

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL
OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

Regular Meeting
February 9, 1989

Councilors Present: Sharron Kelley (Deputy Presiding Officer), Lawrence Bauer, Roger Buchanan, Tanya Collier, Richard Devlin, Tom DeJardin, Gary Hansen, Sharron Kelley, George Van Bergen, and Judy Wyers

Councilors Absent: Mike Ragsdale (Presiding Officer), Jim Gardner, and David Knowles

Deputy Presiding Officer Kelley called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

None.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS TO COUNCIL ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

3. EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMMUNICATIONS

None.

4. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATIONS

None.

5. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Motion: Councilor Hansen moved to approve the minutes of December 22, 1988, and January 12, 1989.

Vote: A vote on the motion resulted in all eight Councilors present voting aye. Councilors DeJardin, Gardner, Knowles and Ragsdale were absent.

The motion carried and the minutes were approved.

6. ORDINANCE, SECOND READING

6.1 Consideration of Ordinance No. 89-280, for the Purpose of Adopting a Purchasing Policy that Gives Preference to the Purchase of Recycled Paper and Paper Products

The Clerk read the ordinance a by title only a second time. The Deputy Presiding Officer announced the ordinance had received a first reading before the Council on January 12, 1989. It had been referred to the Council Internal Affairs Committee and a public hearing was conducted on January 26.

Councilor Hansen, Chair of the Solid Waste Committee and member of the Internal Affairs Committee, presented the Internal Affairs Committee's report and recommendation, explaining the committee had unanimously recommended adoption of the ordinance.

Motion: Councilor Hansen moved to adopt the ordinance and Councilor Devlin seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the ordinance.

Vote: A roll call vote on the ordinance resulted in all nine Councilors present voting aye. Councilors Gardner, Knowles and Ragedale were absent.

The motion carried and the ordinance was adopted.

7. ORDINANCES, FIRST READINGS

7.1 Consideration of Ordinance No. 89-287, for the Purpose of Revising the FY 1988-89 Budget and Appropriation Schedule to Provide Funding for Amending a Contract with Government Finance Associates to Staff the Work Program of the Metropolitan Government Finance Committee

The Clerk read the ordinance by title only for a first time. Deputy Presiding Officer Kelley announced the Presiding Officer had referred the ordinance to the Council Finance Committee.

7.2 Consideration of Ordinance No. 89-284, for the Purpose of Amending Metro's Urban Growth Boundary for Contested Case No. 88-4: Bean Property

The Clerk read the ordinance a first time by title only. The Deputy Presiding officer explained the Council would consider the ordinance in its capacity as a quasi-judicial board. Dan Cooper, General Counsel, added that the Council would review the case according to its rules for locational adjustments to the Urban

Growth Boundary (UGB) and according to the evidence included in the written record for the case.

Chris Thomas, Hearings Officer for the case, reviewed the Findings and Recommendations document included in the meeting record. He had recommended approval of the petition because he thought the amendment would result in a significant improvement to urban services. Mr. Thomas also reported that no exceptions to his recommendation had been filed and that the City of Oregon City supported the amendment. He also pointed out that if the amendment were approved, the land would be used to house the elderly. The land had once been inside the UGB but as a result of a land trade surrounding another UGB amendment, the Boundary was changed. Mr. Thomas concluded that water services and facilities would improve; sewer services and facilities would substantially improve; storm drainage facilities and services would not significantly improve; transportation facilities and services would substantially improve; fire protection facilities and services would improve; the amendment would have no impact on police facilities and services; and the amendment would have little or no impact on school facilities and services. All services could be provided in an orderly and efficient manner, he said.

Mr. Thomas discussed the fact that the land contained Class 2 soils but he had concluded there was no chance the land would be used for agricultural purposes. Finally, he said similarly situated, contiguous land existed and there was a possibility that land near the site could become subject to a future petition to amend the UGB.

Councilor Van Bergen noted the Hearings Officer's report had discussed that the land would be used for a housing development for the elderly. The Councilor thought the report should not have referred to specific use because it was not the Council's role to evaluate the case based on proposed land uses.

There was no public testimony and Deputy Presiding Officer announced the ordinance was passed on to a second reading. The date of the second reading would be announced later.

8. RESOLUTIONS

8.1 Consideration of Resolution No. 89-1041, for the Purpose of Supporting a Continued Parks Planning and Coordination Role for the Metropolitan Service District

Councilor Bauer reported the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee unanimously recommended adoption of the resolution which proposed

implementing a work program that would provide the following information to each Metro area jurisdiction: 1) map of all parks within Metro along with other, supplemental information; 2) computerized database of the parks inventory; 3) directory of parks in the region; 4) map of natural areas; and 5) regional parks study/report. He further explained it was not Metro's intent to compete with local parks districts in carrying out this project.

Motion: Councilor Bauer moved to adopt the resolution and Councilor Collier seconded the motion.

Councilor Bauer explained that as part of the project, natural areas currently inside the Urban Growth Boundary would be identified. He suggested efforts be made to inform the public of the value of these natural lands in order to protect those lands from certain types of development. Councilor Hansen said he was glad to see Metro take the lead in protecting "urban open lands." Councilor Devlin also spoke in support of protecting such land.

Larry Espey, Executive Director, Oregon Parks Foundation, said he had hoped more citizens had attended the meeting to support the resolution. He was very supportive of Metro's role in the parks project and pledged his help in implementing the work.

Vote: A vote on the motion to adopt the resolution resulted in all nine Councilors attending voting aye. Councilors Gardner, Knowles and Ragsdale were absent.

The motion carried and the Resolution was adopted.

Councilor DeJardin commended Councilor Kelley for introducing the resolution and for her work on the project.

8.2 Consideration of Resolution No. 89-1047, for the Purpose of Initiating the Development of a Regional Yard Debris Plan

Councilor Wyers, member of the Solid Waste Committee, presented the Committee's report and recommendation. She explained the draft Environmental Quality Commission (EQC) Stipulated Order had stated Metro would develop a regional yard debris plan or carry out the original certification and rate incentives program of the 1986 Waste Reduction Program. Staff had recommended developing a yard debris plan and the Committee had unanimously recommended adoption of the resolution. Councilor Wyers said she had provided a copy of The Oregonian's editorial about Metro's Yard Debris Plan to each Councilor. She was disappointed the

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editorial had been released before the Council had delivered this resolution.

Motion: Councilor Wyers moved, seconded by Councilor DeJardin, to adopt Resolution No. 89-1047.

Councilor Devlin noted there had been discussion about whether Washington County would develop its own yard debris plan. He questioned whether the County would cooperate with Metro to develop a regional yard debris plan. Rich Carson, Director of Planning & Development, responded that Washington County had agreed to work with Metro on a plan. The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) had written to the County discussing the appropriate regional process, he said.

Estle Harlan, representing the Tri-County Council of six area solid waste associates, was very supportive of the proposed Regional Yard Debris Plan. She was critical of The Oregonian's editorial comments that Metro was "foot dragging" and that the plan was taking too long to implement. She encouraged Metro to take the time to develop a thorough, coordinated approach to the problem, especially in developing viable markets for yard debris. She also pointed out the DEQ had asked Metro to take on the project, a fact apparently not understood by The Oregonian editorial staff.

Vote: A vote on the motion to adopt the resolution resulted in all nine Councilors present voting aye. Councilors Gardner, Knowles and Ragsdale were absent.

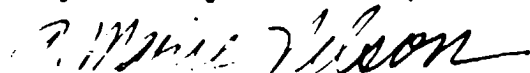
The motion carried and the resolution was unanimously adopted.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Bauer reported he had been asked by members of the Internal Affairs Committee to work with staff on preparing an inventory of surplus real property that could possibly be sold.

There was no other business and the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



A. Marie Nelson
Clerk of the Council