

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL TRANSPORTATION AND PLANNING COMMITTEE  
OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

March 25, 1991  
Council Chamber

Committee Members Present: Jim Gardner (Chair), Richard Devlin  
(Vice Chair), Lawrence Bauer, Susan  
McLain and George Van Bergen

Committee Members Absent: None.

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

1. Consideration of Minutes of the December 11, 1990  
Intergovernmental Relations Committee Meeting

Motion: Councilor Devlin moved to adopt the minutes.

Vote: Councilors Devlin, Gardner, Bauer, McLain and Van Bergen  
voted aye. The vote was unanimous and the minutes were  
adopted.

2. Development of FY 91-92 Program and Policy Recommendations for  
Budget Committee Consideration

The Committee held a work session and directed questions to Andy  
Cotugno, Transportation Director; Rich Carson, Planning and  
Development Director; and Pat Lee, Regional Planning Supervisor.

Motion: Councilor Devlin moved to recommend the budget as  
presented; maintain excise tax at present level; reduce  
dues to \$.39, splitting the revenues equally between the  
Transportation and Planning Departments; and looking at  
the Support Services provided to Transportation,  
particularly from Public Affairs.

After further discussion, Councilor Devlin withdrew his motion.  
Councilor Van Bergen noted he would abstain from any vote on this  
subject, as he felt the full Council priorities and revenues should  
be considered.

Second Motion: Councilor Devlin moved to recommend the budget  
as presented.

Vote: Councilors Devlin, Bauer, McLain and Gardner voted aye.  
Councilor Van Bergen abstained. The vote was 4/0 and the  
motion passed.

3. DRAFT Resolution No. 91-1419, Endorsing Concepts in the  
Proposed Transportation Planning Rule of the Land Conservation  
and Development Commission and Submitting Comments

Mr. Cotugno distributed Resolution No. 91-1419A for consideration.  
He noted his recommendations included three pieces: revised language  
for comment 4 of the resolution to clarify implementation of the land

use scenario analysis (specific language was outlined in Exhibit B); a new comment 5 to endorse the 2-step planning process defined as, "System Planning and Project Planning"; and a new comment 6 to endorse additional amendments to the Land Use Rule per his letter to Mr. Blosser (Exhibit C). Mr. Cotugno explained the Rule's broad term "major regional employment areas" was appropriate because it would allow Metro to define the term at a later date consistent with "Economic Activity Centers" that would be defined through the Regional Urban Growth Goals and Objectives (RUGGO) process.

Mr. Cotugno also noted the proposed rule requires providing income level information to analyze the available housing costs. He suggested changing this to a more general goal of affordable housing area residents. He explained the Rule's proposed parking limitations were appropriate for general office and institution definition, but should not apply to industrial and commercial uses.

Mr. Cotugno noted the rule requires a 20% per capita reduction in vehicle miles travelled; a target which would require changes in land use patterns over a 20 year period to achieve. He recommended setting the reduction as a goal rather than a requirement.

The Committee discussed specific questions further.

Motion: Councilor Devlin moved to recommend Resolution No. 91-1419A to full Council for consideration.

Vote: Councilors Devlin, Bauer, McLain, Van Bergen and Gardner voted aye. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

4. DRAFT Resolution No. 91-1420, Supporting the Removal of Oregon Constitutional Limitations on the Use of Vehicle-Related Fees

Rod Aho, President, Oregon Association of Railway Passengers, provided public testimony in support of Resolution No 91-1420. A copy of his testimony is included in the record of this meeting.

Dan McFarling provided testimony supporting Resolution No. 91-1420, noting both California and Washington state have passed similar legislature.

Ken McFarling also supported the Resolution.

Ray Polani testified as both a Transportation Policy Advisory Committee (TPAC) and Citizens for Better Transit member. He cited two pieces of State legislation being presented this session: Senate Joint Resolution (SJR) 10 and House Joint Resolution (HJR) 15. He said HJR 15 would supply new funding and SJR 10 would allow flexibility in existing funds (no new taxes).

Jim Howell supported the resolution and provided a fact sheet, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

Richard Ross, Transportation Planner, City of Gresham, and TPAC member also supported the Resolution.

Motion: Councilor Devlin moved to recommend his amended version of Resolution No. 91-1420A with the following additional amendment; change the term "Fees" to "Revenues".

Vote: Councilors Devlin, Bauer, McLain, Van Bergen and Gardner voted aye. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Councilor Gardner noted Resolution No. 91-1420 did not have the recommendation from the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT).

Councilor Devlin noted his concern about earlier Item No. 2; in the event the Planning and Development Department saved a considerable amount of money through careful management, no benefit exists because the savings would be returned to Metro's General Fund under current policy.

Motion: Councilor Devlin moved to amend Item No. 2 to include careful consideration by the Budget Committee of the transfers, particularly to Public Affairs and the "buy-back" policy relative to both Transportation and Planning.

Vote: Councilors Devlin, Bauer, McLain and Gardner voted aye. Councilor Van Bergen abstained. The vote was 4/0 and the motion passed.

Councilor McLain will carry Resolution No. 91-1419 to full Council and Councilor Gardner will carry Resolution No. 91-1420A.

Chair Gardner adjourned the meeting at 5:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Susan Lee  
Committee Clerk

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