

MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

June 17, 1993

Council Chamber

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

Chair Gates called the regular meeting to order at 6:47 p.m.

1. Communications from Local Governments

No communications.

2. Consideration of December 3, 1992 and December 17, 1992 Governmental Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes

Motion: Councilor Hansen moved to approve the December 3, 1992 and December 17, 1992 Governmental Affairs Committee Meeting minutes.

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

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

3. Resolution No. 93-1808, Adopting the FY 1993-94 Pay Plan and Awarding a Cost of Living Adjustment to AFSCME, Local 3580 and the Laborers International Union Local 483 Employees

Paula Paris, Personnel Manager, introduced Metro's new Labor Relations Officer, Craig Cowan, to the Committee. She noted the increased COLA amounted to 3.6%. Casey Short, Council Analyst, referenced an Amended Exhibit A, Metro AFSCME Pay Schedule, which was distributed to the Committee. This document has been made part of the permanent meeting record.

Main Motion as Amended: Councilor Moore moved to recommend Resolution No 93-1888 to the full Council for adoption.

Vote on Main Motion as Amended: Councilors Hansen, Moore, Wyers, Gardner and Gates voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

4. Consideration of Draft Resolution No 93-1814, Amending the Metro Committee for Citizen Involvement (Metro CCI) Bylaws

Gail Cerveny, Metro CCI Chair, presented the report, and referenced the first and second draft revisions of Exhibit A, Metro CCI Bylaws, which was distributed to the Committee. This document has been made part of the permanent meeting record. Ms. Cerveny explained the revised language would reflect the intention to have Councilors attend and participate in meetings when nominations were under review, and noted editorial changes as well. Casey Short, Council Analyst, noted changes were found on page 5, 6 and 7 of the document

Ms Cerveny explained language proposed by Councilor Buchanan; i.e. "No nomination shall be forwarded until the Metro Council has had a reasonable opportunity to communicate with the Chair and members of the Committee," was not included in

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the draft revisions. She said the Metro CCI felt the last sentence in Section 2 (d) gave authority regarding confirmation on a nominee to the Metro Council

In response to Councilor Gardner, Ms Cerveny said she felt notice providing a "reasonable opportunity to attend the meeting" could be defined as two weeks. Councilor Gardner felt the term could be construed as ambiguous and could presented problems in the future He felt the words should not have been included, but did not choose to make a motion. Chair Cerveny noted public meeting law notice stipulated seven days

Motion: Councilor Moore moved to file Resolution No 93-1814 with the Clerk of the Council and recommend the resolution to the full Council for adoption.

Vote Councilors Hansen, Moore, Gardner and Gates voted aye

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

5 Consideration of Contract List Designations for FY 1993-94 Budget

Mr Short presented Council Staff recommendations for Contract List designations for FY 1993-94 Budget. An A Contract was defined as one in which bid or request for proposal documents require Council Committee approval, a B Contract was defined as one in which Council Committee approval was not required This document has been made part of the permanent meeting record.

Motion. Councilor Hansen moved to accept Council Staff recommendations for Contract List designations for the FY 1993-94 Budget.

Vote: Councilors Hansen, Moore, Gardner and Gates voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

6 Resolution No. 93-1818, For the Purpose of Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with Special Districts Association of Oregon (SDAO) to Provide Legislative Services for Metro

Merrie Waylett, Office of Government Relations, referenced the staff report and Attachments and the proposed resolution, which were distributed to the Committee This document has been made part of the permanent meeting record

Burton Weast responded to an inquiry from Councilor Gardner, and said the contract was for the same amount as the previous three years with a process change that \$275 per month would be allocated to expenses, rather than having the contractor bill the agency separately for expenses.

The Committee and Mr. Weast discussed the function of Western Advocates as related to the contract agreement and scope of work in the proposed resolution Mr. Weast noted he had just come from a FOCUS meeting prior to this meeting in order to represent Metro.

Mr Weast noted Western Advocates was disallowed from bidding on certain contracts due to its relationship with Metro in a policy consulting role.

Mr. Short noted the Scope of Work did not reflect activities related to the continuing FY 1993-94 legislative session after July 1

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Main Motion as Amended

Councilor Gardner moved to recommend Resolution No 93-1818 as amended to the full Council for adoption, with language in the Scope of Work to reflect the inclusion of activities related to the remainder of the FY 1993-94 legislative session to continue after July 1 by changing no. 5 to read "represent Metro before any special or regular session of the Legislature that may be held. Councilor Moore proposed a friendly amendment to include the amount of the contract in the resolution; i.e. "in the amount of \$60,000."

Mr Short queried Mr. Weast regarding acceptance of a flat fee of \$5,000 rather than the current \$275 expense account Mr. Weast agreed to the \$5,000 figure

Vote on Main Motion as Amended: Councilors Hansen, Moore, Gardner and Gates voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Chair Gates recommended the next meeting of the Governmental Affairs Committee be scheduled in order to accommodate Councilors being enabled to attend the next FOCUS meeting The Committee as a whole and Staff discussed the schedule, and agreed in consensus to set July 15, 1993 for a visit to the FOCUS meeting.

7 Legislative Update

Mr. Weast updated the Committee on Oregon Legislative activity, and referenced Senate Bill 1134. This document has been made part of the permanent meeting record. He noted the bill would create a Contract Claims Board commissioned with exclusive jurisdiction to review claims based on contract rights in the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) He said in theory the commission could be empowered for seventy years.

Mr. Weast felt many questions were not answered, and he recommended Metro oppose the bill.

Ms Waylett noted the Office of Legal Counsel and the Personnel Manager had reviewed the bill. The Committee as a whole and Staff discussed SB 1134.

Motion: Councilor Moore moved to recommend Western Advocates strongly oppose Senate Bill 1134

Vote: Councilors Hansen, Moore, Gardner and Gates voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Mr. Weast referenced House Bill 3177 was a bill to fund HazMat teams throughout the state, which would respond to oil spills and the like. Mr Weast said a member of the House suggested an amendment to place a \$1 assessment on tip fees.

Mr. Weast recommended Metro oppose using the tip fee to fund handling Hazardous material

Motion: Councilor Gardner moved to recommend Western Advocates oppose the proposed amendment to HB 3177 using the tip fee to fund handling Hazardous material in Oregon

Vote: Councilors Hansen, Moore, Gardner and Gates voted aye.

The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

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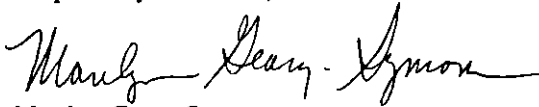
Mr. Weast said Senate Bill 392, regarding RUGGO's, was scheduled for a hearing in the House the following Wednesday.

Mr. Weast said a hearing had occurred on Senate Bill 67 to fund local pesticide information programs. He noted Oregonians for Food and Shelter testified using Metro's tomato ad as evidence that local governments were not responsible to cover pesticide issues. He said the bill passed out unanimously and would be heard in the House.

Mr. Weast commented regarding the Rabanco bill, HB 1004, which proposed to eliminate the Metro fee on dirt. He said Senator Cease conducted a work group of interested parties to negotiate a settlement. He said agreement was reached to hold informal hearings concerning what Mr. Weast termed legitimate issues.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Marilyn Geary-Symons
Committee Recorder