

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

April 3, 1990

Council Chamber

Committee Members Present: Mike Ragsdale (Chair), Richard Devlin (V. Chair) and Ruth McFarland

Committee Members Absent: Larry Bauer and Jim Gardner

Chair Ragsdale called the special meeting to order at 4:14 p.m.

1. Consideration of March 13, 1990 Minutes

Motion: Councilor McFarland moved to approve the minutes.

Vote: Councilors Devlin, McFarland and Ragsdale voted aye. Councilors Bauer and Gardner were absent. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

2. Final Review and Discussion of FY90-91 Programs and Projects -- Develop Final Recommendations for Budget Committee consideration re: Transportation and Planning & Development Departments (Public Hearing)

Rich Carson, Director of Planning & Development said staff gave program overviews at the March 13 meeting. He referred to his memorandum "Response to March 23, 1990 Council Analyst Comments on Proposed FY 90-91 Department Budget" dated March 30, 1999, in response to the memorandum from Jessica Marlitt, Council Analyst, "Review of FY90-91 Proposed Planning Fund Budget for the Planning & Development Department" dated March 23, 1990.

Mr. Carson said historically the Planning & Development Department had gone through only three budget processes since it was created. He said non-Solid Waste programs have been inadequately funded, in comparison to Solid Waste programs, because of dues allocations. He said the Solid Waste Planning budget would be the same for FY90-91 as it had been for FY89-90. He explained non-Solid Waste program funding had increased because of expected and continued growth in those program areas. He agreed with some cuts as recommended such as the additional secretary because a secretary had been funded. Mr. Carson and Councilor McFarland discussed the \$2,500 temporary fund line item requested. Mr. Carson explained the \$2,500 was allocated in case of emergency. Councilor McFarland said Metro should have one funding pool for temporary help for all departments. Mr. Carson said some departments were covered under their Contingency Funds but Planning & Development noted their temporary fund as a line item for informational purposes.

Chair Ragsdale asked if staff were certain of getting federal grants to fund Phases III and IV of the Natural Areas and Parks study. Patrick

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Lee, Regional Planning Supervisor, said staff would like to have the ability to receive and expend funds if they were forthcoming. He said the scope of work would be reviewed with the Council and work deferred in some areas if necessary.

Chair Ragsdale asked the status of the Washington County solid waste system. Mr. Carson said the Washington County Steering Committee adopted a conceptual plan and Metro would perform technical analysis. He said by September 1990, Washington County would adopt a final system phase which would go to the Metro Council. Chair Ragsdale asked if there was enough funding for necessary work. Mr. Carson said there would be if the necessary work was done ahead of time. He said funding was also dependent on the system chosen. Chair Ragsdale asked if the system submitted would be non-public. Mr. Carson said it would and two or three facilities including the Forest Grove Transfer Station would be utilized. Mr. Carson said Metro could run the gate house and include the facility within its franchise system, but the facility would not be designed in the manner Metro East Station had been. Chair Ragsdale asked if it were frivolous to analyze public versus private options. Mr. Carson said Metro was bound by the Solid Waste Management Plan to do so. Becky Crockett, Senior Solid Waste Planner, said after private versus public options were determined, Metro would perform finance and rate structuring analysis because Washington County did not have the full capability to finance the system. Councilor Devlin noted he attended Washington County Steering Committee meetings and its members were aware of all concepts. He noted the Solid Waste Committee would review the conceptual plan in April. He said other issues to be considered included competitive versus non-competitive systems.

Chair Ragsdale asked staff what Metro's housing policy was. Mr. Carson said there was no official policy directive. He said various groups believed Metro should involve itself in housing issues and the FTEs requested would develop Metro's and the Land Conservation and Development Commission's (LCDC) housing policy. He said some jurisdictions were researching the issues and others were not. Chair Ragsdale said the Committee should develop policy with staff on housing. Mr. Carson proposed .5 of the 2 FTEs proposed for the Housing Project be dedicated to the Urban Growth Management Policy (UGMP). He said currently 1 FTE worked on the UGMP and the project required more assistance.

Motion: Councilor Devlin moved, seconded by Councilor McFarland, to recommend to the Budget Committee the IGR Committee approved the 2 Housing Project FTEs; the IGR Committee would develop a resolution which stated Metro strategy on the Housing Project; and .5 of the 2 FTEs would be dedicated to the UGMP for a total of 1.5 FTEs on the Housing Project.

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Chair Ragsdale opposed the motion. He believed the Housing Project required 2 FTEs in order for the project to be properly started. He said such a project required a great deal of research and coordination with local jurisdictions and 2 FTEs were required. Councilor Devlin concurred with Chair Ragsdale, but said the Budget Committee might think otherwise and wished to keep the Housing Project viable. Chair Ragsdale said the IGR Committee had to recommend what it believed to be correct. He concurred with Councilor Devlin .5 FTE was necessary for the UGMP.

Withdrawal of Motion: Councilor Devlin withdrew his motion.

Councilor McFarland took exception to withdrawal of the motion. She said motions once made belonged to the floor and she had seconded the motion. Councilor Devlin said Metro did not require seconds at the Committee level.

Motion: Councilor Devlin moved to recommend to the Budget Committee the IGR Committee approved the 2 Housing Project FTEs per the motion made February 27 and to add .5 FTE to the UGMP.

Vote: Councilors Devlin and Ragsdale voted aye. Councilor McFarland voted nay. Councilors Bauer and Gardner were absent. The motion passed.

The Committee and staff discussed projects/programs to be put in the cover letter from the IGR Committee to the Budget Committee. The Committee and staff discussed various line item expenses. Ms. Marlitt noted the Budget Committee had not discussed local government dues and requested a recommendation from the IGR Committee. The Committee and staff discussed funding legislation, the dues, the excise tax, and the historical split of the dues between the Planning & Development and Transportation Departments. Chair Ragsdale asked Ms. Marlitt to make recommendations on the dues to be forwarded to the Budget Committee. The Committee discussed dues with Andy Cotugno, Director of Transportation. Councilor Devlin noted budgets as proposed showed Planning & Development would not use dues and Transportation would use a combination of dues and excise tax revenue. He said the Budget Committee would probably vote to lower the dues amount from \$.51 to \$.35 which meant a decrease of \$140,000 in dues revenue. Excise tax revenues could be used to replace the \$140,000 in dues, but there were issues of how high the excise tax rate should be set for the first year. Chair Ragsdale said the IGR Committee could identify a policy concern regarding the past practice of setting the dues between Planning & Development and Transportation based on historical practice instead of identified policy directions on program needs.

Motion: Councilor Devlin moved to recommend to the Budget Committee IGR Committee approval of the Planning & Development FY90-91 Budget, noting specific recommendations of February 27 and also noting where IGR Committee opinion was not unanimous.

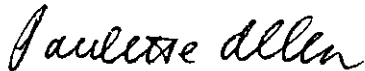
Vote: Councilors Devlin, McFarland and Ragsdale voted aye. Councilors Bauer and Gardner were absent. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Chair Ragsdale announced the IGR Committee would make recommendations on the Transportation Department FY90-91 Budget April 10, 1990.

3. Resolution No. 90-1189, Adopting Bylaws for the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) -- Council on March 22, 1990, referred back to Committee for reconsideration

Consideration deferred to April 10, 1990.

Respectfully submitted,



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Committee Clerk
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