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Minutes

Thursday, November 3, 2022

10:30 AM

Metro Regional Center Council Chamber,
<https://youtu.be/D8fYOYzn-q8>, <https://zoom.us/j/615079992>, or
877-853-5257 (toll free) (Webinar ID: 615079992)

Council meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

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

2. Public Communication

Council President Peterson opened the meeting to members of the public wanting to testify on a non-agenda items.

No members of the public chose to testify.

Seeing no further discussion on the topic, Council President Peterson moved on to the next agenda item.

3. Presentations

3.1 Recap of Council Community Support Fund and Update on Council General Sponsorship Priorities

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
[Attachment 1](#)
[Attachment 2](#)

Council President Peterson introduced Victor Sin (he/him) and Marielle Bossio (she/they) to present to council.

Staff pulled up the Council Community Support Fund & General Sponsorship Update Presentation to present to Council.

The presentation overviewed the results of Metro’s sponsorship program, which serves to support community events and programs coordinated by non-profits that align with Metro’s six desired outcomes for the region, being food stability, housing stability and support, homeless services, employment counseling and aid, small business and economic recovery, and educational support for young students. The presenters noted that a total of \$112,000 was

awarded across 105 recipients since spring of 2021, providing much needed support during the pandemic to community members. Most sponsorship recipients shared that their needs have shifted from providing pandemic specific services into other types of support. A framework for sponsorship priorities moving forward was provided.

Council Discussion

Councilor Gonzalez highlighted the importance of viewing the sponsorship program through a regional impact lens, ensuring that all cities and counties within the Metro region have access to supportive funds like this. He suggested implementing grant categories for organizations dependent on budget size, as this would increase access for smaller, grassroots organizations that may not have the institutional capacity to apply for funding.

Victor Sin noted that Metro has discovered several small nonprofit organizations over the course of the pandemic, and that Metro should be proactive when searching for new grant recipients.

Council President Peterson responded affirmatively, commenting on the importance of being explicit when listing the goals for sponsorship to ensure that organizations who have received grant money in the past from Metro do not feel abandoned if they do not continue to receive funding in the future.

Councilor Lewis spoke about Metro's success at creating a transparent and accessible grant system. She emphasized the importance of including childcare services in funding projects such as this as well as in other forms of legislation.

Councilor Craddick expressed her thanks to staff for their work on the sponsorships project.

Councilor Rosenthal similarly acknowledged the work and dedication of staff, remarking that his only regret in regard to this program is that Metro did not have more fund money to allocate to other nonprofit groups.

Seeing no further discussion on the topic, Council President Peterson moved onto the next agenda item.

4. Ordinances (First Reading and Public Hearing)

- 4.1 Ordinance No. 22-1486 For the Purpose of Annexing to the Metro District Boundary Approximately 53.76 Acres Located East of NW Helvetia Road in Hillsboro

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 22-1486](#)
[Exhibit A](#)
[Staff Report](#)
[Attachment 1](#)

Council President Peterson called on Carrie MacLaren (she/her), to read the procedural requirements for this portion of the meeting.

MacLaren explained that because this ordinance's annexation involves a land use application requiring a quasi-judicial hearing there are additional procedural requirements that must be addressed. MacLaren informed the Councilors that they must declare if they have a conflict of interest or ex parte contact that may bias their decision making. She then provided a statement detailing procedural requirements of the quasi-judicial hearing.

Council President Peterson called on the council to announce any ex parte contacts. No councilors responded.

Council President Peterson then called for the council to

announce any conflicts of interest that may bias their decision making. Councilor Gonzalez noted that the annexation in question resides in his district, and therefore he has discussed the project with constituents. Carrie MacLaren confirmed that this does not qualify as a conflict of interest.

Council President Peterson introduced Tim O'Brien (he/him) to present to Council.

O'Brien explained the scope of the ordinance, which would annex 53.76 acres to the Metro district boundary in Hillsboro. This area has been planned in accordance with Metro's Title 11 planning requirements for new urban areas, allowing organization and building to begin once annexation into the Metro region is complete. O'Brien continued, outlining each requirement for annexation and inclusion in Metro's urban boundary and how this plot of land adheres to these guidelines.

Council Discussion:

Councilor Craddick asked staff if this area was brought into the urban reserve when the great bargain, a series of deals made with the city of Hillsboro about the urban reserve, was agreed upon.

O'Brien stated that this plot of land was brought into the urban reserve prior to the great bargain.

Councilor Gonzalez, noting that the area in question is industrial land, questioned the kinds of conversations that have occurred around the economic growth potential of this area.

Staff explained that discussions of annexation are removed

from conversations surrounding future usage of the land. O'Brien conveyed that this land is being considered for annexation because it meets the necessary criteria for incorporation into the Metro region, not because of its potential for creating economic growth opportunities.

Council President Peterson called for a public hearing on this agenda item. No members of the public choose to provide testimony. Council President Peterson noted that the second hearing for this ordinance will occur on November 10, 2022.

Seeing no further discussion on the topic, Council President Peterson moved on to the next agenda item.

5. Chief Operating Officer Communication

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

- The MERC approved a new contract for locxy. OCC management will hire a third-party contractor to provide AV services to the venue that was negotiated between the parties. Councilor Nolan commented that they approved of the manner in which the negotiations were completed, citing the importance of finding resolutions for Metro workers. Councilor Lewis clarified that MERC approved two collective bargaining agreements.
- The Expo RFBI received several proposals in response. The project team has begun the first components of the review process for the proposals.

6. Councilor Communication

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings and events:

- **Councilor Rosenthal** announced that he attended the Beaverton Business Forum on homelessness, sharing

that he believes their work is very encouraging.

- **Councilor Lewis** reiterated that MERC passed two collective bargaining agreements in their previous meeting, and that the next MERC meeting will include a budget retreat. She reported about attending the Clackamas County Cities dinner, reporting on street improvement and the Kellogg Creek Dam projects.
- **Council President Peterson** discussed attending the Home Building Association forecast, noting that the executive director, Dave Nielson, shared his support for Metro’s Supportive Housing Services program.

7. Adjourn

There being no further business, Council President Peterson adjourned the Metro Council Meeting at 11:19 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeffrey Kain, Legislative Assistant

Council meeting action update

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Present: 6 - Council President Lynn Peterson, Councilor Shirley Craddick, Councilor Christine Lewis, Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez, Councilor Mary Nolan, and Councilor Gerritt Rosenthal

Excused: 1 - Councilor Duncan Hwang

4. Ordinances (First Reading and Public Hearing)

4.1 **Ordinance No. 22-1486**, For the Purpose of Annexing to the Metro District Boundary Approximately 53.76 Acres Located East of NW Helvetia Road in Hillsboro

Assigned to Council; second reading scheduled for Nov. 10, 2022

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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 3, 2022

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
1.0	PowerPoint	11/03/2022	Council Community Support Fund and General Sponsorship Update	110322c-01