

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE  
OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

January 24, 1989

Room 330

Committee Members Present: Gary Hansen (Chair), Sharron Kelley (V. Chair), Roger Buchanan and Judy Wyers

Committee Member Absent: Mike Ragsdale

Chair Hansen called the special meeting to order at 5:46 p.m.

1. General Staff Reports

Bob Martin, Director of Solid Waste, said staff was progressing with the review of the apparent winning bid by Jack Grey, Inc. He said other Jack Grey, Inc., contracts were reviewed to obtain a history of the company and how it performed elsewhere. He said technical requirements were analyzed and the company looked good. He said the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) informed Metro Jack Grey, Inc., could legally carry their payload. He said he would meet January 25 with Judge Laura Pryor of Gilliam County and Jack Grey. He said a resolution would be submitted to the Committee February 14.

Mr. Martin discussed the Stipulated Order. He said Metro and the Environmental Quality Commission (EQC) reviewed it together. He said the issues EQC raised were not major. He hoped for firm assurance Metro would not be submitted to monthly reviews. He said the time line was behind because of the additional draft Metro was now required to deliver.

Chair Hansen asked if that would be the final draft. Mr. Martin said the EQC said it should be the final draft. He said it was disappointing the draft Stipulated Order Metro and the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) agreed upon was not completely acceptable to EQC.

2. Consideration of Resolution No. 89-1046, for the Purpose of Authorizing an Exemption to the Public Contracting Procedure Set Out in Metro Code Section 2.04.010 et seq. for the Extension of the Metro South Station Contract

Mr. Martin said since the January 17 Solid Waste Committee meeting, staff had renegotiated with Wastech, Inc. He said the original RFB was also ready. He said Metro could choose to renew with Wastech, Inc., or issue an RFB, but said that had to be decided at this meeting. He said if the contract with Wastech, Inc., was not renegotiated, the bids must be issued immediately.

Jim Watkins, Engineering and Analysis Manager, said negotiations were completed. He said Wastech, Inc., proposed a two percent increase in the contract. Chair Hansen referred to a proposed driver bonus and asked if that was included in the contract. Mr. Watkins said it was included as a lump sum, as well as janitorial services to maintain the scale house

conference rooms, truck wash, additional security, and a new waste water monitoring system required by the county. Councilor Kelley asked if the new contract was cost-effective for Metro. Mr. Martin said the Consumer Price Index (CPI) rate asked for as well as the two percent increase was reasonable.

Chair Hansen opened the public hearing.

Warren Razole, said he was president of Orbanco, Inc., which owned Trans Waste which owned Browning Ferris Industries (BFI). He urged the Committee to ask staff analyze weight loads in comparison with the other low bidders. He said from his organization's perspective, extending the current contract would be a good move because it would give Metro additional time to analyze the two transportation low bids.

Mr. Martin said Resolution No. 89-1046 should be on the January 26 Council Agenda. He said if not adopted by the full Council, staff had to be able to issue an RFB quickly.

Chair Hansen closed the public hearing.

Motion: Councilor Kelley moved to recommend the full Council adopt Resolution No. 89-1046.

Vote: Councilors Buchanan, Kelley, Wyers and Hansen voted aye. Councilor Ragsdale was absent. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

3. Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Developing a Yard Debris Plan for the Region

Rich Carson, Director of Planning and Development, said the resolution related to this issue was Resolution No. 89-1047, For the Purpose of Initiating the Development of a Regional Yard Debris Plan. He discussed the draft stipulated order and said EQC had identified yard debris as a principal recyclable. He said Metro's role was optional with regard to the various jurisdictions, but said the Stipulated Order required Metro to do specific tasks.

Chair Hansen said he had heard concern expressed over the timeline and asked if it could be accelerated. Mr. Carson said Washington County had asked DEQ for an additional six months which added to Metro's time line. He said staff preference was a conservative timeline rather than ask DEQ or EQC for possible extensions. Chair Hansen agreed with that assessment. He asked Mr. Carson if he was familiar with a former staff member's work. Mr. Carson said his impression was that Wayne Rifer's work was the genesis of what staff was currently doing.

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Mr. Carson said staff looked at various options. He said yard debris could be banned from Metro South Station and diverted to more appropriate facilities. He said Metro was dependent on Washington County's effort with its cities. Chair Hansen asked if Washington County could slow Metro down. Mr. Carson did not feel Metro and Washington County would have any significant problems. Chair Hansen referred to a possible intergovernmental agreement.


Ray Barker, Council Analyst, asked when the resolution would reach the Council for adoption. Mr. Carson said it would be best if Metro adopted the resolution before the Stipulated Order. The Committee and staff agreed Resolution No. 89-1047 would be considered by the full Council February 9.

Motion: Councilor Buchanan moved to recommend the full Council adopt Resolution No. 89-1047.

Vote: Councilors Buchanan, Wyers and Hansen voted aye. Councilors Kelley and Ragsdale were absent. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Chair Hansen adjourned the special meeting at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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