

Minutes of the Metro Council Planning Committee
October 6, 1994
Council Chamber

Committee Members Present: Jon Kvistad (Chair), Jim Gardner (Vice Chair), Richard Devlin, Mike Gates, Susan McLain, Rod Monroe, Terry Moore, Ed Washington

Committee Members Absent: none

Other Councilors Present: Judy Wyers

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

1. Consideration of the August 18, and September 15, 1994 Council Planning Committee Minutes

Motion: Councilor Gates moved to approve the minutes as presented.

Vote: Councilors Ed Washington, Rod Monroe, Mike Gates, Susan McLain, and Jon Kvistad voted aye. Councilors Jim Gardner, Richard Devlin, and Terry Moore were absent. The vote was 5/0 and the motion passed.

Introduction of Resolutions and Ordinances

None.

3. Regional Water Supply Planning Study and Environmental Analysis Report - Informational Update

Rosemary Furfey, Water Resource Planner, presented the regional water supply planning study and environmental analysis report, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

4. Draft Regional Water Supply Policy Objectives - Briefing

Ms. Furfey presented the regional water supply policy objectives. A copy of the report is included in the record of this meeting. She recommended not adopting the objectives until such time as all related jurisdictions had an opportunity to comment on the plan. She requested comments from Councilors.

Chair Kvistad noted Councilor McLain was the Planning Committee liaison to the Water Supply issues.

Councilor Moore commended Ms. Furfey's efforts to date and stated she considered staff to be on-track to date.

In response to Councilor Washington, Ms. Furfey stated a desired outcome was to increase the participation of water suppliers in the planning process. She stated technical input would be necessary to adopt appropriate policy related to Region 2040 and the Regional Framework Plan. She called for consistency between the analysis of the providers and adoption of any plan.

2. Consideration of Resolution No. 94-2036, Confirming a Citizen Member, Betsy Bergstein, to the Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC)

Don Rocks, Executive Assistant, presented the staff report, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. He explained the resolution would appoint Betsy Bergstein to the Metro Policy Advisory

Committee. He apologized for not having Ms. Bergstein present for interviews. He stated he would remember to have Ms. Bergstein present at the Council meeting at which the resolution would be considered. He noted Ms. Bergstein was a former employee of Metro and was active in MPAC related activities. He stated the Executive Officer recommended appointment of Ms. Bergstein.

Councilor Washington questioned the second "be it resolved" clause. Mr. Rocks stated the clause allowed for the Metro Council and the Executive Officer to reappoint as the needs of the agency changed. The committee members discussed the intent of the resolve. Councilor Moore noted she did not know if the original intention was to provide specific expertise and called for further explanation prior to Council consideration.

Chair Kvistad suggested limiting the appointment to the current calendar year and allow the future Executive Officer to make the appointment. Councilor Gates stated he did not feel it was necessary, as the Executive Officer could choose to make another selection. Councilor Gardner stated using an expiration date would force the new Executive Officer to make a change regardless of their individual preference. Chair Kvistad explained MPAC members had asked him to present the issue due to concerns about Ms. Bergstein being a former employee of Metro.

Motion: Councilor Gates moved to recommend Council adoption of the Resolution.

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

5. South Willamette River Crossing - Public Involvement Outline

Gina Whitehill-Baziuk, Public Involvement Planning Supervisor, and Pam Peck, Associate Public Involvement Coordinator, presented the South Willamette River Crossing Public Involvement Outline, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. Ms. Whitehill-Baziuk discussed the relationship between the South Willamette River Crossing Study and the South/North Corridor Study and savings related to coordination of the two studies. Ms. Peck discussed the activities to date on the plan and the schedule for future activities.

Ms. Whitehill-Baziuk discussed the formation regional citizen advisory committee (CAC) and a sub-committee of the CAC to address the need specific to this particular study. Councilor McLain questioned the approach recommended by staff. She called for participation with existing systems. She called for Council involvement in the development of additional CACs. Ms. Whitehill-Baziuk concurred, noting the specific details had not yet been determined.

Councilor Washington suggested integrating the study with the Metro Matters cable access project.

Councilor Moore expressed a desire to have the Metro Committee for Citizen Involvement (MCCI) input and involvement early in the development of the proposed CAC. She called for the participation of the maximum number of citizens possible. She expressed concerns about the difference of opinion related to the North/South CAC and project managers group (PMG). She called for sessions to bring both groups together at points throughout the process. She stated different recommendations were fine, but the related discussions needed to be heard by both groups. She recommended including participation from neighborhoods in the Powell area and representation of other outer neighborhoods.

Councilor Gates concurred with Councilor Moore related to the involvement of the MCCI. He stated the MCCI was currently reviewing bylaws and mandates under the Charter. He called for two-way discussion with the MCCI.

Councilor Wyers questioned the attendance in the Sellwood and Milwaukie areas. Ms. Whitehill-Baziuk stated early meetings had low attendance, but she expected the momentum to increase. Councilor Wyers thanked staff for providing updates to Council.

Councilor Gardner suggested including Westside neighborhoods in the invitations to attend the meetings. He stated those neighborhoods would be interested in the issues. He noted the Northwest Neighbor newspaper was now distributing their paper to the inner Southwest neighborhood. Ms. Whitehill-Baziuk stated the Sellwood Bee had also indicated they would be expanding distribution to those neighborhoods.

Councilor Devlin complimented staff for the effort to increase news media, specifically the Lake Oswego Review articles.

Councilor Wyers expressed concern over the recommended approach to develop the sub-committee CAC. She recommended increasing the size by including neighborhood representatives interested in the project.

6. Consideration of Resolution No. 94-2040, Adopting a Region 2040 Recommended Alternative - In Depth Briefing on Transportation and Land Use Components of Recommendation

The committee held a work session to consider Resolution No. 94-2040. John Fregonese, Growth Management Manager, discussed the urban reserve designations, employment demographics, access, and proposed RUGGO changes.

Councilor Moore noted the trails systems had not been considered in the plan. Mr. Fregonese stated the trails could be reflected in the study and relevant maps. He noted the concept map might not reflect the level of detail desired while the framework plan would provide that detail.

Staff responded to questions and comments made by committee members. The committee discussed the method to be used to adopt the concept plan and for dealing with disagreements or strongly controversial items. The focus of concern was related to the areas of discontent in discussions so far specifically, urban reserve designation and study area designation. Mr. Fregonese explained the urban reserve designations would not create significant changes based on conversation to date.

Larry Shaw, Senior Assistant Council, explained the legally binding changes would be related to RUGGO amendments.

7. Councilor Communications

Gail Ryder, Senior Council Analyst, called attention to upcoming events.

With no further business before the committee, Chair Kvistad adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Susan Lee
Committee Recorder

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APPROVED
Date 10.20.94