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Minutes

Tuesday, December 13, 2016

4:00 PM

Emergency Metro Council meeting due to weather advisory

Oregon Zoo, Cascade Ballroom - Vista Room

Council meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Council President Tom Hughes called the emergency council meeting to order at 4:02 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

There was none.

3. Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilor Harrington, seconded by Councilor Collette, 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

- 3.1 Resolution No. 16-4747, For the Purpose of Approving Ninth Round Funding for Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants

4. Resolutions

- 4.1 Resolution No. 16-4739, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to Issue a New Non-System License to Forest Grove Transfer Station for Transport and Disposal of Putrescible Waste at the Columbia Ridge Landfill located in Gilliam County, Oregon, and Under Certain Circumstances to Riverbend Landfill Located in Yamhill County, Oregon

Council President Hughes called on Mr. Paul Slyman, Director of Property and Environmental Services, and Mr. Roy Brower, Metro staff, for a brief presentation on Resolutions Nos. 16-4739 through 16-4743. Mr. Slyman explained that the resolutions if passed would grant new non-system licenses (NSLs) to five applicants to transport waste outside of the region to Columbia Ridge Landfill located in Gilliam County, Oregon.

Mr. Brower stated that NSLs were the legal mechanism by which Metro monitored and directed waste flow to sites outside of the region. He explained that several transfer stations and haulers on the western and southern side of the region had historically transported some waste to Riverbend Landfill in Yamhill County, Oregon but noted that the landfill currently faced several legal issues regarding expansion and would reach its current capacity in April or May 2017 at its current waste flow. He informed the Council that Waste Management, Inc. was therefore seeking to divert waste to another site until the legal situation was resolved with Oregon's Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). Mr. Brower noted that the resolutions would issue short-term NSLs for the interim period while long-term options were evaluated and developed.

He acknowledged that staff recommended that the Council issue short-term NSLs effective until July 1, 2017. He explained that upon adoption of the NSLs Columbia Ridge Landfill would become available as early as December 9 and Waste Management would immediately begin shifting loads to that site. He noted that Waste Management was committed to covering the increased costs of using Columbia Ridge Landfill. He stated that after February 1, Riverbend Landfill would only be available in emergency or unusual situations.

Mr. Brower stated that staff would return to the Council as early as mid-January to further discuss the situation with Riverbend Landfill and work on a long-term solution.

Council President requested that those wishing to testify on

Resolutions Nos. 16-4739 through 16-4743 come forward to speak.

Ilsa Perse, City of Carlton: Ms. Perse expressed support for the resolutions and urged the Metro Council to make the diversions permanent. Ms. Perse cited environmental concerns, citizen feedback, seismic risks, old and unlined cells, leachate leakage, and annual flooding as reasons to no longer use Riverbend Landfill for waste disposal. Ms. Perse also provided a PowerPoint presentation; please see the December 13 council meeting packet.

Ramsey McPhillips, City of McMinnville: Mr. McPhillips expressed support for the resolutions and urged the Metro Council to make the diversions permanent. He stated that toxic leachate disposal issues at Riverbend Landfill would make further expansion impossible. Mr. McPhillips also provided written testimony; please see the December 13 council meeting packet.

Sid Friedman, Yamhill County: Mr. Friedman expressed support for the resolutions and urged the Metro Council to make the diversions permanent. He noted environmental, economic, and sustainability concerns regarding the Riverbend Landfill. Mr. Friedman also provided written testimony; please see the December 13 council meeting packet.

Councilor Discussion

Council President Hughes asked about what would happen if the resolutions were not passed. Mr. Slyman replied that all of the waste would flow to Metro-owned facilities as the current agreements were set to expire at the end of the

year. Councilor Craddick asked to be kept informed as the situation moved forward. Councilor Stacey commented on future landfill capacity policy.

Councilor Stacey moved to vote on Resolutions Nos. 16-4739 through 16-4743 en bloc. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilor Craddick, seconded by Councilor Stacey, that this item be adopted. 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

- 4.2 Resolution No. 16-4740, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to Issue a Renewed Non-System License to Pride Recycling Company for Transport and Disposal of Putrescible Waste at the Columbia Ridge Landfill Located in Gilliam County, Oregon, and Under Certain Circumstances to Riverbend Landfill Located in Yamhill County, Oregon

A motion was made by Councilor Craddick, seconded by Councilor Stacey, that this item be adopted. 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

- 4.3 Resolution No. 16-4741, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to Issue a Renewed Non-System License to Willamette Resources, Inc. for Transport and Disposal of Putrescible Waste at the Columbia Ridge Landfill Located in Gilliam County, Oregon, and Under Certain Circumstances to Riverbend Landfill Located in Yamhill County, Oregon

A motion was made by Councilor Craddick, seconded by Councilor Stacey, that this item be adopted. 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

- 4.4 Resolution No. 16-4742, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to Issue a Renewed Non-System License to Hoodview Disposal and Recycling, Inc. for Transport of Putrescible Waste to Canby Transfer and Recycling, Inc. for the Purpose of Transfer and Disposal at the Columbia Ridge Landfill Located in Gilliam County, Oregon, and Under Certain Circumstances to Riverbend Landfill Located in Yamhill County, Oregon

A motion was made by Councilor Craddick, seconded by Councilor Stacey, that this item be adopted. 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

- 4.5 Resolution No. 16-4743, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to Issue a Renewed Non-System License to West Linn Refuse and Recycling, Inc. for Transport of Putrescible Waste to Canby Transfer and Recycling, Inc. for the Purpose of Transfer and Disposal at the Columbia Ridge Landfill Located in Gilliam County, Oregon, and Under Certain Circumstances to Riverbend Landfill Located in Yamhill County, Oregon

A motion was made by Councilor Craddick, seconded by Councilor Stacey, that this item be adopted. 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

5. Ordinances (Second Reading)

- 5.1 Ordinance No. 16-1390A, For the Purpose of Approving a Solid Waste Facility Franchise Application and Authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to Issue a New Franchise to GSS Transfer, LLC. to Operate a Transfer Station

Council President Hughes stated that the first read and public hearing for Ordinance No. 16-1390A took place on

Thursday, December 1, 2016. He informed the Metro Council that Mr. Paul Slyman, Director of Property and Environmental Services, and Mr. Warren Johnson, Metro staff, were available for questions.

Metro Attorney Alison Kean noted that the effective date of the franchise needed to be corrected on both the ordinance and the franchise agreement to read December 13. She explained that the ordinance and franchise still marked December 9 as the effective date, since the ordinance was originally scheduled for the December 8 council meeting that was cancelled due to severe weather.

Council Discussion

There was none.

A motion was made by Councilor Stacey, seconded by Councilor Craddick, that this item be adopted as amended.

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

6. Adjourn

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the emergency council meeting at 4:38 p.m. The Metro Council will convene the next regular council meeting on December 15 at 2:00 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 13, 2016

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
4.1-4.5	PowerPoint	12/13/2016	PowerPoint: Riverbend Landfill	121316c-01
4.1-4.5	Letter	12/13/2016	Letter from Friends of Yamhill County on Riverbend Landfill	121316c-02
4.1-4.5	Letter	12/13/2016	Letter from Ramsey McPhillips on Riverbend Landfill	121316c-03