

October 10

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- full commission

- met in subcommittees (2nd half)

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MEMORANDUM

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To: Members of the Future Vision Commission

From: Ethan Seltzer 

Re: The next few meetings

1) At the meeting on October 10, the subcommittees will meet to complete their work. Attached to this memo is a copy of the work of the "words" subcommittee. Every member of the Commission should review and comment on this latest draft by October 17. We must receive your comments on October 17.

2) On October 17, the full commission will meet to review the work of the subcommittees and to be briefed on Region 2040 by John Fregonese. Please note that the briefing originally scheduled for October 10 will take place on October 17.

3) On October 24, the full commission will meet to review a revised final draft and to discuss unresolved implementation issues.

4) On October 31, the full commission will meet to discuss Region 2040 and the outline for testimony before the Metro Council on November 10. Since this is Halloween we will plan to adjourn by no later than 5:30. Alternatively, parts of this discussion may occur on both the 17th and 24th, making it possible to cancel this meeting entirely.

5) On November 7, the full commission will meet to complete its Region 2040 testimony.

6) The Commission is scheduled to appear before the Metro Council on November 10 to deliver its testimony on the recommended alternative for Region 2040.

7) On November 17, the full commission will meet to review the election results, begin to contact new Council members, and develop a strategy for public review of the document. Note that public review and the delivery of the Future Vision to the Council should be planned in close cooperation with the new Council members.

Please feel free to contact Ken Gervais or myself should you have any comments or questions.

Thanks!

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Attachment

1 LINES:

- 2 4-126 Use parts of this in letter to Council; begin statement at #127
- 3 157 Omit "and collectively" -- should a future majority refuse to
4 fund/support actions to keep this a great place to live, shouldn't
5 the 'good fight' continue -- individually and by the minority?
- 6 158- Add: The commission aims to reflect the hopes and the conscience of the
7 people who live here -- we are neither oracles nor social
8 engineers. Rather, we affirm differences in thought and ways
9 of life -- we celebrate the individual as well as the community --
10 and we encourage self-reliance and -fulfillment as well as civic
11 participation and civic pride.
- 12 166 Replace "landscape" with "region" - this region is rich in business,
13 culture, education, history, social life, as well as the profound
14 beauty of nature
- 15 172 "enlightened responsibility" sounds Orwellian -- or, "Our way is
16 the responsible way." Will the people who question our
17 conclusions be considered unenlightened or irresponsible?
- 18 190 Replace: 'equity' with 'opportunity'

- 19 197 Add: and we value dissent and the right to advocate unpopular
20 views.
- 21 202 Add: We value a vibrant city that is busy by day and alive at night.
- 22 203 Does this mean we are all in accord with the initiative
23 process?
- 24 230 Replace 1) Each Individual - a strong economy that supports and enhances
25 family life and a strong commitment to education, healthy and safe
26 communities are necessary to develop self-reliant, responsible,
27 and productive good citizens.
- 28 239 Add: "...through civic involvement, respect for dissenting and minority
29 positions,
- 30 240 Add: "Working together with respect for each other's views
- 31 241 "Engaging people.....forward into the future." Unclear
- 32 243 Add: It is imperative that we encourage effective and
33 courageous people to run for elected positions.
34 Education and strong public involvement in politics strengthen
35 representative government, not replace it.

- 36 255 Replace: Public and private economic and social policies that champion
37 family life are among our highest priorities. As is, 255
38 suggests that only government programs will be the answer.
- 39 256 Add: The participation of all children from an early age onwards
40 in the performing arts, sports and nature activities provide the
41 foundation for a fruitful and successful education, as well as for
42 lifelong enjoyment and understanding.
- 43 262-264 Omit. Can be done more economically re staff time, etc. bulky
- 44 273-307 Move to 348-361
- 45 329 Omit 'integrated" -- too rigid, specific
- 46 335-340 Unclear 'needs' means everything or nothing. Questions have to
47 with: Research function; academic standards; strengths of the
48 departments, support of independent scholarship and inquiry.
- 49 348- Add: -percentage of high school students taking college preparatory
50 courses
- 51 357 Replace: -Percentage of high school juniors fluent in spoken and written
52 English, and familiar with a number of key literary works

- 53 362-365 Omit -- see 394-397
- 54 360 Replace: -community center and public library registration and use.
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- 56 407 Replace: -Promoting understanding between people of different
- 57 backgrounds and points of view.
- 58 -Promoting broad-based participation by all economic groups.
- 59 431-432 Omit If we are still doing head counts in 2045, we're in trouble
- 60 451 Unclear
- 61 514 Head counting in 2045? see 431 and 533
- 62 518 Unclear
- 63 533 Do we wish to imply that racism, etc., is still with us in 2045?
- 64 572-588 Writing Committee has questions
- 65 619 Add: "...of this area, and providing ready access to the city for rural
- 66 populations

67 687 Add: one of the most beautiful and liveable central cities in the U.S.
68 which is what makes it possible for people to live and work here
69 so they can enjoy our natural systems

70 720 Add: ongoing planning to ensure the vitality of the central city

71 750 Add: number of cafes, community centers, libraries, diversity of shops,
72 night pedestrian activity, safety

73 788 Add: cultural and performing groups

74 I suggest we include the following somewhere in the document,
75 Our future vision is concerned solely with conserving, enhancing, and
76 improving our region. I suggest an additional focus: helping ourselves to
77 reach our goals by helping others to reach theirs:

78 Metro, in collaboration with academic institutions, and financed by a
79 coalition of foundations, would establish the Metro Regional Study
80 Internships. These early to mid-career professionals (all applicable
81 fields) would work on the implementation of Future Vision and the
82 Regional Framework Plan as invited by area communities. They bring
83 an outside perspective, and gain valuable experience which can enhance
84 their own contributions to the visioning and planning work in their home
85 communities — in Oregon, Pacific Northwest, USA, and the world.