

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

Regular Meeting
June 26, 1990

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

Committee members absent: None

Chair Knowles called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

1. Consideration of Minutes of June 12, 1990

Motion: Councilor Van Bergen moved for approval of the
minutes of June 12, 1990.

Vote: Councilors Buchanan, Knowles, McFarland and Van
Bergen voted aye. Councilor Hansen was absent.

The motion carried unanimously.

2. Consideration of Resolution No. 90-1284, For the Purpose of
Establishing a Public Policy Advisory Committee for Regional
Convention, Trade, Performing Arts and Spectator Facilities

Main Motion: Councilor Buchanan moved to recommend Council
adoption of Resolution No. 90-1284.

Chair Knowles explained to the Committee that the purpose of the
resolution was to indicate the make-up of the Advisory Committee.
He said Exhibit B contained the amendments proposed at the
Committee's previous meeting.

Motion to Amend: Councilor Buchanan moved to amend Exhibit
B as follows:

"● The Metro Executive Officer or her designated
appointee"

On further discussion, Councilor McFarland noted being in favor
of the amendments, but said she could not support the main
motion.

Vote on Motion to Amend: Councilors Buchanan, Knowles,
McFarland and Van Bergen voted aye. Councilor
Hansen was absent.

The motion to amend carried unanimously.

Councilor Van Bergen expressed concerns with the make-up of the Advisory Committee, feeling it was weighted toward the desired results. He said he hoped if the results of the study indicated the facility was not wanted or desirable, the Advisory Committee would be willing to stand behind those findings.

Vote on Main Motion: Councilors Buchanan, Knowles and Van Bergen voted aye. Councilor McFarland voted nay. Councilor Hansen was absent.

The motion carried.

3. Convention Center Construction Update

Glenn Taylor, Convention Center Construction Coordinator, distributed his status report and gave the Committee an update on the progress of construction at the Oregon Convention Center. He noted work was approximately 95 percent complete. Testing of the smoke alarm system was performed and Mr. Taylor said all systems seemed to be working well. There were some minor problems with fans used for clearing the smoke, but that problem should be corrected shortly. Mr. Taylor summarized the construction progress completion, noting the bell structure was scheduled to be completed next week. In response to Committee questions, Mr. Taylor said it was estimated the parking would be adequate for normal out-of-town convention activities. The Coliseum parking, which is only two blocks away, could be utilized for overflow parking if needed.

4. Metropolitan Service District Exposition Recreation Commission Letter Report

Jennifer Sims, Manager of Financial Services, reported to the Committee on the contract work done by KPMG Peat Marwick. She said this was part of the intergovernmental agreement between Metro and the City of Portland prior to Metro's assuming responsibility for the City facilities. Ms. Sims said the results of the audit showed everything was in order. She said the report had been presented to the Finance Committee and summarized the results of their meeting. The Finance Committee referred this item to Council and Ms. Sims' staff was preparing a resolution of acceptance.

Councilor Van Bergen referred to an article in the Business Journal regarding non-profit organizations and requested Ms. Sims' staff prepare written report showing what the Portland

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Oregon Visitors Association (POVA) was doing with money received from Metro and what Metro's oversight responsibility was. Chair Knowles asked if this should be an item for the next agenda, but Councilor Van Bergen said a written report from staff would be adequate.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ann Brunson
Committee Clerk

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