

## MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL REGIONAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, July 8, 1998

Metro Council Chamber

Members Present: Ruth McFarland (Chair), Patricia McCaig (Vice Chair), Rod Monroe

Members Absent: None.

Chair McFarland called the meeting to order at 1:37 PM.

### 1. INTRODUCTIONS

None.

### 2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

None.

### 3. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES OF JUNE 17, 1998

**Motion:**

Councilor McCaig moved to adopt the Regional Facilities Committee minutes of June 17, 1998.
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**Vote:**

Chair McFarland and Councilor McCaig voted aye. Councilor Monroe abstained. The vote was 2/1/0, and the motion passed.
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### 4. RESOLUTION NO. 98-2675, FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING THE CONTENT OF PRINTED MATERIALS FOR THE 1998 OREGON CONVENTION CENTER BOND MEASURE

Daniel Cooper, Metro General Counsel, explained the reason for the resolution. He said that the committee and the Council would be expected to approve fact sheets that can then be distributed at public expense, apart from the voter's pamphlet, to explain the bond measure. The material is based on language that was in the Council's resolution when it put the measure on the ballot, on language in the ballot title approved by a judge, and on language in the explanatory statement that will appear in the voter's pamphlet. Before this information can be distributed at public expense, this committee and the full Council must approve the content. The content must be neutral.

Councilor McFarland noted that the Metro Exposition-Recreation Commission had requested one change to the language that appears in the agenda packet. That change is shown as a strike-out in the version attached to the meeting record and replaces the words "local governments" with "Multnomah County." MERC wanted to make it clear which other jurisdiction will be contributing to this project.

Councilor McCaig said overall she is comfortable with the material. However, she asked why Metro is not mentioned in the fact sheet.

Jeffrey Blosser, Director, Oregon Convention Center, said the fact sheet focused more on the Center and its operations and what the ballot measure does. He said there is no reason that Metro cannot be mentioned. Councilor McCaig said voters normally want to know who is responsible for management.

Chair McFarland said Metro was mentioned once. Mr. Blosser said MERC is not mentioned either, but perhaps it should be. He suggested incorporating both entities in the second paragraph of the first page: "The Oregon Convention Center is a 5,000 square foot multi-purpose convention and trade show facility owned by Metro and operated by the Metro Exposition-Recreation Commission."

Chair McFarland asked if that would be allowed by law.

Mr. Cooper said the fact sheet would remain neutral if those names were added. He noted that the logos for both Metro and MERC would be printed on the fact sheets, anyway.

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**Motion:** Councilor Monroe moved to recommend Council adoption of Resolution No. 98-2675.

Chair McFarland asked that each language change be treated as a separate amendment.

**Motion to Amend the Main Motion:** Councilor Monroe moved to amend Resolution No. 98-2675 to add language identifying Metro as the Convention Center's owner and MERC as the operating entity.

**Vote on Motion to Amend the Main Motion:** Chair McFarland and Councilors McCaig and Monroe voted aye. The vote was 3/0 in favor, and the motion passed unanimously.

**Motion to Amend #2:** Councilor Monroe moved to amend Resolution No. 98-2675 to replace the words "local jurisdictions" with "Multnomah County."

**Vote on Motion to Amend #2:** Chair McFarland and Councilors McCaig and Monroe voted aye. The vote was 3/0 in favor, and the motion passed unanimously.

**Vote on Main Motion as Amended:** Chair McFarland and Councilors McCaig and Monroe voted aye. The vote was 3/0 in favor, and the motion passed unanimously.

Councilor Monroe will carry the resolution as amended to a meeting of the full Council.

**5. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:47 PM.

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**ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JULY 8, 1998**

The following have been included as part of the official public record.

<b>ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION</b>	<b>DOCUMENT DATE</b>	<b>DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>DOCUMENT NUMBER</b>
<b>Resolution No. 98-2675</b>	No date	Fact Sheet 1: Overview and Background (Oregon Convention Center Expansion, 1998 Ballot Measure 26-69)	070898RF-1