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Minutes of the Council Budget Committee
April 13, 1994
Council Chamber

Committee Members Present: Rod Monroe (Chair), Richard Devlin (Vice Chair), Jon Kvistad, Jim Gardner, Susan McLain, George Van Bergen, Ed Washington

Committee Members Absent: Roger Buchanan

Other Councilors Present: Mike Gates, Terry Moore

Chair Monroe called the budget committee to order at 3:05 p.m.

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

2. Planning Fund - Planning Department

B. Council Staff Recommendations

Gail Ryder, Senior Council Analyst, presented her recommendations included in her April 11, 1994 memorandum, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

Councilor Van Bergen paralleled this budget experience with that of the State Legislature under the mandates of Ballot Measure Five. He noted he had not had an opportunity to discuss the budget with Ms. Ryder prior to the preparation of her recommendations.

Councilor Kvistad spoke in favor of supporting the Data Resource Center recommendations presented by Ms. Ryder.

Related to Ms. Ryder's number eight recommendation, Councilor Gardner asked if all of the government dues could be exchanged for transportation planning projects. Andy Cotugno, Planning Director, explained that an attempt would be made to maximize that approach, but that only approximately fifty percent would be changed.

A. Relationship Between Planning Fund and General Fund

Don Carlson, Council Administrator, summarized his memorandum dated April 13, 1994, discussing the interrelationship among the Planning, General and Support Services Funds and Council Staff Recommendations for the General Fund and the Support Service Fund, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. The Committee discussed Mr. Carlson's memorandum.

In response to Councilor Van Bergen, Mr. Carlson and Chair Monroe discussed administrative cost scenarios related to a potential implementation of a new revenue source. Mr. Carlson noted the taxes identified in the Tax Study Committee reports could be levied without a direct referral to the voters.

C. Public Testimony

Chair Monroe recessed the meeting at 4:35 p.m. Chair Monroe reconvened the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

Chair Monroe opened the public hearing.

Eric Carlson, 907 Oak St., Lake Oswego, OR 97034, appeared to testify on the impact of adopting construction excise and real estate transfer taxes. He provided written testimony, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

With no other citizens appearing to testify, Chair Monroe closed the public hearing.

D. Work Session and Decisions

Councilor Gardner advocated starting discussions from the proposed budget.

Councilor Gates called for additional discussion of revenue sources. Chair Monroe disagreed. Councilor Van Bergen stated the approach to the budget should be identification of assets (or revenues) first. Councilor McLain stated the needs should be identified first. Councilor Devlin spoke to the history of planning funding of the agency and stated he felt the revenues should be discussed following identification of needs of the agency. Councilor Kvistad stated he desired to start with the base budget and then discuss options. Councilor Washington noted the Charter did not mandate immediate implementation the directives.

Councilor Gardner noted the Charter stated planning would be Metro's "primary function". He stated the base budget was not the base level to appropriately fund planning.

In response to Councilor Devlin, Mr. Cotugno discussed FTE changes as a result of the various funding scenarios.

The Committee continued to discuss process.

In response to Chair Monroe, Mr. Cotugno stated any recommendations beyond Ms. Ryder's were not in his opinion necessary to meet Charter mandates. He stated whether Ms. Ryder's recommendations met the mandates of the Charter needed to be determined by the Metro Council.

Councilor Gardner referred to recommendations made by the Metro Area Planning Directors in an April 11, 1994 memorandum, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. In response to Councilor Gardner's questions, Mr. Cotugno stated some of the items identified in the memo might be better accomplished in forthcoming years.

Main motion: Councilor Gardner moved to accept the proposed planning budget expenditures.

First motion to amend: Councilor Kvistad moved to reduce Future Vision Funding to the Base Budget level without reduction to the overhead expenses.

Ms. Ryder overviewed the base budget program components. In response to Councilor Devlin, Mr. Cotugno outlined the program timeline. Councilor McLain spoke against the amendment.

Vote on first motion to amend: Councilors Kvistad and Van Bergen voted aye. Councilors Devlin, Gardner, McLain, Washington, and Monroe voted nay. Councilor Buchanan was absent. The vote was 2/5 and the motion failed.

Councilor McLain noted MPAC members were present to testify. She called for their testimony prior to additional motions. At the request of Councilor Devlin, Chair Monroe agreed to poll the Committee. The consensus of the Committee was to hear from the MPAC members.

Vote on main motion: Councilors Washington, Kvistad, Devlin, Gardner, McLain and Monroe voted aye. Councilor Van Bergen voted nay. Councilor Buchanan was absent. The vote was 6/1 and the motion passed.

Chair Monroe reopened the public hearing.

Judie Hammerstad, MPAC member, appeared to testify. She spoke to the importance of the implementation of Region 2040 outcomes. She discussed the recommendations included in the Metro Area Planning Directors memorandum and supported those items.

Maggie Collins, MPAC member and coordinator of the Metro Area Planning Directors appeared to testify in support of the recommendations of the Metro Area Planning Directors.

The Committee discussed the recommendations of the Metro Area Planning Directors.

Jim Zehren, MPAC member, testified to the history of the Growth Management Budget. He spoke in favor of providing adequate funds for Growth Management.

With no further citizens appearing to testify, Chair Monroe closed the public hearing.

- Motion: Councilor Kvistad moved council staff's recommendations #1 to restore 2.0 FTE, Assistant Regional Planners (\$86,634 in personal services and \$2,178 in contingency from increased excise tax revenue), to the data resource center.
- Vote: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, Kvistad, McLain, Washington, and Monroe voted aye. Councilors Van Bergen and Buchanan were absent. The vote was 6/0 and the motion passed.
- Motion: Councilor Kvistad moved council staff's recommendations #2, to restore 1.0 FTE, Associate Regional Planner (\$58,545 in personal services and \$5,379 in contingency from increased excise tax revenue), to the Data Resource Center to provide research services for planning and transportation for socio-economic database maintenance.
- Vote: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, Kvistad, McLain, Washington, and Monroe voted aye. Councilors Van Bergen and Buchanan were absent. The vote was 6/0 and the motion passed.
- Motion: Councilor Kvistad moved council staff's recommendations #3, to restore 1.0 FTE, Associate Transportation Planner (\$48,337 personal services, \$17,761 in transfers, and \$3,902 in contingency from Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds), to the Travel Forecasting Section for travel forecasting model upgrade.
- Vote: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, Kvistad, McLain, Washington, and Monroe voted aye. Councilors Van Bergen and Buchanan were absent. The vote was 6/0 and the motion passed.
- Motion: Councilor Kvistad moved council staff's recommendations #5, to add 1.0 FTE, Assistant Regional Planner (\$49,950 in personal services and appropriate level of overhead costs from increased excise tax revenue), to Growth Management Division for the Water Program, to include water quality and water supply source work.
- Vote: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, Kvistad, McLain, Washington, and Monroe voted aye. Councilors Van Bergen and Buchanan were absent. The vote was 6/0 and the motion passed.
- Motion: Councilor Gardner moved council staff's recommendations #4, to add 1.0 FTE, Assistant Regional Planner (\$45,318 in personal services and \$4,088 in contingency from increased excise tax revenue), to the Growth Management Section for charter implementation duties.
- Vote: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, McLain, Washington, and Monroe voted aye. Councilor Kvistad voted nay. Councilors Van Bergen and Buchanan were absent. The vote was 5/1 and the motion passed.

Main motion: Councilor Kvistad moved to accept budget as a whole

First motion to amend: Councilor Devlin moved council staff's recommendations #7, to add 1.0 FTE, Associate Public Involvement Coordinator (\$49m950 in personal services and appropriate level of overhead costs from increased excise tax revenue), to the Transportation Planning Section.

Councilor Devlin spoke in favor of his motion. In response to Chair Monroe, Mr. Cotugno stated if the item was not approved, the expectations of public involvement would need to be reduced. Councilor McLain spoke in favor of the motion. Councilor Gardner spoke in favor of the motion. Councilor Kvistad spoke in opposition of the memo.

Vote on first motion to amend: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, McLain, Washington, and Monroe voted aye. Councilor Kvistad voted nay. Councilors Van Bergen and Buchanan were absent. The vote was 5/1 and the motion passed.

Second motion to amend: Councilor McLain moved council staff's recommendations #6a, to add \$41,500 from excise tax revenue to the Growth Management Section for Future Vision Commission Program.

The Committee discussed the motion. Councilor Gardner expressed an interest in having the final Future Vision Statement be the one that is widely distributed, rather than the draft document. Councilor Devlin expressed concerns about the cost, stating they appeared a little high. Chair Monroe stated he would not support the motion. Councilor McLain discussed the importance of the item.

Vote on second motion to amend: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, and McLain voted aye. Councilors Kvistad, Washington, and Monroe voted nay. Councilors Van Bergen and Buchanan were absent. The vote was 3/3 and the motion failed.

Third motion to amend: Councilor Devlin moved council staff's recommendation #6a, to a \$25,000 in materials and supplies (\$15,000 for printing and \$10,000 for distribution from increased excise tax revenue) to the Growth Management Section for the Future Vision Commission program.

Councilor Kvistad spoke in opposition to the amendment. Councilor Devlin spoke in favor of the amendment stating the public involvement was important to the work of the commission. Councilor Washington stated a critical need was not identified but he desired public input before finalized of the document. Councilor McLain stated the Electronic Bulletin Board and cable television were not adequate and desired written material to be published and distributed. The Committee discussed the motion.

Vote on third motion to amend: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, McLain, and Washington voted aye. Councilors Kvistad and Monroe voted nay. Councilors Van Bergen and Buchanan were absent. The vote was 4/2 and the motion passed.

Fourth motion to amend: Councilor Gardner moved council staff's recommendation #6b, to add \$59,000 in materials and services (\$42,500 for design, typesetting and printing and \$16,500 for postage from increased excise tax revenues) to the Growth Management Section for Regional Framework Plan related programs.

- Motion to amend fourth motion to amend (secondary motion): Councilor Devlin moved to amend council staff's recommendation #6b to a total of \$46,500 in materials and services (\$31,000 in printing and \$16,500 in distribution) from increased excise tax revenues to the Growth Management Section for Regional Framework Plan related programs.
- Vote on motion to amend fourth motion to amend (secondary motion): Councilors Devlin, McLain, and Monroe voted aye. Councilors Gardner, Kvistad, and Washington voted nay. Councilors Van Bergen and Buchanan were absent. The vote was 3/3 and the motion failed.
- Vote on fourth motion to amend: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, and McLain voted aye. Councilors Kvistad, Washington, and Monroe voted nay. Councilors Van Bergen and Buchanan were absent. The vote was 3/3 and the motion failed.
- Fifth motion to amend: Councilor Devlin moved council staff's recommendation #6b, to add \$30,000 in public outreach related materials and services from increased excise tax to the Growth Management Section for Regional Framework Plan related programs.
- Vote on fifth motion to amend: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, McLain, and Monroe voted aye. Councilors Kvistad and Washington voted nay. Councilors Van Bergen and Buchanan were absent. The vote was 4/2 and the motion passed.
- Sixth motion to amend: Councilor Gardner moved council staff's recommendation #6c, to add \$35,000 for materials and services (for printing and postage from increase in excise tax revenue) to the Growth Management Section for the Region 2040 program.
- Vote on sixth motion to amend: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, McLain, Washington, and Monroe voted aye. Councilor Kvistad voted nay. Councilors Van Bergen and Buchanan were absent. The vote was 5/1 and the motion passed.
- Seventh Motion to Amend: Councilor Devlin moved council staff's recommendation #9, to budget \$20,000 in miscellaneous professional services for Regional Growth Conference with the assumption that all funding will be recovered from conference fees or by private donations and to instruct the Planning Department to devote effort to restructuring the conference or conferences to seek new and larger audiences.

The Committee discussed scenarios to reduce the cost of the conference and ensure the event results in a revenue neutral situation.

- Vote on seventh motion to amend: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, McLain, and Washington voted aye. Councilors Kvistad and Monroe voted aye. Councilors Van Bergen and Buchanan were absent. The vote was 4/2 and the motion passed.
- Eighth motion to amend: Councilor Devlin moved council staff's recommendation #10, to retire the term "Local Government Dues" in favor of the term "Local Government Service Fee".

Councilor Devlin asked for general counsel advise on use of gas tax funds for this purpose.

Vote on eighth motion to amend: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, Kvistad, McLain, Washington, and Monroe voted aye. Councilors Van Bergen and Buchanan were absent. The vote was 6/0 and the motion passed.

Mr. Gardner discussed his memorandum dated April 12, 1994, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

Ninth motion to amend: Councilor Gardner moved council staff's recommendation #8, at \$125,000 (for miscellaneous professional services from increased excise tax revenue) to the Growth Management Section for Regional Framework Plan related tasks and to fund .25 FTE of recommendation #1 RLIS Maintenance from Solid Waste (22,000) and .5 FTE of recommendation #2 DRC Maintenance to be funded from Solid Waste (total savings of approximately \$31,961) resulting in the current solid waste portion of 31% to be changed to 32% for ongoing RLIS Maintenance.

Motion to amend ninth motion to amend (secondary motion): Councilor Kvistad moved to accept funding shift, but not to fund Regional Framework Plan related tasks.

Vote on motion to amend ninth motion to amend (secondary motion): Councilors Kvistad and Monroe voted aye. Councilors Devlin, Gardner, McLain, and Washington voted nay. Councilors Van Bergen and Buchanan were absent. The vote was 2/5 and the motion failed.

Vote on ninth motion to amend: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, McLain, and Washington voted aye. Councilors Kvistad and Monroe voted nay. Councilors Van Bergen and Buchanan were absent. The vote was 4/2 and the motion passed.

Vote on main motion: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, McLain, Washington, and Monroe voted nay. Councilor Kvistad voted aye. Councilors Van Bergen and Buchanan were absent. The vote was 5/1 and the motion passed.

With no other business before the Committee, Chair Monroe adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Lee
Committee Recorder