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Minutes

Tuesday, November 10, 2020

2:00 PM

<https://zoom.us/j/471155552> or 877-853-5257 (toll free)

Council work session

2:00 Call to Order and Roll Call

Council President Lynn Peterson called the Metro Council work session call to order at 2:01 p.m.

Present: 7 - Council President Lynn Peterson, Councilor Sam Chase, Councilor Christine Lewis, Councilor Shirley Craddick, Councilor Craig Dirksen, Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez, and Councilor Bob Stacey

Work Session Topics:

2:05 Legislative Agenda Update

Presenter(s): Randy Tucker, Metro
Anneliese Koehler, Metro

President Peterson introduced Anneliese Koehler and Randy Tucker to present the legislative agenda update.

Ms. Koehler summarized the results of the 2020 election and explained how the legislature changed since the election. She explained that there might be a special session and described the possible future topics that might be brought up such as the eviction moratorium and police reform.

Mr. Tucker explained that they will have a list of legislative principals for Council to adopt and discuss in the next work session.

Ms. Koehler described the transportation pricing issue that might be brought up in the upcoming session and explained the research Metro has started on this topic. She reviewed the Levee Ready Columbia issue and explained that it lost its original funding source and will have to find other financial sources for this project.

Mr. Tucker reviewed the land readiness issue sheet and explained the two projects being discussed in the next

session. He summarized the pandemic funding relief issue and explained that visitor venues had to go through a rigorous qualification process to receive those federal funds during a time they were not receiving revenue. Mr. Tucker expressed his hopes that future funding packages will change these standards so venues can receive more financial help during the pandemic. Mr. Tucker summarized the climate smart strategy issue sheet and explained that although it was unable to get passed last session it will be back on the table.

Council Discussion

Councilors thanked Mr. Tucker and Ms. Koehler for their updates and continued work.

2:50 Regional Waste Plan Code Update

Presenter(s): Jennifer Erickson, Metro
Sara Kirby, Metro

President Peterson introduced Jennifer Erickson and Sara Kirby to present the Regional Waste Plan Code Update.

Ms. Erickson reviewed the 2030 Regional Waste Plan and highlighted their focus on incorporating equity into this project. She summarized the proposed changes to the plan, and specifically explained the code updates.

Ms. Kirby reviewed the changes in the administrative rules that provide specific details about this piece of policy. She explained that the most changes were made in the residential administrative rule and that they added the General Education rule. Ms. Kirby highlighted the new rules for multifamily homes and explained that these updates will address the needs that were not being met with the past rules.

Ms. Kirby reviewed the public comments they received from

various regional committees, as well as, from the general public. She explained that there was an overall positive reaction to their proposal but that they also saw room for improvement in the implementation details and the high costs of the color standard.

Ms. Erickson summarized the next steps of the proposal: Bringing the code package to Council in December, presenting the administrative rules to COO after additional 30-day comment period and publishing the new rules and code by March 10, 2021.

Council Discussion

Councilor Chase thanked staff for their hard work and highlighted the importance of equal access to recycling and education surrounding environmentally conscious waste disposal.

Councilor Lewis thanked staff for creating a long timeline in order for residents to comfortably and affordably implement the changes to the code. She expressed her concern about defining multifamily housing as 5 or more units and for changing some of the codes to administrative rules.

Councilor Gonzalez expressed his thanks for staff's work and specifically for their commitment to engaging with the community they are trying to serve.

Councilor Craddick thanked staff for their work and expressed her appreciation of their community engagement efforts.

3:35 Chief Operating Officer Communication

Ms. Madrigal thanked veterans for their service and for the veterans that work at Metro. She shared the rise of Covid-19 cases around the state and summarized the new

Covid safety policies passed by Governor Brown.

3:40 Council Communication

Councilor Gonzalez summarized updates from the Tuesday November 10th Solid Waste liaison meeting. He shared that on November 16, Metro will have a public Q&A regarding fee's and transfer stations. Councilor Gonzalez shared that the Solid Waste forecast graph was published on the Metro website. He shared that on the December 3 Council Work Session they will discuss the acquisition of the transfer facility in Cornelius.

President Peterson shared an update from the executive committee meeting on the I-5 bridge project and the meeting on the Rose Quarter project.

3:45 Adjourn

Seeing no further business, Council President Lynn Peterson adjourned the Metro Council work session at 3:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 27, 2020

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
2.0	PowerPoint	11/10/2020	Regional Service Standards	111020cw-02