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

Special Meeting April 4, 1990

Committee members present: Councilors David Knowles (Chair),

Roger Buchanan (Vice Chair), Ruth McFarland and George Van Bergen

Committee members absent: Gary Hansen

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

1. Consideration of Minutes of March 13 and 21, 1990

Motion: Councilor Van Bergen moved approval of the minutes

of March 13 and 21, 1990.

<u>Vote</u>: Councilors Buchanan, Knowles, McFarland and Van

Bergen voted aye.

The motion carried unanimously.

2. Discussion on Metro ERC Budget

Chair Knowles noted there were two issues within the Metro ERC budget the Committee needed to look at: support services and long-term funding for the Metro ERC facilities. He said his draft recommendation accepted the Executive Officers proposal in the area of support services.

Neil McFarlane, Project Operations Manager, summarized the Executive Officer's revised recommendation which basically accepts the budget for support services originally proposed by the Metro ERC. That budget split the responsibilities so accounting, legal and risk management services would be provided by the Metro support services staff; data processing, personnel and contracts/purchasing would be decentralized and remain with the Metro ERC. Chair Knowles said he was in agreement with the concerns expressed by the Executive Officer regarding Metro's ability to provide data processing, personnel and contracts/ purchasing services and felt they should remain with the Metro ERC. In response to concerns expressed by Councilor Van Bergen, Mr. McFarlane said the FY90-91 budget included the funds necessary to procure risk management insurance for the new Metro ERC facilities.

<u>Motion</u>: Councilor Buchanan moved the Committee adopt the proposed Committee recommendation regarding

support services for the Metro ERC.

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<u>Vote</u>: Councilors Buchanan, Knowles and McFarland voted aye. Councilor Van Bergen abstained.

The motion carried.

3. Discussion on Convention Center Budget

Chair Knowles noted the Committee, at their last meeting, agreed that the number one priority (centering on the \$2.1 million in bond interest funds now budgeted in contingency) was the settlement of Convention Center construction claims. Councilor Van Bergen said he was uncomfortable with the idea of the Executive Officer having sole control over the settlement of construction claims.

<u>Motion</u>: Councilor Buchanan moved the Committee adopt the proposed Committee recommendation as follows:

"Expenditures from Account #574500 (\$2.1 million in bond interest earnings) shall be in accordance with the following procedures:

- (1) Claims/Construction Cost Settlements: Any construction costs or claims ensuing from the current construction contract (within the overall scope as currently approved by the Council), shall be reviewed with the Council Convention and Visitor Facilities Committee prior to formal approval by the Executive.
- (2) Scope Increases: Any new or substantially improved additions to the building spaces shall be approved by the Council prior to authorizing the contractor to proceed.

It was again noted by the Committee that the first priority was to satisfy any outstanding claims.

<u>Vote</u>: Councilors Buchanan, Knowles and McFarland voted aye. Councilor Van Bergen abstained.

The motion carried.

4. Discussion on Regional Facilities Program

With regard to the Regional Facilities Program, Chair Knowles said the Committee's responsibility was only to look at the creation of the Regional Facilities Study, the Finance Committee would decide where it would be budgeted. He noted concern about

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the question of long-term funding, both capital funding and operating funding, for Metro's regional facilities. He presented a draft Resolution to the Committee for their consideration. Councilor McFarland said she was not convinced of the need to do the study at this time. She did not feel her constituents would support it. Councilor Van Bergen agreed.

Chair Knowles said his reason for presenting the Resolution at this time was that if a study was to be undertaken, the Council should have control over it. He felt there were two issues involved. The first was whether or not the study should be done. The second, if it was decided to do the study, was should the Council adopt some guidelines.

Motion: Councilor Buchanan moved the Committee recommend Budget Committee adoption of the Executive Officer's budget recommendations for the Regional Facilities Study.

<u>Vote:</u> Councilors Buchanan and Knowles voted aye. Councilor McFarland voted nay. Councilor Van Bergen abstained.

The motion carried.

<u>Main Motion</u>: Councilor Buchanan moved to recommend Council adoption of Resolution 90-1243.

Motion to Amend: Councilor Buchanan moved to amend
Resolution No. 90-1243 by adding the following item:

BE IT RESOLVED, that:

d. To develop information and foster community discussion so that the Council may evaluate interest in public funding for the performing arts.

<u>Vote on Motion to Amend</u>: Councilors Buchanan, Knowles, McFarland and Van Bergen voted aye.

The motion to amend passed unanimously.

<u>Vote on Main Motion</u>: Councilors Buchanan and Knowles voted aye. Councilor McFarland voted nay. Councilor Van Bergen abstained.

The motion carried.

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Chair Knowles said he would forward the Committee's recommendations to both the Budget Committee and Council.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Ann Brunson

Committee Clerk

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