

MINUTES OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE  
OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

October 9, 1990

Council Chamber

Committee Members Present: Jim Gardner (Chair), Richard Devlin (Vice Chair), Gary Hansen and Ruth McFarland

Committee Members Absent: Larry Bauer

Chair Gardner called the regular meeting to order at 5:55 p.m. He noted Councilor Bauer had a prior conflicting engagement and was excused from this meeting.

1. Consideration of September 18 Tri-Met Merger Subcommittee Minutes and September 25 Committee Minutes

Motion: Councilor Devlin moved to approve the September 18 Subcommittee minutes and the September 25 Committee minutes.

The Committee discussed the September 18 minutes briefly. Councilor McFarland said page 1 of the minutes should be amended to read, "Councilor McFarland said it had been estimated by the Mayor of Gresham it would cost \$4 million to put all Tri-Met employees in the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS)."

Motion to Replace Previous Motion: Councilor Devlin moved to approve the September 18 Subcommittee minutes as corrected.

Vote: Councilors Devlin, Gardner and McFarland voted aye. Councilors Bauer and Hansen were absent. The vote was unanimous and the minutes were approved as corrected.

Motion: Councilor McFarland moved to approve the September 25 Committee minutes.

Vote: Councilors Devlin, Gardner and McFarland voted aye. Councilors Bauer and Hansen were absent. The vote was unanimous and the minutes were approved.

2. Ordinance No. 90-361, For the Purpose of Amending Metro Code Chapter 3.02, Amending the Regional Wastewater Management Plan and Submitting it for Recertification

Councilor Devlin said the Water Resources Policy Advisory Committee (WRPAC) met June 25, 1990, and considered the update and amendments to the Regional Wastewater Management Plan (RWMP) in Metro Code Chapter 3.02 and voted unanimously to adopt and recommend them to the IGR Committee for approval. He said the amendments were not substantive but incremental in nature.

Larry Sprecher, Senior Management Analyst, noted the RWMP contained several typographical errors that would be corrected for full Council consideration. He noted in the first paragraph of Executive Officer Cusma's letter, August 1, 1990, to the Metro Council, Regional Wastewater Management Work Plan should read Water Resources Management Plan and vice versa. He said in the RWMP itself, the "City of Forest Hill" would be changed to read "City of Forest Grove."

Mr. Sprecher said changes made were primarily updates and annexations of all the study areas except for one remaining study area in mid-Multnomah County. He said Executive Officer Cusma's letter detailed staff's work.

Councilor McFarland asked about mid-Multnomah County and why the study area work had not been completed. Mr. Sprecher explained the area in question was located between Fairview and Maywood Parks and said because the area was larger than originally estimated, more staff time was required. He said the City of Portland and Metro agreed on the necessary work required to produce the maps.

Councilor Devlin noted Metro recently adopted changes in the bylaws for WRPAC. He said in the future three Councilors would serve on WRPAC rather than one Councilor and the current three Councilors had held meetings with Metro staff to review water resource management issues and policies.

Motion: Councilor McFarland moved to recommend the full Council adopt Ordinance No. 90-361.

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

5. Resolution No. 90-1336, Establishing the FY90-91 Metro Legislative Task Force

Jessica Marlitt, Council Analyst, said at the Council retreat September 8, the Council unanimously recommended to formally reaffirm development of the Legislative Task Force. She said during the legislative session, the Task Force could respond to the lobbyist's needs, help coordinate legislation and ensure a smooth process so that the full Council did not have to review each individual piece of legislation, although legislation would be considered by the Council via resolution. She said Resolution No. 90-1336 was based on Resolution No. 86-707, For the Purpose of Creating the Legislative Committee, adopted November 20, 1986. She said that was the last resolution to institute a formal legislative committee/task force. She said during the last legislative session the Presiding Officer, under Metro Code authority, established a task force without a resolution. She said Resolution No. 90-1336 appointed Presiding Officer Tanya Collier, Executive Officer Cusma, and

Councilors Buchanan, DeJardin, Devlin and Wyers to the Task Force. She said the Task Force would terminate at the end of this legislative session.

Motion: Councilor Devlin moved to recommend the full Council adopt Resolution No. 90-1336.

Chair Gardner requested Councilor Devlin report back any developments in the Legislature to the IGR Committee on the pertinent issues. Ms. Marlitt noted committee chairs were asked to submit by November 5 to the IGR Committee any policies or bills the Committees might have developed for the legislative session for IGR Committee consideration their first meeting in November.

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

#### 4. Legislative Update

Greg McMurdo, Government Relations Manager, noted he previously discussed with the Council enactment of legislation which would enable the Council to declare emergency enactment of non-revenue ordinances, consistent with other local jurisdictions. He said a draft bill had been prepared--LC 1568--but it had one omission. He said the omission was the provision that if a Metro ordinance were vetoed by the Executive Officer, who has five days in which to do so, and the Council at its subsequent meetings were to override that veto, that time period would not be considered part of the regular 90-day period before which the ordinance would become effective.

Mr. McMurdo discussed Senator Dick Springer's work group on the Comprehensive Recycling Bill. He said both he and Bob Martin, Director of Solid Waste, participated in that group which had been broken down into subgroups. He said it appeared progress had been made on the two issues most troublesome to Metro: 1) To ensure Metro received credit for composting towards achieving any statewide recycling goal established by the legislature; and 2) That if a tip fee is imposed for waste reduction, and Metro met all of Senate Bill 405 requirements and its amendments, that Metro receive a credit, or be cost-neutral.

Mr. McMurdo discussed Measure No. 1, allowing for Metro Charter, briefly.

Chair Gardner asked Mr. McMurdo his opinion of Council draft ordinance "An Ordinance Establishing an Office of Government Relations Services to the Metropolitan Service District." Mr. McMurdo was not familiar with the draft ordinance. Councilor Devlin asked Mr. McMurdo to review and

submit written comments on the draft. Chair Gardner concurred with Councilor Devlin's request.

Councilor Hansen asked how the Council should regard the lobbyist position and if the Council itself should lobby at the legislature more directly. Mr. McMurdo said Metro should not feel compelled to have a legislative package at the 1991 session. He said with the exception of housekeeping measures, he encouraged Metro to align itself with other entities and their legislation. He said it was appropriate for Metro to draft legislation establishing a Charter Commission if Measure No 1 passed. He said Councilor Wyers wanted Metro to draft plastics legislation but said other entities planned to do so already and said duplication was an expensive process. He said there was potential for conflict if Measure No. 1 passed. He said it was essential housekeeping measures passed before July 1991 and State re-apportionment began. He recommended ORS Chapter 255 be amended if Measure No. 1 passed to increase the referendum signature requirement for Metro's Charter from 6 percent to 8 percent of the District's registered voters, consistent with state law for other local jurisdictions.

3. Resolution No. 90-1335, Approving a Sole Source Purchase of Hewlett Packard Upgrade Equipment and Providing for Exemption from Metro Code Chapter 2.04.060(a)


Dick Bolen, Regional Planning Supervisor, said the update was required due to growth in staff numbers and work produced. He said procurement of the equipment now would save \$7,000 on the amount originally allocated for the purpose. He said the contract was sole source because the replacement equipment required for Metro's Regional Land Information System (RLIS) must be Hewlett-Packard. The Committee and staff discussed the resolution briefly.

Motion: Councilor Hansen moved to recommend the Contract Review Board adopt Resolution No. 90-1335.

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

Chair Gardner adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Paulette Allen  
Committee Clerk  
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