

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL CONVENTION CENTER AND VISITOR FACILITIES
COMMITTEE OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

Special Meeting
February 20, 1990

Committee members present: Councilors David Knowles (Chair),
Roger Buchanan (Vice Chair), Gary
Hansen, and George Van Bergen

Committee members absent: Councilor Ruth McFarland

Chair Knowles called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

1. Consideration of Minutes of December 5 and 28, 1989 and
January 9, 1990

Motion: Councilor Hansen moved approval of the minutes of
December 5 and 28, 1989 and January 9, 1990.

Vote: Councilors Buchanan, Hansen, Knowles and Van
Bergen voted aye.

The motion carried unanimously.

2. Convention Center Construction Update

Glenn Taylor, Metro Construction Coordinator, reported to the
Committee on the progress of the Oregon Convention Center. He
said work is currently 82 percent complete with the contractor
showing 24 working days behind schedule. Mr. Taylor showed the
Committee the various carpeting to be used in different areas in
the Convention Center and interior colors and other finishes. In
response to questions from Councilor Hansen, Mr. Taylor said
problems with the acoustical material had caused the delay. He
noted the material was approved, but there had been some question
as to the sound rating. He added the delay would move the
completion date to mid-August. However, the good weather might
help the contractor make up some time.

3. Resolution No. 90-1224, For the Purpose of confirming the
Reappointment of Mitzi Scott to the Metropolitan Exposition-
Recreation Commission

Mitzi Scott addressed the Committee and told them she was seeking
reappointment to the Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation
Commission (MERC) for a full four-year term. She was on the
Portland Exposition-Recreation Commission for two years and
expressed willingness to continue her participation with MERC.
In response to questions from Councilor Hansen, Ms. Scott
outlined briefly her vision for MERC for the future.

Motion: Councilor Buchanan moved to recommend Council adoption of Resolution No. 90-1224.

Vote: Councilors Buchanan, Knowles, Hansen and Van Bergen voted aye.

The motion carried unanimously.

4. Resolution No. 90-1185, For the Purpose of Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Portland to Fund Area Improvements in the Vicinity of the Oregon Convention Center

Neil McFarlane, Project Operations Manager, presented the staff report to the Committee. He confirmed the \$300,000 would not be going to pay for any police facilities. The money was dedicated to the reconstruction of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. adjacent to the Convention Center. Mr. McFarlane said the improvement package was a joint effort of the City of Portland (contributing \$415,000), ODOT (contributing \$44,000), and Metro (contributing \$300,000). Also included was improvement of Holladay Street with \$1 million contributed by the City of Portland.

In response to Committee questions, Mr. McFarlane said the money would come from the Convention Center Capital Fund and the City of Portland would hold the money. He noted the land for the truck storage area was owned by ODOT. The City of Portland would construct the improvements and Metro would lease the area back from ODOT.


Motion: Councilor Hansen moved to recommend Council adoption of Resolution No. 90-1185 with the technical removal of any reference to Union Avenue.

Vote: Councilors Buchanan, Hansen and Knowles voted aye; Councilor Van Bergen voted nay.

The motion carried.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Ann Brunson
Committee Clerk

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