

## **METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION-RECREATION COMMISSION**

### **Resolution 94-74**

**Recommending that the Portland City Council and Metro Council resolve in 1995 to examine the final transfer and consolidation of certain City facilities at Metro.**

**Whereas, Metro and the City of Portland entered into an agreement in 1989 to transfer the operation of certain City owned facilities to Metro for management as phase one of a two phase agreement; and**

**Whereas, the facilities--namely the Portland Center for the Performing Arts and the Civic Stadium--have been operated by MERC, a Metro subsidiary, for 5 years; and**

**Whereas, the original agreement anticipated a more complete consolidation of city owned facilities within the MERC system as soon as possible after January 4, 1992, deadlines for completion of the first; and**

**Whereas, Metro and the City approved amendments to the agreement in 1992, which included a deadline of June 30, 1993 for agreement on language to implement further consolidation, and**

**Whereas, since target dates for concluding further consolidation have passed, it is now timely that the two governments revisit the agreement, update any provisions needing updating, and negotiate phase two of the agreement leading to consideration of transfer of title to the facilities to Metro/MERC; now therefore,**

**BE IT RESOLVED that the MERC requests that the Metro Council and Portland City Council resolve:**

- 1) That a special advisory committee be established to review all aspects of past, current, and future facilities managed by MERC to assess finances, organization, overall costs and budget, and any other items related or affecting consideration of the permanent transfer of these and future facilities.**
- 2) That the committee be composed of two city council members appointed by the Mayor, two Metro Councilors appointed by the presiding officer, the Metro Executive Officer, and two MERC Commissioners appointed by the chair, and two citizen members one each appointed by the Mayor and the presiding officer.**

- 3) That the committee will be appointed and begin no later than July 1st, 1995 and will study the issues for no more than one year and will issue a report with recommendations to both elected bodies, MERC, and the public.
- 4) That the recommendations will deal with all relevant issues including:
  - A. Observations on the financial operation and health of MERC itself;
  - B. An appropriate model for operation and management of the currently existing MERC system of facilities;
  - C. The potential for transfer of additional City-owned facilities to Metro, for inclusion in the system of facilities currently managed by MERC;
  - D. The issue of whether, when and in what manner the title to the currently city-owned facilities should be transferred;
  - E. Integration of the Stadium T.F. recommendations into this scope as they may effect finance, management and operation;
  - F. Other issues as deemed appropriate by the committee.
- 5) That the effort will be supported by staff from Metro, MERC and the City, and contracted consultants to the extent the parties agree on payment.

Passed by the Commission on November 9, 1994



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