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Minutes

Thursday, July 28, 2022

10:30 AM

**<https://zoom.us/j/615079992> (Webinar ID: 615079992) or
929-205-6099 (toll free)**

Council meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

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

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

2. Public Communication

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

Rose Etta, Multnomah County resident and local 28 union representative, identified the importance of health care for workers and expressed concern with the end of COVID pay.

Lisa Yimm, Union represented AV worker at OCC, expressed concern for job security and explained the work that OCC workers did throughout the pandemic.

Summer Turpin, IATSE 28 Member, discussed her concern with job replacement.

3. Resolutions

- 3.1 Resolution No 22-5277, For the Purpose of Directing Metro to Implement the Contingency Remedy Authorized by Oregon Department of Environmental Quality's Record of Decision for Willamette Cove

Council President Peterson called on Marissa Madrigal, Metro, Paul Slyman, Metro, John Blasher, Metro, to present to Council.

Staff pulled up the Metro's Willamette Cove Environmental Cleanup PowerPoint to present to Council.

Marissa shared that Willamette Cove is a 27-acer piece of land on the Willamette River, about 7 miles down from the Metro Regional Center. She continued to explain the history of industrializing of the area, how these processes created the contamination, and previous Council direction.

Paul reviewed the design processes currently underway, and DEQ's remedial approved objective for the site: Prevent exposure to humans, prevent exposure to animals, remove or treat hot spots, and prevent further migration of contamination to the river. He shared sediment sampling plans, selected remedy, consisting of excavation and removal of all hot spot areas, and a sample design of this choice. He then moved on to address the process of examining and comparing the optional contingency remedy, describing the 3rd party review team, and comments and input from Tribes.

John explained the impact on the Parks and Nature bond, highlighting that Council previously directed \$10 million to be reserved for the Willamette Cove Project. He described ways to lessen the impact on other Parks and Nature projects if \$10 Million was allocated to Willamette Cove.

Paul Slyman shared ways to mitigate harmful impacts on surrounding communities during the project, including where trucks are routed, barge and rail usage instead of trucks, and replacing petroleum diesel with renewable diesel. He then outlined the two choices in front of Council: Selected Remedy - Onsite consolidation of moderately contaminated soils; Or, Contingency Remedy - Offsite disposal of moderately contaminated soils at a regulated waste facility.

Marissa Madrigal added that as staff reviewed both options and considered community feedback, they are recommending Council approve the Contingency Remedy.

Council Discussion:

Councilor Nolan expressed support for the Contingency Remedy and asked what could obstruct it from being implemented.

Marissa Madrigal explained funding options could block the Contingency Remedy from being implemented but expressed confidence in staff's ability to come up with a plan the Council would approve.

Councilor Craddick expressed her support for the Contingency Remedy and asked for clarification on the cost of the project.

Paul explained that Metro shares the project cost with partners and that the entirety of the cost will not completely fall onto Metro.

Councilor Hwang asked staff to prioritize barge and rail options for moving soil if possible and asked if there were plans in place for future use of the rail spur.

Paul explained that the future of the rail spur is still undecided but as part of the design staff will investigate future use.

Councilor Gonzalez thanked the Metro team for their hard work through the process and expressed concern for the lack of knowledge on cost but stated he felt comfortable moving forward based off community support.

A motion was made by Councilor Nolan, seconded by Councilor Rosenthal, that this Resolution was adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Council President Peterson, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, Councilor Nolan, Councilor Rosenthal, and Councilor Hwang

3.1.1 Public Comment Opportunity for Resolution No. 22-5277, For the Purpose of Directing Metro to Implement the Contingency Remedy Authorized by Oregon Department of Environmental Quality's Record of Decision for Willamette Cove

Council President Peterson opened the meeting to members of the public wanting to testify on Resolution No. 22-5279.

Representative Khan Pham asked Metro to choose the Contingency Remedy in order to support community stakeholders and environmental needs.

Cassie Cohen, executive director of Portland Harbor Community Coalition, urged Council to commit to the Contingency Remedy, setting the highest standard of cleanup and expressed the future possible use of the area by community members.

Linda Senn, Board Treasurer at PHCC, expressed their approval of Council choosing the Contingency Remedy and urged them to choose the least pollutant way to remove the toxic soil.

Bob Sallinger, Auto bond society of Portland, expressed his support for the Contingency Remedy and thanked Council for considering it.

Zora Hess, Northeast Portland resident, emphasized her support for the Contingency Remedy and asked Council to vote in support of it. She highlighted the opportunity Council has to address historical wrongs done to the area.

Council Discussion

Councilor Lewis expressed her support for the Contingency Remedy and thanked the individuals who testified including the 6 Tribes who dedicated staff time and resources and asked staff to identify opportunities to honor indigenous history, connections, and relations as Metro continues its work on this project.

Council President Peterson thanked Metro's partners in the project, specifically the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation.

Marissa described next steps for the project.

4. Ordinances (Second Reading)

- 4.1 Ordinance No. 22-1482, For the Purpose of Creating A New Metro Code Chapter 5.11 to Establish the Disaster Debris Reserve and Disaster Debris Management Grants Program

Council President Peterson stated that the first reading and public hearing for Ordinance No. 22-1428 took place on Tuesday, July 19th.

Council President Peterson called on Jim Quinn(he/him), Metro, and Courtney Patterson (she/her), Metro, to present to Council.

Council Discussion

There was none.

A motion was made by Councilor Rosenthal, seconded by Councilor Lewis, that this Ordinance was adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Council President Peterson, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, Councilor Nolan, Councilor Rosenthal, and Councilor Hwang

5. Councilor Communication

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings and

events:

- Councilor Craddick provided an update on the 7/28/2022 JPACT/Council RTP workshop.
- Councilor Nolan thanked and acknowledged Rose, Lisa, and Summer, who testified during the non-agenda item testimony portion of the meeting. Councilor Nolan noted the discrepancy between Metro's values and the displacement of the venue workers. They asked Metro COO and staff to find budget solutions that adhere to Metro values and respect Metro workers.
- Councilor Lewis provided an update on the 7/27/22 MPAC meeting.

6. Chief Operating Officer Communication

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

- The disaster debris reserve.
- Regional support for community members during unprecedented high heat.
- Andy Shaw and Tyler Frisbee updated Council on the semiconductor competitiveness task force and passage of the Chips Act in the Senate

7. Adjourn

There being no further business, Council President Peterson adjourned the Metro Council Meeting at 12:30

Respectfully submitted,

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3. Resolutions

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Yes: 7 - Council President Peterson, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, Councilor Nolan, Councilor Rosenthal, and Councilor Hwang

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5. **Councilor Communication**
6. **Chief Operating Officer Communication**
7. **Adjourn**

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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF July 28, 2022

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	DOC DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT NO.
3.1	PowerPoint	7/28/2022	Willamette Cove Presentation	072822c-01
3.1	Testimony	7/28/2022	7/28 Testimony	072822c-02