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Minutes

Thursday, February 22, 2018

2:00 PM

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Metro Regional Center, Council chamber

Council meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Council President Tom Hughes called the Metro Council meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

Present: 6 - Council President Tom Hughes, Councilor Sam Chase, Councilor Shirley Craddick, Councilor Craig Dirksen, Councilor Kathryn Harrington, and Councilor Bob Stacey

2. Public Communication

Mr. Terry Parker, City of Portland: Mr. Parker spoke about congestion and the cost of housing in the region. He urged the Metro Council to consider the needs of senior citizens on fixed incomes, middle class homeowners, and working class drivers. He recommended that proposed bond measures for subsidized housing and/or transportation infrastructure not rely on property taxes for repayment and stated that transit services needed to become more financially self-sustainable. (Mr. Parker also provided written testimony; please see the February 22 meeting packet.)

Mr. Dave Moore, City of Portland: Mr. Moore testified in support of parking and mass transit for Oregon Convention Center (OCC) workers, including Aramark employees. He noted that a focus group had been created to evaluate transportation options for employees, involving representatives from the union and the OCC. He thanked the Metro Council and expressed support for working together to develop better solutions.

3. Presentations**3.1 Second Quarter Financial Report**

Council President Hughes called on Mr. Tim Collier, Director of Finance and Regulatory Services, for a brief presentation on the Second Quarter Financial Report. Mr. Collier noted that the second quarter was particularly important because it provided an idea of how the agency would finish the year and how the fund balance would look to fund the next

year's budget.

Mr. Collier provided an overview of the report. He informed the Council that solid waste regional tonnage was up 8% over the three-year average, the Oregon Convention Center and Portland's were tracking above budget on revenues, and the Oregon Zoo had a record ZooLights run that would help the current year's financial picture and positively contribute to the fund balance. He also shared a few items that would need to be monitored, including: Portland Expo Center revenues were down in the current year; while regional tonnage was up, tonnage at Metro's stations was below the budget; construction excise tax was the lowest second quarter since 2014-15; and while the zoo was headed for a strong year, there were still financial structure issues that would need to be addressed to ensure that it remained on good footing in the future. Mr. Collier spoke to the steps staff were taking to address these needs and explained that he expected a strong finish for the year and a good start for the next budget.

Council Discussion

There was none.

4. Consent Agenda

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

Aye: 6 - Council President Hughes, Councilor Chase, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Dirksen, Councilor Harrington, and Councilor Stacey

4.1 Consideration of the Council Meeting Minutes for February 8, 2018

5. Resolutions

5.1 Resolution No. 18-4868, For the Purpose of Authorizing an Exemption from Competitive Bidding and Authorizing Procurement of Construction

Manager General Contractor Services by Competitive Request for
Proposals for the Construction of the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall
Orchestra Shell Replacement

Council President Hughes recessed the meeting of the Metro Council and convened the Metro Contract Review Board. He called on Ms. Nancy Strening and Ms. Gabriele Schuster, Metro staff, for a brief presentation on the resolution. Ms. Schuster explained that approval of the resolution would authorize an alternate procurement process for the replacement of the Arlene Schnitzer Hall orchestra shell. Ms. Schuster noted that the proposed request-for-proposal (RFP) process would allow for a proper evaluation of qualification experience as well as diversity, sustainability, and cost. She stated that it would still be a publicly-advertised, competitive process and would not encourage favoritism. She added that it would also allow Metro to better manage the risk and timeline. Ms. Schuster stated that Procurement Services strongly recommended the alternate procurement process.

Ms. Strening then provided an overview of the project. She explained that the existing orchestra shell was installed in the 1980s and was nearly beyond repair. She noted that staff planned on installing a new digital acoustical system. Ms. Strening informed the Council that the system would allow for changing and modifying regeneration and reverberation time for the sound, so a variety of performances would sound good in the space, from the symphony to spoken word performances, allowing for additional flexibility in programming. Ms. Strening explained that the project also included other repairs, such as new stage scenery items, significant electrical and mechanical infrastructure, and equipment.

Council Discussion

Councilors asked about the City of Portland's responsibilities in terms of repairs and the nature of their

inter-governmental agreement (IGA) with Metro. Councilor Chase asked where funds came from and how resources were put into place. Councilor Harrington inquired about the type of work and how minority-owned or emerging small businesses might be able to participate in the contracts.

A motion was made by Councilor Dirksen, seconded by Councilor Craddick, that this item be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Council President Hughes, Councilor Chase, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Dirksen, Councilor Harrington, and Councilor Stacey

5.1.1 Public Hearing on Resolution No. 18-4868

Council President Hughes opened up a public hearing on Resolution No. 18-4868 and requested that those wishing to testify come forward to speak. Seeing none, Council President Hughes gaveled out of the public hearing. He adjourned the meeting of the Metro Contract Review Board and re-convened the meeting of the Metro Council.

6. Chief Operating Officer Communication

Ms. Martha Bennett provided an update on the following events or items: the Housing Stakeholder Advisory Committee meeting and the Small Business Open House at the Oregon Convention Center.

7. Councilor Communication

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings or events: the Small Business Open House and urban/rural reserve sites.

8. Adjourn

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the Metro Council meeting at 2:41 p.m. The Metro Council will convene the next regular council meeting

on March 1 at 2:00 p.m. at the Metro Regional Center in the council chamber.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nellie Papsdorf". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "N" and a long, sweeping underline.

Nellie Papsdorf, Legislative and Engagement Coordinator

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 22, 2018

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	DOC DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT No.
3.0	PowerPoint	03/01/18	2018 DEI Difference Maker Awards	030118c-01
4.2	Minutes	02/08/18	Council Meeting Minutes for February 22, 2018	030118c-02
5.1	Handout	02/22/18	Orchestra Shell Replacement	030118c-03