

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE  
OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

June 21, 1988

Committee Members Present: Councilors Tom DeJardin (V. Chair),  
Corky Kirkpatrick, Sharron Kelley, and  
Tanya Collier

Committee Members Absent: Council Richard Waker

Vice Chair DeJardin called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

1. Consideration of Ordinance No. 88-251, for the Purpose of Amending Section 4.01.030 of the Metro Code to Prohibit Illegal Parking in the Zoo Parking Lot and Other Areas Adjacent to the Washington Park Zoo, and Providing for the Issuance of Citations by Metro Personnel

Vickie Rocker, Director of Public Affairs, stated she had received telephone calls from the Portland area news media inquiring about the ordinance. She said several had offered assistance in publicizing the parking problems at the Zoo and suggested alternatives. Ms. Rocker said illegal parking problems were particularly severe on concert nights and that efforts had been made and (were continuing) to encourage visitors to use shuttle bus service.

Councilor Kelley asked if staff had thoroughly investigated Metro's authority to issue citations. Council Administrator Donald Carlson replied affirmatively, explaining the ordinance, if adopted, would permit Metro personnel to issue parking citations and non-moving citations. Councilor Kelley also questioned language proposed in Section (e)(9).

Dick Karnuth, Safety and Security Manager of the Zoo said despite the fact that security officers were on duty to direct motorists and enforce parking regulations on busy week days during the summer months, for special event days and every weekend year round, illegal parking continued to be a problem and a safety hazard. Mr. Karnuth said there had been repeated incidence of motorists ignoring officers' directions to not park in unauthorized areas and other cases where visitors had removed "no parking signs" in order to park in unauthorized areas. He pointed out illegal parking was a problem at the Zoo even when adequate legal parking was available. Mr. Karnuth also said the Zoo had issued courtesy citations in the past which were generally ignored. He emphasized that the issuance of citations would be a last resort and that personnel would use a great deal of discretion in citing vehicles.

Councilor Collier asked where the revenue from the citations would go. Mr. Karnuth replied the revenue would go to the District Court. Councilors Kelley and Collier asked staff to investigate alternatives

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whereby Metro could receive some portion of the revenue generated and to revenue projections.

Motion: Councilor Collier moved approval of Ordinance No. 88-251 and recommended Council adoption.

Councilor Kelley said the intent of the proposed Section (e)(9) was unclear.

Motion to Amend: Councilor Kelley moved to amend Section (e)(9) of Ordinance No. 88-251 to read add the words "sale and" to prohibit sale and dissemination of food or goods.

Vote on Amendment: A vote on the amendment resulted in all four committee members present voting aye.

Motion to amend carried.

Vote on Main Motion: A vote on the motion resulted in all four councilors present voting aye. Councilor Waker was absent.

The motion carried.

There was no further business, and the meeting was adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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