



METRO COUNCIL MEETING
Meeting Minutes
December 3, 2015
Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

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

Councilors Excused: Councilor Craig Dirksen

Council President Tom Hughes called the regular council meeting to order at 2:40 p.m.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

Art Lewellen, Portland: Mr. Lewellen addressed the Council regarding his opposition to a bridge and Bertha Tunnel project as proposed in Seattle, providing a Plan B design instead.

Nancy Shaw, Portland: Ms. Shaw addressed the Council on issues relating to the Oregon Zoo elephants, specifically Chendra, and requested that she be released to a sanctuary.

Annette Hadaway, Portland: Ms. Hadaway discussed her experience growing up in Portland and going to the Oregon Zoo, requesting that Packy the elephant be retired and moved to a sanctuary in California.

Dani Rukin, Portland: Ms. Rukin addressed the Council regarding the Oregon Zoo elephants, specifically the impacts of the concerts and ZooLights on their well being.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

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

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

3.1 **Resolution No. 15-4662**, For the Purpose of Approving a Work Plan and Public Engagement Plan for the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan Update

Motion:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington moved to approve Resolution 15-4662.
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Second:	Councilor Carlotta Collette seconded the motion.
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Council President Hughes introduced Metro staff, Kim Ellis, to provide a brief presentation. Ms. Ellis gave an overview of the resolution, noting the engagement process with elected officials, local governments, and community and business leaders throughout the region to identify the transportation challenges, opportunities, and priorities for the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan Update to address. She described that additional input was received through a number of other activities and tools, including an online public opinion poll, stakeholder interviews, and discussion groups with historically underrepresented communities. Ms. Ellis added that the resolution had been recommended for the Council's approval by the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation and the Metro Policy Advisory Committee as well.

Council discussion:

Councilors thanked staff for their work on this resolution and project, discussing changing demographics in the region and the significance of transportation in keeping this region a great place to live, work, and play. Councilors also highlighted the outreach approach and the importance of involving local governments and regional partners.

Vote:	Council President Hughes, and Councilors Chase, Craddick, Stacey, and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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4. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

Ms. Martha Bennett provided an update on the following events or items: December 7th "Walk This Way" Regional Snapshots speaker series event at Beaverton City Library at 10am along with a walking tour after, the last Newell Creek Canyon Nature Park open house on December 10th at 5:30pm at the old Oregon City High School.

5. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings or events: recent MERC meeting to review a new, larger geographical area for FOTA and update from recent Oregon Zoo Foundation meeting.

6. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the regular meeting at 4:57 p.m. The Metro Council will convene the next regular council meeting on Thursday, December 3, 2015 at 2 p.m. at the Metro Regional Center in the council chamber.

Respectfully submitted,



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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF DEC. 3, 2015

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
1.0	Handout, testimony	11/19/2015	Handouts from Art Lewellen: booklet on 1964 earthquake epicenter, packet of maps, and Portland Tribune article from 12/1/15 on Lotus Card Room building development	120315c-01
2.7	Minutes	11/19/2015	Council Meeting Minutes from November 19, 2015	120315c-02