

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT**

**SPECIAL MEETING
April 16, 1984**

Councilors Present: Councilors Banzer, Bonner, Deines, Hansen, Kafoury, Kelley, Kirkpatrick, Van Bergen, and Williamson.

Councilors Absent: Councilors Etlinger, Oleson, and Waker.

Also Present: Rick Gustafson, Executive Officer.

Staff Present: Donald Carlson, Jennifer Sims, Ray Barker, Dennis Mulvihill, Kay Rich, Andy Cotugno, Dan Durig, Doug Drennen, Rod Sandoz, Sonnie Russill, Dan LaGrande, and Ed Stuhr.

Testifiers: Jerome DeGraaff.

A special meeting of the Council of the Metropolitan Service District was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Presiding Officer Kirkpatrick for the purpose of considering the proposed budget for FY 1984-85.

Presiding Officer Kirkpatrick officially convened the meeting as a meeting of the Council as the Budget Committee. She stated that the proposed budget would be presented by the Executive Officer, followed by a report from the Chair of the Budget Review Committee, then public testimony, and conclude with Council questions and requests for additional information.

Mr. Gustafson, Executive Officer, presented an overview of the proposed budget and highlighted the elements of each fund and any proposed changes from the prior year's budget. He said supporting materials had been distributed to the Council--an organizational structure chart and budget summaries, indicating the proposed budget and changes proposed by the Budget Review Committee (attached to the agenda of the meeting).

Councilor Kafoury, Chair of the Budget Review Committee, presented the Committee's recommendations on the Executive Officer's FY 1984-85 Proposed Budget, as contained in a memorandum distributed to the Council (attached to the agenda of the meeting). She also indicated that she had received a letter from the City of Beaverton supporting the proposed FY 1985 work program for the newly formed Intergovernmental Resource Center (attached to the agenda of the meeting).

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Presiding Officer Kirkpatrick then called for public testimony.

Mr. Jerome DeGraaff, 17505 S.W. Sauvie Island Road, requested information regarding the Budget Review Committee's budget note on mediation in the Wildwood case. Mr. Dan Durig, Director of the Solid Waste Department, explained that the Budget Review Committee was recommending that the Council request that the staff investigate mediation between the parties in the Wildwood Landfill case along with the other strategies being pursued to site a regional landfill.

There was no other public testimony.

Presiding Officer Kirkpatrick then asked Council members if they had any issues, comments, or questions which they wanted to raise in preparation for the work session to be held on April 26.

Councilor Williamson asked if the Executive Officer had any exceptions to the recommendations of the Budget Review Committee. Mr. Gustafson responded that he did not totally agree with the recommendations, but understood them and could support them.

Councilor Van Bergen raised a concern about the Intergovernmental Resource Center (IRC). He said while he agreed with most of the concepts regarding the IRC, he requested that the Council be kept informed of the proposals regarding the Center. He said he was concerned about creating a "Metro II" whereby some new organization is created with voting power. He said he could support an advisory group to the Council.

Councilor Deines commented that the Council was being moved in a direction without having a say in it. He requested that information be provided regarding the rationale for organizing the IRC.

Councilor Williamson stated that although the IRC may not have been formally adopted by the Council, he believed the staff was following through with the suggestions and direction of the Council.

Mr. Gustafson briefly explained that the purpose of the IRC was to emphasize and organize local government services provided by Metro.

Councilor Bonner then asked what the assumptions were with respect to Solid Waste rates and Zoo admission fees and

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revenues. Mr. Durig responded that the proposed budget anticipated no rate increase. Mr. Rich, Assistant Zoo Director, stated the proposed budget assumed a 50¢ increase January 1, 1985 for zoo admission.

Councilor Bonner then inquired about Metro's role in Criminal Justice. Mr. Gustafson responded that Metro could become involved in two areas of criminal justice--the provision of a regional jail and/or the provision of data for justice services. He said they would be pursuing those areas in the next few months.

Councilor Bonner commented that he wanted the Council to consider setting regional recycling goals. He said he would like information provided to the Council on such a program because there may be budget implications.

Councilor Hansen said he had asked for material to be developed as far as the exact cost of the Criminal Justice position, excluding the overhead costs. He said he was interested in making the position a full-time position instead of the half-time position proposed by the Budget Review Committee. He said a possible resource might be the proposed budget for Election Costs of \$20,000. He said since there was the possibility that there may be no election cost to Metro in November, and the Council would know that after May 15, the funds could become available for reallocation. Ms. Sims noted that the budget summaries distributed to the Council as well as the cost allocation plan included the information regarding the overhead costs provided the information Councilor Hansen had requested.

Councilor Kelley stated that she was concerned about contracting out for lobbying. She said she did not believe spending public funds for lobbying was the best place to expend those dollars. Councilors Williamson, Bonner, and Hansen argued in support of a lobbying effort. Councilor Kelley countered that she believed existing staff could perform the function. Presiding Officer Kirkpatrick said the issue would be discussed further at the April 26 work session.

Councilor Deines stated that he would like to have the DEQ inspection fees removed from the budget. He said if they didn't stand up against unfair fees, they would continue to be taken advantage of.

Councilor Deines also requested information regarding the fringe benefit percentage. He said the percentage seemed high and wanted to know what was included in the fringe package.

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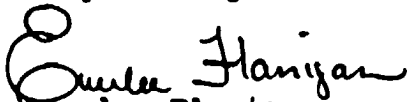
Presiding Officer Kirkpatrick requested comparisons with the current year's fringe benefit percentge. Ms. Sims stated that the fringe benefit percentage was 30% and was comprised of Social Security, Workers' Compensation, unemployment, health and retirement.

Presiding Officer Kirkpatrick noted that the Budget Review Committee's budget notes would be reviewed and discussed at the work session on April 26.

Councilor Deines stated he would also like to discuss the Solid Waste Department's proposal for a community relations position.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Everlee Flanigan
Clerk of the Council

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