



METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Minutes

July 10, 2014

Mt. Hood Community College, Town & Gown Room

Councilors Present: Council President Tom Hughes and Councilors Sam Chase, Carlotta Collette, Shirley Craddick, Craig Dirksen, Kathryn Harrington, and Bob Stacey

Councilors Excused: All present. No excused.

Council President Hughes noted a quorum was present and called the council meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

Council President Hughes outlined the agenda and related logistics. He expressed the Metro Council's appreciation to Mt. Hood Community College for hosting the Council's off-site meeting. He then turned the microphone over to Councilor Craddick to make a few introductory comments. Councilor Craddick noted the off-site Council meeting was in her district and also thanked Mt. Hood Community College for hosting. She also outlined a few logistics relating to the nature tours immediately after the Council meeting, encouraged everyone to view the informational exhibits, and also to enjoy the strawberry shortcake.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

Steve Rayna, Sandy Watershed Council, expressed his appreciation to the Metro Council for its support of the Sandy Watershed. He highlighted a few projects where Metro and the Sandy Watershed Council collaborated and expressed appreciation for the regional partnership.

3. CONSIDERATION OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR JUNE 26, 2014

Council President Hughes introduced agenda item number three and asked for a motion. Councilor Chase moved the meeting minutes for June 26. Councilor Stacey seconded. The motion passed unanimously, 7/0/0.

4. THE REGIONAL TRAILS MAPS AND THE MT. SCOTT/SCOUTERS MOUNTAIN TRAIL LOOP MASTERS PLAN PRESENTATION

Council President Hughes called on Metro's Director of Sustainability Jim Desmond to make the presentation. Mr. Desmond recognized the numerous community volunteers' vision and generosity for their work on 11 corridor projects. He highlighted the history and process to advance the regional vision for trails. Mr. Desmond summarized the two resolutions on the Council agenda relating to trails. Those resolutions being:

4.1 **Resolution No. 14-4546**, For the Purpose of Approving the Regional Trails and Greenways Map.

4.2 **Resolution No. 14-4547**, For the Purpose of Approving the Mt. Scott/Scouters Mountain Trail Loop Master Plan.

Mr. Desmond introduced three community leaders to speak to the resolutions. Those community leaders being David Cohen with Intertwine, Justin Popilek with the City of Happy Valley, and Katie Dunham with Clackamas County. The speakers spoke on behalf of their respective community groups regarding the overwhelming support for the two resolutions. Other points noted include increased recreation opportunities, leveraging funds, good investment for communities and people, regional collaboration, and alternative means of transportation.

Councilors spoke to how informative the information received was and noted the Metro web-site should be updated to reflect the good information, trails role in quality of life issues, accessing nature, decreasing automobiles on roads, and connection to health benefits.

Council President Hughes recognized Mayor Cook of Tigard who was in the audience.

Council President Hughes asked that the resolutions be read into the record en-bloc by title only. The resolutions were read en-bloc into the record. Council President Hughes called for a motion and second. Councilor Craddick moved Resolution No. 14-4546 and Resolution No. 14-4547. Councilor Collette second.

Council President Hughes called for a roll call vote. The resolutions passed unanimously en-bloc, 7/0/0.

5. 1ST YEAR LEVY AND SYSTEM PLAN PRESENTATION

Council President Hughes introduced the agenda item and called on Metro staff Kathleen Brennan-Hunter and Justin Patterson to present the 1st Year Levy and System Plan Presentation.

The presenters spoke to such aspects of the levy as its history, relationship to the regional vision, an accountability of how the monies were utilized, description of natural areas investments, timelines for the projects, the use of native plants in restoration projects, and a summary of the natural areas bond program.

6. NATURE IN NEIGHBORHOODS CAPITAL AND CONSERVATION EDUCATION GRANTS PRESENTATION

Council President Hughes called on Metro staff Heather Nelson Kent to make the presentation and introduce the two resolutions. The two resolutions being:

- 6.1 **Resolution No. 14-4548**, For the Purpose of Approving Seventh Round Funding for Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants.
- 6.2 **Resolution No. 14-4549**, For the Purpose of Approving 2014 Nature in Neighborhoods Conservation Education Community Grants.

Ms. Nelson Kent summarized the two type of grants awarded as being (1) Nature in Neighborhoods – Capital Grants 2014 and (2) Nature in Neighborhoods – Conservation Education Grants 2014. She introduced the Grant Review Committee spokes people and recognized the approximately 33 grant recipients and their numerous associated partners. She noted that approximately \$12.9 million was award to the approximately 33 grant recipients.

Councilors spoke to their appreciation and excitement for the grant recipients' hard work and countless hours of volunteer service, their appreciation for the voters who supported the levy and Metro staff's good work.

Council President Hughes asked that the resolutions be read into the record en-bloc by title only. The resolutions were read en-bloc into the record. Council President Hughes called for a motion and second. Councilor Dirksen moved Resolution No. 14-4548 and Resolution No. 14-4549. Councilor Harrington second.

Council President Hughes called for a roll call vote. The resolutions passed unanimously en-bloc, 7/0/0.

7. ORDINANCES – FIRST READ

- 7.1 **Ordinance No. 14-1339**, for the Purpose of Amending Metro Code 7.03 (investment policy) for Fiscal Year 2014-2015.

Council President Hughes introduced Ordinance No. 14-1339 and called on the Council Administrator to read the ordinance into the record. The ordinance was read into the record by title only.

Council President Hughes noted, "Second read, public hearing, Council consideration and vote are scheduled for July 17. Metro staff will bring forward the legislation."

- 7.2. **Ordinance No. 14-1340**, For the Purpose of Amending the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan to Comply with Federal and State Law; and to Amend the Regional Framework Plan.

Council President Hughes introduced Ordinance No. 14-1340 and called on the Council Administrator to read the ordinance in to the record. The ordinance was read into the record by title only.

Council President Hughes noted, "Second read, public hearing, Council consideration and vote are scheduled for July 17. Metro staff will bring forward the legislation."

8. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

Deputy Chief Operating Officer Scott Robinson substituted for Chief Operating Officer Martha Bennett. Mr. Robinson briefed the Metro Council on Portland State University's speaker series and highlighted Edward Hume's upcoming speeches. He also updated the Councilors on the installation of five large panels at the Oregon Convention Center that tell the story of LEAD Platinum certification (one of two the nation). Other points Mr. Robinson spoke to include ground breaking on storm water green wall at Expo between halls D and E, and a summary of the MERC Commission's work session.

9. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATIONS

Councilor Craddick, once again, expressed her appreciation to Mt. Hood Community College for hosting the Metro Council in her district. She provided a brief update on the Oregon Zoo Foundation's July 19 Zoolala benefit. Councilor Harrington briefed the Council on the July 9 tour of Forest Grove's community based transit GroveLink. Councilor Chase provided a brief MERC update and First Opportunities Target Area (FOTA) update.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the regular meeting at approximately 4:00 PM. The Metro Council will convene in next regular council meeting on Thursday, July 17, at 2 p.m. in the Metro Council Chamber.

Respectfully submitted,



Troy Rayburn
Council Administrator

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JULY 10, 2014

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
3.	Handout	June 26, 2014	Council Meeting Minutes for June 26, 2014	71014-01
4.	Handout	June 9, 2014	Packet of letters supporting trails	71014-02
4.	Handout	June 3, 2014	Packet of letters supporting trails	71014-03
4.	Handout	July 10, 2014	Letter from Portland Parks and Recreation supporting	71014-04
4, 5, 6	PowerPoint Slide Show	July 10, 2014	Regional Trails Update	71014-05