

# MINUTES OF METRO COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Council Chamber

April 11, 1995

Councilors Present: Ruth McFarland (Presiding Officer), Rod Monroe (Deputy Presiding Officer), Jon Kvistad, Susan McLain, Don Morissette, Ed Washington

Councilors Absent: Patricia McCaig

Presiding Officer McFarland called the April 11, 1995 Metro Council Work Session to order at 2:00 p.m.

## 1. INTRODUCTIONS

None.

## 2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

None.

## 3. EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMMUNICATIONS

None.

## 4. OTHER BUSINESS

Presiding Officer McFarland asked that Agenda Item No. 4.4 be heard at this time.

### 4.4 Update on Recycling Advertising Campaign

Councilor Kvistad introduced Debbie Gorham, Waste Reduction Division Manager, who presented a preview of the Recycling Advertising Campaign planned to start next week in conjunction with Earth Week. She said for the first time Metro worked with local governments on a joint campaign and said Metro was working with an ad agency, Knoll and Company. She said sponsorship pledges were received from the American Forest & Paper Association in the amount of \$10,000; the American Plastics Council, \$10,000; and, the Steel Recycling Institute, \$10,000; along with others.

Ms. Gorham said for the first time in this region items that could be recycled now included empty aerosol cans, scrap paper and milk jugs with a few local exceptions. She said Metro's contribution to the campaign from a budget from \$101,000 was \$52,300. She noted local government partners contributions included: \$7,500 from the City of Portland; \$6,000 from Washington County; \$3,000 from Clackamas County; \$1,000 from Gresham, \$900 from Milwaukie; and, \$300 from Troutdale.

Ms. Gorham introduced Michelle Gregory, Senior Public Affairs Specialist, who presented information about the radio and T.V. spots as well as presenting graphic displays that were to be used in the campaign. Ms. Gregory played three radio spots for the Council.

Councilor Kvistad commended the Division for the work done on the campaign.

### 4.1 Risk Management Semi-Annual Report

Jennifer Sims, Director of the Finance and Management Information Department, presented highlights from Risk Management Division's Semi Annual Report, which was printed in the agenda packet for this meeting and has been made part of the permanent meeting record.

Scott Moss, Risk Manager, discussed Workers Compensation claims and Metro property insurance, noting the total cost for property claims for 1994-95 was \$4,270.

Ms. Sims and Mr. Moss discussed the cost allocation program and the emergency management system including internal emergency management program tasks and regional emergency management.

Councilor Kvistad referenced the distribution graph on page 7 of the report regarding the most common types of accidents, which Mr. Moss indicated represented Metro's statistics and was similar to past distribution for Metro. He noted compared to entities he felt Metro had fewer lifting, pushing and pulling claims than others did.

4.2 Overview of JPAC Agenda That Includes: 1) Gresham Civic Neighborhood Report; 2) Resolution No. 95-2123 Endorsing the Citizens' Advisory Committee For The 1996 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Update; 3) FY 96 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP)/\$27 Million Region 2040 Reserve Allocation; and 4) RTP Update

Andy Cotugno, Planning Department Director, addressed the Council and discussed the next JPACT meeting agenda scheduled for Thursday, April 13, 1995 at 7:15 a.m. at Metro Regional Headquarters.

Mr. Cotugno discussed agenda item no. 2, Resolution No. 95-2123 appointing a Citizen's Advisory Committee for the 1996 Regional Transportation Plan which he noted would come before the Council for approval. Councilor McLain discussed the process utilized involved a committee review of applications for membership to the proposed committee according to federal government criteria, noting Councilor Kvistad sat in on two of the meetings of the review committee. She said written comments regarding the review committee's choices were forwarded to the local jurisdictions for further processing.

Mr. Cotugno discussed agenda item no. 3, approval requested from JPACT to endorse the Los Alamos proposal for Portland Air Quality modeling. In response to Presiding Officer McFarland, Mr. Cotugno said the support requested would be in the form of a letter of support only. He said they were not requesting money noting that Metro support would be helpful for them to obtain funding. Mr. Cotugno advocated consulting with Oregon's senator to determine whether support of the Los Alamos proposal would interfere with other major objectives. He noted the proposers were seeking endorsement in the next week. Mr. Cotugno said completing the light rail would help meet the air quality standards while this proposal would affect measuring air quality standards. He added he felt meeting the air quality standards was a higher priority. In response to Presiding Officer McFarland, Mr. Cotugno said the parties involved would like support from both JPACT and from Metro. Presiding Officer McFarland agreed consulting with the senator first would be beneficial. She agreed with Mr. Cotugno's assessment that finishing the light rail before measuring what good it could do made sense.

Mr. Cotugno discussed agenda item no. 4, which involved a request from Washington County for approval requested from JPACT to endorse their ballot measure for the May election to continue their levy for another six year period for MSTIP 3. He noted MSTIP was principally a road related measure with some other improvements included such as bike, pedestrian and transit related improvements. Councilor Morissette indicated he supported the proposal. Mr. Cotugno responded to Councilor Morissette indicating endorsement was requested by May 16. Councilor Morissette inquired regarding the possibility of drafting a resolution to frame that endorsement in a formal manner. Councilors Kvistad, McLain and Monroe supported the drafting of such a resolution.

The Council agreed in consensus it was important to use care with regard to which efforts were endorsed, and discussed the matter further.

Mr. Cotugno recommended waiting for a JPACT recommendation and scheduling the matter for a regular Metro Council meeting as an action. Presiding Officer McFarland asked Councilor Morissette as a member of JPACT to work on the matter.

Casey Short, Council Analyst, noted that the Council had the liberty to add a resolution to the agenda in as much as the meeting itself had been publicly noticed. Presiding Officer McFarland asked that such a resolution be drafted and brought forward at the next Metro Council regular meeting to be held Thursday, April 13, 1995.

Mr. Cotugno discussed agenda item no. 5, an informational presentation from the City of Gresham regarding their Gresham Civic Neighborhood project, a transit oriented development project which he said Metro had helped with by contributing some pass through funds from STP. He said the city was also requesting funding for their project.

Mr. Cotugno discussed agenda item no. 6 and no 7, and distributed two documents, one of which was entitled, "FY 1996 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program, \$27 Million Regional Reserve Fund, Region 2040 Implementation, Public Review Draft," dated April 7, 1995; and, another entitled, "Draft 1995, Interim Federal Regional Transportation Plan," dated April, 1995. These documents have been made part of the permanent meeting record. He said the April 7 Public Review Draft contained a breakdown of all the jurisdictions along with short descriptions of the types of projects they had submitted. He said a technical ranking was also included as provided by staff based upon authorized criteria. He noted a meeting notice was printed in the Public Review Draft listing a series of meetings for the purpose of receiving public comment on regional transportation issues. He said local projects would be discussed in terms of overmatching, time frames, and regional balance.

Presiding Officer McFarland opened a public hearing.

Mary Vogel, Portland resident of unincorporated Washington County, testified before the Council. She noted there was a Washington County based group called Sensible Transportation Options for People (STOC). Ms. Vogel noted she had received a communication from STOC regarding MSTIP and Washington County's involvement with it. She said STOC and former Councilor Terry Moore opposed the MSTIP and had raised questions whether MSTIP addressed appropriately the alternative transportation needs of Washington County.

Councilor Kvistad commented he was familiar with STOC's opposition to MSTIP. Councilor Kvistad felt Washington County had been denied transportation infrastructure, was built on non-grid pattern development allowing no options for alternatives. He said he appreciated the perspective offered but based on the infrastructure needs of Washington County, he supported efforts by MSTIP for Washington County.

Presiding Officer McFarland closed the public hearing.

Mr. Cotugno went on to discuss the Interim Transportation Plan (ITP), which he had distributed to the Council in document form. This document has been made part of the permanent meeting record. Mr. Cotugno said the region was required to have a regional transportation plan that was fiscally constrained and that met air quality standards. He said an air quality conformity analysis would be available in June, 1995, and said it was hoped the plan would be adopted subject to that analysis being successful.

Councilor McLain asked whether the meeting notice printed in the April 7 document had been distributed to libraries in the region. Planning Staff indicated the answer would need to come from Pam Peck, Associate Public Involvement Planner.

In response to Councilor Kvistad, Mr. Cotugno said the series of specific projects would need to be identified in the ITP in order for them to go forward in the next two to five years. Mr. Cotugno responded further the projects listed in the April 7 Public Review Draft were under consideration to fund now as part of the \$27 million. He said the ITP identified projects for improvement over the next 20 years, which should include those to which funds had been committed as well as upcoming projects based on expectations for future revenues. In response to Councilor Kvistad, Mr. Cotugno said I-5/217 and I-5/99W projects were included in the list, noting ODOT had concerns about some Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) expenditures. Councilor Kvistad said citizens in his community were interested in seeing the necessary funding for those projects moved forward.

#### 4.3 Update and Briefing on Regional Water Supply Planning Study

Councilor McLain referenced the agenda item materials in the packet which she said provided a historical perspective of the Regional Water Supply Plan. These documents are part of the permanent meeting record. Councilor McLain indicated participants in the discussion included Lorna Stickel, Portland Water Bureau, who had provided quarterly updates on the plan, Mr. Cotugno, Metro representative on the participation committee. She added Councilor Kvistad and Executive Officer Burton as well as his predecessor had been on Commissioner Mike Lindberg's regional water supply leadership group.

Councilor McLain highlighted notations included in the agenda packet from the document entitled, "Metro Comments on Draft Regional Water Supply Plan Policy Objectives."

In response to Councilor Morissette, Councilor McLain explained the statement in the comments from Metro recognizing "that not all environmental impacts can be mitigated" was present to take into account environmental impacts arising from events such as volcanic eruptions.

Executive Officer Burton said that under the Charter Metro was required to adopt a water supply element as part of the Regional Framework Plan, and felt the work done by the coordinating group in which Metro was a participant had a view toward that end. He noted other related issues such as salmon spawning were also involved. Executive Officer Burton said such issues could not be resolved without leadership and direction, and indicated he appreciated the participation of Commissioner Lindberg.

Commissioner Lindberg addressed the Council and noted the perception that others held that Oregon had an abundance of water was misleading, noting issues of growth, occasional drought and competition for water from hydropower, fisheries and agriculture impacted our water supply. He noted in 1993 twenty-seven different water providers signed an intergovernmental agreement to provide funding of more than \$2 million for a regional water supply plan. Commissioner Lindberg indicated working together to review of all of the options and potential impacts with a full public involvement process were next steps.

Presiding Officer McFarland raised the question whether the region might be better served with greater storage facilities. Commissioner Lindberg indicated information in the presentation would address that issue, and noted one of the options to be explored was the possibility of increasing storage capabilities in the Bull Run or in aquifers.

Rosemary Furfey, Senior Regional Planner, indicated the goal was to seek the Council's approval for staff to move forward on the proposed plan to adopt the Regional Water Supply Plan by December, 1995. Ms. Furfey introduced Lorna Stickel, Portland Water Bureau.

Ms. Stickel presented a graphic display and slide presentation with information which explored various aspects of the Regional Water Supply Plan, such as potential sites for increased reservoir water containment, banking winter water in wells and using it in the summer, options for water facilities and regional policy objectives.

Ms. Stickel distributed a Fact Sheet to the Council. This document has been made part of the permanent meeting record.

Councilor Washington commented he did not support use of Willamette of Columbia River water, but rather would support options connected with Bull Run and was interested in the aquifer.

Councilor McLain discussed aspects of regional water supply including cost, equity, environmental impacts, potential sources as well as conservation.

Ms. Stickel introduced Mike Rosenberg, Administrator, Portland Water Bureau, and Chair of the Participants Committee, who was present.

Councilor Kvistad commented he was seeing a positive network of regional relationships being formed with the common good of the regional water supply at stake. In response to Councilor Kvistad, Ms. Stickel said there was some work done that would indicate there was likely more than one potential site for a dam in the Bull Run, and she commented also about the aquifer under Cooper/Bull Mountain. She noted the state had declared the area a critical ground water area and that more detailed analysis was available. She indicated the geology of the area would allow for water storage.

Councilor Morissette commented it was his feeling that Metro be considered a team member in the process, and said proper evaluation would include cost analysis.

Presiding Officer McFarland commented she agreed with Councilor Washington's remarks regarding the Columbia and Willamette rivers, and felt as sources of water for regional needs those should be placed last on the list.

John Fregonese, Growth Management Manager, noted Metro was a formal member of the Participants Committee by virtue of a previously adopted resolution. He said the intent was assure the Council was aware of and involved in the process and he noted the Charter mandate that Metro adopt a water supply and storage element for the Regional Framework Plan. He proposed that a draft plan be adopted by resolution by the end of the year from which Metro staff would determine Metro's work, such as the growth management portion. He said the draft plan would become a work plan for all the jurisdictions involved. Mr. Fregonese said some jurisdictions would build facilities out of that plan and that Metro would have resulting tasks. He emphasized the need for the Metro Council to participate from the beginning through to the end toward the goal of achieving a consensus document.

Presiding Officer McFarland commented on the rapidly increasing growth rate in East Multnomah County. Mr. Fregonese concurred, and said statistics bore that message out.

Councilor Kvistad commented the Regional Waster Supply Plan would need to be clearly and carefully linked to other elements of regional planning. Councilor McLain agreed, and indicated she was .

Councilor Monroe asked about the data on growth by county. Mr. Fregonese indicated he would be able to provide information that would compare Washington County growth to Multnomah County growth in terms of actual increase in housing units from 1990 to 1994.

Presiding Officer McFarland commented on the successful history of management of the water of Bull Run by Gresham as a source for the City of Portland, and felt a vote of thanks was due for their past efforts.

Ms. Stickel said there was evaluative work being done regarding the Willamette and Columbia Rivers water, and said that information would be made available as desired.

Ms. Furfey noted the Council would be informed and afforded opportunity regarding a public involvement schedule that was forthcoming.

## 5. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATIONS

Councilor Monroe said he had received a note indicating that the State Senate Transportation Committee had approved all three South/North funding bills, each on a 4 to 1 vote. Councilor Monroe indicated he believed the Senate would likely pass the bills as well, but that felt there might be difficulty in the House. He encouraged the Council to make contact with House members that were yet undecided.

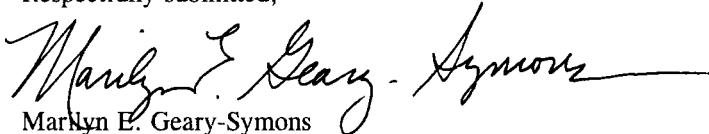
Councilor Monroe said on a personal note, his wife was in the hospital having had surgery on April 10, and said long term prognosis was very good.

6. LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

None.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marilyn E. Geary-Symons". The signature is written in black ink and extends across the width of the page.

Marilyn E. Geary-Symons  
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