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## **Minutes**

**Thursday, March 1, 2018**

**2:00 PM**

**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 2:03 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**

Ron Swaren, City of Portland: Mr. Swaren shared concerns about congestion pricing on I-5, noting that he felt value pricing would not resolve congestion in the region. He recommended a western arterial highway to better relieve congestion.

Sharon Nasset, City of Portland: Ms. Nasset expressed concerns about Portland's decreasing livability and population growth. She testified in support of growing other cities in the state. She discussed the opportunities available in Oregon's smaller cities, such as infrastructure and transportation access.

Carolyn Anderson, City of Portland: Ms. Anderson spoke to the challenges of relying on public transit and requested that the Metro Council hold its meeting with public accessibility as the main goal. She added that it was sometimes difficult for community members to attend meetings that were held in the middle of the day and shared other challenges the public faced as the region grew.

**3. Presentations****3.1 DEI Difference Makers Awards**

Council President Hughes introduced the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Difference Makers Awards, noting that the awards honored and recognized Metro employees whose actions and behaviors had helped Metro grow as an agency. He explained that in January Metro celebrated its

fourth annual DEI Awareness month. He stated that as part of the celebration, employees were invited to nominate their colleagues or project teams for their contributions to embracing diversity, advancing regional equity, and practicing inclusion. President Hughes expressed that the Metro Council was grateful for the awardees contributions, talent, and commitment to helping Metro be a regional leader. He then called on Mr. Nathan Baptiste and Ms. Nyla Moore, Metro staff, to call upon the recipients and present the awards.

Mr. Nathan Baptiste and Ms. Nyla Moore thanked everyone for participating. Mr. Baptiste explained that the award had specific criteria, including influencing others, being a role model, continually learning, cultivating diverse teams, innovating and taking risks, and holding oneself and others accountable for advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion. He also thanked the Diversity Action Plan Internal Awareness committee for their help during the selection process. Mr. Baptiste and Ms. Moore then recognized the following award recipients; for the full list please see the March 1 meeting packet. The Metro Council thanked the recipients for their contributions to Metro and the region.

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

4.1 Resolution No. 18-4870, For the Purpose of Adding or Amending Existing

Projects to the 2018-21 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program Involving Nine Projects Requiring Programming Additions, Corrections, or Cancellations Impacting OPRD, ODOT, SMART, and TriMet (FB18-06-FEB)

4.2 Consideration of the Council Meeting Minutes for February 22, 2018

**5. Chief Operating Officer Communication**

Ms. Martha Bennett provided an update on the following events or items: the 2017 Compliance Report, the Regional Leadership Forum on March 2, and the council meeting and public hearing on March 8 at the Willamette View Terrace Auditorium, that would focus on the appointment of a new councilor for District 2.

**6. Councilor Communication**

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings or events: the Westside Economic Alliance board of directors meeting, the Value Pricing Advisory Committee, the Transit-Oriented Development Steering Committee, and Travel Portland's annual industry update. Councilor Craddick expressed interest in the Metro Council sharing its thoughts on the proposed congestion pricing work; Councilor Chase agreed. (Councilor Dirksen shared a handout from the Value Pricing Advisory Committee meeting; please see the March 1 meeting packet.)

**7. Adjourn**

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the Metro Council meeting at 3:01 p.m. The Metro Council will convene the next regular council meeting on March 8 at 6:00 p.m. at the Terrace Auditorium at Willamette View.

Respectfully submitted,



Nellie Papsdorf, Legislative and Engagement Coordinator

**ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF MARCH 1, 2018**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DOCUMENT TYPE</b>	<b>DOC DATE</b>	<b>DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>DOCUMENT No.</b>
<b>3.0</b>	PowerPoint	03/01/18	2018 DEI Difference Maker Awards	030118c-01
<b>4.2</b>	Minutes	02/22/18	Council Meeting Minutes for February 22, 2018	030118c-02
<b>5.0</b>	Report	03/01/18	2017 Compliance Report	030118c-03
<b>6.0</b>	Handout	03/01/18	Recommended Round 2 Concepts	030118c-04