

Minutes of the Metro Council Planning Committee
January 6, 1994
Metro Regional Center, Council Chambers

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 Members Present: Judy Wyers

Chair Kvistad called the regular meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

1. Consideration of the December 14, 1993 Planning Committee minutes

Motion: Councilor Monroe moved to approve the minutes as written.

Vote: Councilors Monroe, Gardner, Devlin, Gates, McLain, Moore, and Kvistad voted aye. Councilor Washington was absent. The vote was 7/0 and the motion passed.

2. Consideration of resolution No. 94-1868, For the Purpose of Adopting an Intergovernmental Agreement for Management of the Willamette Shore Line Right-of-Way

Sharon Kelley Meyer, Transportation Planning Supervisor, presented the staff report, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. She distributed and summarized Willamette Shore Line Encroachment photographs, copies of which are included in the record of this meeting. Staff responded to questions from the Committee.

Andy Cotugno, Planning Director, stated the members on the consortium were Metro staff. He noted Metro would assist in coordination efforts. He discussed the history of the project

With no other citizens appearing to testify, Chair Kvistad opened the public hearing.

Mike Cook, Willamette Shore Association, 8005 SW Boeckman Rd., Wilsonville, OR 97070, appeared to testify. He discussed the community interest. He stated several rail transit projects were proposed for an area in his neighborhood. Councilor Gardner noted that the Johns Landing Master Plan included intent to select one or two projects, not to duplicate efforts.

Chair Kvistad closed the public hearing.

Motion: Councilor Devlin moved to recommend Council approval of the Resolution.

Councilor Moore expressed her support of the project. Councilor Gardner discussed his history of involvement with the project. He stated the IGA did not presuppose a light rail corridor. He said he did not feel light rail would damage the neighborhood and favored leaving the option open for future consideration.

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

3. Consideration of Resolution No. 94-1891, For the Purpose of Authorizing an Extension to Metro Contract no. 903389 and to Exempt this Work from Competitive Bidding, Pursuant to Metro Code Section 2.04.054(a)(2)

Terry Lassar, Senior Regional Planner, presented the staff report, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

Chair Kvistad opened the public hearing. No citizens appeared to testify and Chair Kvistad closed the public hearing.

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.

4. Metro Transportation Demand Management Program - Update

Dave Unsworth, Senior Regional Planner, presented an update on the Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Program. He discussed the plan components.

Berit Stevenson, Project Manager, discussed proposed program changes. She said the guaranteed ride home program was altered to allow a maximum of 20 rides per year for the Metro facility. She stated job share employees must share the incentive. She discussed the results of the program summarized in a handout, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

Councilor McLain advocated improving the program and publicizing the program. Councilor Moore asked for additional information to be provided on the report.

5. Northwest Subarea Study - Briefing

Mike Hoglund, Transportation Planning Manager, presented the Northwest Subarea Study. He explained the study examined an area in Northwest Portland surrounding Cornell Road. He discussed the study components as included in the materials in the record of this meeting.

6. Consideration of Resolution No. 94-1890, For the Purpose of Recommending to the Oregon Transportation Commission a Package of Program Reductions and Additions for Incorporation in the 1995 State Transportation Improvement Program

Mr. Cotugno presented the staff report, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. He noted the resolution was amended by staff and distributed, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. He discussed the changes included in the amended resolution and related ranking information.

The Committee discussed the role of Metro related to the I-5 Southbound Water Avenue project.

Chair Kvistad opened the public hearing.

Tom Brian, State Representative District 9, 7630 SW Fir, Tigard, 97223, appeared to testify. He discussed his background related to transportation planning. He spoke to the I-5/217 Interchange project. He opposed the down-sizing of the project. He encouraged long-range planning for the interchange. He stated \$22 million should be the minimum allocation for the project.

Mr. Hoglund summarized the public outreach effort. In response to Councilor Devlin, Representative Brian discussed the process.

Steve Clark, Times Publication, 6475 SW Sandburg Rd, Tigard, 97223, appeared to testify. He discussed the safety issues related to the I-5/217 Interchange. He discussed dissatisfaction in the process for public involvement. He advocated funding the interchange at a minimum of \$22 million.

Chair Kvistad recessed the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Chair Kvistad reconvened the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Don Weege, 9921 SW Quail Post Rd., Portland, 97219, appeared to testify. He spoke to the I-5/205 Interchange. He expressed concern about government spending. He favored spending alternative transportation dollars on the Interchange project.

Mary Tobias, Tualatin Valley Economic Development Commission (TVEDC), 10200 SW Nibbus, G-3, Tigard, 97223, appeared to testify. She spoke to transportation projects as a continuum. In terms of the relationship between counties, she spoke of Multnomah County as an "old lady" and Washington County as a "bloody teenager with acne"; she didn't venture a description of Clackamas County. She listed projects she considered the highest priorities: I-5/Stafford Road and I-5/217 Interchange. She stated that because the region had the majority of

transportation impact they should not have to absorb 33% of the state-wide cuts. She stated the I-5/217 Interchange was an international concern. She advocated review of bicycle and pedestrian projects completed in the last several years. She said many projects are not used.

Mike Cook, Mentor Graphics, 8005 SW Boeckman Rd., Wilsonville, OR 97070, appeared to testify. He noted written testimony was provided, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. He noted his organization supported the I-5/Stafford Road Interchange. He expressed concerns about the I-5/217 Interchange project and the proposed funding level.

Johnathan Nelson, Two Jefferson Parkway, C-9, Lake Oswego, 97035, appeared to testify. He expressed concern about the confusion over the proposed project cuts on the I-5/217 Interchange

With no further citizens appearing to testify, Chair Kvistad closed the public hearing. Chair Kvistad noted written testimony was received and is included in the record of this meeting.

In response to Councilor Moore, Mr. Hoglund explained the congestion management component of the recommendations. Councilor Moore favored examining a way to provide pedestrian and bicycle access to the west side light rail station. She requested a clearer exhibit showing the safety preservation projects. She asked for reductions to the inflation factor.

Councilor Devlin stated he favored funding the I-5/217 Interchange at a sufficient level. Chair Kvistad concurred. Councilor Gardner stated he would favor improving the funding but not by reducing alternative transportation projects.

7. Data Resource Center Computer System Upgrade and Enhancement - Briefing

Dick Bolen, Data Resource Center Manager, presented the proposed Computer System Upgrade and Enhancement for the Regional Land Information System (RLIS). He discussed inadequacies in the amount of current equipment.

Terry Allan, Data Processing Analyst, presented his recommendations for equipment purchases.

The Committee discussed the proposal.

8. Councilor Communications - Planning Committee Procedural Changes

Chair Kvistad discussed his Planning Committee Guidelines, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. The Committee discussed the guidelines.

Gail Ryder, Senior Counsel Analyst, informed the Committee of upcoming meetings of interest.

With no further business before the committee, Chair Kvistad adjourned the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,


Susan Lee
Committee Recorder

APPROVED
Date 1-20-94