MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

April 9, 1992

Council Chamber

Councilors Present: Presiding Officer Jim Gardner, Deputy Presiding Officer Judy Wyers, Larry Bauer, Roger Buchanan, Richard Devlin, Sandi Hansen, Ruth McFarland, George Van Bergen and Ed Washington

Councilors Absent: Tanya Collier and Susan McLain

Also Present: Executive Officer Rena Cusma

Presiding Officer Gardner called the regular meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Presiding Officer Gardner announced that Agenda Item No. 7.4, Resolution No. 92-1598<u>A</u>, For the Purpose of Finalizing the Westside Lightrail Transit Funding Program would be considered after Agenda Item No. 4 and before Agenda Item No. 5.

1. CONSIDERATION OF A CANDIDATE FOR VACANT DISTRICT 5 COUNCIL POSITION

A. Consideration of Candidates by the Council

- 1. Job Lazar
- 2. Edward Gronke
- 3. Kevin McDonald
- 4. Michael Gates

Presiding Officer Gardner announced that due to the March 31, 1992 resignation of District 5 Councilor Tom DeJardin, the Council had been involved in a process to select a person to serve in that position. He announced advertisements were published in <u>The Oregonian</u>, <u>The Clackamas County Review</u>, <u>The Lake</u> <u>Oswego Review</u>, <u>The Oregon City Enterprise-Courier</u>, <u>The Tigard-</u> <u>Tualatin Times</u>, and <u>The West Linn Tidings</u>, and that neighborhood associations, business associations and elected officials were informed of the vacant position. He announced applications were made available to all interested citizens beginning March 19, 1992.

Presiding Officer Gardner announced a Council subcommittee composed of Councilors Devlin, Bauer and Van Bergen held a public meeting at Clackamas Community College on Tuesday, March 31, to hear the candidates and receive testimony from interested citizens. He said Councilor Buchanan attended the meeting also.

Presiding Officer Gardner announced the Council would interview the applicants for the vacant District 5 Council position per the

provisions of Metro Code Section 2.01.180 and that the order of interviews was chosen randomly by lot. He said each applicant would have up to 15 minutes to respond to the series of five questions they received in the application packet and to make closing remarks. He said Councilors could ask follow-up questions which would not be applied against the applicant's allotted time, but that Councilors were encouraged to keep their follow-up answers brief and applicants were asked to keep their answers succinct.

Presiding Officer Gardner asked applicants to wait outside of the Council Chamber until it was their turn to testify.

Presiding Officer Gardner announced that Mr. Gronke was unable to attend this meeting and referred those present to his written responses to the five questions.

Presiding Officer Gardner asked the three candidates present the following five questions:

- 1. An independent committee is drafting a Metro charter to put before the voters in November. What powers, authority, and functions should be included in Metro's charter?
- 2. What should Metro's relationship be with other governments in the region?
- 3. Metro Councilors are responsible for setting regional policy and for program and fiscal oversight of the Metropolitan Service District. Explain how your background would enhance the Council's ability to perform these tasks.
- 4. By assuming this position, you would be appointed to represent a district of approximately 80,000 people. Please share with us your knowledge of the needs and concerns of your district. What experience do you have in working with community organizations, as well as the individuals in your district? How would you balance the needs of District 11 with the needs of the region?
- 5. What do you believe ought to be changed about Metro, if anything?

After the three candidates answered the questions listed above and participated in question and answer sessions with the Council, Presiding Officer Gardner closed the interview process.

Submitted for this meeting and filed with the record of this meeting, were various letters in support of candidates.

Tom Walsh, general manager, Tri-Met, submitted a letter of support for Mr. McDonald (dated April 8, 1992). Mr. McDonald also submitted written testimony in response to the five questions also.

Dan Fowler, mayor, City of Oregon City, submitted a letter of support for Mr. Gates (dated March 31, 1992). Mr. Gates submitted written testimony in response to the five questions also.

B. <u>Discussion of Timing for Appointment to Vacant Council</u> <u>District 5</u>

Presiding Officer Gardner said the Council should discuss whether an applicant should be appointed at this time in view of the pending May 19 election for a District 5 Councilor.

Councilor Buchanan said the Council could wait until after the May 19 election and appoint the candidate elected to serve before he took office in January 1993. Councilor Devlin said that option would not work if the person elected to represent District 5 was only eligible after reapportionment became effective in January 1993. Councilor Van Bergen said representation for District 5 citizens before the election should be considered. Councilor Buchanan reiterated the election held May 19 would give direction to the Council by voters. The Council briefly discussed the issues further.

Citizens submitted requests for the record, filed with the record of this meeting, that the Council not fill the vacancy at this time but wait until after the election May 19.

Robert Thomas, 2563 Pimlico Drive, West Linn, contacted Council staff by phone and faxed his concerns on the issue: "I urge you not to fill the interim vacancy for the Council seat of District #5 with any one of the candidates that will be running in the election for that office. To do so, I believe, would give that candidate an unfair advantage in the election because many voters would view such a person as already experienced in the position, and therefore more qualified than the others. To be impartial, I believe you should appoint an interim caretaker to that position who will not be running for office."

Linda Williamson, 2060 Ridge Pointe Drive, Lake Oswego, wrote a letter addressed to Councilor Devlin urging the Council to leave the position open if at all possible. She asked that the Council not appoint one of the candidates running for the District 5 Council seat and did not believe enough information had been disseminated to the public on the appointment process. She said

if the Council had to appoint a candidate at this time, it should appoint an interim candidate.

<u>Chuck Geyer</u>, chair, AFSCME Local 3580 PAC, requested the Council leave the seat vacant until the results of the May 19 primary were known, or to select an applicant not participating in the primary to fill the vacancy. He said AFSCME Local 3580 made the request because they believed selection of a candidate at this time could influence the May 19 primary outcome and said their organization was still reviewing candidate qualifications for the position for endorsement.

- <u>Motion</u>: Councilor McFarland moved, seconded by Councilor Devlin, to appoint a candidate to fill the vacant District 5 seat at this meeting.
- <u>Vote</u>: Councilors Bauer, Devlin, Hansen, McFarland, Van Bergen, Washington, Wyers and Gardner voted aye. Councilor Buchanan voted nay. Councilors Collier and McLain were absent. The vote was 10-1 in favor and the motion passed.

C. Selection of Candidate for the District 5 Position

Presiding Officer Gardner asked for nominations of candidates to fill the District 5 vacancy.

- <u>First Nomination</u>: Councilor Buchanan moved, seconded by Councilor Bauer, to nominate Mr. Lazar.
- <u>Second Nomination</u>: Councilor Devlin moved, seconded by Councilor Van Bergen, to nominate Mr. Gates.
- <u>Third Nomination</u>: Councilor McFarland moved, seconded by Councilor Van Bergen, to nominate Mr. McDonald.
- Fourth Nomination: Councilor Gardner moved, seconded by Councilor Buchanan, to nominate Mr. Gronke.

The nominations were closed.

Presiding Officer Gardner explained per Metro Code 2.01.180 provisions, each Councilor should vote for one candidate and sign their ballots. He said a candidate would be elected if he received six or more votes. He said if no one candidate received six votes, a second ballot would be held on the two candidates who received the most votes on the first ballot. He said in the case of a tie for the first or second spots on the first ballot, all candidates in the first and second spots would be on the

second ballot. He said the same procedure would follow for all subsequent ballots.

First Vote: Councilors Gardner, Hansen and Wyers voted for Mr. Gronke. Councilors Bauer, Buchanan and Washington voted for Mr. Lazar. Councilors McFarland and Van Bergen voted for Mr. McDonald. Councilor Devlin voted for Mr. Gates.

Mr. Gronke and Mr. Lazar each received three votes, Mr. McDonald received two votes and Mr. Gates received one vote. Mr. Gronke and Mr. Lazar were then under consideration for the second ballot.

<u>Second Vote</u>: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, Hansen, McFarland and Wyers voted for Mr. Gronke. Councilors Bauer, Buchanan, Van Bergen and Washington voted for Mr. Lazar.

Mr. Gronke received five votes and Mr. Lazar received four votes. Mr. Gronke and Mr. Lazar were under consideration for a third ballot.

<u>Third Vote</u>: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, Hansen, McFarland, Washington and Wyers voted for Mr. Gronke. Councilors Bauer, Buchanan and Van Bergen voted for Mr. Lazar.

Mr. Gronke received six votes and Mr. Lazar received three votes. Presiding Officer Gardner announced that Mr. Gronke had bee appointed to the Metro Council to fill the District 5 vacancy.

Presiding Officer Gardner announced Mr. Gronke would take the oath of office and be seated at the start of the April 23 Council meeting.

7. RESOLUTIONS

7.4 <u>Resolution No. 92-1598A</u>. For the Purpose of Finalizing the Westside Lightrail Transit Funding Program

Presiding Officer Gardner announced the Council would consider Agenda Item No. 7.4 at this time because several Councilors had to leave to attend a function held by Multnomah County.

<u>Motion</u>: Councilor Devlin moved, seconded by Councilor Washington, for adoption of Resolution No. 92-1598<u>A</u>.

Councilor Devlin gave the Transportation & Planning Committee's report and recommendations. He explained the funding addressed

in Resolution No. 92-1598<u>A</u> should not be confused with the full funding agreement for westside light rail, but said passage of the resolution would move the process forward toward securing federal funding for westside lightrail. He said the resolution also made it possible to access the next available corridor for lightrail 1-2 years earlier than anticipated.

Councilor Devlin explained funding particulars in further detail. He said funding particulars were complex. He said the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 obligated approximately \$500 million for lightrail westside to 185th Avenue and \$15 million for Hillsboro. He said approximately 85 percent of funding committed for lightrail was already committed to specific projects including Westside light rail which meant not a great deal of additional funding was left. He said the resolution would provide one third Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 3 funding for the segment 185th Avenue to downtown Hillsboro and 75 percent FTA Section 3 funding for the segment from downtown Portland to 185th Avenue and explained other funding details.

Councilor Devlin discussed the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation's (JPACT) discussion of the resolution the date of this meeting. He said an issue of interest was \$13.5 million in FTA Section 3 funds for double tracking for eastside and noted Tom Walsh, Tri-Met's general manager, testified at JPACT this date Tri-Met's committee to Project "Break-even" and that if change was intended for that project, Tri-Met would return to JPACT and the Council with a resolution seeking approval of that change.

Councilor Buchanan stated uncase about the resolution because it involved the complex transfer of large amounts of federal funds. He said such fund transfers affected transit issues/funding for East County.

Councilor Van Bergen noted his previously stated stated support for the Sunset Corridor. He hoped other parties involved remembered the support they had promised as well. He said the double track was a separate issue, but said the \$22 million in question were regional funds in nature. He said all parties involved in transportation planning and projects should recall commitments made in the past.

<u>Vote</u>: Councilors Bauer, Buchanan, Devlin, Hansen, Van Bergen, Washington and Gardner voted aye. Councilors Collier, McFarland, McLain and Wyers were absent. The vote was unanimous and Resolution No. 92-1598A was adopted.

- 1. CONSIDERATION OF A CANDIDATE FOR VACANT DISTRICT 5 COUNCIL POSITION (Continued)
- D. <u>Resolution No. 92-1604</u>, For the Purpose of Appointing a Candidate to Fill the Vacant District 5 Position
 - <u>Motion to Suspend</u>: Councilor Buchanan moved, seconded by Councilor Bauer, to suspend the Council's rules requiring that resolutions be referred by committee so that the Council as a whole could consider Resolution No. 92-1604.
 - <u>Vote on Motion to Suspend</u>: Councilors Bauer, Buchanan, Devlin, Hansen, Van Bergen, Washington and Gardner voted aye. Councilors Collier, McFarland, McLain and Wyers were absent. The vote to suspend the rules was unanimous and the motion passed.
 - <u>Main Motion</u>: Councilor Buchanan moved, seconded by Councilor Bauer, to adopt Resolution No. 92-1604.

Councilor Van Bergen said all four of the applicants considered for the vacancy were excellent and said Mr. Gronke would make an excellent addition to the Council. Presiding Officer Gardner and Councilors Devlin and Bansen concurred with Councilor Van Bergen.

<u>Vote on Main Motion</u>: Councilors Bauer, Buchanan, Devlin, Hansen, Van Bergen, Washington and Gardner voted aye. Councilors Collier, McFarland, McLain and Wyers were absent. The vote was unanimous and Resolution No. 92-1604 was adopted.

Presiding Officer Gardner recessed the Councilor at 7:28 p.m. The Council reconvened at 7:40 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTIONS

None.

3. <u>CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS TO THE COUNCIL ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS</u> None.

4. EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMMUNICATIONS

None.

- 5. CONSENT AGENDA
- 5.1 Minutes of February 13, 1992
- 5.2 <u>Resolution No. 92-1591.</u> For the Purpose of Authorizing the <u>Issuance of the RFP for the Oregon Convention Center Parking</u> <u>Requirements Survey and Report</u>
- 5.3 Resolution No. 92-1602. For the Purpose of Making Citizen Appointments to the Transportation Policy Alternatives Committee
 - <u>Motion</u>: Councilor Devlin moved, seconded by Councilor Van Bergen, for adoption of the Consent Agenda.
 - <u>Vote</u>: Councilors Bauer, Devlin, Hansen, Van Bergen, Washington and Gardner voted aye. Councilors Buchanan, Collier, McFarland, McLain and Wyers were absent. The vote was unanimous and the Consent Agenda was adopted.
- 6. ORDINANCES, FIRST READINGS
- 6.1 Ordinance No. 92-452, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 91-390A Revising the FY 1991-92 Budget and Appropriations Schedule For the Purpose of Transferring Appropriations Within the Zoo Operating Fund

The Clerk read the ordinance for a first time by title only.

Presiding Officer Gardner announced Ordinance No. 92-452 had been referred to the Regional Facilities and Finance Committees for consideration.

6.2 Ordinance No. 92-445, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 91-390A Revising the FY 1991-92 Budget and Appropriations Schedule for the Purpose of Funding the 3.25 Percent Cost of Living Adjustment

The Clerk read the ordinance for a first time by title only.

Presiding Officer Gardner announced Ordinance No. 92-455 had been referred to the Finance Committee for consideration.

7. <u>RESOLUTIONS</u> (Continued)

7.1 <u>Resolution No. 92-1590A</u>, <u>Establishing a Funding Task Force</u> for <u>Regional Facilities and Programs</u>

<u>Motion</u>: Councilor Washington moved, seconded by Councilor Hansen, for adoption of Resolution No. 92-1590<u>B</u>.

Councilor Washington gave the Regional Facilities Committee's report and recommendations.

Councilor Van Bergen asked what the charge of the task force would be as well as the charge of the task force listed under Resolution No. $92-1589\underline{A}$.

Pam Erickson, Project Manager, Regional Facilities Department, explained the charge of the Funding Task Force was to bring together the recommendations of the Arts Plan 2000+ report and the recommendations of the final report of the Public Policy Advisory Committee on Regional Facilities, more specifically, the recommendations of the Finance Subcommittee to that committee. She said this task force would identify a strategy for raising funds to support both facilities and programs and attempt to determine regional consensus on that funding strategy.

Councilor Van Bergen said the charge of the task force should be made clear so that the Council knew exactly what the task force was doing. Ms. Erickson said Regional Facilities Department staff could report regularly to the Council and/or the Regional Facilities Committee on task force activities.

The Council briefly discussed the resolution further. Councilor Washington noted Exhibit B was revised from the exhibit reviewed by Regional Facilities Committee which led to the resolution's "B" designation. Councilor Bauer noted a District 2 constituent had contacted him about serving on the task force. Ms. Erickson said that person could apply should there be a vacancy and said there were other opportunities to participate via subcommittee activity. Councilor Washington noted he and Councilor DeJardin had both expressed concern about task force diversity and that he would serve on the task force.

Presiding Gardner concurred with Councilor Van Bergen's concerns, particularly his concern the task force would make decisions and commitments without the Council's knowledge or permission. Councilor Devlin said it was difficult for individual Councilors to keep the full Council informed on all the issues, and said reports of each task force meeting should be distributed to the Council regularly.

Casey Short, Council Analyst, noted the resolution became a "B" version solely because of the list of names in Exhibit B. He said the original Exhibit B had many blank spots, that staff provided more names at Committee, and that staff had since filled more spots since the Regional Facilities Committee reviewed the exhibit. He said there were still three vacant spots and said staff would introduce a new resolution to fill those slots.

Councilor Van Bergen asked if the task force would have any budget impact. Ms. Erickson said it would not.

- Vote: Councilors Bauer, Devlin, Hansen, Van Bergen, Washington and Gardner voted aye. Councilors Buchanan, Collier, McFarland, McLain and Wyers were absent. The vote was unanimous and Resolution No. 92-1590B was adopted.
- 7.4 <u>Resolution No. 92-1598A.</u> For the Purpose of Finalizing the <u>Westside Lightrail Transit Funding Program</u> (Continued)

Presiding Officer Gardner noted a citizen wished to testify on Resolution No. 92-1598A and opened a public hearing.

<u>Clay Moorhead</u>, community development director, City of Gresham, said he was speaking for the Gresham City Council on the resolution, specifically on No. 10 in staff's report, "13.5 million FTA Section 3 funds for Eastside costs required to through route trains with the Westside." He said the City of Gresham approved that funding, but noted JPACT discussion this date which clarified that the \$13.5 million as listed was not the same \$13.5 million supported via the Act of Congress connected to the "Break-even" project proposed for development in the City of Gresham. He noted Councilors Devlin and Gardner were at the JPACT meeting and asked for concurrence on the funding for the record.

Presiding Officer Gardner concurred with Mr. Moorhead's testimony and said it was made part of the record when the Council discussed the resolution earlier at this meeting. He said the "Break-even" project was still viable and that Tom Walsh, General Manager, Tri-Met, said Tri-Met would continue to work on "Breakeven" and funding of that project. Presiding Officer Gardner noted Councilor Devlin that quoted the commitment by Tri-Met's general manager at JPACT this date that any change in Tri-Met's pursuit of the "Break-even" project would come back to JPACT and the Council for separate action and decision.

7.2 <u>Resolution No. 92~1589A</u>, For the Purpose of Establishing a <u>Metropolitan Sports Authority Task Force</u>

<u>Motion</u>: Councilor Van Bergen moved, seconded by Councilor Devlin, for adoption of Resolution No. 92-1589<u>A</u>.

Mr. Short reviewed the Regional Facilities report and recommendations. He said the resolution followed consideration of Ordinance No. 91-443, For the Purpose of Establishing a Metropolitan Sports Authority, by the Regional Facilities Committee in January. He said that ordinance would have established a metropolitan sports authority in the Metro Code. He said the Regional Facilities Committee tabled the ordinance pending review of the FY 1992-93 Budget. He said Regional Facilities Department staff developed this resolution to establish a task force to meet between now and the end of the fiscal year to produce a report and recommendations for the full Council and to members of the private sector to determine what the make-up of such a sports authority should be in the long term. He said the intent of that long-term sports authority was to be a private, non-profit organization without direct ties to any governmental agency to be funded by private donations and other private revenues. He said the task force would require no appreciable staff time in the coming fiscal year and would create no budget impact on Metro in the next fiscal year.

Councilor Washington asked how the task force would differ from the Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission (MERC) and noted the resolution stated the task force's purpose "would be to develop the developments of a sports promotional entity which will probably be a private, non-profit body" and asked why the latter would be needed.

Ms. Erickson said this resolution resulted from a recommendation by the Public Policy Advisory Committee, specifically from its Stadium Subcommittee. She said various groups had formed and dissolved including committees to discuss the Winter Olympics and She said such efforts required long-range a domed stadium. planning efforts to be successful. She said the Stadium Subcommittee believed some type of permanent body was needed to attract major sporting events to the region. She said the concept was that Metro would create such a task force. She said there were economic, participatory, sports and entertainment benefits in attracting international sporting events to the region, but said doing so took effort. She said such events were private events, but said a centralized body was needed to coordinate such events overall. She said such events would benefit regional recreational facilities.

> <u>Vote</u>: Councilors Bauer, Devlin, Hansen, Van Bergen, Washington and Wyers voted aye. Councilors Buchanan, Collier, McFarland, McLain and Wyers were absent. The vote was unanimous and Resolution No. 92-1589A was adopted.

Presiding Officer recessed the Council of the Metropolitan Service District and convened the Contract Review Board of the Metropolitan Service District to consider Agenda Item No. 7.3.

- 7.3 Resolution No. 92-1600, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Executive Officer to Approve an Amendment to the Agreement with Marx/Knoll, DeNight and Dodge to Produce Two Hazardous Waste Handbooks in Cooperation with the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
 - <u>Motion</u>: Councilor Hansen moved, seconded by Councilor Devlin, for adoption of Resolution No. 92-1600.

Councilor Hansen gave the Solid Waste Committee's report and recommendations. She explained that Metro agreed to let the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) develop two hazardous waste handbooks. She said some of the work had been undertaken and Metro had already paid DEQ. She said the resolution would approve the intergovernmental agreement with DEQ to allow them to reimburse Metro for the cost of the work in the amount of \$30,277.

Vote: Councilors Bauer, Devlin, Hansen, Van Bergen, Washington and Gardner voted aye. Councilors Buchanan, Collier, McFarland, McLain and Wyers were absent. The vote was unanimous and Resolution No. 92-1600 was adopted.

Presiding Officer Gardner adjourned the Contract Review Board and reconvened the Council of the Metropolitan Service District.

- 7.5 Resolution No. 92-1595. For the Purpose of Supporting the 1992 Nomination of the Columbia River to the National Estuary Program
 - Motion: Councilor Bauer moved, seconded by Councilor Hansen, for adoption of Resolution No. 92-1595.

Councilor Bauer gave the Transportation & Planning Committee's report and recommendations. He explained the Committee agreed Metro should recommend to the governors of Oregon and Washington that the Lower Columbia River be nominated for the National Estuary Program to achieve eligibility for federal funds for planning and environmental investigation. He said such planning

would lead to long-range preservation for the Estuary. He said since the March 24 Transportation & Planning Committee meeting, both governors had withdrawn the Columbia River's nomination for the program. He said the Council should declare its support of the designation. He said the concerns expressed publicly by the respective governors in the past were not valid. He said in light of the effects of Ballot Measure No. 5, available federal funds should be applied for. He said the Bi-State Policy Advisory Committee reviewed this resolution and that their vote was one short of a unanimous vote.

Councilor Devlin reviewed the nomination's past history. He said the first time Metro passed such a resolution, both Governors Gardner and Goldschimdt opposed the designation. He said in this case, Governor Roberts supported the nomination and Governor Gardner did not. Councilor Devlin said Governor Gardner's successor might support the nomination in the future. Presiding Officer Gardner said it was important Metro be on record as supporting the nomination. He said the Environmental Protection Agency could allow additional nominations in two years.

Councilor Van Bergen said he would vote nay because both governors did not wish to pursue the nomination at this time.

<u>Vote</u>: Councilors Bauer, Devlin, Hansen, Washington and Gardner voted aye. Councilor Van Bergen voted nay. Councilors Buchanan, Collier, McFarland, McLain and Wyers were absent. The vote was 5-1 in favor and Resolution No. 92-1595 was adopted.

8. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Presiding Officer Gardner discussed the RPP for Financial Impact Study on the Tri-Met/Metro Merger recently reviewed by the Governmental Affairs Committee. He said Executive Officer Cusma sent a memorandum dated April 6 to the Council asking it to clarify its intent regarding the RFP. He said the Council should determine what issues the RFP would address. He said he would refer the RFP back to the Governmental Affairs Committee for further comment and clarification. He noted Council discussion of the issues had caused concern among other entities. He said because of how the RFP was currently structured, those concerns were valid. He said when Metro suspended its decision-making process on a merger with Tri-Met, Metro stated it would not pursue the merger until the full-funding agreement was in place for Westside light rail. He said at that time, the Council expected the full-funding agreement to be in place by September 1991. He said the full-funding agreement had still not been signed. He said Metro committed to Tri-Met, other governments in the region and to the congressional delegation not to pursue the

merger until the full-funding agreement was completed, but said it was acceptable to gather information on very specific questions/issues that Metro would need at the time it might resume study of a merger. He said if the RFP was rewritten to be more specific, he could support it. He said he wanted the Governmental Affairs Committee to review those and other issues.

Councilor Hansen discussed the RFP and Charter Committee issues. She disagreed with certain opinions expressed by the Charter Committee. She did not believe Charter Committee discussion was germane to the issues it had been charged with to discuss. Councilor Devlin said the Charter Committee's current draft document had placed a number of restrictions of Metro's ability to merge with Tri-Met and specified if the merger occurred, Metro had to retain the existing Tri-Met board. He asked if the Governmental Affairs would make a recommendation to the full Council on the RFP. Presiding Officer Gardner said he wanted the Governmental Affairs Committee to address the issues raised by Executive Officer Cusma in her memorandum. He said a recommendation could result in a resolution or other format, but in any case, to communicate that the Council intended to proceed with the study and what issues the study should address. He said the current RFP should be rewritten to narrow its focus to certain financial information that would be needed in any case. Presiding Officer Gardner briefly discussed Charter Committee language on Tri-Met language.

Councilor Van Bergen discussed timing issues. Councilor Bauer asked when the charter document would be completed. Don Carlson, Council Administrator, said the document had to be completed by June, that public hearings would then be held, and the document would then be submitted to the State Elections Office. The Council briefly discussed Charter Committee issues further. Councilor Bauer asked General Counsel Dan Cooper if the Council could amend the charter document if so desired. Mr. Cooper said that was unclear.

Mr. Carlson announced the Budget Committee meeting originally scheduled for 5:30 p.m., Monday, April 13, had been canceled and that a 5:30 p.m., Monday, April 20, meeting had been added to the Budget Committee schedule. He said the originally scheduled 5:30, Wednesday, April 23, meeting would be held in reserve for a follow-up meeting if needed.

There being no further business, Presiding Officer Gardner adjourned the meeting at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Paulette Allen Clerk of the Council