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Minutes

Thursday, August 4, 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

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.

Lisa Yin: testified regarding the OCC's ongoing negotiations with its AV technicians.

Rosetta (Business Rep for IATSE28): testified in favor of OCC's AV technicians remaining Metro employees.

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

3. Consent Agenda

**A motion was made by Councilor Gonzalez, seconded by Councilor Nolan, that the Consent Agenda be approved..
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

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4. Resolutions

- 4.1 Resolution No. 22-5279, For the Purpose of Referring to the Voters of the Metro Area Renewal of Metro's Local Option Levy for Protecting Water Quality, Restoring Fish and Wildlife Habitat and Connecting People to Nature

Council President Peterson called on [Brian Kennedy] [he/him], Metro, and Jon Blasher [he/him], Metro, to

present to Council.

Staff pulled up the [*Parks and Nature Local Option Levy*] to present to Council.

Council Discussion:

Councilor Rosenthal voiced his support for the measure, but asked if language changes could be made. Staff explained that yes, changes can be made, but advised against it.

Councilor Craddick celebrated the passage of the levy, and reminisced about her time on the Council.

Councilor Lewis voiced her support for the levy.

Councilor Hwang voiced his support for the levy.

Councilor Gonzalez voiced his support for the levy.

Councilor Rosenthal voiced his support for the levy, and suggested implementing something more long-term.

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

A motion was made by Councilor Craddick, seconded by Councilor Hwang, that this item be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

4.1.1. Public Comment Opportunity for Resolution No. 22-5279 For the Purpose of Referring to the Voters of the Metro Area Renewal of Metro's Local Option Levy for Protecting Water Quality, Restoring Fish and Wildlife Habitat and Connecting People to Nature

Public Hearing:

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

Gresham City Councilor Vince Jones-Dixon testified in support of the Parks and Nature Levy.

Forest Grove Mayor Peter testified in support of the Parks and Nature Levy.

THPRD Director Heidi Edwards testified in support of the Parks and Nature Levy.

Eric Crutz from the Cascade Policy Institute testified, demanding that the Parks and Nature Levy's title be amended, because it purportedly speculates what the ballot measure will do, which is against Oregon State law.

Bob Sallinger from the Audobon Society testified in support of the Parks and Nature Levy.

Paulina Santos from Also Inc(?) testified in support of the Parks and Nature Levy.

Teresa Wong from Green Space Institute testified in support of the Parks and Nature Levy.

Tara Willingson from the Beer Vine Alliance testified in support of the Parks and Nature Levy.

Councilor Elect Ashton Simpson testified in support of the Parks and Nature Levy.

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:

- Extreme heat is expected over the weekend.
- There has been increased wildfire activity and smokey conditions are expected.
- Metro is updating its COVID sick leave as we enter the endemic phase of the pandemic.

6. Councilor Communication

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings and events:

- **Councilor Craddick** updated Council regarding the recent Oregon Region One Commission on Transportation meeting.

7. Adjourn

There being no further business, Council President Peterson adjourned the Metro Council Meeting at 12:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nathan Kim

Your Name, Legislative Assistant

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF June 30, 2022

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	DOC DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT No.
4.1.1	Testimony	8/04/2022	Eric Fruits Testimony	080422c-01
4.1.1	Testimony	8/04/2022	Eric Fruits Attachment	080422c-02
4.1.1	Testimony	8/04/2022	Ravi Laird Testimony	080422c-03
3.1	Presentation	8/04/2022	List of Levy Funded Investments 2013-16	080422c-04
3.1	Presentation	8/04/2022	Parks and Nature Local Option Levy	080422c-05