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MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL BUDGET COMMITTEE

April 14, 1993

Council Chamber

Committee Members Present: Rod Monroe (Chair), Richard Devlin (Vice Chair), Roger Buchanan, Jon Kvistad, George Van Bergen

Councilors Also Present: Mike Gates

Also Present: Rena Cusma, Executive Officer

Chair Monroe called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**PROPOSED FY 1993-94 BUDGET
PHASE III - FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. SOLID WASTE REVENUE FUND

Chair Monroe opened a public hearing.

Bob Martin, Director of Solid Waste Department, referenced document entitled "Solid Waste Revenue Fund, Proposed FY 1993-94 Budget Revisions" as prepared by the Solid Waste Department. This document presented the Council Staff recommendations proposed for the FY 1993-94 Proposed Budget and the countering Solid Waste proposal.

Estl Harlan, Tri County Consultants, representing the haulers testified before the Committee in support of the proposed Flow Control Enforcement contract with the Multnomah County Sheriff's Department. Ms. Harlan expressed concern regarding possible \$10-\$15 per ton increases for solid waste disposal in the future. She noted increases in the numbers of trucks on the road were necessary to accomplish pick up of recycled materials, as many as five at a time, she noted. Ms. Harlan felt the system management fee was a way to include the recycling industry's share in the cost burden.

In response to Councilor Devlin, Ms. Harlan advocated flow control enforcement be subject to yearly review to avoid undue expectations by local jurisdictions for possible funding.

Councilor Van Bergen noted he supported a performance audit of flow control enforcement issues. Ms. Harlan supported such an audit.

Chair Monroe closed the public hearing.

John Houser, Council Analyst, referenced the Contingency line item from the Operating Account as proposed by the Executive Officer at \$2,233,000, and noted the Council Staff proposal of \$2,200,000. Chair Monroe noted the Solid Waste proposal increased Contingency to \$2,500,000. Councilor Buchanan recommended moving the decision on the line item to a later time.

The Committee as a whole and Staff continued discussion of the Contingency line item. Mr. Martin noted the Contingency line item was not an amount to be expected to be expended, but, he noted, the amount designated for Contingency would be impacted up or down by the forthcoming decision on the Flow Control Enforcement contract.

Chair Monroe indicated his support for the concept of flow control, and felt it was a question of what approach to take. He recommended setting aside consideration of Contingency for consideration at a later time in the budget process.

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Councilor Gates noted each 1/10th of a percent decrease in excise tax resulted in a \$50,000 reduction in need in the Department.

In response to Councilor Van Bergen, Mr. Martin said tonnage declines were being experienced FY 1992-93, and felt a \$2.5 million Contingency was prudent based on current tonnage forecasts. Mr. Martin noted in the historic past the Contingency had been drawn down to \$0.

Councilor Devlin supported deferring the Contingency line item to the April 20, 1993 Budget Committee meeting.

The Committee agreed in consensus to set the matter over to the April 20 Budget Committee meeting.

The Committee as a whole and Staff discussed the Use of Yard Debris Compost for Erosion Control.

<u>Proposed FY 1993-94 Budget</u>	▶	\$30,000
<u>Council Staff recommendation</u>	▶	\$0
<u>Solid Waste proposal</u>	▶	\$30,000

In response to Mr. Houser, Debbie Gorham, Waste Reduction Manager, said it appeared no erosion control studies from other jurisdictions had provided results.

Motion No. 1: Councilor Kvistad moved to accept Council Staff recommendations for the Use of Yard Debris Compost for Erosion Control at \$0.

Vote on Motion No.1: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen and Monroe voted aye. Councilor Devlin voted no.

The motion passed.

Councilor Van Bergen recommended the matter be discussed further in the Solid Waste Committee. Councilor Buchanan, Chair of the Solid Waste Committee, agreed.

The Committee as a whole and Staff discussed the RSWMP Rate Policy Chapter Development Assistance. Mr. Martin displayed charts demonstrating tonnage and revenue projections.

<u>Proposed FY 1993-94 Budget</u>	▶	\$45,000
<u>Council Staff recommendation</u>	▶	\$25,000
<u>Solid Waste proposal</u>	▶	\$45,000

Motion No. 2: Councilor Devlin moved to set the funding level for the RSWMP Rate Policy Chapter Development Assistance at \$35,000.

Vote on Motion No. 2: Councilors Buchanan, Devlin and Monroe voted aye. Councilors Kvistad and Van Bergen voted no.

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The Committee and Staff discussed Discount Coupons for Compost Bin Purchases.

Proposed FY 1993-94 Budget ▶ \$17,500

Council Staff recommendation ▶ \$0

Solid Waste proposal ▶ \$17,500

Motion No. 3: Councilor Kvistad to accept Council Staff recommendations for Discount Coupons for Compost Bin Purchases at \$0.

Vote on Motion No. 3: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

The Committee as a whole and Staff discussed the Master Recycler Fund line item.

Proposed FY 1993-94 Budget ▶ \$20,000

Council Staff recommendation ▶ \$0

Solid Waste proposal ▶ \$20,000

Motion No. 4: Councilor Kvistad moved to accept the Solid Waste Staff recommendation for the Master Recycler Fund at \$20,000.

Vote on Motion No. 4: Councilors Kvistad, Devlin and Monroe voted aye. Councilors Buchanan and Van Bergen voted aye. The motion passed.

The Committee as a whole and Staff discussed the Survey of Procurement levies for Recycled Products in the Metro Region.

Proposed FY 1993-94 Budget ▶ \$15,000

Council Staff recommendation ▶ \$0

Solid Waste proposal ▶ \$15,000

Motion No. 5: Councilor Buchanan moved to accept Council Staff recommendations for the Survey of Procurement levies for recycled products in the Metro Region at \$0.

Vote on Motion No. 5: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

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The Committee and Staff discussed the Selected Conference Attendance Line Items.

<u>Proposed FY 1993-94 Budget</u>	▶	\$6,400
<u>Council Staff recommendation</u>	▶	\$2,900
<u>Solid Waste proposal</u>	▶	\$3,275

Motion No. 6: Councilor Devlin moved to accept Solid Waste Staff proposal for the Selected Conference Attendance Line Items.

Vote on Motion No. 6: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

The Committee and Staff discussed the Funds to support state and regional market development line item.

<u>Proposed FY 1993-94 Budget</u>	▶	\$15,000
<u>Council Staff recommendation</u>	▶	\$15,000
<u>Solid Waste proposal</u>	▶	\$15,000

Motion No. 7: Councilor Kvistad moved to accept Council Staff recommendations for the Funds to support state and regional market development at \$15,000.

Vote on Motion No. 7: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Mr. Martin referenced the Groundwater Model line item. He noted no proposal had been made in the FY 1993-94 Proposed Budget by the Executive Officer, and said the item had been recently identified. The Committee and Staff discussed the item.

<u>Proposed FY 1993-94 Budget</u>	▶	\$100,000
<u>Council Staff recommendation</u>	▶	\$100,000
<u>Solid Waste proposal</u>	▶	\$100,000

Councilor Devlin suggested the matter be continued for consideration at the next special Solid Waste Committee meeting to be held on April 15, 1993, and further consideration by the Budget Committee at its next meeting to be held April 20, 1993.

Councilor Buchanan expressed concern regarding the length of the April 15 agenda for the Solid Waste Committee, but, he said he would agree to consider the matter at that meeting.

The Committee agreed in consensus to continue consideration of the Groundwater Model item.

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The Committee and Staff discussed the line item, Avoided Cost for Fiber-Based Fuel Project.

, proposed at \$919,559 by the Executive Officer and Council Staff, and the reduced proposal of \$869,554 by the Solid Waste Department.

<u>Proposed FY 1993-94 Budget</u>	▶	\$919,559
<u>Council Staff recommendation</u>	▶	\$919,559
<u>Solid Waste proposal</u>	▶	\$869,554

The Committee agreed in consensus to continue consideration of the matter to the next Budget Committee meeting to be held April 20, 1993 following further discussion at the Solid Waste Committee meeting of April 15.

The Committee and Staff discussed the Tire Disposal Increase line item which was not proposed in the FY 1993-94 Proposed Budget by the Executive Officer. Mr. Houser proposed an increase to fees for tires for a revenue producing line item of \$31,000.

Mr. Martin noted an increase would likely discourage legal tire disposal.

Councilor Gates inquired whether the possibility existed for FY 1993-94 for a recycling tax to be included on marketable goods and packaging.

Councilor Van Bergen recommended the matter be sent to the new Metro tax study committee upon its establishment. The Committee agreed in consensus to do so.

Chair Monroe recess the Budget Committee meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Chair Monroe reconvened the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

2. Metro Washington Park Zoo

Chair Monroe opened the public hearing. No citizens appeared to testify, Chair Monroe closed the public hearing.

Casey Short, Council Analyst, referenced his April 13, 1993 memorandum regarding Phase III Recommendations for 1993-94 Zoo Budget, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. He also referred to the April 12, 1993 Zoo Allocation of Support Service Costs memorandum from Jennifer Sims, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. Mr. Short summarized the proposed changes.

Motion No. 8: Councilor Kvistad moved to accept the Council Staff recommendations for the Animal Management Materials and Services Reductions and budget note.

Vote on Motion No. 8: Councilors Monroe, Devlin, Kvistad and Van Bergen voted aye. Councilor Buchanan was absent.

The motion passed.

Mr. Short discussed his proposed changes to the Zoo Capital Fund transfer of \$1,000,000, which were included in his memorandum, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. He also noted that alternative sources of funding had not been presented for consideration.

Councilor Van Bergen agreed that approval of the Zoo Master Plan did not obligate the Council to approve a budget plan. He questioned how the figure was determined to be \$1,000,000. Mr. Short stated he did not address the question. He noted a portion of the costs were included in the Zoo Capital Fund. He referred to his Zoo Capital Fund recommendation discussed in his memorandum. Councilor Van Bergen noted he was confident with the analysis provided by both Sherry Sheng, Zoo Director, and Mr. Short.

Ms. Sheng summarized the planning process she used to determine the need for the project. She noted additional money for the project might be in the form of bond measures, business contributions, and private contributions. She noted the Friends of the Zoo were going to conduct a feasibility study. She said by not making the transfer a message would be sent that the Council was not committed to the project.

Chair Monroe expressed concern related to the unknown aspects of construction projects and impacts thereof proposed on Highway 26 and the Light Rail Station. He advised Ms. Sheng that authorization of less than the requested amount did not constitute a lack of support for the project.

Councilor Devlin asked concerning the difference between \$1,000,000 and the proposed \$300,000. Ms. Sheng distributed and summarized her proposal for \$400,000 to provide for concept development and schematics; \$534,000 for design development; and, \$434,000 of the costs being transferred from the Zoo Operating Fund. This document has been made part of the permanent meeting record.

Motion No. 9: Councilor Devlin moved to amend the transfer as proposed by the Zoo.

Motion to Amend Motion No. 9: Councilor Van Bergen moved to amend Motion No. 7 to recommend the Executive Officer's budget at \$1,000,000.

Vote on Motion to Amend Motion No. 9: Councilors Kvistad and Van Bergen voted aye. Councilors Devlin, Buchanan and Monroe voted nay.

The motion failed.

Vote on Main Motion No.9: Councilors Buchanan, Devlin, and Monroe voted aye. Councilors Van Bergen and Kvistad voted nay.

The motion passed.

Councilor Kvistad noted his no vote reflected his desire to have the transfer made at \$1,000,000.

The Committee and Staff discussed the veterinarian position request.

Motion No. 10: Councilor Devlin moved to remove the budget note previously adopted related to the veterinarian position.

Vote on Motion No. 10: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

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3. Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission

A. MERC Administration Fund

Chair Monroe opened the public hearing. No citizens appeared to testify, Chair Monroe closed the public hearing.

Mr. Short referred to his April 12, 1993 Phase III Recommendations for the 1993-94 MERC Budget, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

Mr. Short summarized the staff recommendations on pages 11 and 12 of his memorandum.

Motion No. 11: Councilor Kvistad moved to accept Council Staff recommendations as contained on page 11 of Mr. Short's April 12, 1993 memorandum, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

Vote on Motion No. 11: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Motion No. 12: Councilor Kvistad moved page 12 of Mr. Short's April 12, 1993 memorandum, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

Vote on Motion No. 12: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Mr. Short referred to his April 14, 1993 Fringe Rate for MERC Administration Fund, included in the record of this meeting. The consensus of the Committee was to agree to use the 33% figure and the budget would be adjusted appropriately.

Mr. Short referred to his April 12, 1993 memorandum. He said he had recommended a reduction in Personal Services. He noted he received justification for the materials and services expenditures and said he withdrew his recommendations included in the memorandum.

Motion No. 13: Councilor Kvistad moved to accept the Materials and Services as proposed by the Executive Officer.

Vote on Motion No. 13: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Mr. Short discussed reductions of the Controller and Purchasing Secretary positions as outlined in his memorandum.

Jeff Blosser, Acting General Manager, responded to Mr. Short's comments. He noted the Commission discussed the proposal. He said the Commission did not express concerns, provided the understanding was that the new General Manager might be allowed to make additions if necessary. Chair Monroe concurred.

Councilor Devlin commended Mr. Blosser in his service as both Acting MERC General Manager and OCC Manager.

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Motion No. 14: Councilor Devlin moved to accept Council Staff recommendations as contained in Mr. Short's April 12, 1993 memorandum related to staff, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

Vote on Motion No. 14: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Mr. Short discussed his recommendation on Page 4, He noted he reduced the transfer of \$70,000 by 25%, consistent with the target date of transfer of the Expo facility in September. Mr. Blosser expressed no objections to the proposal.

Motion No. 15: Councilor Van Bergen moved Mr. Short's April 12, 1993 recommendations related to the transfer reduction, a copy of which is included in the record of the meeting.

Vote on Motion 16: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Mr. Short clarified the total reductions as they related to the MERC Budget.

Mr. Short noted his requested budget note on page 5. Mr. Blosser stated he did not have any particular concerns with the proposed budget note.

Motion No. 17: Councilor Devlin moved the budget note on page 5 of Mr. Short's April 12, 1993 memorandum, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

Vote on Motion No 17: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Mr. Short discussed his proposed budget recommendations to the Oregon Convention Center Operating Fund as included in his memorandum. He referenced a memorandum from Paula Paris, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. He suggested the Committee agree that the OCC staff and personnel resolve the matters by April 22, 1993 to forward to the Finance Committee. Mr. Blosser noted the Commission would meet on April 21, 1993 and he hoped to resolve the matter at that meeting and would forward the information no later than April 23, 1993.

Motion No. 18: Councilor Devlin moved to accept Council Staff recommendations related to the OCC Operating Fund, included in Mr. Short's April 12, 1993 memorandum, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

Vote on Motion No. 18: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Mr. Short referred to his proposed Materials and Services adjustment. Mr. Blosser said the Commission favored the current level with understanding that it might be adjusted after award of the contract. He noted the balance would be used for other marketing activities. He said there may be more than one company qualified to provide the services currently provided by POVA.

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The Committee and staff discussed the issue. Mr. Short agreed that there would not be an appreciable impact related to the recommendation.

Councilor Devlin noted that the motion could include a statement about the sources of revenue for the fund.

Motion No. 19: Councilor Devlin moved to accept the Executive Officer's recommendation related to Materials and Services.

Vote on Motion No. 19: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Mr. Short summarized his recommendations for Capital Outlay.

Motion No. 20: Councilor Kvistad moved to accept Council Staff recommendations for Capital Outlay recommendations.

Vote on Motion No. 20: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Motion No. 21: Councilor Kvistad moved to accept Council Staff recommendations for Unappropriated Balance.

Vote on Motion No. 21: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Mr. Short discussed his budget note contained on the bottom of page six and the top of page seven related to the use of parking structure.

Motion No. 22: Councilor Buchanan moved to include Council Staff's Budget Note related to the use of the parking structure, included on pages six and seven of Mr. Short's April 12, 1993 memorandum, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

Vote on Motion No. 22: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Mr. Short summarized his recommendations for the Civic Stadium, included in his April 12, 1993 memorandum, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. The Committee and Staff discussed the budget for the Civic Stadium further.

Motion No. 23: Councilor Devlin moved to accept Council Staff recommendations for the Civic Stadium budget, included in his April 12, 1993 memorandum, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

Vote on Motion No. 23: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

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The Committee and Staff discussed the PCPA personnel FY 1993-94 Proposed Budget.

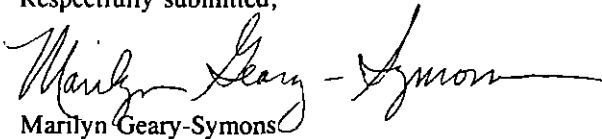
Motion No. 24: Councilor Kvistad moved to accept Council Staff recommendations for the PCPA personnel proposals.

Vote on Motion No. 24: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Marilyn Geary-Symons
Committee Recorder



Susan Lee
Committee Recorder