



METRO COUNCIL MEETING
Meeting Minutes
November 12, 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

James Jordan, Happy Valley: Mr. Jordan addressed Metro Council about Happy Valley not providing connectivity of wildlife habitat areas near Metro's Happy Valley Nature Park and Mitchell Creek Natural Area.

2. AUDITOR ANNUAL REPORT PRESENTATION

Council President Hughes introduced Metro Auditor Brian Evans for a brief presentation on the annual auditor's report for fiscal year 14-15. Mr. Evans highlighted how the report serves a number of purposes, including to demonstrate the value and mission of Metro's auditor office at its most basic, to brief Metro Council and the public on what the auditor's office has accomplished this year, and to detail how the many resources have been used to accomplish those items. Mr. Evans spoke to how the report demonstrates the values of accountability and transparency by reporting information publically about performance and using that information to make changes when performance has not been what is expected. Mr. Evans added that the report is a way for Metro to show leadership by demonstrating how a performance measurement system can be used in the public sector and the value of using performance measures to improve things over time. Mr. Evans noted that there are three areas where he would like to see improvement, including working with management to increase the implementation of the recommendations, looking at increasing the response rates to a post-audit survey conducted by Metro, and addressing imbalances in audit coverage between departments. Mr. Evans added that for the fiscal year 2015-16, there are four audits on schedule with two audits being completed by the end of this year.

Council discussion:

Councilors thanked Mr. Evans and Metro staff for the annual report and their passion and commitment to serving the public. Additionally, Councilors conveyed their appreciation that the Metro Chief Operating Officer will be looking deeper into the complexity and longer implementation of some of the recommendations.

3. CONSIDERATION OF THE NOVEMBER 5, 2015 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Motion:	Councilor Craig Dirksen moved to adopt the Council Meeting Minutes from November 5, 2015.
Second:	Councilor Sam Chase 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.

4. RESOLUTIONS

4.1 **Resolution No. 15-4656**, For the Purpose of Authorizing an Exemption from Competitive Bidding and Authorizing Procurement of Construction Manager/General Contractor Services by Competitive Request for Proposals for the Construction of the new Polar Bear Habitat and Associated Infrastructure at the Oregon Zoo

Motion:	Councilor Shirley Craddick moved to approve Resolution 15-4656.
Second:	Councilor Carlotta Collette seconded the motion.

Council President Hughes introduced Ms. Heidi Rahn, Oregon Zoo Bond Program Director, and Ms. Gabriele Schuster, Metro procurement manager, to provide a brief presentation on the Oregon Zoo’s plan to construct a new polar bear habitat as part of executing the 2008 capital improvement bond. Ms. Schuster noted that procurement services is asking to exempt the polar bear project from the competitive low-bid approach and recommends the construction manager/general contractor (CMGC) as the best procurement process for this project. Ms. Schuster added that CMGC method can save both cost and time, while reducing risk since the contractor can provide feedback during the design phase and identify any potential challenges early in the process.

Council discussion:

Councilors conveyed their support, as this process has been successful in many complex projects that have been already been completed at the Oregon Zoo, and discussed the need to meet and achieve Metro’s goals relating to minority, women, and emerging small business (MWESB) contracting.

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

4.2 **Resolution No. 15-4666**, For the Purpose of Suspending Provisions in the Metro Code, Title V, Related to Enhanced Dry Waste Recovery Program

Motion:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington moved to approve Resolution 15-4666.
Second:	Councilor Bob Stacey seconded the motion.

Council President Hughes introduced Mr. Paul Slyman, Director of Property and Environmental Services, and Mr. Roy Brower to provide a brief presentation on the resolution that proposes to

suspend portions of Metro’s Solid Waste Code, Title V. Mr. Slyman provided a broad overview of the circumstances that necessitate the changes and how Metro is involved in moving forward. Mr. Brower discussed the regulatory changes that are proposed in the resolution, noting that the resolution proposes to take a highly unusual step of suspending certain portions of Metro’s Solid Waste Code that pertain to the enhanced dry waste recovery program, relating specifically to wood waste. Mr. Brower noted that the resolution will also direct the Chief Operating Officer to notify facilities about these changes once they’re made, provide more detailed information about the specific implementation guidelines for facility operators, and report to the Metro Council when and if market conditions change and in order to reinstate these provisions, introduce a resolution that would reinstate the code provisions.

Council discussion:

Councilors thanked Metro staff and conveyed their appreciation of the resolution being brought forward to make unfortunate, but necessary, adjustments to Metro’s recovery requirements.

Vote:

Council President Hughes, and Councilors Chase, Stacey, Dirksen, Craddick, and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .

5. ORDINANCES (SECOND READ)

5.1 **Ordinance No. 15-1361**, For the Purpose of Adopting the 2014 Urban Growth Report and Complying with Regional Growth Management Requirements Under ORS 197.299 and Statewide Planning Goal 14

Motion:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington moved to approve Ordinance 15-1361.
Second:	Councilor Bob Stacey seconded the motion.

Council discussion:

Councilors thanked Metro staff and expressed their support of the Chief Operating Officer’s recommendation to not expand the urban growth boundary.

Vote:

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

6. RECESS

7. SPECIAL PRESENTATION: CLEAN WATER SERVICES AWARD

Council President Hughes introduced Bruce Roll, Watershed Management Department Director for Clear Water Services, for a brief presentation on the Trees for All program and the goal to plant a million trees in twenty years. Mr. Roll highlighted the history of the Healthy Streams Plan, spoke to the various partners who have joined together for restoration work and extensive tree planting, and noted to the importance of planting trees and maintaining a healthy environment around the region. Mr. Roll thanked Metro staff for their hard work and commitment to this project. Mr. Roll

played a video chronicling the first year of planting and presented Metro Council with an award on behalf of the Tree for All program.

Council discussion:

Councilors thanked voters for their funding support for restoration efforts and Mr. Roll, as well as Metro staff, for their continued hard work.

8. Resolution No. 15-4644, For the Purpose of Approving 2015 Nature in Neighborhoods Restoration and Community Stewardship Grants

Motion:	Councilor Carlotta Collette moved to approve Resolution 15-4666.
Second:	Councilor Craig Dirksen seconded the motion.

Council President Hughes introduced Ms. Heather Nelson Kent to provide a brief presentation on the resolution. Ms. Nelson Kent spoke to Metro Council's considerable investment in grants given to community groups, non-profits, local governments, and other organizations. Ms. Nelson Kent noted that these grants are designed to improve water quality and wildlife habitat and give people of all ages opportunities to learn about and connect with nature. Ms. Nelson Kent introduced Ms. Renee Meyer, The Forest Park Conservancy, and Ms. Rachel Felice, Portland Parks and Recreation, for a brief presentation on the Restore Forest Park project. Ms. Jenny Dezso, Clackamas River Basin Council, highlighted the Nature in Neighborhoods Restoration and Community Stewardship grant committee review process and noted that fifteen highly compelling projects were selected for recommended funding. Ms. Nelson Kent briefly read through the fifteen projects and recognized the various partners associated with each project.

Council discussion:

Councilors congratulated all recommended grant award recipients, thanked Metro staff and the presenters for their commitment and hard work, and conveyed their excitement and appreciation for the recommended grant projects.

Vote:

Council President Hughes, and Councilors Stacey, Dirksen, Collette, Craddick, and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> . Councilor Chase needed to leave and was not present for this vote.

9. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

Ms. Martha Bennett provided an update on the following events or items: an Oregon Park and Recreation Association award presented to Metro, Metro's Charitable Giving Month, G9 meeting, and Metro's Veterans Day parade.

10. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings or events: JPACT meeting, West Side Economic Alliance breakfast forum, Washington County Transportation Futures Study, Blue Lake Regional Park master plan committee meeting, and Bi-State Coordination Committee meeting.

11. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the regular meeting at 5:05 p.m. The Metro Council will convene the next regular council meeting on Thursday, November 19, 2015 at 2 p.m. at the Metro Regional Center in the council chamber.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kate Giraud". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kate Giraud, Council Policy Assistant

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF NOV. 12, 2015

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
1.0	Handout	11/12/2015	Testimony from James Jordan: Connectivity of Wildlife Habitats	111215c-01
3.0	Minutes	11/05/2015	Council Meeting Minutes from November 5, 2015	111215c-02
8.0	Handout	11/12/2015	Nature in Neighborhoods Restoration and Community Stewardship Grants 2015 Handout	111215c-03
8.0	Handout	11/12/2015	Restore Forest Park	111215c-04
10.0	Handout	11/12/2015	Washington County Transportation Futures Study	111215c-05