

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL BUDGET COMMITTEE  
OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

Regular Meeting  
April 3, 1991

Committee members present: George Van Bergen (Chair), Sandi Hansen (Vice Chair), Roger Buchanan,

Committee members absent: Richard Devlin, Judy Wyers

Chair Van Bergen called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

A Phase II review of programs for the convention center, the Metropolitan E-R Commission, and the zoo was given by department staff. Presentations included further information in support of the proposed budget.

1. Convention Center Funds

Mr. Neil Saling, Director of Regional Facilities, made the presentation.

- \* Councilor Van Bergen asked if any litigation was pending on the Convention Center Project Management Fund. Mr. Saling indicated no litigation was pending.
- \* Councilor Van Bergen asked if funds from the Capital Fund would be expended prior to receiving Council approval. Mr. Saling and Mr. Casey Short, Council Analyst, indicated Council approval would be obtained first.

2. Metropolitan E-R Commission

Mr. Lee Fehrenkamp, MERC General Manager, and Mr. Dominic Buffetta, MERC Finance and Administration Manager, made the presentation.

- \* Councilor Hansen asked if MERC Finance and Administration personnel would be involved in establishing the audit trail recommended by the consultants. Mr. Buffetta answered affirmatively.
- \* Councilor Van Bergen directed Council staff to get together with the appropriate committee or Councilors to review the centralization/decentralization study to determine what can be done in this or next budget year to effect changes recommended by the study. Mr. Short indicated that he had been asked by Councilor Knowles to report to the Regional Facilities Committee at their next meeting.

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- \* Councilor Van Bergen asked about the status of the Hanna Property. Mr. Fehrenkamp indicated the property had been purchased by Kosei Development, and that Kosei was willing to work with MERC for present and future development.

3. Metro Washington Park Zoo

Ms. Sherry Sheng, Zoo Director, Mr. Kay Rich, Assistant Zoo Director, and Ms. Jennifer Sims, Director of Finance and Management Information made presentations.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lindsey Ray,  
Committee Clerk

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