

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

September 5, 1991
Council Chamber

Committee Members Present: Richard Devlin (Chair), David Knowles (Vice Chair), Tanya Collier, Tom Dejardin, Sandi Hansen

Committee Members Absent: None

Other Councilors Present: Roger Buchanan

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

1. Consideration of the minutes of the August 1, and August 15, 1991 Governmental Affairs Committee

Motion: Councilor Collier moved to approve the August 1, and August 15, 1991 meeting minutes.

Vote: All those present voted aye. The vote was unanimous and the minutes were approved.

2. Consideration of Resolution No. 91-1500, Ratifying the Amended 1991-1995 Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Laborers International Union, Local 483

Paula Paris, Personnel Director, presented her staff report. She reported that the union did not ratify their 1991-1995 contract. She said the bargaining unit reconvened negotiations and reached a subsequent agreement that was later ratified by the union.

Motion: Councilor Collier moved to recommend full Council adopt Resolution No. 91-1500.

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

3. Consideration of Resolution No. 91-1495, Amending a contract with KPMG Peat Marwick for the FY 1991-92 Performance Audit Services

Hal D'Ambrogia, representing KPMG Peat Marwick, reported KPMG Peat Marwick was entering their third year of audit services. He said they recommended an audit of the MERC business practices as the next project.

Councilor Knowles asked what the product of the audit would be. Mr. D'Ambrogia referred to the scope of work attached to the Resolution. Councilor Knowles asked about the qualifications of KPMG Peat Marwick relating to this sort of a review. Mr. D'Ambrogia said the firm had audited the Sacramento Convention

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Center and that audits were similar in staffing, management and policy issues.

Councilor DeJardin asked if the relationship between the Council and the MERC Commissioners would be reported on. Mr. D'Ambrogia said it was included in the scope of work. He said the process would include interviews, reviews of reports and budget and second interviews.

Lee Feherenkamp, MERC General Manager, said he had contacted the commissioners and their concerns centered on the staffing requirements to conduct an audit. He said there were also some concerns about doing the audit at the same time they were reviewing the feasibility of a new Blazer arena.

Motion: Councilor Knowles moved to recommend full Council adopt Resolution No. 91-1495.

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

4. Work Session to consider Ordinance No. 91-415B, Reapportioning Metro Council Subdistrict

Casey Short, Council Analyst, presented his staff report. He said one minor change to the boundary of districts 1 and 2 had been requested by Washington County Elections. He said the change involved shifting 11 registered voters from District 1 to District 2 at SW Rosa Road and 198th Ave., in order to observe a precinct line marked by the boundaries of the Beaverton and Reedville School Districts.

Mr. Short also presented revised legal descriptions for Committee review. He said the revisions were made to ensure consistency with the boundaries agreed upon by the Committee and by individual Councilors, and to incorporate legal counsel's recommendation that the descriptions include directional notations. Dan Cooper, General Council, suggested a few minor technical changes to the descriptions also. The committee approved the change to the district 1 and 2 boundary, as well as the revised legal descriptions with Counsel's amendments.

The Committee discussed a letter from Beaverton Mayor Larry Cole, asking for a portion of eastern Beaverton to be included in District 2. Councilor Devlin said making that change would require the City of Tigard to be broken up into 3 districts. He recommended against the change. The Committee did not approve the change.

Finally, the Committee discussed a request from Mr. Gordon Hunter

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that a portion of the Cully Neighborhood in Northeast Portland be moved from District 11 into District 10. Mr. Hunter dropped off a letter reiterating his request at the meeting, but could not stay to testify. Councilor Knowles asked Councilor Buchanan to summarize the request and give his position on it. Councilor Buchanan stated that he took no position on the issue, and explained the background of the request. Chair Devlin then explained that the Committee could take no action, approve an earlier proposal to accommodate this change, or approve a proposal generated that day which would move a portion of the Rose City Park neighborhood to District 11 to balance the Cully move. Councilor Knowles said he could only support the change if all of Rose City Park were moved to District 11, so the split of Cully would produce no increase in the total number of divided neighborhoods. Staff and Committee deemed it impracticable, and the Committee took no further action on Mr. Hunter's request.

Chair Devlin opened the public hearing. No citizens appeared to testify and the public hearing was closed.

Motion: Councilor Hansen moved to recommend full Council adopt Ordinance No. 91-415B as amended above.

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

Chair Devlin requested the Committee plan to consider the remaining business of the Committee for the remainder of the year.

Chair Devlin adjourned the meeting at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Susan Lee
Committee Clerk