

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

October 17, 1991
Metro Center
Room 240

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

Committee Members Absent: David Knowles

Chair Devlin called the regular meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

1. Work Session to Discuss Council Relations with the Metro Charter Committee

Staff Present: Casey Short, Council Analyst; Janet Whitfield, Charter Committee Administrator; Don Carlson, Council Administrator; Dan Cooper, Legal Counsel; Dick Engstrom, Deputy Executive Officer; Betsy Bergstein, Senior Management Analyst; and Ken Gervais, Senior Management Analyst.

The Committee held a work session to discuss Council relations with the Metro Charter Committee. Mr. Carlson and Mr. Cooper presented a summary of Metro policy, functions or powers and purposes as set forth by State law. The consensus of the Committee was to revise the report and submit it to the full Council for discussion at the first meeting in November.

Councilor Collier was absent for this item.

Chair Devlin recessed the meeting at 4:00 p.m. Councilor Collier, acting as Chair in Chair Devlin's absence, reconvened the meeting at 4:15 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

2. Work Session to Consider a Request from Residents in Washington County CPO 10 Regarding Possible Annexation to the Metropolitan Service District

Mr. Short said this item was before the Committee at the request of Presiding Officer Collier. He said at the August 8, 1991 Council meeting, Kathy Clair, citizen, requested information on a possible annexation.

Mr. Carlson explained the procedure for annexation. He said if CPO 10 were interested in annexation, the group would have to petition the Boundary Commission. He explained several approaches that might be used. He said the likely approach for CPO 10 would be for the landowners in the area seeking annexation to petition the Commission.

Mr. Short said the area in consideration is a large area in Washington County west of the Urban Growth Boundary (UGB). He said

a large area in Clackamas County is inside Metro Boundary and outside the UGB. He also said including the area in the Metro boundary would subject it to the taxes, resolutions, ordinances and laws of Metro.

Chair Collier opened the public hearing.

Kathy Clair, citizen, testified. She said CPO 10 is a large area consisting predominantly of farmers. She said while the area is large, there is a strong sense of community. She said their interest in annexation stems out of concerns that Metro decisions would significantly affects the area and they have no representation on the decisions. She said they are concerned about the Western Bypass and future transfer station sitings.

Dale Henrichs, citizen, summarized his concerns stated in his letter to Metro. A copy of the letter is included in the record of this meeting.

Mr. Short noted if CPO 10 was included in the Metro Boundary, they would not have their own district. He said depending on their size, they may have to be broken up into several existing districts.

Lisa Brenner, citizen, stated that public testimony often did not result in change. She asked if Metro had the authority to designate Urban Reserves. Mr. Cooper said Metro did not have the authority to designate Urban Reserves. He said at the last legislative session attempts were made to allow this, but they failed. He said the Land Conservation Development Commission (LCDC) may address the issue of Urban Reserves before the next legislative session.

No further citizens appeared to testify. Chair Collier closed the public hearing.

Chair Collier said she would have Mr. Short arrange for a Councilor and Mr. Cooper to attend the next meeting of CPO 10. She encouraged the citizens to continue to participate through public testimony.

3. Work Session to Discuss Metro's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Contracting Program

Neil Saling, Regional Facilities Director, distributed a handout. A copy is included in the record of this meeting.

The Committee held a work session to discuss Metro's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) contracting program.

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The Committee consensus was a desire to continue the present program and incorporate the DBE program into it. Mr. Cooper said it would still be unconstitutional. Councilor Collier requested staff to inquire about including federal money into all projects, thus allowing the present program to remain in effect.

Mr. Saling agreed to recall the task force for further discussions and obtain information from the representative of the State who testified at the October 10, 1991 Council meeting. Mr. Saling said he would like to receive any further instruction from Executive Officer, Rena Cusma. Councilor Collier said she would meet with Ms. Cusma to discuss the matter.

With no further business before the Committee, Chair Collier adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,



Susan Lee
Committee Clerk