MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE

January 7, 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, Susan McLain, Terry Moore and Ed

Washington

Chair Monroe called the regular meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

1. Consideration of August 20, 1992 and December 3, 1992 Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

Motion: Councilor Devlin moved to approve the August 20, 1992 and December 3, 1992 Finance Committee Meeting minutes as submitted.

<u>Vote</u>: Councilors Buchanan, Devlin, Kvistad, Van Bergen and Monroe

voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

2. Ordinance No. 93-480, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 92-449B
Revising the FY 1992-93 Budget and Appropriations Schedule for the
Purpose of Funding Councilor Salaries and Benefits and a Citizen
Involvement Program; and Declaring an Emergency

Donald E. Carlson, Council Administrator, presented the staff report, and referenced Revised Exhibit A for Ordinance No. 93-480A. He noted the Personal Services category line item for salaries for Elected Officials, \$162,000, and a line item increase from .5 FTE to 1 FTE for an Associate Management Analyst, Judy Shioshi. Mr. Carlson discussed transfers from the Per Diem line item, the Election Expense line item, Support Services and Contingency to cover these expenses.

In response to Councilor Buchanan, Mr. Carlson indicated an extensive recruitment had been implemented for the .5 FTE position of Associate Management Analyst for the Citizen Involvement Committee, and said the plan had been, should the situation warrant, to move the party hired to full time. Mr. Carlson said full time for that position was justified at this time.

In response to Councilor Kvistad, Mr. Carlson addressed the reduction of \$25,000 in the Election Expense line item. He said the bills from the counties of Clackamas for \$28,230, Washington for \$42,789, and Multnomah's estimated bill, \$150,000 to \$175,000 had been received. He said based on the amounts of the bills, he felt comfortable with the transfer to Personal Services.

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Councilor Devlin noted in the past the Metro Council had budgeted approximately \$100,000 for election expense, and said the amount had covered the costs. He said expense for the recent election would be over \$.25 million, and noted Multnomah County's system was more costly than the other counties. Mr. Carlson noted legislative task force discussion had occurred regarding possible legislation for a Metro exemption from election expense similar to that of other local governments, and said the matter could come before the Council as a policy issue. He concurred with Councilor Devlin that Metro's obligation to election expense had increased to a great extent over the past two years.

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

Mr. Carlson said Council Staff recommendation was to amend the ordinance to incorporate Exhibit A and to change the language on page 1, Section 1. to read:

"The amendment transfers [\$184,416] \$159,416 from the General Fund Contingency to the Council Department Personal Services category and [\$60,000] \$85,000 from the Council Department Materials and Services category to the Personal Services category for the purpose of paying Councilors salaries and benefits and providing for the office of Citizen Involvement and citizen's committee."

Motion to Amend: Councilor Devlin moved to amend Ordinance No. 93-480 as recommended by Council Staff.

<u>Vote on Motion to Amend</u>: Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen, Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Main Motion as Amended: Councilor Buchanan moved to recommend Ordinance 93-480A to the full Council for adoption as amended.

<u>Vote on Main Motion as Amended:</u> Councilors Buchanan, Kvistad, Van Bergen Devlin and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

3. Ordinance No. 93-481, An Ordinance Amending Metro Code Section 2.01.170 to Repeal Councilor Per Diem Procedures; Establish Councilor Salary Procedures; and Declaring an Emergency

Mr. Carlson presented the staff report, and said the proposed ordinance would eliminate sections from the Metro Code concerning per diem for Councilors, would establish a waiver format.

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In response to Councilor Buchanan, Mr. Carlson said 2.34 FTE was based on a formula for 12 Councilors part time for six months.

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

Councilor Moore noted typing corrections to be made to the ordinance. Mr. Carlson indicated the corrections would be made to the final draft to go before the Council.

In response to Councilor Moore, Mr. Carlson said the expenditure reimbursements were authorized by adopted Council legislation, and affirmed the language in Section 1.(b) was for the purpose of acknowledgement, not change, of that policy.

Motion: Councilor Van Bergen moved to recommend Ordinance No. 93-481 to the full Council for adoption.

<u>Vote</u>: Councilors Buchanan, Devlin, Moore, Van Bergen and Monroe voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Geary-Symons Committee Recorder

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