



METRO COUNCIL MEETING
Meeting Minutes
November 5, 2015
Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

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

Councilors Excused: None

Council President Tom Hughes called the regular council meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

Sharon Nasset, Vancouver: Ms. Nasset addressed the Metro Council regarding the October meeting of the Southwest Regional Transportation Council and the Columbia River Crossing project.

Courtney Scott, Portland: Ms. Scott addressed the Metro Council on conservation at the Oregon Zoo, specifically relating to elephants, and listing elephants (living and deceased) previously at the Oregon Zoo.

Mars Green, Portland: Ms. Green addressed the Metro Council on the Oregon Zoo elephants and requested that Packy be sent to an elephant sanctuary.

Nancy Shaw, Portland: Ms. Shaw spoke to the Metro Council about the Draft Environmental Assessment: Dallas Zoo Management document and the capture/import of elephants from the wild to zoos as a practice.

Sandy Miller, Portland: Ms. Miller addressed the Metro Council on Oregon Zoo elephants, specifically Packy, and their general welfare and lack of exercise.

2. CONSIDERATION OF THE OCTOBER 29, 2015 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Motion:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington moved to adopt the Council Meeting Minutes from October 29, 2015.
Second:	Councilor Bob Stacey seconded the motion.

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

3. PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE NO. 15-1361

Council President Hughes noted that this would be the third and final public hearing on Ordinance No. 15-1361 (the first was held September 24, 2015, the second was held on October 29, 2015). He added that the second reading of the ordinance, Council consideration, and vote would occur on Thursday, November 12. Council President Hughes noted that we received written testimony to be added to the record, but that no one was in the audience who wanted to testify. Council President Hughes opened the public hearing on Ordinance No. 15-1361 and called for anyone to come forward to testify. Seeing no one, Council President Hughes closed the public hearing.

Council discussion

There were no questions for staff or Council discussion.

4. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

Mr. Scott Robinson provided an update on the following events or items: upcoming Native American Veterans Day event on Tuesday, November 10th in the Oregon Convention Center, Partners in Nature open house event on November 10th for people to learn more about the program, the Blue Lake Regional Park Master Plan's digital planning forum open between November 16 – 20th, and Portland'5 season events new brochure.

5. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings or events: Council President Hughes asked for a quick thumbs up/down vote on approval of authorization for the members of the Metro Council to represent the agency at the upcoming Travel Portland Fam Tour (Dec. 3-5) and councilors all gave thumbs up.

6. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the regular meeting at 2:27 p.m. The Metro Council will convene the next regular council meeting on Thursday, November 12, 2015 at 2 p.m. at the Metro Regional Center in the council chamber.

Respectfully submitted,



Alexandra Eldridge, Regional Engagement & Legislative Coordinator

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF NOV. 5, 2015

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
1.0	Testimony handouts	11/05/15	Testimony from Courtney Scott: Oregon Zoo's Forgotten Elephants	110515c-01
1.0	Testimony handouts	09/25/15	Testimony from Nancy Shaw: Draft Environmental Assessment for Dallas Zoo Management	110515c-02
2.0	Minutes	10/29/2015	Council Meeting Minutes from October 29, 2015	110515c-03
3.0	Testimony, public hearing	11/05/15	Letter from HBA on Ordinance No. 15-1361	110515c-04
3.0	Testimony, public hearing	11/05/15	Letter from EMEA on Ordinance No. 15-1361	110515c-05
3.0	Testimony, public hearing	11/05/15	Letter from 1000 Friends on Ordinance No. 15-1361	110515c-06