

MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

July 6 , 1993

Council Chamber

Committee Members Present: Roger Buchanan (Chair), Ruth McFarland (Vice Chair), Susan McLain, Ed Washington, Judy Wyers

Chair Buchanan called the regular meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

1. Consideration of April 20, 1993; May 4, 1993; May 18, 1993; June 9, 1993; and, June 15, 1993 Solid Waste Committee Meeting Minutes

Motion: Councilor McLain moved approval of the April 20, 1993; May 4, 1993; May 18, 1993; June 9, 1993; and June 15, 1993 Solid Waste Committee meeting minutes.

Vote: Councilors McLain, Washington, Wyers, McFarland and Buchanan voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

2. Solid Waste Updates

o General Staff Reports

Bob Martin, Director of Solid Waste Department, presented the staff report, and referenced a recent article in the Oregonian regarding pesticide usage. He affirmed Metro's role in public education in the matter, and Councilor Wyers concurred. Councilor Wyers noted she had received a number of calls applauding the "Common Sense Gardening Guide" booklet produced and offered by Metro.

o Waste Reduction Program Activities

Michel Gregory, Senior Public Affairs Specialist, distributed to the Committee a packet of brochures, handbooks and other materials for the public produced for the waste reduction program by the Public Affairs Department, and discussed the contents of the materials. These documents have been made part of the permanent meeting record.

3. Ordinance No. 93-503, For the Purpose of Amending Metro Code Section 5.06.065, Criteria For Funding Metro Central Station Community Enhancement Projects/Programs

Katie Dowdall, Community Enhancement Coordinator, presented the staff report, and referenced letters from the Northwest Industrial Neighborhood Association (NINA) dated February 22, 1993 and June 21, 1993 in which amendments to Ordinance No. 93-503 were proposed. These documents have been made part of the permanent meeting record. Ms. Dowdall noted the Enhancement Committee had voted to reject NINA's proposed amendments.

Chair Buchanan opened a public hearing.

Robert Bay, addressed the Committee, and noted he was now a member of the Metro Central Enhancement Committee. In his capacity as representing NINA, Mr. Bay requested the Solid Waste Committee give consideration to the amendments proposed by NINA.

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In response to Councilor McFarland, Mr. Bay clarified it was not his intention that other than non-profit organizations be permitted to use the Enhancement funds, but, rather it was his understanding that any entity seeking funding would have to meet the criteria.

Marvin Pohl, representing the North West District Association (NWDA), addressed the Committee, and expressed his opposition to the proposed NINA amendments.

Leslie Blaize, Forest Park Neighborhood Association, addressed the Committee, and stated he did not support the proposed NINA amendments.

Chair Buchanan closed the public hearing.

Councilor Hansen supported the language in the proposed ordinance as presented to the Committee by the Enhancement Committee. She indicated the Enhancement Committee had discussed the criteria thoroughly, and said the Enhancement Committee did not support the language presented by NINA.

Motion: Councilor McFarland moved to recommend Ordinance No. 93-503 to the full Council for adoption.

Vote: Councilors McLain, Washington, Wyers, McFarland and Buchanan voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

4. Resolution No. 93-1823, For the Purpose of Adding One New Project to the Year Five Project List for the One Percent for Recycling Program for Fiscal Year 1992-93

Jennifer Ness, Administrative Assistant, presented the staff report for Resolution No. 93-1823, and introduced Del Seitzinger, representing the 1% for Recycling Committee. Mr. Seitzinger discussed the recommendation to add the proposed new project to the project list for the 1% for Recycling Program, and briefly described a booklet to be the product of the project which would identify sources for, and encourage the purchase of, recycled content products.

Councilor Washington expressed support for the proposed project. In response to Councilor McLain, Ms. Ness said the booklet produced would reach a broader audience under the new proposal. Mr. Seitzinger indicated a method of evaluation to determine the success of the program would be built into the project.

Pamela Brown, co-author of the project with Debbie Palermini, addressed the Committee, and outlined the uses for the proposed booklet at special events.

Motion: Councilor McFarland moved to recommend Resolution No. 93-1823 to the full Council for adoption.

Vote: Councilors McLain, Washington, Wyers, McFarland and Buchanan voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

5. Resolution No. 93-1824, For the Purpose of Establishing a Process for Evaluation of Metro's Solid Waste Fees, Adoption of a New Rate Structure for FY 94-95, and Completion of Chapter 11 (Rates) of the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan

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Terry Petersen, Planning and Technical Services Manager, presented the staff report, and said the resolution proposed a comprehensive review of the Solid Waste rate structure as well as a process for the establishment of criteria to be used as a framework in the future for rate setting.

In response to Councilor Wyers, Mr. Petersen indicated consideration would be made regarding any comments from the Performance Audit of the Solid Waste Department.

The Committee discussed the proposed resolution further. Questions regarding the comprehensiveness of the proposed resolution were raised.

Mr. Martin said the proposed resolution did not seek to establish the outcome of the rate structure evaluation.

Councilor Wyers proposed the resolution title be changed. She suggested the use of the word "Consideration" in place of the word "Adoption" in the title.

Councilor McFarland requested the resolution be tabled for further consideration at a later date. She urged the Committee provide an opportunity for review of the proposed resolution by the Rate Review Committee.

Main Motion: Councilor McLain moved to recommend Resolution No. 93-1824 to the full Council for adoption.

Motion to Amend: Councilor McLain moved to amend Resolution No. 93-1824 to delete the word, "ADOPTION", in the Resolution title, and to insert the words, "CONSIDERATION AND REVIEW" in its place.

Vote on Motion to Amend: Councilors McLain, Washington, Wyers, McFarland and Buchanan voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Vote on Main Motion as Amended: Councilors McLain, Washington, Wyers, McFarland and Buchanan voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

The Committee and Staff discussed the resolution further.

Councilor Wyers suggested the Staff come back on a regular basis with reports. Councilor McLain supported framing language in the proposed resolution to make provision for interfacing with the Solid Waste Advisory Committee.

Motion to Amend: Councilor Wyers moved to amend Resolution No. 93-1824 to insert language in the BE IT RESOLVED, Section 2. to read:

The Solid Waste Advisory Committee will review rate alternatives and make recommendations to the Council Solid Waste Committee on a monthly basis for discussion of policy implications.

Vote on Motion to Amend: Councilors McLain, Washington, Wyers, McFarland and Buchanan voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Vote on Main Motion as Amended: Councilors McLain, Washington, Wyers, McFarland and Buchanan voted aye.

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The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

6. Briefing from Talbot, Korvola & Warwick Regarding the Status of the Performance of Metro's Waste Reduction Programs

Jack Talbot, representing Talbot, Korvola & Warwick, addressed the Committee, and said Phase I of the Performance Audit of Solid Waste Reduction Programs was approximately 90% complete. He indicated findings appeared positive and felt the audit would be complete within the next 60 days.

7. Resolution No. 93-1792, For the Purpose of Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement Between Metro and the Multnomah County Sheriff's Officer for the Purpose of Providing General Investigative Services, Assistance in Solid Waste Flow Control Enforcement and Illegal Dump Site Cleanup

Chair Buchanan presented photographs to the Committee demonstrating an instance of organized illegal dumping as well as photos of several illegal dump sites along Marine Drive.

Mr. Martin addressed the Committee, and referenced the Department Staff Report dated July 6, 1993. This document has been made part of the permanent meeting record.

Mr. Martin said should the enforcement activity recover no more than 12% of waste currently illegally dumped, it would pay for itself.

Randy Amundson, Chief Deputy, Multnomah County Sheriff's Office, addressed the Committee.

Roosevelt Carter, Budget and Finance Manager, referenced Attachment 1 to the Staff Report, which outlined the process via a flow chart entitled "Solid Waste Flow Control Enforcement Process."

Sergeant Karl Hutchison highlighted details of a particular investigation and case of fraud in which over \$3 million in illegal receipt of funds was identified and criminal charges issued.

The Committee, Staff and representatives of the Sheriff's office discussed the proposed contract further, and examined questions in a memorandum from John Houser, Council Analyst, dated June 21, 1993 as well as other questions pertaining to staffing, fiscal responsibility, and responsibility of private entities and local jurisdictions.

Chair Buchanan requested that consultation with the Metro Office of General Counsel occur to address questions pertinent to the proposed contract.

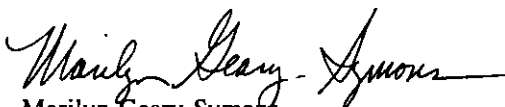
Councilor Wyers recommended a method of evaluation and regular reporting be identified and proposed to the Committee for review. Mr. Martin recalled a Budget Note asked for regular review on a six month basis.

Councilor Wyers asked Mr. Martin to develop a process for determining which illegal dump sites Metro will be responsible for.

The Committee continued consideration of the matter to a future Solid Waste Committee meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Marilyn Geary-Symons
Committee Recorder