

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL REGIONAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE  
OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

December 22, 1992  
Council Chamber

Committee Members Present: Susan McLain (Chair), Tanya Collier  
(Vice Chair), Ed Gronke, Ruth  
McFarland, Ed Washington

Committee Members Absent: none

Other Councilors Present: Roger Buchanan, George Van Bergen,  
Judy Wyers

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

1. Consideration of Resolution No. 92-1726, Authorizing the Metro  
Washington Park Zoo to Solicit Bids and the Executive to  
Execute a Contract for the Multi-Year Lease/Purchase of Staff  
Pagers

Judy Monro, Facilities Manager, presented the staff report. She noted the zoo rents beepers. She said the need was for fifty beepers. She said in the future consideration would be given to purchasing the pagers. She said the vendor agreed to lease the beepers. She stated at the end of the three year contract the Zoo would own the pagers and only air time would need to be purchased.

Motion: Councilor Collier moved to recommend Council adoption of the resolution.

Vote: All those present voted aye. Councilor Gronke was absent. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

2. Consideration of Resolution No. 92-1729, Authorizing the  
Execution of the Energy Service Contract with Pacific Power  
and Light Company

Berit Stevenson, Project Manager, presented the staff report. She discussed the process used to determine the projects for funding. She said nine projects were selected for a total of \$293,672. She said change orders would be written to include the projects at the Metro Regional Center. She noted Pacific Power and Light would lend the money at six percent interest.

Casey Short, Council Analyst, asked Ms. Stevenson to respond to his memorandum dated December 14, 1992, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting. She noted several of the change orders were executed. He noted change orders six and seven included \$170,000 related to the energy savings program.

Motion: Councilor Collier moved to recommend Council adoption of the resolution.

Vote: All those present voted aye. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

### 3. Status Report on Metro Regional Center Project

Ms. Stevenson distributed and summarized change order reports and Metro Regional Center Report Number 21, copies of which are included in the record of this meeting.

In response to a question from Councilor McLain, Neil Saling, Regional Facilities Director, explained the 1% for Arts paving project was offered \$5,100 and additional time to complete the contract. Councilor Gronke expressed concern about extending additional funding for the project. Chair McLain noted discussions were held with the artist and the potential shortage was recognized during bidding. Councilor Gronke said he would have preferred to terminate the contract.

Councilor McFarland asked how the decisions were made without Council approval. Mr. Saling stated the changes were allowable through the original resolution for the project. Councilor McFarland expressed concern about the expenditure of additional funds. She noted she favored terminating the contract. She noted the Council was accountable and needed to be apprised of such changes.

Chair McLain questioned the budget for the 1% for Arts program. She questioned if it would be feasible to select a new artist. Ms. Stevenson noted the artist felt Metro was responsible for a portion of the delay. She noted money had been disbursed and would be lost if the contract were canceled. Mr. Saling noted another artist could not complete the work because of artist ownership.

Mr. Saling noted Jim Gardner, Presiding Officer, was included in the negotiation discussions.

Councilor Gronke said he understood the situation and favored completing the project. He questioned if the project would be completed on time. Councilor Collier concurred and requested the concerns of the Councilors be expressed to the artists. Councilor Wyers noted the responsibility of the Councilors was to justify costs. She noted the issue was sensitive and potentially controversial.

Councilor Van Bergen noted the authority was given to the Executive Officer. Councilor Wyers did not request something be done about

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this project but that any similar or significant changes be discussed by the Council prior to staff taking action. Councilor Collier noted no action was taken. She said the Committee could take action if they desired. Councilor Gronke noted that staff had included the Presiding Officer in discussions.

Ms. Stevenson noted portions of the landscaping would be completed after the move.

The Committee discussed the progress on the child care provider.

Mr. Saling summarized the change orders. He noted the contingency fund was \$493,815.

Councilor Gronke asked about the change orders related to the retail plaza. Dan Cooper, General Counsel, explained the differences between a Metro initiated request for work and a request initiated by another jurisdiction.

UNSCHEDULED ITEM - Resolution No. 92-1730B, Exempting an Agreement with Environetics, Inc. from Formal Bidding Requirements

Ms. Stevenson reported several suppliers indicated they had requirements contracts for office products. She said Friday request for bids were sent to those suppliers on the contracts list. She reported a bid came in from Environetics, Inc. for Herman Miller office product in the amount of \$147,846.54. She stated this bid was lower than the bid authorized in Resolution No. 93-1730A.

Councilor Gronke asked if the product was appropriate. Ms. Stevenson noted it was comparable to the earlier quoted product. Councilor Gronke expressed interest in sharing bidding information among jurisdictions.

Mr. Cooper instructed the committee on proper motion.

Motion: Councilor McFarland moved to substitute Resolution No. 92-1730A with Resolution No. 92-1730B and recommend approval by the Council of Resolution Number 92-1730B..

Vote: All those present voted aye. Councilor Collier was a absent. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Councilor Wyers requested an update of the recycling and reuse on the project be presented to the Regional Facilities Committee, the Solid Waste Committee, and Council.

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4. Status Report on Facilities Funding Task Force

Pam Erickson, Project Manager, summarized the facilities funding task force meeting between MERC and the PCPA Advisory Committee, a copy of the report is included in the record of this meeting. She summarized staff recommendations for the Revenue Strategy Subcommittee, a copy of the memorandum is included in the record of this meeting.

5. Review of Departmental Quarterly Reports

Chair McLain deferred discussion of this item to a future meeting.


6. Work Session to Discuss Potential Amendments to MERC Consolidation Agreement

Chair McLain deferred discussion of this item to a future meeting. Don Rocks, Executive Assistant, distributed a report, a copy of which is included in the record of this meeting.

Eric Anderson, 2727 NE 11th, Portland, OR 97212, appeared to testify. He spoke about resource conservation issues related to the Metro Regional Center project. He supported use of a drip irrigation system for landscaping. Chair McLain asked MR. Anderson to discuss this matter with Mr. Saling and Mr. Short.

With no further business before the committee, Chair McLain adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Susan Lee  
Committee Recorder

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