

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL
OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

May 28, 1981

Councilors in Attendance

Presiding Officer Jack Deines
Vice Presiding Officer Betty Schedeen
Coun. Corky Kirkpatrick
Coun. Jane Rhodes
Coun. Ernie Bonner
Coun. Cindy Banzer
Coun. Bruce Etlinger
Coun. Marge Kafoury
Coun. Mike Burton
Coun. Charlie Williamson

Others in Attendance

Phil Adamsak
Mike Alesko
Beth Blunt
Bob Blunt
Mr. Deines

In Attendance

Executive Officer Rick Gustafson

Staff in Attendance

Denton Kent
Andy Jordan
Leigh Zimmermann
Andy Cotugno
Sonnie Russill
Jill Hinckley
Merle Irvine
Paula Godwin
Kevin Watkins
Warren Iliff
Caryl Waters
Cynthia Wichmann

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CALL TO ORDER

After declaration of a quorum, the meeting was called to order by Presiding Officer Deines at 7:35 PM in the Council Chamber, 527 SW Hall St., Portland, Oregon 97201.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

Presiding Officer Deines introduced his father, who was in attendance.

2. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL

There were no written communications to Council at this meeting.

3. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no written communications to Council on non-agenda items at this meeting.

4. CONSENT AGENDA (Items 4.1 through 4.10)

Presiding Officer Deines asked that chairmen of Council Committees present brief reports on Consent Agenda recommendations from their respective committees.

Coun. Burton, Chair of the Coordinating Committee, made the following comments:

- 1) Item 4.3, Contract with Eucon Corporation for Construction of Engineered Fill at Resource Recovery Site, calls for filling in the construction site for the resource recovery plant and is conditional upon the necessary permits being issued by Oregon City. The bid of approximately \$2.9 million is the low bid and represents a savings of over \$1 million from the engineer's estimate.
- 2) Item 4.4, Contract with Black & Veatch Consulting Engineers for Design and Engineering of Clackamas Refuse and Recycling Center, also represents the low bid for the project.
- 3) Item 4.5, Extension of Contract with RIC Consulting Company for Managing Construction of Beaver/Otter and Penguinarium Exhibits, represents an annual consulting fee of approximately \$20,000. It was noted that Mr. Riccio has saved the District considerable money in the past through his efforts.
- 4) Item 4.6, Resolution No. 81-245, A resolution Authorizing Legal Proceedings to Collect Delinquent Disposal Fee Accounts and Civil Penalties, authorizes the Executive Officer to proceed with civil suits against four parties who are indebted to Metro for a total of about \$100,000 in disposal fees at St. Johns landfill. Staff has been asked to develop a procedure for collecting delinquent accounts in the future. It was

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noted that on p. 2 of the Resolution, the words "and civil penalty relating to solid waste" should appear opposite the name of Mr. Harold Alexander rather than Mr. Gene Plew.

Coun. Bonner, Chair of the Regional Development Committee, reported as follows:

- 1) Item 4.7, Res. No. 81-244, For the Purpose of Recognizing Washington County Resolution and Order No. 81-59 as an Adequate Replacement for Metro Ordinance No. 80-95, endorses a resolution passed by Washington County as an interim set of policies for development which would replace Metro Ord. No. 80-95 pending finalization of the Washington County comprehensive plan.

Coun. Williamson presented the following report:

- 1) Item 4.9, Res. No. 81-247, For the Purpose of Approving the Process and Guidelines for Development of the Ten-Year Interstate Transfer Program, reflects the extension of the Interstate Transfer Program from five to ten years by stretching out and categorizing projects in accordance with criteria which have been agreed to by all jurisdictions involved. Both JPACT and TPAC have endorsed this Resolution.

Coun. Banzer asked that the Consent Agenda be amended by removing Item 4.7 for separate consideration.

Coun. Kirkpatrick moved, seconded by Coun. Schedeen, that the Consent Agenda be approved as amended. All Councilors present voting aye, the motion carried.

4.7 Resolution No. 81-244, For the Purpose of Recognizing Washington County Resolution and Order No. 81-59 as an Adequate Replacement for Metro Ordinance No. 80-95

Coun. Schedeen moved, seconded by Coun. Kirkpatrick, that Res. No. 81-244 be adopted. A vote was taken on the motion. Couns. Deines, Williamson, Schedeen, Kirkpatrick, Bonner and Rhodes voted aye; voting no were Couns. Kafoury, Banzer, Etlinger, and Burton. The motion carried.

Coun. Williamson commented that he had voted on the basis of the recommendation of the Regional Development Committee, as no argument for a negative vote was presented. Couns. Deines and Schedeen concurred.

5. ORDINANCES

5.1 Ordinance No. 81-108, For the Purpose of Adopting New Admissions Fees and Policies at the Washington Park Zoo and Repealing Code Section 4.01.060 (Second Reading)

It having been ascertained that it was the consensus of the Council

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to do so, the Clerk read Ord. No. 81-108 for the second time by title only.

Presiding Officer Deines reminded the Council that the motion to adopt this Ordinance had been made and seconded at the first reading.

Coun. Banzer asked Mr. Kent to report on changes in the Fee Schedule that had been recommended by the Regional Services Committee.

Mr. Kent outlined the recommended changes as follows:

- 1) For the "Youth" category, ages were changed to "5 years through 11 years."
- 2) For the "Child" category, ages were changed to "Under 5 years" and the fee was changed to "Free."
- 3) The "Infant" category was eliminated.
- 4) For the School Groups category, the fee was changed to 50¢.

Coun. Banzer moved, seconded by Coun. Rhodes, that Ord. No. 81-108 be amended as set forth above.

Responding to questions from Council, Mr. Iliff explained that admissions fees accounted for about 24% of the total cost of the zoo. The proposed amendment would reduce the anticipated increase in revenue by about 10%, from \$220,000 to \$200,000.

Following discussion, a vote was taken on the motion to amend Ord. No. 81-108. All Councilors present voting aye, the motion carried.

Coun. Banzer announced her intention to oppose the ordinance, feeling that passage of the serial levies should have provided sufficient additional funding, and that voters had expressed their feelings in defeating the tax base.

Coun. Etlinger expressed support for the ordinance and urged that the free afternoon be well publicized.

Coun. Williamson felt that the fee increase was appropriate, as users of the zoo should pay their share of the cost of operation.

Coun. Burton pointed out that zoo fees had not been raised in ten years and should contribute more substantially to supporting the zoo.

Coun. Schedeen felt that as public stewards of the zoo, the Council had the responsibility to see that fees are raised in a reasonable way at reasonable times.

A vote was taken on the motion to adopt Ord. No. 81-108 as amended. Coun. Banzer voted no; all other Councilors present voting aye, the motion carried.

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6. REPORTS

6.1 Executive Officer Report

Metro Dues Extension (SB 852)

Mr. Gustafson reported that the House Local Intergovernmental Affairs Committee is considering mechanisms for providing for an election on Metro's dues extension (SB 852). Alternatives being considered are (1) limiting the extension to two years, which would require an election next year on the dues; and (2) removing the emergency clause, thus providing time for the collection of signatures on a referendum petition. There was extensive discussion of how best to respond to these possibilities. It was the consensus of the Council that Metro's position should be not to negotiate on either alternative; i.e., that if the bill did not include both the four year extension and the emergency clause, Metro would prefer to go to a voluntary dues basis. It was pointed out that almost all jurisdictions involved had already budgeted for Metro dues and many had indicated willingness to pay voluntarily.

Mr. Gustafson and Coun. Deines will appear before the Local Intergovernmental Affairs Committee at 1:30 PM on Monday, June 1, to respond to questions on the dues extension. Councilors were urged to attend if possible.

Resource Recovery Facility

The Oregon City Planning Commission will be meeting on June 2 to make a decision on the permit for the Resource Recovery Facility. Conditions attached to issuance of the permit are: 1) commitment that the bypass will be built by 1985; 2) guarantee that Rossman's landfill will be closed by 1985; 3) no transfer station trucks will use Oregon City streets; and 4) payment in lieu of taxes. It was felt that these conditions were acceptable but that it would be difficult to accommodate any additional conditions at this point. It was anticipated that the Planning Commission would act favorably and that the decision would be appealed to the Oregon City Council for their consideration in June.

Transportation Funding

Mr. Gustafson reported on the status of federal transportation funding and efforts to obtain supplemental funds. Gov. Atiyeh is acting as lead person in this effort, and local jurisdictions are showing increasing interest.

Zoo

The zoo is in the process of modifying the design of the primate facility in order to provide increased security for the chimp exhibit. Cost of the alterations is estimated at \$20,000 and is covered by contingency.

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Yard Debris Program

Participation in the yard debris program was less than anticipated, due at least in part to bad weather. The advertising has been very effective, however, doubling the number of calls to the recycling switchboard. An evaluation of the program is being prepared.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia M. Wichmann
Clerk of the Council