

Minutes of the Metro Council Planning Committee
July 7, 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: Sandi Hansen, Judy Wyers

Chair Kvistad called the regular meeting to order at 4:40 p.m.

1. Introduction of Resolutions and Ordinances

Richard Brandman, Assistant Planning Director, presented Resolution No. 94-2009, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. He explained the resolution established five and ten year transportation finance strategies. He discussed the strategy as outlined in Exhibit A to the staff report, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

Councilor Devlin asked what discussions occurred regarding Clark County's participation in funding the South/North Light Rail Project. Mr. Brandman discussed cost benefits of the project and ridership estimates. He noted methods for an equitable sharing of expenses were being analyzed. Councilor Devlin asked what funding sources were available for the state matching funds. Mr. Brandman said a variety of revenue sources were being examined.

2. Transportation Growth Management (TGM) Grants

Mike Hoglund, Transportation Planning Manager, presented the Transportation Growth Management (TGM) Grants, a copy of which are included in the record of this meeting. He summarized the projects in which Metro would participate.

Mary Webber, Senior Regional Planner, summarized the Main Streets project. In response to Councilor Washington, Ms. Webber explained the Main Streets to be included in the project would be identified through the Region 2040 Study. Councilor Washington expressed an interest in including Martin Luther King Boulevard. Ms. Webber encouraged Councilor input into the decision process.

Mr. Hoglund discussed the development of the Regional Bicycle Plan and Regional Pedestrian Network. Councilor Moore called for integration of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) into the planning process. Mr. Hoglund then discussed the Regional Parking Management Program to reduce parking per capita in the region. He explained the project would be coordinated with efforts underway by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).

Ms. Webber spoke to the coordination of projects to maximize effectiveness. She discussed the Transit Oriented District Implementation Program. She noted the project had not yet received final work plan approval by the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT). She said the Neighboring Cities Region 2040 Studies would examine the impacts of the Region 2040 Study on neighboring communities.

3. North Plains UGB Case Briefing

Larry Shaw, Senior Assistant Counsel, discussed his June 30, 1994 memorandum related to North Plains Appeal of the Urban Growth Boundary (UGB), a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. He explained the appeal of the case directed North Plains to coordinate their desire to capture growth with affected units of

government within the Metro UGB. He added that North Plains needed to consider the impact of a UGB amendment on US 26.

4. City of Tigard v. Dolan Case Briefing

Mr. Shaw discussed his July 7, 1994 memorandum regarding Dolan v. Tigard, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. He discussed the potential impact of the decision as it related to Metro activity as reported in his memorandum under conclusions.

5. Councilor Communications

Gail Ryder, Senior Council Analyst, distributed the City of Portland Report on Regional Intergovernmental Planning and a letter from Clark County, Washington, Copies of which are included in the record of this meeting.

Councilor Moore requested the item be scheduled for further discussion. Councilor McLain requested Ms. Ryder to prepare a staff analysis of the issues to prepare for those discussions. Councilor Monroe called for an examination of the discussions to date and methods for facilitating the intent of the issue (representation of Clark County at Metro). Chair Kvistad scheduled the item for discussion at the August 4, 1994 meeting of the Committee.

Councilor Devlin advised the Committee that a UGB amendment applicant was seeking a waiver of the deadline under the Code and may be coming before the Council with such a request.

Councilor Moore requested a briefing on the status of the Washington County comprehensive plan amendment related to the 112th linear park.

Councilor McLain updated the committee on the activity of FOCUS.

Councilor Kvistad noted a draft ordinance related to a Tri-Met merger would be distributed to Councilors July 8, 1994. Councilor Devlin stated the press and public should be advised that any member of the Council can bring forward a resolution or ordinance.

Chair Kvistad recessed the meeting at 6:00 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

6. Region 2040 Mark Up Building the Preferred Alternative Work Session

John Fregonese, Growth Management Manager, discussed the Region 2040 Study.

Sherry Oeser, Senior Public Involvement Specialist, updated the committee on the public involvement activities, a written copy of her report is included in the record of this meeting. The Committee discussed the public involvement effort.

Mr. Fregonese discussed process and then explained the draft preferred alternative, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. Andy Cotugno, Planning Director, defined greenbelts as an area that would never be developed.

The Committee discussed suggestions for the draft preferred alternative. Councilor Gates called for increased industrial/light industrial areas in Clackamas County to provide higher paying job opportunities.

Councilor Moore suggested tying the Peterkort Property to downtown Beaverton and the Washington Town Center to Tigard. She stated she would like to see Garden Home, Multnomah, and Hillsdale tied together. She stated Scholls Ferry should be designated as a corridor. She expressed concern about the definition of Auto-Oriented Arterial.

Councilor Devlin called for preserving a greenbelt area between Hillsboro and Sherwood. He stated urban reserve areas should be selected in areas that could be realistically achieved with community support.

Councilor Monroe advocated multi-modal transportation specifically, bicycle routes.

Councilor Kvistad called for a parkway connection for US 26, I-5, and Highway 99; expansion of the UGB in the Stafford Road area; increased light rail transit connecting Lake Oswego and Milwaukie; and designation of the Chehalem Mountains as a greenbelt.

In response to Councilor Gardner, Mr. Fregonese stated density changes would produce quick results while transportation designations would take longer. Mr. Fregonese suggested finding areas of consensus to model. Councilor Gardner advocated for an alternative that had less expansion of the UGB. He stated the UGB expansion should occur only where services were already available. He suggested increasing densities in regional centers and town centers as a method to achieve reduced UGB expansion. He favored infill opportunities for new development. He agreed with light rail expansion and improved transportation alternatives. He called for additional light rail in the Southeast area. He said design standards might increase non-auto dependent development.

Councilor Hansen supported the agricultural designation between Hillsboro and Sherwood. She stated Scholls Ferry is utilized more than Olsen Road. She noted Hayden Island did not currently reflect the Greenspace area. She noted the area between Killingsworth, Greeley, the Freemont Bridge and light rail were not accurate.

Councilor McLain said the map needed to be cleaned up to correct inaccuracies. She called for an explanation of the development process. She called for options that would provide housing and transportation choices. She favored minimizing UGB expansion and mixed use North of US 26 and East of 185th Ave.

Councilor Wyers called for suggestions of the Council to be incorporated into the presentation to other parties. She favored minimizing UGB expansion. Mr. Fregonese agreed to call the draft the preferred staff recommendation. Councilor Wyers emphasized the importance of considering the citizen comments.

Councilor Washington suggested using large maps for the public input process. He favored Killingsworth as a Main Street over Alberta Street. He called for increased Greenspaces in the Northeast area.

With no other business before the Committee, Chair Kvistad adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Susan Lee
Committee Recorder

APPROVED
Date 7.21.94