



**METRO COUNCIL MEETING**  
Meeting Minutes  
June 23, 2016  
Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

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

Councilors Excused: Councilor Shirley Craddick

1. Council President Tom Hughes called the regular Council meeting to order at 2:03 pm.

2. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATION**

Ellen Ino, Portland: Ms. Ino thanked Metro staff for extending the toastmaster option to temporary employees, and urged Council to inform managers about that option. She also advised staff to consider training opportunities for seasonal and temporary workers, and expressed her appreciation for Goal C in the Strategic Plan to Advance Racial Equity, Diveristy and Inclusion.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion:	Councilor Craig Dirksen moved to adopt items on the consent agenda.
Second:	Councilor Carlotta Collette seconded the motion.

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

4. **RESOLUTIONS**

4.1 **Resolution No. 16-4709**, For the Purpose of Amending the FY 2015-16 Budget and Appropriations Schedule and FY 2015-16 Through Fiscal Year 2019-20 Capital Improvement Plan to Provide for a Change in Operations

Motion:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington moved to approve Resolution No. 16-4709.
Second:	Councilor Bob Stacey seconded the motion.

Council President Hughes called on Ms. Kathy Rutkowski, Metro staff, for a brief presentation. Ms. Rutkowski reviewed the five actions included in the resolution, three of which require changes in appropriations, and the remaining two which require changes to the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). She briefly discussed the three amendments requiring changes to appropriations, which include the need to develop a subfund for the Willamette Falls project, the contribution of Local

Share funds to Oregon City's Willamette Falls Riverwalk project, and the Director of MERC Communications and Strategic Development.

***Council discussion:***

There was none.

Vote: 

Council President Hughes, and Councilors Dirksen, Chase, Collette, Harrington, and Stacey voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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**4.2 Resolution No. 16-4712**, For the Purpose of Adopting the Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Years 2016-17 through 2020-21, Approving the Metropolitan Tourism Opportunity Competitiveness Account Projects and Re-Adopting Metro's Financial Policies

Motion:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington moved to approve Resolution No. 16-4712.
Second:	Councilor Bob Stacey seconded the motion.

Council President Hughes called on Mr. Tim Collier, Metro's director of Finance and Regulatory Services, for a brief presentation. Mr. Collier briefly discussed the three actions in the resolution, including the adoption of the CIP for FY 2016-17 through 2020-21, the re-adoption of Metro's financial policies, and the approval of the Metro Tourism Opportunity and Competitiveness Account (MTOCA).

***Council discussion:***

Councilor Harrington spoke to her appreciation for the work by Metro staff to ensure that the agency moves forward responsibly.

Vote: 

Council President Hughes, and Councilors Dirksen, Chase, Collette, Harrington, and Stacey voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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**4.3 Resolution No. 16-4697**, For the Purpose of Adopting the Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-17, Making Appropriations, Levying Ad Valorem Taxes, and Authorizing an Interfund Loan

Council President Hughes noted that Chief Operating Officer Martha Bennett, in her capacity as Metro's Budget Officer, presented the proposed budget to the Metro Council, sitting as the Metro Budget Committee, at the meeting on April 14<sup>th</sup>. At the April 14<sup>th</sup> meeting the resolution, which formally adopts the FY 16-17 budget, was read into the record, a motion was made to approve Resolution No. 16-4697 and adopt the proposed budget, and a public hearing was held. The Metro Council then held a work session to discuss the FY 2016-17 budget on Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, followed by a second public hearing on May 5<sup>th</sup>. Council President Hughes also noted that, following the second public hearing, the Metro Council held a successful joint meeting with the Multnomah County Tax Supervising & Conservation Commission (TSCC) in which we reviewed and clarified elements of the approved budget. He added that last week the Council considered amendments to the budget and held an additional public hearing to take public testimony on the proposed

amendments and the budget as a whole, and that today Council will hold the final public hearing and then consider the resolution.

Council President Hughes called on Mr. Tim Collier, Metro’s director of Finance and Regulatory Services, for a staff presentation. Mr. Collier briefly reviewed the budget process, noting that the approval of this resolution is the final step, and added that work sessions and public hearings have been held on the budget throughout process.

**Council discussion:**

Councilor Harrington requested a budget summary sheet, and Councilor Collette emphasized the amount of time and work that go into the annual budget, and noted her appreciation for holding a budget retreat at the beginning of each cycle.

Council President Hughes opened up a public hearing on Resolution No. 16-4697. Seeing no requests to testify, he closed the public hearing.

Vote:	Council President Hughes, and Councilors Dirksen, Chase, Collette, Harrington, and Stacey voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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**4.4 Resolution No. 16-4719, For the Purpose of Proclaiming June as LGBTQ Pride Month in the Metro Region**

Motion:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington moved to approve Resolution No. 16-4719.
Second:	Councilor Bob Stacey seconded the motion.

Council President Hughes introduced Resolution No. 16-4719, noting that approving this resolution reinforces Metro’s commitment to continued work on behalf of rights for the LGBTQ community. President Hughes provided statistics about violence against the LGBTQ community, and the Councilors read the proclamations of the resolution.

**Council discussion:**

There was none.

Vote:	Council President Hughes, and Councilors Dirksen, Chase, Collette, Harrington, and Stacey voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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**4.5 Resolution No. 16-4708, For the Purpose of Approving the Strategic Plan to Advance Racial Equity, Diversity and Inclusion**

Motion:	Councilor Sam Chase moved to approve Resolution No. 16-4708.
Second:	Councilor Bob Stacey seconded the motion.

Council President Hughes called on Ms. Martha Bennett, Metro Chief Operating Officer, to introduce the resolution. Ms. Bennett thanked Council for their support of this resolution, recognition of the barriers to equity, and decision to focus on racial equity. She noted that advances in equity will benefit the entire region, and expressed her appreciation for the plan's inclusion of department-specific action plans. She also spoke to the plan's practicality and its addition of implementation tools for all staff levels regarding identifying barriers, and identifying strengths that communities of color can bring to the table. Lastly, she emphasized that the plan was co-created by staff and by the communities it is trying to serve.

Ms. Bennett thanked the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) team for their hard work and called on Ms. Patty Unfred, Metro's director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, and Mr. Juan Carlos Ocaña-Chú, Mr. Scotty Ellis, Ms. Amy Croover, Ms. Cassie Salinas, and Ms. Nyla Moore, Metro staff, for a brief presentation.

Ms. Unfred briefly reviewed the history of the plan, and of DEI work within Metro, Mr. Ocaña-Chú reviewed the plan's content, Mr. Ellis provided his perspective as a community advocate and work team member, Ms. Salinas discussed the role of the community in developing the plan, Ms. Croover emphasized the importance of DEI work to Metro staff, and Ms. Moore recalled her experience as a new Metro employee and why the work is important within the agency. Ms. Unfred thanked the Council, Metro staff, the DEI team, Ms. Bennett, Mr. Scott Robinson, Metro's Senior Leadership Team, members of the Equity Strategy Advisory Committee (ESAC), and the community for their hard work and support.

***Council discussion:***

The Councilors thanked Metro staff, the DEI team, ESAC members, and the community for their hard work and input. Councilor Stacey highlighted the economic benefits that will come from advancements in equity in the region and noted that it is the duty of governments to remove racial barriers and discrimination, Councilor Chase emphasized the importance of taking action and implementing the plan, and Councilor Harrington spoke to the plan as becoming a building block for the betterment of communities in the future. Councilor Dirksen added that the strategic plan is not the final step but provides a direction of where to go in the future, Councilor Collette spoke to the community engagement that went into the plan, and President Hughes emphasized the importance of promoting racial equity within Metro as well as throughout the region.

Vote: 

Council President Hughes, and Councilors Dirksen, Chase, Collette, Harrington, and Stacey voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u> .
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**5. ORDINANCES (SECOND READ)**

**5.1 Ordinance No. 16-1376, For the Purpose of Annexing to the Metro District Boundary Approximately 4.58 Acres Located at 7270 NW Helvetia Road in Hillsboro**

Motion:	Councilor Sam Chase moved to approve Resolution No. 16-4708.
Second:	Councilor Bob Stacey seconded the motion.

Council President Hughes noted that the first reading and public hearing for Ordinance No. 16-1376 took place on Thursday, June 16, 2016.

***Council discussion:***

There was none.

Vote: 

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

Chief Operating Officer, Ms. Martha Bennett, provided an update on the following events or items: upgrades to equipment in the Council chamber, the identification of a gender inclusive bathroom in the Metro Regional Center, the golden shovel event at Bull Mountain Park, and the reception following today's Council meeting in rooms 370A&B to celebrate the adoption of the Strategic Plan to Advance Racial Equity, Diversity and Inclusion.

**7. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION**

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings or events: the Freight Roundtable hosted by the US Department of Transportation, the Willamette Falls Heritage Area Coalition Celebration, and the Oregon Longevity Economy report.

**8. ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the regular meeting at 3:41 p.m. The Metro Council will convene at the next regular council meeting on Thursday, June 30, 2016 at 1 p.m. in the Main Auditorium at Willamette View Retirement Community in Oak Grove.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Kyra Schneider, Council Policy Assistant

**ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JUNE 23, 2016**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Doc. Date</b>	<b>Document Description</b>	<b>Doc. Number</b>
2.0	Minutes	06/16/2016	Council Meeting Minutes on June 16, 2016	062316c-01