

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

July 25, 1989

Council Chamber

Committee Members Present: Gary Hansen (Chair), Roger Buchanan, Mike Ragsdale and Judy Wyers

Committee Members Absent: None

Chair Hansen called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

1. Consideration of Minutes of May 23 and June 8, 1989

Motion: Councilor Ragsdale moved for approval of the minutes.

Vote: Councilors Buchanan, Hansen, Ragsdale and Wyers voted aye. The vote was unanimous and the minutes were approved.

2. General Staff Reports

Metro East Station
Compactor - Metro South
St. Johns Closure Plan
Compost Facility

Bob Martin, Director of Solid Waste, said the Metro East Station vendor selection process was well underway. He said the four proposers had been interviewed. He said the Evaluation Committee met twice. Discussion on the mitigation agreement was held with the City of Portland. He discussed internal financial issues as well as recycling and traffic issues. He said staff was behind schedule because the analysis had taken longer than expected, but said it was essential staff be thorough and that the time differential could be made up. He said the Evaluation Committee would meet again twice August 1 and 11, 1989. He said staff's report and recommendation would be published in the agenda packet for the August 22 Solid Waste Committee meeting. He said the Council would consider the resolution September 14.

Councilor Wyers asked if the Evaluation Committee kept minutes for the public record. Mr. Martin said records were maintained. Councilor Wyers asked what type of financial information was gathered on the proposers. Mr. Martin said the information gathered was basic data, who the backers were, and guarantees. He said staff would analyze the cost component of each proposal and whether each component made sense. Proposers were asked to submit options and/or alternatives for staff to compare those financial aspects. He said present worth calculations would be done on all four proposals.

Councilor Wyers asked if staff would evaluate the proposers from the Evaluation Committee's perspective and present all four proposers to the Committee as viable vendors or if staff would recommend one proposer. Mr. Martin said the four proposers would be ranked in order or staff would

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focus on the two best proposers. He said ranking depended on the clarity of the proposals. Councilor Wyers asked if the ranking would be tied to known criteria. Mr. Martin said yes.

Chair Hansen noted difficulty related to the schedule of events. He said Executive Officer Cusma's recommendation was scheduled for the August 22 Solid Waste Committee meeting, and since either the public or private option could be recommended, that the public must be informed at least five days prior to the date of that meeting. Mr. Martin agreed and said staff's recommendation would be published in the agenda packet at least five days before the meeting. Chair Hansen said the Solid Waste Committee would have till September 9 to make a recommendation. The Committee and staff then discussed the number of meetings required to give citizens sufficient time to testify on transfer station issues.

Mr. Martin said each proposal had its strengths and weaknesses. He said there was a variety of methods to approach transfer station issues. He said choices would be clear with regard to recycling, acceptability to residents and other pertinent issues. Chair Hansen again emphasized there must be advance notice to the public of meetings scheduled as public hearings. Mr. Martin said all interested neighborhood groups and associations were notified and that numerous copies of the bids made available for informational purposes. Mr. Martin said there was little citizen comment to this date. He said the public would probably wait until a specific recommendation was made.

Mr. Martin discussed the design of Metro South Station to accommodate the new compactor, redesign the parking lot, and enhance recycling efforts.

Mr. Martin discussed the closure of the St. Johns Landfill. He said "St. Johns Landfill Closure Plan" had been circulated in draft form to the Council, interested parties and the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). He said the plan was responsive to comments received by staff. He said a resolution would be drafted for adoption to send the plan to DEQ.

Mr. Martin discussed the Riedel Environmental Technologies, Inc. (RET) composting facility. He said Resolution No. 89-1112 was scheduled for Council consideration Thursday, July 27, 1989. He said the Council would discuss revenue bond financing issues also. He said it was essential to move quickly on the facility to begin construction before the rainy season began. Chair Hansen asked whether a public hearing would be held for North Portland residents. Mr. Martin said staff planned to hold one.

3. Update on the Planning and Development Department's Solid Waste Planning Activities

Rich Carson, Director of Planning and Development, discussed system design in Washington County. He said a land use coordinator was hired who would work on the model zoning plan and other land use issues.

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Mr. Carson said staff had developed a system financing chapter to add to the Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) and the Policy Committee would review the chapter Friday. He said the Solid Waste Committee would receive their recommendations in September.-

Mr. Carson discussed how certification would fit within the context of the draft chapter. He said staff sought Legal Counsel's opinion on the issues. He said among issues to be determined was how would local jurisdictions fulfill their obligations. He said staff and DEQ held discussions on that issue. Mr. Carson discussed the select waste project and said a consulting team was hired to assess impact. He said different types of debris were difficult to process through transfer stations. He asked the Committee if they wished the vendor to concentrate on certain substreams and/or to assess the need for standards.

Councilor Ragsdale asked what been implemented in the SWMP. Mr. Carson said policies adopted would not be implemented until system design was complete. Councilor Ragsdale requested a report from staff on what was not yet completed.

4. Consideration of Resolution No. 89-1113, For the Purpose of Approving a Request for Bids (RFB) Document for Removal of Source Separated Yard Debris from the St. Johns Landfill and Processing the Material Into a Product

Marie Nelson, Assistant Solid Waste Planner, and Jim Shoemake, Solid Waste Facilities Superintendent, presented staff's report. Ms. Nelson explained the Request for Bids (RFB) was for a contract to remove source separated yard debris from the St. Johns Landfill and to process the material into a product. She noted the contract would last two years or until the St. Johns Landfill stopped accepting commercial and residential yard debris. Ms. Nelson said the Waste Reduction Plan (WRP) originally established the recycling of yard debris.

Chair Hansen asked about yard debris contaminants. Mr. Shoemake said over the last few months material accepted at the Landfill had been clean. He said the spotters were doing an excellent job.

Ms. Nelson said the contract would divert material away from the Landfill and prolong its life. She said manageable amounts would be stockpiled and noted page 12 of the RFB explained disposal highlights. She directed the Committee to a bid form on page 61. She said the project total tonnage collected would be 13,040 tons.

Motion: Councilor Ragsdale moved to recommend the full Council adopt Resolution No. 89-1113.

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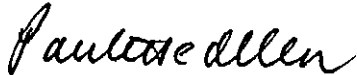
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Chair Hansen asked what opportunities existed for DBE/WBE participation under the contract. Ms. Nelson explained such participation would be based as on any other public works contract. She said it was possible only hauling could be subcontracted. Mr. Shoemake said such participation could be difficult for subcontractors to achieve. He said the contractor had to have equipment on site to haul materials.

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

Chair Hansen adjourned the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Paulette Allen
Committee Clerk
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