

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

August 25, 1992  
Council Chamber

Committee Members Present: Richard Devlin (Chair), Susan McLain  
(Vice Chair), Roger Buchanan, Ed  
Washington

Committee Members Absent: Lawrence Bauer

Other Councilors Present: Jim Gardner, Ruth McFarland

Chair Devlin called the regular meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.

1. Resolution No. 92-1666, For the Purpose of Accepting Nominees  
to the Metro Committee for Citizen Involvement (Metro CCI)

Judy Shioishi, Council Analyst, presented the staff report. She discussed historical information related to the formation of the committee. She noted the resolution finalized the first nomination process and confirms the appointment of 24 citizens to act as members and alternates to the Metro CCI.

Ms. Shioishi noted the resolution did not fill all positions. She explained an additional resolution would be required to complete appointments. She noted Multnomah County failed to include Councilors in the selection process. Councilor Buchanan expressed his dissatisfaction with Multnomah County's efforts in the selection process.

Motion: Councilor Buchanan moved to recommend Council adoption of the resolution.

First Motion to Amend: Councilor Buchanan moved to amend the resolution by returning the nominations submitted by Multnomah County representing Metro districts 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 to allow for Councilor participation.

Second Motion to Amend: Councilor Washington moved to remove district 11 from Councilor Buchanan's motion to amend.

Councilor Washington stated he was not dissatisfied with the selection for district 11.

Vote on Second Motion to Amend: All those present voted aye.  
The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Vote on First Motion to Amend: All those present voted aye.  
The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Vote on Main Motion to Amend: All those present voted aye.  
The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Chair Devlin agreed to send a letter to Multnomah County expressing the Committee's position on the selection process. The letter would urge Multnomah County to include Councilors in the selection process as outlined by the bylaws.

2. Resolution No. 92-1619, For the Purpose of Eliminating Bypass Option B from Further Wester Bypass Study

Andy Cotugno, Planning Director, presented the staff report. He explained the Western Bypass Study was at a point that it needed to eliminate unfeasible alternatives from further study. He said remaining alternatives would proceed to evaluation and inclusion in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). He said the final step of the study would be selection of a preferred alternative.

Chair Devlin noted Option B was the most western of the two options, running west of Highway 219, outside the Urban Growth Boundary (UGB). He said elimination of the option was not controversial.

Michal Wert, Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), said the Committee should eliminate the option based on data developed on the Western Bypass option, included in the supporting documentation of the resolution.

Motion: Councilor McLain moved to recommend adoption of the resolution.

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

3. Resolution No. 92-1620A, For the Purpose of Eliminating a "Transit-Intensive Strategy" From Further Consideration in the Western Bypass Study Without Precluding Future Light Rail Transit in the Highway 217 Corridor

Bob Brandman, Parsons Brinkerhoff Project Manager, presented the committee with an overview of the different options considered for the Western Bypass. He explained that the option was being eliminated through the evaluation process that considered: congestion relief; improving accessibility within the study area; ability to divert traffic to rural and neighborhood streets; and reducing reliance on single occupancy vehicles.

The Committee discussed the definition of, "strategy" and "alternative." The understanding of the Committee was the resolution eliminated a strategy, not an alternative. The understanding was that a transit option might still be used, combined with other options. Ms. Wert noted that the Land Use Transportation and Air Quality (LUTRAQ) study was still considering transit elements.

Chair Devlin opened the public hearing. With no citizens appearing to testify, Chair Devlin closed the public hearing.

Ms. Wert responded to testimony provided by Robert Liberty, at the August 11, 1992 meeting. Copies of Mr. Liberty's testimony have been attached to the August 11, 1992 meeting minutes. Ms. Wert explained the process being used was the same process used for all major studies. She stated that the name of the study was controversial and included lengthy debate. She noted the study would be appealable through the Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA). She discussed the citizen advisory committee process of the study. She noted the study included an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) and required discussion of the study at all relevant jurisdictions.

Councilor Buchanan asked if a bicycle element were included. Mr. Brandman noted examination of bicycle and walking trips was made. He noted in the study area such modes constituted only three to four percent of trips.

Motion: Councilor McLain moved to recommend Council adoption of the resolution.

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

Chair Devlin recessed the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Chair Devlin reconvened the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

4. Quarterly Report - Planning Department

Mr. Cotugno summarized the quarterly report, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

5. Executive Session Held under the authority of ORS 192.660(1)(h) to discuss existing litigation with Legal Counsel

The Committee held an executive session under authority of ORS 192.660(1)(h) to discuss existing litigation with Legal Counsel. Larry Shaw, Senior Assistant Counsel, was present.

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With no further business before the Committee, Chair Devlin adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Susan Lee".

Susan Lee  
Committee Clerk

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