Council Convention Center Minutes October 22, 1987 Metro

The Committee met at 4 p.m., October 22, 1987. Present were Councilors Ragsdale, Van Bergen, Waker, Cooper, Knowles and Gardner.

Executive Session (Agenda Item 3):

The Committee went into Executive Session to discuss Agenda Item #3 on PDC property acquisition.

After Executive Session, Councilor Waker moved acceptance of the PDC offer and moved its recommendation to the full Council. The motion received no dissent.

Minutes (Agenda Item 1):

Minutes from October 8, 1987 were approved.

Rental Schedule (Agenda Item 2):

Charles Ahlers, GPCVA, and Lee Fehrenkamp, ERC, will bring to the Committee on November 3, 1987, a proposal about Convention Center rental rates.

Councilor Ragsdale indicated that it was important to compare the Convention Center's projected rates and revenues to the proposed rates from GPCVA and the ERC. Reference was made to the 9/17/87 letter from Ahlers to Fehrenkamp on the subject (a copy of the letter was sent to the Committee).

Demolition (Agenda Item 4):

Jan Schaeffer reported that November 9, 1987 was scheduled for the first site demolition. A public ceremony will occur and additional information about the event will be provided to the Council.

PDC Deeds:

Councilor Van Bergen asked about the City's movement on transferring the remaining Lloyd properties to Metro. He stated that absent complete ownership of the site, he may not vote on any additional convention center issues. Chairman Ragsdale stated that the issue would be placed on all future Committee agendas until it was resolved.

Revised Design Review (Agenda Item 5):

Tuck Wilson announced that on October 23, 1987, ZGF would present their design development documents. Final decisions on design will be made on November 19, 1987 and presented to the Council on November 24, 1987.

Councilor Waker asked that the Council be updated on design prior to November 24, 1987. The Committee determined to invite all Council members to a special meeting of the Council Convention Center Committee on November 3, 1987 for a briefing by the Architects on the report.

A calendar listing the regional design review forums was distributed.

ZGF Contract Amendments re Transportation Services (Agenda Item 6):

Neil McFarlane discussed the need to amend the ZGF contract because of emerging transportation issues. He referred to his October 22, 1987 memo to Tuck Wilson, distributed to the Committee. Additional information will be available later in November.

OTA (Agenda Item 7):

Kim Duncan reported that on the October 9, 1987 Oregon Tourism Alliance meeting at Cannon Beach over 80 participants attended and then received reports on tourism projects from all seven-member counties. The organization begins the winnowing process to submit a grant application to the state EDD. She noted that Metro was providing the major staffing for the effort, and would by organizational necessity continue to do so until the application was filed in January.

Councilor Waker stated that Metro was getting involved in both the tourism aspect of the OTA and the transportation issues. He said Metro could end up on two sides of the issue because of conflicts between local transportation planning goals and newly established tourism transportation objectives.

Councilor Knowles reviewed the Terrence O'Donnell art proposal for the Visitors Information Center and Councilor Ragsdale suggested that the State Tourism Division might be interested in it.

Trade and Economic Development Committee (Agenda Item 8):

Kim Duncan informed the Committee of the November 16, 1987 visit from the Trade and Economic Development Committee. The Committee has requested a briefing on the Convention Center. The Committee will meet all day in the Metro Chambers and will tour the Convention Center site. Councilor Ragsdale will represent the Metro Council before the Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Submitted by,

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