

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

Special Meeting
June 13, 1985

Committee Members Present: Councilors Van Bergen, Gardner and Kirkpatrick

Committee Members Absent: Councilors Cooper and DeJardin

Also Present: Executive Officer, Rick Gustafson

Staff Present: Keith Lawton, Andy Cotugno, Jeff Booth, Jennifer Sims, Ed Stuhr and Dick Bolen

Chairman Van Bergen called the special meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

1. Consideration of a Contract with MASSCOMP for Purchase of a Computer for Transportation Planning

Keith Lawton explained the need for additional computer power as outlined in the staff report. He then described the extensive evaluation process for proposals received from computer suppliers. Criteria by which computers were evaluated included power, CPU and disk expansion capability, maintenance, Fortran compatible, delivery, benchmarks and cost. Mr. Lawton said staff recommended purchasing the MASSCOMP computer because it would provide the power, expansion capabilities and compatibility with existing equipment at a reasonable cost. He also said maintenance references for the MASSCOMP supplier checked out very well and the equipment could soon be in place.

Councilor Kirkpatrick, referring to staff's correspondence of June 5 and June 6, questioned why the VAX computer was not considered in the evaluation and said she was concerned this option was not examined carefully enough in relation to long-term needs. Mr. Lawton explained the cost of the VAX was a large consideration. He said a Request for Proposal (RFP) was sent to the supplier and no response was received. However, staff used the VAX as a reference by which to compare other computers. He said the recommended MASSCOMP could supply nearly the same capabilities as the VAX for a cost of \$44,000 and the VAX would cost about \$175,000. The MASSCOMP could outperform the VAX by adding a \$17,000 CPU.

In response to Councilor Kirkpatrick's question, Mr. Lawton said evaluation criteria were developed after the RFP's were distributed but before proposals were received. The RFP indicated that preference would be given Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE's).

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Because no DBE's responded, this criteria was not included in the evaluation form, he said.

Motion: Councilor Kirkpatrick moved to approve the contract for purchase of the MASSCOMP computer for an amount not to exceed \$44,370. Councilor Gardner seconded the motion.

In response to Councilor Van Bergen's question about financing, Mr. Lawton said the fund sources for the purchase were primarily FHWA and UMTA with the match provided by Metro and Tri-Met. Cost for maintenance and operation would be borne by the computer's users.

Vote: A vote on the motion resulted in:

Ayes: Councilors Gardner, Kirkpatrick and Van Bergen

Absent: Councilors Cooper and DeJardin

The motion carried and the contract was approved.

Other Business

Executive Officer Gustafson requested an additional item be added to the June 20 agenda: consideration of recommending approval of re-classifying the positions of Facilities Supervisor and Gatehouse Attendant. He explained these changes were being proposed in response to recommendations made by the FY 1983-84 audit report to management. Councilor Van Bergen approved the Executive Officer's request if staff reports could be distributed to the Committee at least two days before June 20.

There being no further business, Chairman Van Bergen adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



A. Marie Nelson
Clerk of the Council

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