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Minutes

Tuesday, March 4, 2025

10:30 AM

This work session will adjourn to a Council meeting.

**Metro Regional Center, Council chamber,
<https://zoom.us/j/615079992> (Webinar ID: 615079992) or
888-475-4499 (toll free)**

Council work session

10:30 Call to Order and Roll Call

Deputy Council President Simpson called the Work Session to order at 10:30 a.m.

Present: 7 - Council President Lynn Peterson, Councilor Christine Lewis, Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez, Councilor Mary Nolan, Councilor Ashton Simpson, Councilor Gerritt Rosenthal, and Councilor Duncan Hwang

Work Session Topics:**10:30 Supportive Housing Services FY24 Regional Annual Report**

Presenter(s): Patricia Rojas, Housing Director
Yesenia Delgado, Supportive Housing Services Manager
Dr. Mandrill Taylor, Supportive Housing Services Oversight Committee Co-Chair

Attachments: [Staff report](#)
[Attachment 1 - SHS Oversight Committee Transmittal Letter](#)
[Attachment 2 - SHS FY24 Regional Annual Report](#)

Presenters reviewed the program's regional goals, performance, and spending.

Councilor Nolan asked about specific dollar amounts for administrative costs above 25%. Councilors Rosenthal agreed that administrative fees should not exceed 25%.

Presenters identified consistent reporting, stabilizing providers, shared priorities, oversight functions, and decision-making roles as priorities.

Councilor Hwang asked presenters about blending funding streams and the scale of resources necessary to meet need and emphasized the need to reduce overall costs through prevention.

Councilor Gonzalez raised several key investments alongside the remaining need and asked presenters to estimate a timeline for achieving the original goals of the measure, and presenters replied that improvements to data and partnerships will shed light on that timeline.

Councilor Lewis asked what tools the Oversight Committee needs to be able to affect the changes it recommends.

Committee members reiterated their need for authority in the system to promote improvements, perhaps renegotiating IGAs to maintain neutrality while empowering the committee.

11:30 82nd Avenue Steering Committee Locally Preferred Alternative

Presenter(s): Kelly Betteridge, Investment Areas Manager
Melissa Ashbaugh, Senior Transportation Planner
Brian Harper (he/him), Principal Regional Planner

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Attachment 1 - 82nd Ave Draft LPA Language and Map](#)
[Attachment 2 - 82nd Ave Public Engagement Summary](#)
[Attachment 3 - 82nd Ave Equitable Development Strategy](#)

Staff described the need for transit investment on 82nd Avenue, highlighted opportunities to leverage federal grants and apply an equitable development strategy. Staff also described the specific improvements envisioned in the locally preferred alternative.

Councilor Hwang, 82nd Avenue Transit Project Committee Co-Chair, highlighted the broad agreement from the committee on project investments and thanked project partners for contributing resources to the project.

Councilor Lewis, Co-Chair, appreciated opportunities for funding the equitable development strategy during a time of

economic uncertainty.

Staff affirmed for Councilor Gonzalez strong partnerships and local match funding.

Councilor Rosenthal asked about the role of safety as a priority in the equitable development strategy. Staff explained that residents prioritized other issues and safety was incorporated inherently.

11:45 Chief Operating Officer Communication

COO Madrigal announced staffing changes of Portland's Centers for the Arts, and shared high numbers of visitors at the Oregon Zoo.

11:50 Councilor Communication

Councilor Rosenthal reported out on the Centro Cultural Gala.

Councilor Gonzalez announced the groundbreaking of a new shelter funded with SHS.

Councilor Lewis reported out on the Regional Waste Advisory Committee's comments on the System Facilities Plan. Councilor Nolan added a thing about public private partnerships.

11:55 Adjourn to Council meeting

There being no further business, Deputy Council President Peterson adjourned the Metro Work Session at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Anne Buzzini, Legislative Coordinator
