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

April 28, 1992

Council Chamber

Committee Members Present: Richard Devlin (Chair), Susan McLain

(Vice Chair), Larry Bauer, Roger

Buchanan, Jim Gardner

Committee Members Absent: None

Other Councilors Present: Ruth McFarland

Chair Devlin called the regular meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

1. Consideration of the Minutes of the November 25, 1991, February 11, and April 14, 1992 Transportation and Planning Committee

Motion: Councilor Buchanan moved to approve the minutes of the November 25, 1991, February 11, and April 14, 1992 Transportation and Planning Committee, including recommended amendments by staff to the minutes of the November 25, 1991 and April 14, 1992 meeting minutes, a copy of which are included in the record of this meeting.

<u>Vote</u>: All those present voted aye. The vote was unanimous and the minutes were adopted.

2. Consideration of Resolution No. 92-1609, Establishing Guidelines and Criteria for the Second Year of Greenspaces Restoration and Enhancement Grants

Mel Huie, Senior Regional Planner, presented the staff report. He said the Resolution would establish guidelines and criteria for awarding Greenspaces restoration grants by Metro to cities, counties, special districts and non-profit organizations. He said Metro will award \$250,000 in grants. He said the grants will be used to restore and enhance urban natural areas including wetlands, streams, riparian corridors and upland sites. He said the funding was available through the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services (USFWS). He said a selection committee chaired by Chair Devlin will forward approximately 15-20 projects to full Council for consideration. He said increased technical assistance will be provided to the applicants, including workshops.

Councilor McFarland said the program was expanded from last year due to the overwhelming success. She endorsed the program and encouraged the Committee to forward the resolution to the full Council for consideration. TRANSPORTATION AND PLANNING COMMITTEE Minutes of April 28, 1992
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Councilor McLain remarked on the success of the Fernhill project in her district. She said the program was a good public relations tool and supported the program.

Councilor Buchanan asked if the grants could be used to clean up the gravel pit area at Killingsworth in Portland. Mr. Huie said it could if the area was publicly owned land, had a public easement, or owned by a non-profit organization. Mr. Huie also noted "restoration" was a broad term. Councilor Buchanan asked if the park next to the gravel pits would qualify. Mr. Huie said if it was a public park it would qualify.

Councilor Washington asked if the slough areas in North/Northeast Portland would qualify, especially those areas near Cornfoot Road. Again Mr. Huie said they would qualify if they were publicly owned, had a public easement, or owned by a non-profit organization.

Mr. Huie said the North/Northeast Portland area was a priority area because of the limited open spaces. He said the process would be more competitive this year. He noted funding was available for Clark County, Washington; Multnomah, Washington, and Clackamas County, Oregon; and the City of Portland.

Councilor Bauer asked if guidelines for appropriation of grants were established. Councilor McFarland said the selection committee would establish guidelines.

Chair Devlin noted last year there were fourteen applicants last year and they all received at least partial funding for their projects.

Mr. Huie noted applications would be available at the end of May and the deadline was August 3, 1992.

Motion: Councilor Bauer moved to recommend full Council adoption of Resolution No. 92-1609.

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

With no further business before the Committee, Chair Devlin adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Lee

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