

## MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL WORK SESSION MEETING

Tuesday, June 21, 2005  
Metro Council Chamber

Councilors Present: David Bragdon (Council President), Susan McLain, Robert Liberty, Rex Burkholder, Brian Newman, Carl Hosticka

Councilors Absent: Rod Park (excused)

Council President Bragdon convened the Metro Council Work Session Meeting at 2:03 p.m.

### **1. DISCUSSION OF AGENDA FOR COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING, JUNE 23, 2005/ ADMINISTRATIVE/CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER AND CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS**

Council President Bragdon reviewed the Metro Council Agenda for June 23, 2005. Councilor Burkholder spoke to a proposed budget amendment concerning the North Portland Enhancement Committee fund. He talked about money that was normally set aside. He noted the demand had increased. They asked if there was some way to stabilize the fund. His amendment was a one-time proposal. He suggested a conversation about stabilizing the fund. Councilor Newman asked about 4.2 Ordinance No. 05-1085. Council President Bragdon raised the issue of the \$80,000 proposed amendment. Council decided to discuss the issue at an upcoming Council Retreat.

Eddy Day, 27730 SE Orient, Gresham, OR 97080 said he owned a piece of property in the Springwater area. He had been actively seeking to allow his zoning to be retained. He suggested that the recommendation be respected. Council President Bragdon said the Council's overview was very broad but they would be listening for input.

### **2. SPRINGWATER COMMUNITY PLAN**

Ray Valone, Planning Department, introduced Terry Calthorpe, City of Gresham and Glen Bolen, Fregonese Group. He explained the Springwater Community Plan. He provided a brief report. He first gave a history of the plan development. He said staff felt this was a good plan. He shared logistics on the map as to where the Springwater area was found. In looking at the plan, Metro staff felt it was a good plan including mixed use, Regionally Significant Industrial Area (RSIA), an office business park, and large lot housing. It balanced constraints with the need for industrial land. The transportation was currently inadequate. The natural resources component met the program for Goal 5 and Title 11. He talked about the RSIA planning. They had designated about 500 gross acres as RSIA land, 320 net acres. The plan stated that it would generate about 15,000 jobs. Councilor Burkholder asked about the employment land to accommodate a certain number of jobs. Andy Cotugno, Planning Director, clarified, it was number of jobs, not employment land acres. He talked about acreage and the type of jobs. Mr. Valone asked if Council had any concerns with Title 11 or the proposed RSIA designation? Council President Bragdon read Councilor Park's comments into the record (a copy of which is included in the record). Councilor Hosticka asked about the capacity analysis and the RSIA designation. Councilor Newman asked about the set number of jobs yielded. Mr. Calthorpe said they had planned about 15,000 jobs in terms of a prospectus. Councilors asked for the validity of the jobs projections. Mr. Valone responded to their questions. Mr. Bolen talked about the Economic Social Environmental and Energy (ESEE) analysis in the plan. Councilor Liberty clarified that the area that was brought in

was entirely industrial? Mr. Valone said acreage wise, yes. Councilor Liberty commented that this plan was a pretty big change from the industrial designation.

Mr. Calthorpe said the area came in, in December 2002. He provided a history of what the City of Gresham had done with the development of the plan. He talked about what the advisory group recommended concerning the Day's property. Where they were headed was to allow continued use as zoned. He didn't think it had a huge impact on the plan. He was glad to hear the discussion about Metro's responsibilities in terms of jobs. Council President Bragdon talked about the case being made for industrial jobs then it switched to office type jobs. He said they had talked about the type of jobs. Mr. Calthorpe responded to Councilor Park's comments about the utilities. He then talked about the Carl street area, which had smaller parcels, which had been created by the county. Carl Street neighbors had asked to be taken out of the plan boundary. Their primary strategy was an annexation strategy. They were working with the Carl Street neighbors on their issues. He then talked about Goal 5 and resource areas. They were looking at the protection issues because of Johnson Creek and the five creeks confluence.

Mr. Bolen provided a power point presentation on the proposed plan (a copy of which is found in the meeting record). Councilor Liberty spoke to the Centers strategy and the office job area. He said they were trying to promote Centers development. He suggested that we were competing with the City of Gresham center is this proposed office employment area. He then talked about zoning issues and Measure 37 issues. His biggest concern was that if the area was planned for industrial, parts of these areas were now being planned for commercial and residential. Councilor McLain commented on the Centers perspective. Councilor Newman asked about the employment area and how flexible was the zone, how permissive was the zone? Mr. Bolen responded to his question. Mr. Calthorpe talked about the proposed Gresham zoning and the need for flexibility. Councilor Newman asked for a copy of the proposed Gresham Code. Councilor Burkholder wondered about the county line and the difficulty for planning. How did this compliment the Damascus planning and the white space to the north? How did it fit with the larger picture? It was difficult to take this in isolation. Mr. Bolen spoke to the Damascus plan. City of Gresham had directed the Fregonese Group to work with the Damascus group on the plan. Mr. Valone spoke to the Damascus plan and where they were in their planning process. They had planned the transportation components. There were a variety of players that were working on both plans. Mr. Valone said the Springwater Plan was not intended to be a town center. Mr. Cotugno talked about the larger centers in Damascus and Gresham.

Council President Bragdon raised the issue about the industrial plan and the debate between commercial and industrial. Mr. Valone summarized the concerns of the Council. The plan was proposing a particular reduction in industrial lands. Councilor Hosticka shared his concern about the longer-term issues having to do with industrial lands. He flagged the continual issue about having to make up industrial land. Councilor Liberty talked about the bate and switch issues going from industrial land to commercial and residential lands. He felt we might be undercutting our own strategy. He did appreciate the point about flexibility and wasn't sure we were going to have the same kind of industry that we did in 1980. Councilor McLain talked about history of industrial land. The question was about the changing need question. She felt this looked like a transition area between Gresham and Damascus. Transitional areas needed a different look. She suggested talking about the need for new industrial needs. She wanted an analysis of the true potentials. Council President Bragdon asked Mr. Valone about the timetable. Mr. Valone indicated that the Council's comments would be provided to the planner. Michael Jordan, Chief Operating Officer (COO), said that the planning did not happen in isolation. The people who lived there will consider this one community. He said the landscape had to work together with Gresham and Damascus. The Council needed to consider the integration process. It was difficult

when the plans were not being developed in perfect sequence. Councilor Liberty talked about the mixed-use needs. Councilor McLain said she was not in favor of this being like the Kruse Way development. Mr. Jordan reminded Council about the other issues having to do with development.

Mr. Valone said he would like to bring the Damascus Plan to the Council later in the summer.

### **3. INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING – DIVERSITY**

Karol Ford, Human Resources Department, introduced the topic. She talked about Metro diversity efforts. She noted the committee composite and the history of the committee. She talked about the Portland Workplace Diversity Task Force. They would be using part of the 11 step diversity plan model elements developed by the Task Force. She felt this would give the committee a good beginning focus. She said Metro was one of the charter members of the Task Force. Councilor McLain talked about the money requested from the Council. Those monies would apply to the efforts of the Task Force. Mr. Jordan provided a history of the Task Force and the efforts that had already occurred. He noted that the Task Force was both public and private. He felt it was a good thing for us to do. Councilor Burkholder talked about some of the things that he had participated in. He would like early notice of the meetings. He also raised the issue of income and talked about the Housing Committee, none of the members were low income. Councilor McLain talked about the economic issue and that information was private. Mr. Jordan commented on the Waste Management partnership and that they could do things that Metro couldn't do in creating connections with minority vendors. Councilor Liberty suggested the need to recruit our own minorities. Mr. Jordan thought that a scholarship to the Portland State University Urban Planning where you would target certain schools or neighborhoods. Councilor McLain spoke to the "I have a Dream" program and that it had gotten a lot of press. Councilor Newman suggested the "at risk" program at the Oregon Zoo and noted its success. Councilor Liberty asked about current recruitment efforts. Ms. Ford responded to his question. She briefly explained the Metro's Affirmative Action plan.

### **4. BREAK**

### **5. REGIONAL/LOCAL DISCUSSION**

Michael Jordan, COO, said he had asked for some time on the Council's agenda to discuss the Mayors Group, 2030 Projections, the end of the legislative session, the Big Look, hard edges, neighbor cities discussions, time management and staff utilization issues. He noted that these issues would be discussed at the retreat on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Council President Bragdon talked about tomorrow's agenda on the Parks Bond Measure. He said June 30<sup>th</sup> would be used on the above-mentioned issues. Council President Bragdon summarized the other summer retreats. Mr. Jordan had three broad questions. How do you want to interface with the Mayors Group? How does this interface with Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC)? He said the 2030 figures were leaking out is local staff discussions. Councilor Hosticka talked about the engaging discussion about the assumption. He felt it would be useful to have that discussion before numbers were thrown into the mix. Mr. Jordan said the assumptions had to be useable. Councilor Hosticka said getting agreement on the assumptions and then let the numbers fall where they may. Councilor Liberty talked about spreading limited resources over the region. He felt there were some pretty basic assumptions. Now would be a good time to look at this. Councilor Burkholder suggested adding city councilors as well as mayors. Mr. Jordan said the third thing on his list was the level of diversity of engagement. His question was what was the level of engagement and how diverse did they want that engagement to be? He wondered if the fourth issue was should this be a

Council project? That was a process question for the group. Council President Bragdon said they were on the verge of the Big Look. He said the key was how to manage that. Councilor Liberty commented that one suggestion was that the Mayors Group should perhaps replace MPAC. He felt it was good to have the mayors get together. He wondered if it was timely to have the Mayors Group. Councilor Newman said he was enthusiastic about this and felt it was different strategies for different groups. He suggested a narrative that described all of these pieces. He felt we needed to utilize the Mayors.

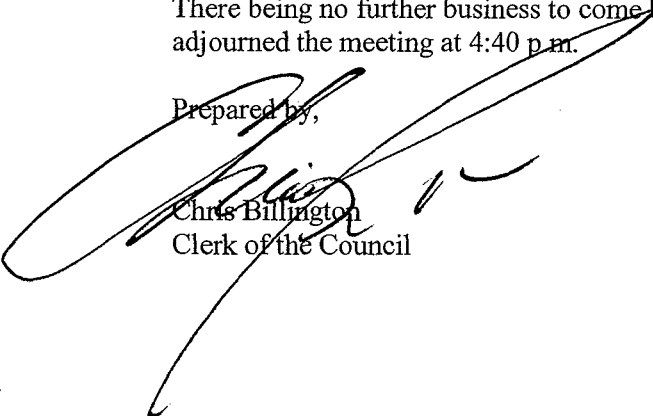
Councilor Burkholder shared a draft of Civic Reengagement in the Metro Area that Robin McArthur had put together (a copy of which is included in the meeting record). How do we move this process forward? Mr. Jordan asked whom he should invite to the Retreat? He suggested Dennis Yee, Andy Cotugno, and Robin McArthur. Councilor Newman suggested a similar process to what they had done with the Solid Waste and Recycling Department. Councilor Liberty talked about the need for the vision and how the pieces sorted out. He spoke to how to engage and the 2040 planning effort. Councilor Burkholder said they had to do things differently. Council President Bragdon suggested how to organize the conversation on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Jordan said he would provide a long-term timeline. Council President Bragdon talked controlling the terms of the debate. Councilor Hosticka commented about the local government undercurrent was because they were looking at the fiscal impact of their area. He suggested throwing revenue sharing into the mix. Mr. Jordan talked about the interrelated tools and how might we engage to try to have a proposal ready for the 2007 legislature. Councilor Liberty talked about the revitalization of Portland and the migration that it was creating. Council President Bragdon said the discussion couldn't just be about the land use issues. He also suggested that it was important to telegraph certain conclusions. Councilor Newman suggested that they needed to make it more than a Metro issue. The engagement strategy needed to be looked at. Council President Bragdon added that another piece had to do with Portland Business Alliance (PBA) business plan which was totally private and the Portland Development Commission's Contract of Economic Strategy.

## 6. COUNCIL BRIEFINGS/COMMUNICATIONS

Councilor Newman reminded August 1<sup>st</sup> was the joint meeting between Oregon Zoo Foundation and the Metro Council. He spoke to the three substantive issues; strategic plan of the Zoo was it time to update the Master Plan, and governance.

There being no further business to come before the Metro Council, Council President Bragdon adjourned the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

Prepared by,



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Clerk of the Council

**ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JUNE 21, 2005**

Item	Topic	Doc Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
1	Agenda	6/23/05	Metro Council Meeting Agenda for June 23, 2005	062105c-01
1	Budget amendment	6/21/05	To: Metro Council From: Councilor Burkholder Re: Budget Amendment concerning North Portland Enhancement Committee	062105c-02
3	Committee Roster and Brochure	6/21/05	To: Metro Council From: Karol Ford, Human Resources Department Re: Diversity Committee Roster and Brochure on Workplace Diversity	062105c-03
2	Email	6/21/05	To: Metro Council From: Councilor Park Re: Springwater Plan comments and concerns	062105c-04
2	Power Point Presentation	6/21/05	To: Metro Council From: Glen Bolen, Fregonese Group Re: Springwater Community Plan	062105c-05
5	Draft Narrative on Civic Reengagement	6/10/05	To: Metro Council From: Robin McArthur, Planning Department Re: Civic Reengagement in the Metro Area	062105c-06