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Minutes

Thursday, April 14, 2022

10:30 AM

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888-475-4499 (toll free)**

Council meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Council President Peterson called the Metro Council Meeting to order at 10:16 a.m. **Councilors Nolan, Hwang, and Rosenthal** were not present when roll was called.

Present: 7 - Council President Lynn Peterson, Councilor Shirley Craddick, Councilor Christine Lewis, Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez, Councilor Mary Nolan, Councilor Gerritt Rosenthal, and Councilor Duncan Hwang

2. Public Communication

Council President Peterson opened the meeting to members of the public wanting to testify on a non-agenda items.

Paul Savas testified regarding the I-205 Tolling plans. They believe ODOT's timeline is overly optimistic, and are concerned that the plan lacks measures to address increased commuter diversion caused by tolling.

Chris Peterson testified in support of an investment grade analysis of the IBRP earlier in its project timeline, in order to determine the factors that will limit traffic. They also testified in support of preserving the natural ecology of West Hayden Island.

Stacey Wayneright requested that Council sign a safety request to Washington County, to bring 2018 Metro RTP Project ID 11581 up to county roadway standards.

Christa McDermott testified regarding WPES' recent budget presentation, in support of modernizing its recycling facilities and special considerations for the informal waste management work force.

Seeing no further discussion on the topic, Council President Peterson moved on to the next agenda item.

3. Presentations

3.1 Budget Committee Meeting- Council Deliberation on Proposed Budget; Discussion of Questions and Budget Committee Changes

[Council President Peterson called on [Marissa Madrigal] [she/her/ella], Metro Chief Operating Officer, and Brian Kennedy [he/him], Metro Chief Financial Officer to present to Council.

Staff pulled up the [*FY 2023 Proposed Budget Council Deliberation and Public Hearing*] to present to Council. Staff provided Council with an overview of the budget presentations that have been presented. Each presentation included three main topics: the strategic framework, equity outcomes and metrics, and major new investments/changes to the budget.

Council Discussion:

Councilor Nolan asked if the budget for Supportive Housing Services included funds for conducting regular censuses of homeless populations.

Marissa did not have the answer at the time, and promised to follow up with Councilor Nolan at a later time.

Councilor Craddick asked about Staff's plans to modernize WPES' facilities.

Marissa acknowledged Councilor Craddick's question, and recommended that the topic be discussed in more detail at a future work session.

Councilor Rosenthal asked whether WPES and Parks & Nature had enough staff to meet their FY 23 goals and facilities plans, and specifically mentioned the Cornelius facilities. They also asked how the proposed budget accounts for the Atlantic Cove project.

Marissa explained that WPES is fully staffed and capable of implementing its facilities plan, including Cornelius. Paul explained that the Atlantic Cove project currently has

staffing, and is underway. Council had previously allotted \$10 million to the project and, if more is required, staff would facilitate future discussions around acquiring more funding.

Councilor Hwang asked if the additional 1 FTE in the Parks & Nature budget and 1 FTE in the GAPD budget is enough to meet Metro's goals of increasing outreach and collaboration with Tribal Governments, and what that collaboration will look like.

Marissa invited **Katie McDonald** to talk about Parks and GAPD's joint efforts to increase engagement with Tribal Governments. Katie explained that both departments would designate specific Tribal liaisons, with plans to add more similar positions in future budget years.

3.1.1 Public hearing

Seeing no further discussion on the topic, Council President Peterson opened the public hearing on the proposed budget.

There was no public testimony.

4. Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilor Craddick, seconded by Councilor Lewis, that this was approved as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 -

Council President Peterson, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, Councilor Nolan, Councilor Rosenthal, and Councilor Hwang

- 4.1 Consideration of the January 6, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes
- 4.2 Consideration of the March 31, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes
- 4.3 Consideration of the March 31, 2022 Council Work Session Minutes
- 4.4 Resolution No. 22-5251, For the Purpose of Amending Existing or Adding to the 2021-26 Metropolitan Improvement Program (MTIP) Nine Projects in Support of Completing Various Federal Delivery Requirements (MA22-09-MAR)

5. Resolutions

5.1 Resolution No. 22-5250, For the Purpose of Approving Acquisition Target Area Refinement Plans for the 2019 Parks and Nature Bond Measure

A motion was made by Councilor Lewis, seconded by Councilor Rosenthal, that this item be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Council President Peterson, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, Councilor Nolan, Councilor Rosenthal, and Councilor Hwang

Council President Peterson called on [MJ Deveraux] [pronouns], Dan Moeller [he/him], Shannon Leary, and Judy BlueHorse Skeleton, Bob Sallinger, and Doug Menke to present to Council.

Staff pulled up the [*Parks and nature: target area refinement plans April 14, 2022*] to present to Council.

Staff presented on the scope of the proposed \$475 million investment, and the six program areas of the bond.

Council President Peterson opened the meeting to members of the public wanting to testify on Resolution No. 22-5250.

Public Hearing:

Ted Lavi testified in support of the nature bond measure, and protections for natural environments within the UGB, including West Haven Island.

Council Discussion:

Council expressed their appreciation for Staff's hard work and celebrated the passing of the bond.

Seeing no further discussion on the topic, Council President Peterson moved on to the next agenda item.

6. Ordinances (First Reading and Public Hearing)

- 6.1 Ordinance No. 22-1477, For the Purpose of Amending Metro Code Chapter 2.19.150 to clarify the purpose and membership information of the investment advisory board

Assigned to Council; second reading scheduled for April 21, 2022

7. Ordinances (Second Reading and Vote)

- 7.1 Ordinance No. 22-1476, For the Purpose of Annexing to the Metro District boundary approximately 8.16 acres located at 25190 SW Grahams Ferry Road, Wilsonville

Council President Peterson stated that the first reading and public hearing for **Ordinance No. 22-1476** took place on Thursday, November 7.

Council President Peterson called on [Margi Bradway] [she/her], Metro Deputy Director of Planning, to present to Council.

Staff pulled up the [*I-205 Toll Project (PE Phase) RTP Amendment: JPACT and MPAC Recommendation to the Metro Council*] to present to Council.

Margi provided an overview of the RTP Amendment process, JPACT's recommendation to Council, and MPAC's recommendation to Council.

Councilor Nolan referred back to a suggestion they made regarding tolling on I-5 and I-205. They also acknowledged that ODOT seeks FHWA authority to toll the VPP and not under Section 129.

Council President Peterson called on [Della Mosier] [she/her], ODOT, and Mandy Putney [she/her], ODOT, to present to Council.

Staff pulled up the [*I-205 Toll Project: Regional*

Transportation Plan (RTP) Amendment] to present to Council

The ODOT Presenters outlined their past work with regional stakeholders, ODOT's commitment to regional partners, and a brief timeline of the tolling project.

Councilor Hwang wanted assurance that ODOT's commitment to equity included a low-income mitigation program. He also reiterated his hope that communication between regional partners is timely.

Mandy explained that ODOT's Equity and Mobility Advisory Committee plans to submit legislation to the legislature in September. That legislation is the foundation for their equity and low-income mitigation strategy. She also offered to come back and present regarding JPACT and MPAC's role in the tolling project.

Margi added that communication with OTC and ODOT should be seen in conjunction with JPACT and MPAC, not just Council.

Councilor Lewis asked two questions: Are we still on track to meet the July window, despite cost over runs? Regarding ODOT's commitment to enhancing the connection between the RMPP and I-205 Toll Project, how realistic is the 1 year window gap?

Regarding Councilor Lewis' first question, Della explained that extreme steps have been taken to keep the project going and accommodate the Metro processes. She also explained that they also hope to accelerate the RMPP and I-205 project. She believes that ODOT's 6 new commitments will help strengthen inter-governmental relations and speed things up.

Councilor Rosenthal had multiple comments and questions:

- They remained unconvinced that the \$30 million is necessary to complete the project. They also believed that ODOT's goals and commitments were closer to the RTP's.

- When will Council get traffic projections that show how much congestion mitigation the added lanes and bridge will provide?
- When will Council get estimates for the costs of construction?

Mandy answered that they are currently going through the process of looking at the congestion impacts of the project, and will submit a draft report for review by this summer. They will also have additional traffic and revenue analyses, which will also be available this summer.

Councilor Gonzalez acknowledged the hard work of ODOT staff, and asked what the user experience on the I-205 in 2030 will be like.

Della explained that tolling on the I-205 would be used to generate revenue and mitigation congestion. They plan to utilize variable rate pricing for the I-205 and RMPP. Put more simply, ODOT staff used the phrase, “you pay for the trip you take.”

Councilor Craddick expressed her desire to see more specificity regarding ODOT’s 6 commitments, and worries that they do not reflect all of Council’s questions and concerns. She emphasized that she expects stronger words and commitments.

Margi acknowledged that many discussions with OTC and ODOT that need to occur. Staff will report to Council again next week.

Councilor Rosenthal asked if Staff has considered tolling for 217 and 26, through the tunnel.

Mandy explained that they are currently looking at I-5 and I-205, and tolling for 217 and 26 is not currently within the scope of this project, but are issues that ODOT is looking into.

A motion was made by Councilor Craddick, seconded by Councilor Lewis, that this item be postponed until the April 21, 2022 Council meeting. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Council President Peterson, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, Councilor Nolan, Councilor Rosenthal, and Councilor Hwang

7.2 Ordinance No. 21-1467, For the Purpose of Amending the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan to Include the Preliminary Engineering Phase of the I-205 Toll Project, and to Clarify the Financial Connection of the I-205 Toll Project to the I-205 Improvement Project

A motion was made by Councilor Craddick, seconded by Councilor Lewis, that this item be postponed until the April 21, 2022 Council meeting. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Council President Peterson, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, Councilor Nolan, Councilor Rosenthal, and Councilor Hwang

8. Resolutions

8.1 Resolution No. 22-5234, For the Purpose of Amending the 2021-2026 Metropolitan Improvement Program (MTIP) to Add the Preliminary Engineering Phase for ODOT's I-205 Tolling Project Allowing NEPA and Design Activities to Begin (JA22-06-JAN1)

A motion was made by Councilor Craddick, seconded by Councilor Lewis, that this item be postponed until the April 21, 2022 Council meeting. The motion passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 -

Council President Peterson, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, Councilor Nolan, Councilor Rosenthal, and Councilor Hwang

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9. Chief Operating Officer Communications

Marissa Madrigal provided an update on the following events or items:

- COO Marissa Madrigal updated Council on her “Best Practices Trip” to Nashville, TN.

10. Councilor Communication

Deputy Council President Lewis postponed Council Communications until the next Council meeting.

11. Adjourn

There being no further business, Deputy Council President Lewis adjourned the Metro Council Meeting at 1:32 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

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