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# **Minutes**

Thursday, June 23, 2022 10:30 AM

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**Council meeting** 

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#### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Deputy Council President Lewis called the Metro Council Meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

**Present:** 5 - Councilor Shirley Craddick, Councilor Christine Lewis,
Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez, Councilor Mary Nolan, and
Councilor Gerritt Rosenthal

**Excused:** 2 - Council President Lynn Peterson, and Councilor Duncan Hwang

#### 2. Public Communication

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

Liam from Sunrise PDX, Lucia from Sunrise PDX, Row from Sunrise PDX, and Ukiah Sunrise PDX testified against the LPA for the IBRP, citing its potential to increase greenhouse gas emissions.

# 3. Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilor Craddick, seconded by Councilor Rosenthal, to adopt items on the consent agenda.. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez,
Councilor Nolan, and Councilor Rosenthal

**Excused:** 2 - Council President Peterson, and Councilor Hwang

- 3.1 Resolution No. 22-5270, For the Purpose Confirming Appointment of Community Representatives to the Metro Central Community Enhancement Committee
- 3.2 Consideration of the April 21, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes
- 3.3 Consideration of the April 14, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes

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#### 4. Resolutions

4.1 Resolution No. 22-5275, For the Purpose of Adopting the Reimagining Policing, Security, and Incarcerated Labor Vision for Justice and Belonging

Deputy Council President Lewis introduced Marissa Madrigal [she/her/ella] to present to Council.

Staff pulled up the [Reimagining Policing, Security, and Incarcerated Labor Project] to present to Council.
Staff's presentation explained how their plan to:

- Reduce current harm
- Align with agency & regional plans
- Create welcoming spaces & stable communities

#### Council Discussion:

Councilor Rosenthal reiterated his full-fledged support for the resolution, though he had questions around the wording used in the resolution. He specifically pointed to the use of the term "living wage," and asked why other terms like "minimum wage" or "fair or equitable wage" instead. Councilor Rosenthal was specifically concerned about the potential to misinterpret or reinterpret the wording in a way that would weaken the resolution. He also asked about the term "communities," rather than "communities and individuals."

Staff explained that the term "living wage" is a term with an accepted "model," and they decided upon that term to create more consistency within the department. Staff acknowledged Councilor Rosenthal's recommendations.

**Councilor Craddick** asked what actions staff would recommend in order to realize the vision they presented to

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Council, though she did not expect an immediate answer. She also asked if staff would bring more specific actions to Council at a later date.

Staff explained that much work is still left to be done. However, Punneh Abdolhosseini added that they have recommended that departments "really think through what

it means to build a foundation for long-term sustainability in this work." Staff confirmed that they would bring more specific items as their work moves forward.

**Councilor Gonzalez** asked, given that Metro is not directly involved in law enforcement, how staff planned to "convene" those who are directly involved like: mayors, county chairs, commissioners, police chiefs, etc.

Reed Brodersen explained that staff would most likely start the work of "regional convening" in places like the Tri-County Advisory Body, and work on implementing their vision in areas that Metro has direct influence, like affordable housing and transportation.

Deputy Council President Lewis asked for more information regarding the potential need for "professionalization of our security team." She also asked if any budget asks for this work would be in regular cycle with the next budget. She also asked if staff had enough support from HR in their work group. Reed added that yes, the deputy director of HR is on their committee.

**Councilor Rosenthal** asked why the prosecutorial system was not mentioned.

Staff explained that it was not intentionally left out, and it was not as high a priority as other items.

**Deputy Council President Lewis** asked for more

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information on the bullet point: *Planning Still Disconnects Community and Supports Displacement.*Staff promised to follow up with Council in writing.

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

4.2 Resolution No. 22-5269, For the Purpose of Approving the Parks and Nature Bond Large Scale Community Visions Pilot Program Handbook

Deputy Council President Lewis called on [Jon Blasher] [he/him], Metro

Director of Parks and Nature and MG Devereux [he/him] Deputy Director of Parks and Nature, to present to Council.

Staff pulled up the [Large Scale Community Visions Presentation] to present to Council.

The presenters explained the scope and vision for the LSCV program.

#### Council Discussion:

**Councilor Craddick** asked for reassurance that this project would bring more nature to urban areas that need it, and that these spaces would receive regular maintenance and protection. She also recommended that staff consider the varied financial capacities of the different partner cities.

Jon reassured Council that long-term maintenance was a part of this project, and that this would not take away from any ongoing projects and commitments.

**Councilor Rosenthal** asked if there are procedures in place to update the handbook after its adoption.

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Staff explained such a process, through the COO's office or via Council's recommendation, and explained that they have committed to returning to Council with more specific policy questions during phase one of the project.

**Councilor Gonzalez** expressed his appreciation for staff's work, and his support for the project.

**Deputy Council President Lewis** pointed out Metro's

seeming bias towards riparian zones, and asked if staff would ensure that other forms of natural habitat would be equally valued in their analyses.

Jon assured that, though riparian zones are one of their primary focuses, they understood the importance of other ecosystems and would properly weight their impact.

**Councilor Rosenthal** asked if staff had considered an emphasis on connectivity between regional habitats of various types.

Staff answered yes, and they offered to provide more specific examples at a later date.

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

- Aye: 5 Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez,
  Councilor Nolan, and Councilor Rosenthal
- **Excused:** 2 Council President Peterson, and Councilor Hwang
- 4.3 Resolution No. 22-5259, For the Purpose of Amending the FY 2021-22

  Budget and Appropriations Schedule and FY 2021-22 Through FY 2025-26

  Capital Improvement Plan to Provide Changes in Operations

Deputy Council President Lewis called on [Cinnamon Williams] [she/her], Metro Financial Planning Director, to

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present to Council.

Staff pulled up the [June Budget Amendment Council Presentation] to present to Council.

Cinnamon outlined the amendments to the 2021-22

Consolidated Budget.

#### Council Discussion:

**Councilor Craddick** asked for clarification, that the resolution being discussed would amend the 2021-22 budget.

Staff answered yes.

**Deputy Council President Lewis** asked if the \$1.7 million in WPES' budget that has been appropriated to 8 capital projects from the land acquisition budget became available after they decided not to purchase a certain site. Staff answered yes.

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

**Aye:** 5 - Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, Councilor Nolan, and Councilor Rosenthal

Excused: 2 - Council President Peterson, and Councilor Hwang

- 5. Ordinances (Second Reading and Vote)
  - 5.1 Ordinance No. 22-1479, For the Purpose of Annexing to the Metro District Boundary Approximately 11.06 Acres Located at 17433 SW Brookman Road in Sherwood

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

Aye: 5 - Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez,

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Councilor Nolan, and Councilor Rosenthal

Excused: 2 - Council President Peterson, and Councilor Hwang

5.2 Ordinance No. 22-1480, For The Purpose Of Annexing To The Metro
District Boundary Approximately 40.10 Acres Located At 13580 & 13794
SW Roy Rogers Road In Tigard

**Councilor Rosenthal** disclosed an ex parte contact with a constituent.

Council did not object to this contact and Metro Attorney Carrie MacLaren recommended that Council proceed with the ordinance.

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

Aye: 5 - Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez,
Councilor Nolan, and Councilor Rosenthal

Excused: 2 - Council President Peterson, and Councilor Hwang

6. Chief Operating Officer Communication

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

- With Elissa Gertler's departure, Andy Shaw would become the interim director in Planning, Development, and Research. Tyler Frisbee would replace him as interim director of Government Affairs.
- Music on Main at Portland Center for the Arts will be on July 13th, and free outdoor concerts will be held every Wednesday between July 13th and August 24th.
- Over the summer, the Oregon Zoo will be offering zoo nights every other Friday.

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#### 7. Councilor Communication

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings and events:

- Councilor Rosenthal updated Council regarding the Tigard UGB and the Parks and Nature Bond presentations. There will also be a ground breaking on 6/30 at the Wish Camper.
- **Deputy Council President Lewis** updated Council regarding another opening for senior housing on 6/27. She also updated Council regarding an expert panel on modeling climate change in transportation that took place on 6/22.
- **Councilor Rosenthal** commented on the expert panel, that he found it very informative.
- Councilor Craddick commented on the expert panel, how it has gotten her to ask if we are all doing enough to stop the climate crisis.
- Councilor Gonzalez also shared thoughts about the panel and other presentations from the past few weeks. He specifically mentioned a presentation from Elliot Rose regarding the decline in public transit ridership, and how that affects our ability to meet our climate goals.
- Councilor Nolan added to Councilor Craddick's thoughts. She believes that Council has asked these questions, and that the capacity to do more exists. However, they have faced resistance from the people who want projects to move forward.
- Councilor Rosenthal specifically mentioned a commenter from Colorado who said that adding transit does not alleviate congestion, it just allows more people to travel.

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# 8. Adjourn

There being no further business, Deputy Council President Lewis adjourned the Metro Council Meeting at 3:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nathan Kim

Your Name, Legislative Assistant

## ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF June 23, 2022

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	DOC DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT NO.
1.0	PowerPoint	6/23/2022	Reimagining Policing, Security, and Incarcerated Labor Project Presentation	062322c-01
2.0	PowerPoint	6/23/2022	Large Scale Community Visions Presentation	062322c-02
3.0	Testimony	6/23/2022	Ukia Halloran-Steiner Testimony	062322c-03
4.0	Powerpoint	6/23/2022	Resolution 22-5259 June Consolidated Budget Amendment Presentation	062322c-04