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January 10, 1992

Commissioner Gladys McCoy
Multnomah County Courthouse
1021 SW Fourth Avenue
Portland, OR 97204

Dear Commissioner McCoy,

As mentioned in the January 8, 1992 letter from Hardy Myers, the Chair of the Metro Charter Committee, the Committee was scheduled to discuss major alternatives for the regional government structure at the meeting of January 9. At that meeting, the Committee came up with a list of six different structural alternatives to be considered (copy enclosed). The Committee would like to hear comments on the alternative structures as well as the outline of possible charter provisions relating to powers and functions, which was mailed to you earlier this week, at the Committee hearing on January 18.

The Committee looks forward to hearing your comments. If you have any questions about the meeting, please call Janet Whitfield, the Committee Administrator, at 273-5570.

Sincerely,

Kimi Iboshi

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Committee Clerk
Metro Charter Committee

cc: Fred Neal

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M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: February 13, 1992
TO: Frank Josselson
FROM: Kimi Iboshi
SUBJECT: Urban Renewal Agencies/Districts

Clackamas County is the only county with an urban renewal agency. It has three districts which were started in approximately 1980, 1982, and 1990. The contact person is Norm Scott at 655-8521.

Multnomah County and Washington County do not have urban renewal agencies.

Gladstone has an urban renewal agency and one district. The district is two years old and has minimal activity.

Hillsboro has an urban renewal agency in the form of their Economic Development Department.

Lake Oswego has an urban renewal agency which is called the Redevelopment Agency.

Portland does its urban renewal out of the Portland Development Commission.

Tualatin has an urban renewal agency in the Economic Development Department. It has two districts. The first is approximately 350 acres in the downtown area and began in 1977. The projects emphasis has been on flood control and traffic. The second district began in 1985 and is industrial land where the emphasis has been on infrastructure. The contact person is Dan Dutton at 692-2000.

Beaverton and Oregon City also have urban renewal agencies.

The following cities do not have urban renewal agencies: Cornelius, Durham, Fairview, Forest Grove (they would like one), Gresham, Happy Valley, Johnson City, King City, Maywood Park, Milwaukie, Rivergrove, Sherwood, Tigard, Troutdale, West Linn, Wilsonville, and Wood Village.

Gresham tried twice to start an urban renewal agency but it was rejected by the people. The charter has been amended to require any urban renewal agency propositions to go to a vote of the people. Beaverton also requires a vote of the people in the charter.

People I talked to from various cities indicated that Tigard has an urban renewal agency. I called and talked to Tigard's planner on duty, Victor, and he said that they do not have an urban renewal agency or district.

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February 21, 1992

TO: Metro Charter Committee members

FROM: Hardy Myers, Chair

RE: February 27, 1992 meeting

To assist completing our decisions on charter drafting instructions for powers and functions, all members are asked to review the Metro and Regional Governance Committee materials supplied during our public hearing process and the Committee's powers and functions outline provided for public comment.