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Minutes

Tuesday, February 27, 2018

2:00 PM

Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

Council work session

2:00 Call to Order and Roll Call

Council President Tom Hughes called the Metro Council work session to order at 2:02 p.m.

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

2:05 Chief Operating Officer Communication

Ms. Martha Bennett, Chief Operating Officer, mentioned the Metro Tour of Affordable Homes which took place earlier that day. She also reiterated what was in her Monday communication, which mentioned that a vendor from Street Roots would be in the Metro Plaza every Thursday afternoon. She hoped for all the staff to read her article describing the vendor, Mr. Rick Davis, and his journey in and out of homelessness.

Work Session Topics:**2:10 2018 Urban Growth Management Decision: Process Update**

Council President Hughes introduced Ms. Elissa Gertler, Planning & Development Director, and Mr. Ted Reid, Principal Regional Planner, to present on the 2018 Urban Growth Management Decision.

Ms. Gertler began by summarizing what the Urban Growth Management team had been working on and what Council would expect. She explained that her and her team developed the urban growth management decision, taking a different approach in engaging people, research and evaluating city proposals.

Mr. Reid explained that Metro received five letters of interest for urban growth boundary (UGB) expansion, full proposals being due at end of May. He noted the six desired outcomes needed to be addressed and demonstrated in each of the cities concept plans, and that each plan needed to be a viable development proposal. He noted that the team planned to include an advisory group, which Council President Hughes would be chairing in June. He explained the advisory group would include experts in: residential development, parks and working space planning, walkable and transit development, and equity and engagement in diverse communities. He stated the group would give feedback solely on strengths and weaknesses of proposals. Mr. Reid announced the Draft Urban Growth Report would be coming out in June. He stated the report would be followed by Ms. Bennett synthesizing the technical and qualitative information in the report, including a recommendation, at the beginning of September. He announced that Council would make its final decision in December.

Council Discussion

Councilors requested to see a tentative rollout schedule by the end of May and to be more informed throughout the process. Councilors questioned whether or not there was a gap in non-residential land. Councilor Stacey questioned how Council would help local governments and colleagues feel needs had been addressed and heard. Councilor Dirksen requested to see who would be considered for the group and to be a part of the decision process. Councilors believed the advisory committee to be a good approach.

2:30 Legislative Update

Council President Hughes introduced Mr. Roger Gonzalez, Chief of Staff to the Council President, to present the legislative update.

Mr. Gonzalez provided updates on bills that related to hazardous waste, land use, climate strategy, fees, tax credit, funding, diesel and autonomous vehicles. Mr. Gonzalez expressed House Bill House Joint Resolution (HJR) 201, passed house unanimously the day before and the team's next step would be drafting the ballot title. Mr. Gonzalez explained that the team hoped to push House Bill 4126, on household hazardous waste, as a priority for the House moving forward. He announced House Bill 4031, related to the use of land, passed the House, and headed to Senate Environment/Natural Resources. He explained the Red barn amendment was unlikely to continue. He suggested if the 2019 Legislature had not passed a full bill related to climate, authority would be given to Oregon Department of Environmental Quality to implement a program. He noted House Bill 4007, on the document fee, was amended in House Revenue down from \$75 to \$60 and sent to Ways and Means subcommittee on Capital Construction. He stated House Bill 4127 passed House, but proved to be controversial with many engineers testifying against it.

2:50 Councilor Liaison Updates and Council Communication

Councilor Chase suggested to the rest of the Council that the \$30,000 that was allocated from the Council Opportunity Fund in spring 2017 for work on low-income transit fares be repurposed to supplement funds for community partnerships on Metro's housing work. He explained TriMet was successful in receiving funding from the Oregon legislature for a low-income fare program, so this money was no longer needed for supporting that work. Council agreed to the proposal, and the money would be reallocated. Councilor Stacey stated that TriMet under House Bill 2017 would receive a large share of the employee payroll tax receipts. Councilor Stacey expressed that, so far, the House Bill 2017 Transit Advisory agreed with TriMet's estimates about the set aside for low income fare, the allocation of coordination money for searches outside of TriMet's district, and other services. He stated the Committee had not yet begun determining the process on how to advise TriMet to ensure that the

\$39 million would be spent in a way that recognized the need of low income areas and communities, which was a statutory requirement, but ensured that the considerations were being considered as mandates and robust conversations were happening.

3:10 Adjourn

Seeing no further business, Council President Tom Hughes adjourned the Metro Council work session at 3:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sara Seid", written in a cursive style.

Sara Seid, Council Policy Assistant

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF Febuary 27, 2018

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
1.0	Handout	02/27/2018	2018 Growth Management Decision: tentitive committee and Council timeline	022718cw-01