

MINUTES OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE  
OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

April 8, 1985

Committee Members Present:

Councilors: Councilors Hansen (Chairman), Gardner,  
Kafoury, Kelley and Myers

Citizens: Marc Kelley, James Knoll, Barbara  
Ledbury, Robert Phillips and Norman  
Rose

Councilors Present: Councilor Kirkpatrick

Staff Present: Don Carlson, Jennifer Sims, Dan Durig,  
Doug Drennen, Norm Weitting, Dennis  
Mulvihill, Mary Jane Aman, Patrick  
Miner, Wayne Rifer, Gene Leo, Kay  
Rich, Vickie Rocker, Phillip Fell, Ray  
Barker

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FY 1985-86 BUDGET

Ed Druback, 1790 S.W. Britton, West Linn, Oregon, Supervisor of the West Linn Recycling Program and Legislative Committee Chairman of the Clackamas County Task Force on Recycling, suggested the Waste Reduction Program budget could receive more benefit from its public information dollars by funding the production of a recycling handbook for Clackamas County citizens. He explained the handbook project would be coordinated by unpaid volunteers and would reach a wide audience.

Mr. Druback was also concerned that only \$4,100 was budgeted for a multi-family waste reduction project. He had understood \$15,000 would be allocated to the project and questioned whether \$4,100 would provide enough funds for the program to have a satisfactory impact.

In response to Mr. Kelley's question, Mr. Druback said the best way to promote recycling was on a one-to-one, word-of-mouth basis. He also thought talks, video tape and slide presentations to local groups were effective. He suggested Metro provide technical support to local recycling groups who would deliver the recycling message to the public.

Councilor Kelley asked Mr. Druback if his request was in conflict with the SB 405 mandate. Mr. Druback perceived Metro's role as providing overall solid waste management and technical support. He did not think this conflicted with the new wasteshed program.

Jerry Herrmann, 15178 South Highland Drive, Oregon City, Oregon, Chairman of the Clackamas County Task Force on Recycling, reported on the task force's activities including a recycling depot that Metro had helped fund. He said marked improvements had been made in area recycling and the task force would be targeting new efforts to encourage office recycling.

Councilor Kafoury asked if Mr. Herrmann had seen or conducted any studies indicating specific efforts needed to sustain recycling. Mr. Herrmann responded the Clackamas County promotional campaign ended in 1983 but because people continued to save money by recycling, they continued to recycle. He cited Clackamas County Community College as an example. The college reduced their \$40,000 garbage bill by 50 percent, he reported.

Mr. Kelley asked if local haulers would increase their rates if volumes were reduced due to recycling. Mr. Herrmann reported this had not happened in Clackamas County.

In response to Mr. Rose's question, Mr. Herrmann said local haulers had reported a 12 percent overall reduction in solid waste handled due to a successful recycling effort in the area.

#### WORK SESSION ON SOLID WASTE BUDGET

##### Management & Administration Program/Operating Fund

- \* Mr. Rose requested summary pages for Metro budget categories (total agency expenditures for Personal Services, Materials and Services, Transfers, etc.) for the current and prior fiscal years.
- \* Mr. Kelley requested staff carefully analyze overall computer needs for the next five years before microcomputer purchases were made. Mr. Carlson said an Executive Order was being drafted to address the policy for computer purchases.
- \* Mr. Rose suggested the line item title "Furniture and Equipment" be called something more descriptive, especially for large budgets.
- \* Chairman Hansen requested information about the legislative consulting contract with Martin & Associates including the contract termination date and total funds budgeted in FY 1985-86 for the service.

Mr. Rose and Mr. Phillips moved the Management and Administration budget program be recommended for approval. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

St. Johns Landfill Program/Operating Fund

- \* Mr. Kelley stressed the Solid Waste Department did not have satisfactory tools with which to manage the St. Johns Landfill and other components of the solid waste program because no decision had been made about siting a new landfill. He urged the Council not to extend the St. Johns Landfill, but to develop a firm plan of action for siting another landfill.
- \* In response to Councilor Kafoury's question about staff response to last year's audit comments on cash management at St. Johns, Mr. Carlson said he would give the Councilor a copy of a report prepared for the February Management Committee meeting outlining staff actions and responses to audit comments.
- \* Councilor Myers requested an analysis, including time tables for recommended actions, of the problem with Clark County haulers disposing at St. Johns.
- \* Chairman Hansen requested a budget note to include provisions for transferring funds from contingency, if necessary, to develop an extensive public involvement process for extending the St. Johns Landfill.
- \* Mr. Rose concurred with Mr. Kelley that the St. Johns Landfill should not be extended. He thought funds budgeted for possible extension would be better used to find new landfill sites.

Mr. Rose and Mr. Knoll moved the St. Johns Landfill budget be tentatively recommended for approval. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Clackamas Transfer & Recycling Center (CTRC) Program/Operating Fund

- \* There were no requests or major concerns noted by the Committee.

Mr. Rose and Mr. Knoll moved the CTRC budget be recommended for approval. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Washington Transfer & Recycling Center (WTRC) Program/Operating Fund

- \* There were no requests or major concerns noted by the Committee.

Mr. Rose and Councilor Kelley moved the WTRC budget be recommended for approval. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Landfill Siting Program/Operating Fund

- \* Chairman Hansen requested staff develop a budget note to provide for funding all three siting options simultaneously if it became necessary.
- \* Councilor Kirkpatrick requested a public information staff person be added to the budget program. Staff agreed to compute the costs of the personnel change, propose necessary budget adjustments and return to the Committee with the proposal.

Councilors Kirkpatrick and Kafoury moved to approve the Landfill Siting budget as it would be adjusted. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Chairman Hansen called a recess between 8:20 and 8:30 p.m.

Waste Reduction Program/Operating Fund

- \* At Chairman Hansen's request, Mr. Mulvihill, Waste Reduction Manager, responded to the earlier testimony from Mr. Druback and Mr. Herrmann. He explained the recyclers had previously approached staff for funding. Staff advised them to take the request to the Clackamas County Council or to bring back a letter from the County Council endorsing the program. They had done neither, he said. Mr. Mulvihill explained SB 405 shifted recycling responsibilities back to local jurisdictions and it was appropriate for cities and counties to propose and fund specific programs. Metro's efforts would be concentrated in working with local governments to support and promote these efforts.
- \* After a discussion about the Waste Reduction market survey and promotion program, the Committee instructed staff to prepare a budget note requiring Council approval before the promotion program was implemented. The note should indicate at which point staff would bring their request to the Council and how much money could be expended on marketing research before Council approval was required. Councilor Kirkpatrick urged Mr. Mulvihill to work closely with Public Affairs in planning components of the program.

Councilors Kafoury and Kelley moved the Waste Reduction budget, as proposed to be amended, be recommended for approval. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Systems Planning Program/Operating Fund

- \* There were no requests or major concerns noted by the Committee.

Mr. Rose and Councilor Kafoury moved the Systems Planning budget be approved. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Solid Waste Debt Service Fund

- \* There were no requests or major concerns noted by the Committee.

Councilor Kelley and Mr. Knoll moved the fund budget be recommended for approval. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

Solid Waste Capital Fund

- \* There were no requests or major concerns noted by the Committee

Mr. Rose and Councilor Kelley moved the fund budget be recommended for approval. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

St. Johns Reserve Fund

- \* There were no requests or major concerns noted by the Committee.

Mr. Rose and Councilor Kelley moved the fund budget be recommended for approval. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

St. Johns Final Improvements Fund

- \* There were no requests or major concerns noted by the Committee.

Mr. Rose and Councilor Kelley moved the fund budget be recommended for approval. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

St. Johns Landfill Methane Recovery Fund

- \* There were no requests or major concerns noted by the Committee.

Mr. Rose and Councilor Kelley moved the fund budget be recommended for approval. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

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Before adjourning the meeting at 9:20 p.m., Chairman Hansen announced the Budget Committee would next meet at 6:30 p.m. on April 18, 1985.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "A. Marie Nelson".

A. Marie Nelson  
Clerk of the Council

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