

MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

May 20, 1993

Council Chamber

Committee Members Present: Mike Gates (Chair), Jim Gardner (Vice Chair), Sandi Hansen, Terri Moore, Judy Wyers

Councilors Also Present: Jon Kvistad, Susan McLain, Ed Washington, George Van Bergen

Chair Gates called the regular meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

1. Communications from Local Governments

No communications from local governments.

2. Status Report on Apportionment Commission

Bill Boyd, Apportionment Commission Chair, reported to the Committee regarding the status of the Apportionment Commission. The Committee as a whole and Mr. Boyd discussed the issues and arguments surrounding the boundaries as drawn on the A Draft and the B Draft. Councilor Gardner noted a possible error on one of the Draft maps pertaining to the Metro boundary. Councilor Moore expressed concern regarding the lines drawn around the Garden Home area, which she felt should be considered a community of interest and was divided by the county line.

Chair Gates encouraged Councilors to attend the Apportionment Commission hearings to engage in the exchange of viewpoints

Councilor Van Bergen commented regarding the nature of the populations in the various areas, and asked about Councilor contact in the Commission meetings. The Committee discussed the work of the Commission further.

Councilor Gardner asked Mr. Boyd if to his knowledge had he or any other member of the Commission been made aware of the residential locations of any Councilors. He asked if to Mr. Boyd's knowledge had any Metro Councilors contacted Commission members to give them that information. Mr. Boyd answered no on both counts. He noted the addresses of the Councilors was public information and could be easily known.

Councilor Wyers asked Mr. Boyd which of the public hearings would he not be able to attend. Mr. Boyd indicated he would forward that information to Councilor Wyers.

3. Ordinance No. 93-489, For the Purpose of Amending the Classification and Compensation Plans for Non-Represented Employees, and Awarding a 4% General Market Adjustment for Non-Represented Employees, in Lieu of a Cost of Living Adjustment

Chair Gates referenced the memorandum dated May 18, 1993 from Donald E. Carlson, Council Administrator to Chair Gates. This document has been made part of the permanent meeting record.

Paula Paris, Personnel Manager, addressed the Committee and indicated she agreed with the amendments as suggested by Mr. Carlson

Main Motion: Councilor Hansen moved to recommend Ordinance No. 93-489 to the full Council for adoption.

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Councilor Gardner raised the questions regarding the total number of merit increases, and Ms. Paris said she would provide the information for non-represented employees

Motion No 1 to Amend: Councilor Gardner moved Amendment No. 1) to Ordinance No. 93-489 from Mr. Carlson's May 18 memorandum.

Vote on Motion No. 1 to Amend. Councilors Gardner, Hansen, Moore, Wyers and Gates voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed

Motion No 2 to Amend: Councilor Gardner moved the proposed language as recommended in a memorandum from Paula Paris dated March 31, 1993, Attachment 1 to Mr. Carlson's memorandum. This document has been made part of the permanent meeting record.

Vote on Motion No. 2 to Amend Councilors Gardner, Hansen, Moore, Wyers and Gates voted aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Motion No 3 to Amend Councilor Gardner moved Amendment No 2) from Mr. Carlson's May 18 memorandum as referenced

Vote on Motion No 3 to Amend: Councilors Gardner, Hansen, Moore, Wyers and Gates voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Councilor Moore expressed concerns regarding increases in upper salary levels, and indicated she would not support the Main Motion as amended.

Councilor Gardner indicated concerns regarding the timing of increasing salaries in Metro's upper salary ranges

Mr. Carlson said although the ranges would be opened up at upper salary levels, dollar amounts FY 1993-94 would not increase with approval of the proposed ordinance.

Vote on Main Motion as Amended: Councilor Hansen, Wyers and Gates voted aye Councilors Gardner and Moore voted no.

The motion passed

4. Resolution No. 93-1778B, For the Purpose of Continuing Metro's Participation in the Forum on Cooperative Urban Services (FOCUS)

Chair Gates presented the report, and said the proposed resolution would serve to continue Metro's participation in the FOCUS program, and said the resolution would provide for a FOCUS dues payment of \$2,500 FY 1992-93, and would provide for no financial commitment for FY 1993-94 for continued membership. He said it would provide for a Metro representative to be present and vote at FOCUS meetings and on the FOCUS Steering Committee.

Main Motion: Councilor Gardner moved to recommend Resolution No No. 93-1778B to the full Council for adoption

Councilor Gardner noted the schedule for FOCUS meetings, third Thursdays of the month, had not been changed thus far Chair Gates said the FOCUS members were willing to give to consideration to rearranging scheduling of meetings

The Committee as a whole discussed further issues of payment of dues, time involvement, FOCUS projects, and Metro's overall role in FOCUS.

Motion to Amend Councilor Gardner moved language to amend the "BE IT RESOLVED" section; paragraph 2. to read:

"or any additional dues for FY 1992-93."

Councilor Wyers suggested that the matter might be continued to the next Governmental Affairs meeting for further consideration Chair Gates clarified the intent of the amendment was to refrain from paying the second half FY 1992-93 dues

Vote on Motion to Amend Councilors Gardner, Moore, Wyers and Gates voted aye. Councilor Hansen voted no.

The motion passed

Vote on Main Motion as Amended Councilors Gardner, Moore, Wyers and Gates voted aye Councilor Hansen voted no.

The motion passed.

5. Update on Transfer of Operation of Multnomah County Parks and Expo Center to Metro

Mr Carlson reported to the Committee, and referenced two documents distributed to the Committee, one, a copy of a Multnomah County Parks brochure, and two, a draft memorandum of understanding regarding consolidation of regional parks, natural areas, golf courses, cemeteries, and trade/spectator facilities presently owned and operated by Multnomah County and Metro. These documents have been made part of the permanent meeting record.

The Committee agreed in consensus to move forward with a resolution in the matter. Chair Gates requested Mr Carlson prepare such a resolution. Councilor Van Bergen requested the resolution contain language declaring Metro's intent to resolve issues with both Washington and Clackamas Counties concerning the matter. Councilor Gardner noted Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC) was interested in seeing a draft agreement for review and consideration, and said it was the role of MPAC to be involved discussion in the matter In response to Councilor Moore, Councilor Gardner clarified MPAC would see the resolution prior to Metro Council for review and comment.

Mr Carlson clarified two resolutions could be adopted, one recommending going forward with negotiations and containing a statement that MPAC has an opportunity for advice and comment, and a second resolution to adopt a memorandum of understanding or agreement Councilor Moore requested MPAC receive the information in a timely manner.

6. Legislative Update

A. Governor's Task Force on Motor Vehicle Emission Reductions in the Portland Area

Andy Cotugno, Planning Director, reported to the Committee, and referenced Attachment 1, found in the agenda packet, entitled "Portland Area Air Quality Maintenance Plan, Prepared for the House Special Task Force on Emissions " He highlighted the endorsed recommendations of the State Motor Vehicle Task Force and additional strategies identified by the House Special Task Force, as well as other strategies considered but rejected

Mr. Cotugno referenced a document which was distributed to the Committee entitled "OTP Legislative Program, Update May 12, 1993, Emerging House Legislation This document has been made part of the permanent meeting record He provided

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highlights for highway and transit measures moved by the Revenue Subcommittee to the full committee, and noted the congestion pricing measure had recently failed. Mr. Cotugno encouraged active lobbying for the measures supported by Metro

Councilor Van Bergen commented he agreed this was the time for active lobbying. He recommended Councilors coordinate with Mr. Cotugno regarding direction and guidance in the matter. The Committee as a whole discussed participating in lobbying as suggested.

B. Boundary Commission Membership

Mr. Carlson referenced materials in the agenda packet regarding Boundary Commission membership which included a memorandum from Ken Martin, Boundary Commission Executive Officer, dated April 15, 1993. Mr. Carlson noted Boundary Commission membership was related to the number of members on the Metro Council, and said that membership would go down to seven members in January, 1995. Mr. Carlson said Mr. Martin recommended the number of members be maintained at greater than seven. He said the proposal would set the number of Boundary Commission members at eleven. Mr. Carlson recommended support of the legislation.

Councilor Van Bergen recommended the GA Committee support the proposed course of action by making a motion

Councilor Gardner recommended a 14 member Commission, two from each of the seven Metro Council districts.

The Committee and Staff discussed the issues of the number of members and issues of jurisdictional representation as well as from outside the jurisdictional boundaries of Metro.

Motion Councilor Wyers moved to recommend support of Senate Bill 1128 with proviso for amendments as clarified by Councilor Gardner. i.e. insert "14" in subsection 3(a) in place of "7"; thus, proposing a 14 member Commission, two from each of the seven Metro Council districts, and, that language in subsection 3(b) be deleted; i.e. the clause containing language that the Boundary Commission Executive Officer appoint four members from a special list.

Councilor Gardner clarified language would need to be reworded to make it clear that the Executive appoints two from the list submitted by each of the seven Councilors

Mr. Carlson clarified the motion language would give the ability to make proposed amendments regarding transitional language. Chair Gates agreed the motion implied such. Mr. Martin indicated he did not expect hearings to occur for a couple of weeks

Vote: Councilors Gardner, Moore, Wyers and Gates voted aye. Councilor Hansen was excused

C. SB 122

Larry Shaw, Senior Assistant Counsel, presented a report on the May 7, 1993 version of Senate Bill 122 to the Committee. Mr. Shaw noted the League of Oregon Cities supported the bill

Mr. Carlson referenced his memorandum dated May 19, 1993 to Dan Cooper, General Counsel, containing his questions regarding the bill. This document has been made part of the permanent meeting record.

The Committee as a whole discussed the bill further. No position was on the bill was taken by the Committee

D. Tax Packages

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Noel Klein, Western Advocates, addressed the Committee, and referenced a document entitled, "State Tax Legislation Affecting Metro", which was distributed to the Committee. This document has been made part of the permanent meeting record. Mr. Klein stated the recommended position as described in the aforementioned document was to "coordinate and cooperate with the State, while seeking to retain maximum flexibility for the agency to utilize the fiscal tools in its charter and fund agency programs in a timely and sufficient manner."

The Committee as a whole and Staff discussed the issues of timing, budget, and Metro revenues

Mr. Klein indicated he did not believe the Committee need take a position at this time. The Committee as a whole discussed the issue of taking a position.

Motion: Chair Gates moved to support the language as stated in the document, State Tax Legislation Affecting Metro.

Vote: Councilors Gardner, Wyers and Gates voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

7. Other Issues

Merrie Waylett, Officer of Government Relation, referenced her memorandum dated May 20, 1993 to the Committee and Casey Short, Council Analyst, which was distributed to the Committee. This document has been made part of the permanent meeting record

Councilor Wyers commended Ms. Waylett for superior service to Metro and the Metro Council and advocated for expansion of Ms. Waylett's role.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Marilyn Geary-Symons
Committee Recorder