

COUNCIL SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE MEETING

April 22, 1987

5:00 p.m. - Conference Room 180

Committee Members Present: Councilors Jim Gardner, Gary Hansen,
Sharron Kelley and Tom DeJardin

Staff Present: Tor Lyshaug, Dennis Mulvihill, Becky
Crockett, Don Carlson

Others Present: Wayne Trehwitt, Harold Manfredi,
Carol Manfredi, Steve Greenwood,
Cathy Fitch, Rick Daniels, Dan Satlzman

The meeting was called to order at 5:08 by Committee Chairman Gardner.

1. Status Report on Functional Planning

Becky Crockett, Solid Waste Analyst, gave a status report outlining the work that has been accomplished in functional planning. Her working team wants to make sure the Council is kept up to date. Currently the team includes a half-time planning consultant. The Council will have the opportunity to decide on a new Analyst 3/Planner position for this project as well at their next meeting - tomorrow night.

Staff has developed a project goal and several conceptual objectives. They are now involved in scoping and identifying future staff needs, citizen roles, policy points, etc. When the scoping is completed, the entire project will be brought before the Council. At that time some policy decisions will have to be made. The Council should receive a one page summary within a few days. Ms. Crockett asks that Council notify her if they have any questions or concerns.

Part of the scoping has revealed the probable need for two task forces; one for developing the solid waste system (haulers, citizens, local government representatives, etc) and one comprised of land use planners in order to address local plan changes as a result of Metro's Solid Waste Plan.

Chairman Gardner suggested that perhaps the existing SWPAC Committee could work in the capacity of the task force developing the solid waste system. Ms. Crockett said that this option had been considered and it was felt to be a good possible solution if more people could be added to the original SWPAC group in order to obtain wider coverage of citizen input.

2. DEQ/Metro Landfill Transition Agreement

Steve Greenwood of DEQ passed out a revised Draft Agreement Between Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and Metropolitan Service District (METRO). He explained that the changes requested at the last meeting between the two groups had been put in and that

some additional wording changes may be made by the attorneys of the two groups. He emphasized that DEQ has every intention of including the flexibility requested by Metro.

Councilor Kelley questioned Metro's exposure to litigation under the terms of the agreement. Cathy Fitch, DEQ, said the agreement reflects Senate Bill 662. DEQ would assume first responsibility, as Metro would be essentially acting as an agent for DEQ.

Discussion followed concerning various questions of condemnation, permits needed and procedures. It was agreed that the attorney's from DEQ and Metro must go over the document before further discussion or action could take place.

3. Presentation of Waste Management, Inc. Arlington Landfill Proposal

Rick Daniels of Waste Management, Inc. made a presentation concerning his company's proposal for a landfill near Arlington, Oregon. (See attached materials). Discussion followed concerning several aspects of the operation. Councilor Hansen brought up the point that the landfill would be outside Metro's boundaries. Councilor Kelley suggested that before a reasonable evaluation could be made, a comparison of the actual costs of each of the proposal options available to Metro was needed. Tor Lyshaug, Acting Director of Solid Waste, said the Solid Waste staff is now in the process of doing just such a comparison.

Wayne Trehwitt, of Wastech, suggested Metro look into the newest federal regulations concerning landfills in wetlands, as two of the proposed sites may be illegal.

4. Update on Solid Waste Issues

Tor Lyshaug, Acting Director of Solid Waste, presented several items concerning Solid Waste.

- A. Extend the contract with Wastech for one more year. This would give everyone a little breathing space. There is no way a long term contract can be written at this time without substantially raising costs.
- B. Implement recycling at CTRC.
- C. The Metro staff has had meetings with Yamhill County to discuss increasing the amount of waste that can go to the Riverbend facility.

- D. Payment of 25¢ per ton to Oregon City might persuade them to allow higher tonnages at CTRC. If Oregon City did not agree, at least it would give Metro a chance to show good faith on past promises.
- E. The new staff employees need to be hired now rather than when the new Solid Waste Director is employed. The staff is competent, hard-working and dedicated, but Metro cannot expect them to work extra hours for the several months that it will take to hire a Director and new staff and have them work up to capacity.
- F. Grimm's Fuel and McFarlanne's may be willing to take additional mixed waste. They would pull out the recyclables and transfer the rest to St. John's.
- G. Due to the time-consuming work being done on alternative technology, siting problems, functional planning and the diversion program, several programs have not been completed.
 - 1. Certification
 - 2. Household hazardous waste
 - 3. Financial planning
 - 4. System measurement
 - 5. Market assistance (yard debris)
 - 6. Waste exchange
 - 7. Franchise agreement
 - 8. Legislative program
 - 9. Waste auditing (high grade paper)
 - 10. Rate setting process

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m. The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 12, 1987 at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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