

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

June 20, 1991

Council Chamber

Committee Members Present: Richard Devlin (Chair), Tanya Collier, Tom DeJardin

Committee Members Absent: Sandi Hansen, David Knowles (Vice Chair)

Other Councilors Present: Ruth McFarland, George Van Bergen

Chair Devlin called the regular meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

1. Work Session to Consider Ordinance No. 91-391, Amending Metro Code Chapter 2.04, Modifying the Provision Relating to Procurement Involving Minorities, Women and Emerging Small Business

Neil Saling, Acting Director of Regional Facilities presented his staff report, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

Councilor Collier was concerned there were no members from the minority community to testify. Mr. Saling said the task force members were invited to attend, chose not to. Councilor Collier question Mr. Saling about meetings and attendance. Mr. Saling said 6-8 meetings were held and attendance was good. Councilor Collier doubted the approval of the document by the minorities represented. She felt the Association of General Contractors (AGC) should not represent the minorities. She said while obtaining her Master's degree, she did not have one women professor, so the Higher Education Model is not exemplary. She stated the Portland Development Commission (PDC) was a poor model because few women and minorities worked for the PDC. She continued to say she was not interested in modelling a program similar to other agencies. She said she preferred to have Metro be a leader in this area.

Councilor Collier requested inviting the task force to attend and calling them to follow up the invitation. Mr. Saling stated there was no hurry to complete the new program and felt the Committee should take all the time they needed. He said any new contracts would be let under the existing regulations.

Councilor DeJardin stated perhaps task force members didn't show up because the proposed program was legal. Councilor Collier pointed out Metro's current program was also legal and only needed to include the Emerging Small Businesses.

The committee consensus was to schedule the July 18, 1991 meeting to hold discussions with members of the task force and hold a public hearing about the proposed Ordinance.

Chair Devlin opened the public hearing. No public testimony was heard. Chair Devlin closed the public hearing.

Chair Devlin proceeded to item three for presentation and public hearing.

3. Consideration of Ordinance No. 91-407, Amending Sections of the Metro Code Relating to Conduct of Debate at Council Meetings, Receipt of Public Testimony at Council Meetings and Consideration of a Consent Agenda at Council Meetings and Standing Committees of the Council

Don Carlson, Council Administrator and Councilor McFarland were present to give a report on Ordinance No. 91-407. Councilor McFarland said Ordinance No. 91-407 and Resolution No. 91-1467 were proposed to implement changes in Senate Bill (SB) 299 and to formalize standard Council procedures. She said the change would make the procedure of the Council similar to the State Legislative Assembly. She said Councilors Collier and McLain also worked on both the Ordinance and Resolution.

Referring to page four of the ordinance, second paragraph, Councilor McFarland proposed to add to the end of the paragraph "except that the Presiding Officer shall always vote last".

Mr. Carlson distributed a handout, Description of Changes by Section. He said Section 1, subsection i, was required by statute (SB 299). He said Section 5, subsection h, defines the action a Committee may take on a resolution or ordinance and states if no action is taken in 6 months, the resolution or ordinance would be terminated.

Chair Devlin opened the meeting for public testimony.

John Ayer, a Clackamas County citizen, spoke to Resolution No. 91-1467. He discussed his concern about coordinating public testimony and the time allotted for public testimony.

Chair Devlin closed the public hearing.

Motion: Councilor Collier moved to recommend Ordinance No. 91-407 as amended by Councilor McFarland to full Council for adoption.

Vote: All those present voted aye. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

4. Consideration of Resolution No. 91-1467, Adopting Rules Establishing Procedures Relating to the Conduct of Council Business

Chair Devlin deferred discussion of Resolution No. 91-1467 to the July 11, 1991 Governmental Affairs Committee.

2. Update on Council District Reapportionment

Dick Bolen, Regional Planning Supervisor and Mark Bosworth, Assistant Regional Planner, distributed population summaries of areas under consideration for redistricting by individual Councilors.

The Committee consensus was to have staff work out some of the Councilors' issues by July 11, 1991. At the July 11, 1991 meeting, the Committee would decide on a plan to present to the public for further comments.

5. Legislative Update

Burton Weast, Western Advocates, reported the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate agreed to close the 1991 Legislative Session on, or about, June 28.

Mr. Weast said Senate Bill (SB) 66 passed the House unanimously as amended. He said the amendments included removal of the state-wide hotline for recycling information. He said House Bill (HB) 1017 is in a House Committee and the House is closed. He said SB 884 died in the Senate. He said nothing substantive passed regarding land use this session.

Chair Devlin adjourned the meeting at 5:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Susan Lee
Committee Clerk