MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL REGIONAL FACILITIES MEETING

June 2, 1993 Metro Regional Center Council Chamber

Committee Members Present:	Ruth McFarland (Chair), Susan McLain (Vice Chair), Jim Gardner, Sandi Hansen, Ed Washington
Committee Members Absent:	none
Other Councilors Present:	Judy Wyers

Chair McFarland called the regular meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

1. <u>Review of Request for Bids for Construction of the Center for Species Survival at the Metro Washington</u> Park Zoo

Kay Rich, Assistant Zoo Director, presented the RFB for the Center for Species Survival. He explained the funds for construction were raised through private sources.

Dennis Pate, General Curator, explained the Center would provide conservation and science opportunities for the Zoo. He said the Center would house endangered species.

Chair McFarland noted the project was proposed for the FY 1993-94 budget. She said the Zoo asked for release of the project at this time.

Casey Short, Council Analyst, discussed changes to the RFB. He said the section of disadvantaged business enterprises (DBE) needed to be corrected by striking goal language.

- Motion: Councilor Washington moved to authorize immediate release of the RFB including corrections noted by Mr. Short.
- <u>Vote:</u> All those present voted aye. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Councilor McLain asked how closely the Center would work with Saturday Academy classes. Mr. Pate expressed interest in working with the program.

2. Status Report on the Metro Regional Center Project

Berit Stevenson, Project Manager, distributed and summarized report number thirty-one, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

The Committee discussed the Sunday, May 30, 1993 Oregonian article on the building. The Committee discussed other building related concerns.

3. Consideration of Resolution No. 93-1809, Extending the Funding Task Force for Regional Facilities and Programs and Associated Planning Efforts

David Knowles, Regional Funding Task Force Chair, presented the resolution. He discussed the history of the task force, composition and meeting activity. He discussed the findings of the Arts Plan 2000+ study. He summarized the funding needs of the program and specific facilities.

The Committee discussed art funding issues and Metro's role in the solution to the problem.

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Mr. Knowles expressed a concern about resources for continuation of the task force activities. Chair McFarland noted reduced funds were included in contingency for the program. Mr. Short explained the budget process and opportunities in the future that would allow amendment to the budget to accommodate the staffing needs.

The Committee discussed whether funding of the task force staff should continue and at what level. The Committee directed staff to make minor changes to the resolution and schedule the item for consideration at the next meeting of the Committee.

With no further business before the Committee, Chair McFarland adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Susan Lee Committee Recorder

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