mr. Brown answered that while the NRA does not oppose switching to hunting with non-lead based ammunition they do oppose any sort regulation of ammunition.
- Councilor Shirley Craddick inquired about how to increase non-lead based ammunition on retail shelves.
  - Mr. Brown answered that currently about 5% of ammunition manufactured is non-lead based, but if demand increased, manufacturing of non-lead based ammunition would also increase.
- Councilor Kathryn Harrington appreciates and supports the Wildlife and Lead Outreach Program and inquired about what agencies manage the conservation of California Condors.
  - Mr. Shepherdson answered that the U.S. Department of Fish and Wildlife is the main agency that oversees and manages the conservation of California Condors.
- Mr. Shepherdson added that manufacturers do not advertise non-lead bullets as "non-lead", but as performance bullets due to their higher performance.
- Councilor Craig Dirksen suggested that marketing non-lead based ammunition as "non-toxic ammunition" may have better results and raise awareness.

**3. COUNCIL LIAISON UPDATES AND COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

- Councilor Craddick participated in a dedication ceremony to Portland's firefighters on Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup> as well as participating with Council President Tom Hughes in the Port of Portland's groundbreaking ceremony on one of their properties in Troutdale, which will be the largest redevelopment of a brownfield in Oregon's history.
- Councilor Collette and Councilor Craddick attended a Clackamas County Cities Dinner and Happy Valley celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a city. Councilor Carlotta added that the Pickathon 2015 Independent Music Festival will take place July 30<sup>th</sup> to August 2<sup>nd</sup>. The festival only uses re-usable materials for the event and a free shuttle pass is provided with every ticket to travel to the event by the Max Train and bus lines.
- Councilor Stacey attended the Portland Parking Symposium Monday, June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Councilor Dirksen and Councilor Harrington attended the grand opening of Orchards at Orenco Station. Orchards is a low income housing development and the apartment building qualifies as the largest building in the U.S. that is a "passive house" through the use of very passive energy techniques that reduce energy usage up to 90%.
- President Tom Hughes announced that the City of Hillsboro will be having their Happy Days Parade on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

Seeing no further business, Council President Tom Hughes adjourned the Council work session at 3:42 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Botond Kovacs". The signature is written in black ink and includes a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Botond Kovacs, Council Policy Assistant

**ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JUNE. 30, 2015**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DOCUMENT TYPE</b>	<b>DOC DATE</b>	<b>DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>DOCUMENT No.</b>
<b>3.0</b>	Articles	06/30/15	The Oregon Zoo's Anti-Lead Ammunition Crusade Continues	063015cw-01
<b>3.0</b>	Brochure	06/30/15	Why Non-lead Ammunition?	063015cw-02
<b>3.0</b>	Brochure	06/30/15	Hunting with Non-lead Ammunition	063015cw-03