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Minutes

Thursday, September 22, 2022

10:30 AM

Joint Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Commission/Council

Work Session

<https://zoom.us/j/615079992> (Webinar ID: 615079992) or

929-205-6099 (toll free)

Council work session

Call to Order and Roll Call

Council President Peterson called the Metro Council Meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Present: Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez, Councilor Mary Nolan, Councilor Gerritt Rosenthal Councilor Duncan Hwang, Councilor Stacy, Councilor Craddick

Excused: Deputy Council Christine Lewis

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Work Session Topics:

10:30 Expo DOS (development opportunity study)

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Expo Future](#)
[Expo Future Scenario Guiding Principle](#)

Deputy Council President Peterson introduced Paul Slyman and Giyen Kim to present on the Expo Futures Project.

Staff pulled up the presentation to present to Council.

Summary of presentation:

The presentation went over the Expo Center future plans, RFEI timeline that involve film and music events, youth sports events, logistics and traditional developers.

Commissioner Malan asked where they came up with idea to change the structures

Paul Slyman explained that this is a proposal to bring for consideration.

Councilor Duncan Hwang asked how Metro is supporting applicants that are inexperienced and are on a smaller scale.

Paul Slyman explained that Metro website has a lot of information for those developers that don't have much experience and Metro's consultant have been going on many tours to the Expo Center to provide questions and answers. Paul also explained they do not force match making.

Giyen Kim explained they are reaching out to partners if they need help with technical reviews consistently.

Councilor Craddick asked how they see the work they are doing interfere with partnerships and businesses using the Expo Center and what Metro is doing to support them.

Paul Slyman explained that they are waiting on a proposal to provide feedback and a potential to share a facility is not out of the question.

Councilor Gonzales explained he wants to make sure there is no time wasted and if there is an expectation that Metro will fund a part of the project or if the whole fund will come from outside funding.

Paul Slyman explained there might be an area where Metro

funds some of the older buildings and that there are some submittals that will take time.

End of discussion.

11:15 Portland'5 IGA Audit Results

Attachments: [August Audit](#)
[August Audit Highlights](#)

Deputy Council President Peterson introduced Metro Auditor Brian Evans to present on the Portland5 Audit.

Summary of presentation:

The presentation went over funds from the past towards the Portland 5 venues, the structures and a long term needs.

Angela Owens then went over the second half of the presentation and went over the losses due to covid-19 and projected the losses came out to \$4 million dollars.

Simone Rede then went over the audit results and recommendations. They found information was inefficient to assess the condition of P5 capital assets as there were different codes to sources of information when it came to items contained and no common metrics within them thus making it hard to get a good assessment. They recommend Metro work with IGA parties to come up with a better assessment plan.

Councilor Rosenthal asked if this covered the main range of information.

Simone explained some of the building deficiency may not be addressed due to incomplete information to complete the total cost.

End of discussion.

11:35 Venue Visioning Update

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

Deputy Council President Peterson introduced Steve Faulstick to present on the Metro Visitor Venues presentation.

Summary of presentation:

The presentation went over the goals which include the value of Metro Venues bring to region, economic prosperity which include 3.5 million in annual visitors who \$28 million in taxes and the venues visioning current and future timelines.

Commissioner Deidra Krys-Rusoff asked if it will be city and private owned.

Steve explained it will be.

Councilor Duncan Hwang asked if they could speak on how they will implement racial equity.

Steve Faulstick explained that DEI is foundational and there will be a connection to that through the project manager.

Councilor Craddick explained that it would be good to think about art and support those venues at the Expo Center and to not forget about cultural art.

Steve Faulstick expressed his thanks for councilor Craddick support and asking a lot of questions.

Councilor Rosenthal asked if the RACK provide a form for people to get together to speak about the regionalism.

Steve Faulstick explained there are community organizations, and they try to ensure these conversations are happening in the Portland region.

Council President Peterson explained that it is a lack of access that led her to support this.

Councilor Gonzales explained he wants to see more of a regional relationship.

Council President expressed how she is appreciative for everybody's help to getting to this point.

End of discussion.

12:10 Chief Operating Officer Communication

Marissa Madrigal provided an update on the following events or items:

- Marissa went over the IT department installing hybrid technologies in the Metro offices,
- Recruitment for a director for the planning department

12:20 Councilor Communication

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings and

events:

Councilor Craddick went over the FX celebration her and other councilors attended

12:30 Adjourn

There being no further business, Deputy Council President Lewis adjourned the Metro Council Meeting at 12:27pm

Respectfully submitted