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Minutes

Thursday, December 15, 2016

2:00 PM

AGENDA REVISED 12/15/16

Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

Council meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Council President Tom Hughes called the regular council meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

Present: 7 - Council President Tom Hughes, Councilor Sam Chase, Councilor Carlotta Collette, Councilor Shirley Craddick, Councilor Craig Dirksen, Councilor Kathryn Harrington, and Councilor Bob Stacey

2. Citizen Communication

Jay Minor, City of West Linn: Mr. Minor, Chair of the Stafford Hamlet Board, presented the Metro Council with the Stafford Hamlet Community Vision Plan. Mr. Minor explained that the plan was adopted by an 86% vote by the citizens of the area. He urged Metro to work with the cities, county, and hamlet to develop a land use solution for Stafford. Mr. Minor also provided written materials; please see the December 15, 2016 meeting packet.

Dave Adams, City of West Linn: Mr. Adams, Vice-Chair of the Stafford Hamlet Board, also expressed support for the Stafford Hamlet Community Vision Plan. He highlighted the need for compromise between the cities, county, Metro, and the hamlet in order to develop a long-term land use solution for the area. Mr. Adams also shared policy advisory committee polling on candidate urban reserve areas; please see the December 15, 2016 meeting packet.

3. Presentations**3.1 Parks and Nature Annual Report**

Council President Hughes introduced Mr. Brian Kennedy, Metro staff, for a presentation on the Parks and Nature Annual Report.

Mr. Kennedy noted that the annual report focused on the investments in Metro's parks system over the last fiscal year and provided an overview of how voter-approved funds

were used. Mr. Kennedy shared a graph demonstrating spending from the 2013 parks and natural areas levy and noted that the year's actual levy spending was in line with the spending promised to voters. Mr. Kennedy provided examples of the work being done to support natural areas restoration, access to nature, parks improvements, and education and volunteering opportunities. Mr. Kennedy also highlighted community investments made by the parks program, including funding to support an online resource for people with disabilities to learn about trail experiences and parks accessibility.

Mr. Kennedy stated that land acquisition continued to be an important part of Metro's parks and natural areas work as well. He noted that Metro was focused on acquiring key properties to achieve the goals of the bond program. Mr. Kennedy also spoke to Metro's active cemetery operation and shared efforts being made to support diversity, equity, and inclusion in Metro's park system including partnerships with community-organizations. He explained that ensuring all of the region's communities benefitted from nature was a goal integrated throughout all parks programming.

Mr. Kennedy thanked the Metro Council for their leadership. He noted that the last year was extremely busy and staff was committed to delivering on its commitments to the voters, in addition to undertaking planning for additional projects and activities following the successful renewal of the levy. He explained that staff recognized that providing an annual report did not allow enough time for accurate visibility and more frequent reporting would be shared in the upcoming year. Mr. Kennedy added that Parks staff was also working on responding to the Metro Auditor's recommendations to

improve oversight of capital projects.

Council Discussion

Councilor Chase asked about remaining bond funds and plans to build a trail north of the St. Johns Bridge. Councilor Craddick expressed appreciation for the presentation and admired the narrative presented. She thanked Mr. Kennedy for referring to the audit in his presentation and incorporating its recommendations in the report. She asked about making Blue Lake Park more accessible by transit and suggested collaborating with the Troutdale Reynolds Industrial Park nearby to provide shuttles. She also inquired about Metro's cemetery program.

4. Consent Agenda

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilor Chase, seconded by Councilor Stacey, to adopt items on the consent agenda. The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Council President Hughes, Councilor Chase, Councilor Collette, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Dirksen, Councilor Harrington, and Councilor Stacey

- 4.1 Resolution No. 16-4759, For the Purpose of Approving a Distributed Antenna System License Agreement at the Oregon Convention Center
- 4.2 Consideration of the Council Meeting Minutes for December 1, 2016

5. Ordinances (First Reading and Public Hearing)

- 5.1 Ordinance No. 16-1391, For the Purpose of Annexing to the Metro District Boundary Approximately 29.78 Acres Located South of SW 161st Avenue and West of SW Finis Lane in the River Terrace Area of Tigard

Metro Attorney Alison Kean and Council President Hughes read the requirements on holding a quasi-judicial hearing and Council President Hughes introduced Mr. Tim O'Brien, Metro staff, to provide a brief staff report. Mr. O'Brien

provided an overview of the annexation request, explained the criteria required and stated that the request met the criteria for annexation into the Metro District Boundary.

Council Discussion

Councilors discussed the annexations and the total acres brought into the Metro boundary in 2016. Councilors discussed the process, requirements, and rules of bringing in parcels of developed land into the boundary.

5.1.1 Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 16-1391

Council President Hughes opened up a public hearing on Ordinance No. 16-1391 and requested that those wishing to testify come forward to speak. Seeing none, Council President Hughes gaveled out of the public hearing. He noted that second read, Council consideration, and vote on Ordinance No. 16-1391 would take place on Thursday, January 5, 2017.

5.2 Ordinance No. 16-1392, For the Purpose of Annexing to the Metro District Boundary Approximately 33.68 Acres Located Near SE Century Boulevard and SW 209th Avenue in South Hillsboro

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Council Discussion

There was none.

5.2.1 Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 16-1392

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6. Chief Operating Officer Communication

Ms. Martha Bennett recognized Mr. John Williams, Deputy Director of Metro's Planning and Development department, for all of his work over the last nine years, noting that he was leaving Metro to serve as the Community Development Director for the City of West Linn. Ms. Bennett thanked Mr. Williams for his efforts to reform the region's land use system, commitment to excellent staff work, and sharp sense of humor. Councilors expressed their appreciation for Mr. Williams and wished him well in his future endeavors. Ms. Bennett also provided an update on the following events or items: ZooLights at the Oregon Zoo, park closures due to inclement weather, sewage backflow at the St. Johns Landfill, Metro Council recess, and the Metro Council inauguration scheduled for January 5.

7. Councilor Communication

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings or events: the Diesel Work Group and the Willamette Falls Locks meeting. Councilors noted that the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) was rescheduled for December 22 due to inclement weather and the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners' consideration of the Division Bus Rapid Transit locally-preferred alternative was also cancelled and would be rescheduled.

8. Adjourn

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the regular meeting at 3:27 p.m. The Metro Council will convene the next regular council meeting on January 5, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. at the Metro Regional Center in the council chamber.

Respectfully submitted,



Nellie Papsdorf, Legislative and Engagement Coordinator

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 15, 2016

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
2.0	Testimony	12/15/2016	Letter from Jay Minor	121516c-01
2.0	Testimony	12/15/2016	Stafford Hamlet Community Vision Plan Pamphlet	121516c-02
2.0	Testimony	12/15/2016	Stafford Hamlet Values and Vision Booklet	121516c-03
2.0	Testimony	12/15/2016	Dave Adams Testimony	121516c-04
3.1	PowerPoint	12/15/2016	PowerPoint: Parks and Nature Annual Report	121516c-05
4.2	Minutes	12/15/2016	Council Meeting Minutes on December 1, 2016	121516c-06