METRO FUTURE VISION COMMISSION MEETING SUMMARY July 12, 1993

Members Present: Len Freiser, Chair; Councilor Susan McLain, Vice-Chair; Ron Correnti; Judy Davis; Councilor Mike Gates; Mike Houck; Wayne Lei; Robert Liberty; Peggy Lynch; John Magnano; Peter McDonald; Alice Schlenker; Rod Stevens; and Robert Textor. Ted Spence and Fred Stewart, alternates.

Visitors Present: Ethan Seltzer.

Staff Present: Sherrie Blackledge; Karen Buehrig; Lisa Creel; John Fregonese; and Gail Ryder.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Len Freiser at 9:07 a.m.

Each Committee member introduced themselves and made a brief statement of their major interest in the Commission.

Councilor McLain reviewed the mission for the Commission and briefly explained Region 2040, Land Use and Transportation.

The Committee broke up into three small groups to brainstorm what they hoped people's lives would be like in the year 2040.

The Committee reconvened; each group reported their ideas and themes achieved from the brainstorming to the entire Committee. (Complete outline of flip charts attached).

It was agreed that the Committee would meet for an all day retreat on Tuesday, August 3, 1993, at 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Metro Regional Center Conference Room 370. Thereafter, the Committee would meet every two weeks starting Monday, August 16, 1993, from 4:00-6:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Sherrie Blackledge

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- 18. Technology Education to take advantage of high tech

THE PLAN WITH A HUMAN FACE

- 1. In setting goals we start with values and human needs and not with the priorities of institutions.
- 2. One of the goals of Future Vision Commission is to foster a <u>community of interest</u>.
- 3. Children are at the base and at the apex of Future Vision. The degree to which we reach all children will be the ultimate measure of the effectiveness of Future Vision Commission.
- 4. Children as well as adults will be invited to participate in Future Vision Commission.
- 5. Children should have walking or bicycling access to a variety of arts, crafts, museum, and science facilities in public libraries or community centers, and through outreach services of the major institutions in the area.
- 6. Encourage a workplace philosophy that allows parents to be home when children return from school. (Different work shifts for those with and without children will help ease rush-hour traffic.)

What the Written Report will Look Like:

I. <u>People's Lives -- values and ideals</u>.

Age timelines charted against:

family/personal growth/health/physical environment, social environment/information access/job environment and access/recreation/arts and literature access/education/ government and participation

II. <u>Resources required to allow the development of values and ideals.</u>

Government and planning/arts, community center, library, school/information/ finance, business and industry, utilities, transportation

III. Implications of the above (I. and II.) on:

Use, restoration and preservation of regional land and natural resources for the benefit of present and future generations.

How and where to accommodate the population growth for the region while maintaining a desired quality of life for its residents, and

How to develop new communities and additions to the existing urban areas in wellplanned ways.

IV. Technical reports/research that illuminate any of above.

All other related "Vision" statements: Sherwood, Forest Grove, Portland Focus, "Oregon Benchmarks" and "Human Investment Partnership" -- their strengths and their weaknesses.

Other reports as suggested by you and technical staff.

<u>Time Lines</u> (This is just an abbreviated example.)

Age	
0 - 3	Healthy parents, prenatal and postnatal care* Outreach to parents: reading (Bright from the Start), swimming, day care
3 - 6	Access (with adult) to: play areas; art, crafts, dance, drama, music participation; concerts, theater; library, museums; (note: access to central resources, local resources and through outreach.)
6 - 12	Access to a variety of educational and cultural enterprises: community centers, libraries, museums; participation in arts, drama, foreign languages
3 - 12	<i>Wonderland</i> children's facility: arts in one place, recreation, observatory and labs, crafts, etc., day care; seven days a week.
4 - 18 · ·	A 'mix' of library, museum and school educational programs: mandatory english, foreign language, maths, science, art, drama and music (including performing groups), health and exercise, geography and history, civics, peoples and groups in the United States, agriculture, forestry, and conservation, crafts and shops (wood, metal, electric, machine); international exchange - living abroad.
	<u>Note</u> : A grounding in history is the basis for a discussion of the future; however, engaging a child's imagination about life in the future is both a good experience in itself, an opportunity to introduce children to the concept of planning and inform parents about Future Vision Commission.
16-25	Community service, international service; integrated work-study and internships; postsecondary schooling;
25- etc	
All*	Stable home; safe housing; social harmony; clean air, water and land; natural resource conservation; diversity all aspects: people and cultures, educational, recreational and cultural institutions, business and industry, urban, rural, suburban and open spaces.

* See <u>OREGON BENCHMARKS</u> Report to the 1993 Oregon Legislature.

OREGON BENCHMARKS

<u>Summary</u>

NURTURING FAMILIES, THRIVING CHILDREN

Stable Home_Life

Decrease: pregnancy/birth rate of 17 and younger; child and spousal abuse; homeless children; percent of children living under federal poverty level.

Healthy Babies and Toddlers

Good prenatal care; healthy birthweight; drug, alcohol and tobacco-free pregnant women; infant mortality rate; immunization; basic health care.

Early Childhood Development

SUCCESS IN SCHOOL

STUDENT HEALTH

HIGH SCHOOL TO POST-SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

ADULT EDUCATION

Formal Education Ongoing Occupational Training and Education Work Force Adaptability

Percent displace workers reemployed within 24 months at least 90 percent of previous income.

ADULT SKILLS PROFICIENCY

<u>Literacy Skills</u> <u>Multilingual Skills</u> International Awareness

ADULT HEALTH

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EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AND SOCIAL HARMONY

Economic Participation Start in Life (Infant Mortality) Civic and Occupational Participation Social Harmony in Schools Social Harmony in the Community Seniors Mentally Disabled Handicapped

CLEAN BEAUTIFUL NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

<u>Clean Air, Water and Land</u> <u>Natural Resource Conservation</u> <u>Plants, Fish and Wildlife</u>

DEVELOPED ENVIRONMENT WHICH IS CONVENIENT, AFFORDABLE, ACCESSIBLE, AND ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE

<u>Community Design</u> <u>Transportation</u> <u>Housing</u> <u>Access to Facilities</u> <u>Access Between Communities</u> <u>Emergency Preparedness</u>

<u>COMMUNITIES THAT ARE SAFE, ENRICHING AND PARTICIPATIVE, WITH ACCESS TO</u> <u>ESSENTIAL SERVICES</u>

<u>Public Safety</u> <u>Justice</u> <u>Access to Cultural Enrichment</u> <u>Sense of Community</u> <u>Access yo Health Care</u> <u>Access to Child Care</u> <u>Customer Satisfaction (Government Doing a Good Job?)</u>

INCREASING STANDARD OF LIVING

DIVERSE AND PRODUCTIVE INDUSTRY

CONTAINED COST OF DOING BUSINESS

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MAINTAIN OREGON'S CAPACITY FOR EXPANSION AND GROWTH

Land Water <u>Air</u> <u>Timber</u> Regulations

ACCESS TO MARKETS AND INFORMATION

<u>Air Transportation</u> <u>Ground</u> <u>Marine</u> <u>Telecommunications</u> <u>Research and Technology</u>

PUBLIC FINANCE AND PUBLIC AGENCY PERFORMANCE

<u>Taxes</u> <u>Public Infrastructure Investment</u> <u>Public Agency Performance</u>

How to Get Where We Want to Go

1. <u>Passionate and unrelenting efforts to nurture every preschool child and to support healthy</u>, <u>functional_families</u>

New Parent Services, Hood River Co. Nurturing Community, Yamhill Co. Healthy Start, Deschutes Co.

2. A fundamental redefinition of primary and secondary education

Oregon Education Act for the 21st Century New Standards Project (national project)

3. Productive new paths from school to work for those not bound to become college graduates

Oregon Workforce Quality Council Partnership: Aloha High School, Portland General Electric, Association of General Contractors Owen Sabin Occupational Skills Center

- 4. World-class higher education
- 5. Life-long learning for every adult
- 6. <u>Strong efforts to improve the health of all Oregonians</u>
- 7. Changes in governance, budgets, and values

Cooperation and linkage among institutions Client needs/satisfaction rather than agency survival Self-reliance/continuous improvement among institutions Personnel to accept and apply this orientation Evaluate institutional performance Build a public-nonprofit-business partnership Regard diversity as an asset Stress support for family and community "No one can be wasted, allowed to fail, left dependent"

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