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Minutes

Thursday, October 29, 2020 2:00 PM

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Council meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Council President Lynn Peterson called the Metro Council work session call to order at: 2:02 p.m.

Present: 6 - Council President Lynn Peterson, Councilor Sam Chase,
Councilor Shirley Craddick, Councilor Craig Dirksen,
Councilor Christine Lewis, and Councilor Juan Carlos
Gonzalez

Excused: 1 - Councilor Bob Stacey

2. Public Communication

There was none.

3. Presentations

3.1 Auditor's Office Annual Report

Presenter(s): Brian Evans, Metro

Mr. Evans presented the Auditor's office Annual Report with Council. He announced the three audits his office has started in 2020 and the three he has planned for the New Year.

4. Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilor Gonzalez, seconded by Councilor Chase, that this item be approved the Consent Agenda. The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Council President Peterson, Councilor Chase, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Dirksen, Councilor Lewis, and Councilor Gonzalez

- 4.1 Consideration of the Council Meeting Minutes for October 15, 2020
- 4.2 Resolution No. 20-5130, For the Purpose of Amending Adding New 2021-24 Metropolitan Transportation **Projects** to the **Improvement** Program (MTIP) which Involves Five Projects Impacting ODOT and TriMet (OC21-03-OCT)

4.3 Resolution No. 20-5134, For the Purpose of Appointing Committee Members to the Committee on Racial Equity

5. Resolutions

5.1 Resolution No. 20-5135, For the Purpose of Proclaiming November 2020 as Native American Heritage Month in the Greater Portland Area.

Presenter(s): Katie McDonald, Metro

President Peterson introduced Katie McDonald to present Resolution No. 20-5135. Ms. McDonald read Resolution 20-5135 and shared Metro sponsored events occurring in November to celebrate Native American Heritage Month.

Council Discussion

Councilor Dirksen thanked Ms. McDonald for her presentation and thanked the Native American community for their contributions to the United States.

Councilor Lewis recognized the troubled history between the United States government and Native American's. She acknowledged the on-going work needed to be done in order to learn more about the Native American experience.

Councilor Craddick thanked Ms. McDonald for her work in enriching Metro's relationship with Native American communities. She highlighted, the importance of Metro's relationship with Native American communities with respect to Metro's nature preservation projects.

Councilor Gonzalez thanked Ms. McDonald and the City of

Portland's Tribal Liaison for their work. He acknowledged the importance of embodying the values expressed in Resolution 20-5135 in Metro's work overall and specifically with the Willamette Falls project.

Councilor Chase thanked Ms. McDonald and acknowledged the thousands of missing and murdered indigenous women in the United States. He highlighted the injustice these women and their communities experienced in 2017 when the Portland Police Bureau failed to provide data on cases in the Portland area. Councilor Chase asked Metro's jurisdictional partners and other Oregonian leaders to work with and support Tribal leaders and communities in order to ensure these women are found and their perpetrators brought to justice.

President Peterson highlighted the importance of recognizing tribal sovereignty and building stronger government to government relationships. She stressed the importance of representation of Native American issues and voices at the voting booths. President Peterson asked voters to consider which candidates best reflect these issues and to remember they are voting for the many indigenous people in the United States who still do not have the right to vote.

A motion was made by Councilor Lewis, seconded by Councilor Gonzalez, that this item be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Council President Peterson, Councilor Chase, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Dirksen, Councilor Lewis, and Councilor Gonzalez

6. Chief Operating Officer Communication

Ms. Madrigal shared that the open enrollment period for benefits begins November 2nd. She reminded Council that this is the time to review your insurance options and make sure your information and benefits reflect your needs.

7. Councilor Communication

Councilor Lewis shared that she attended the quarterly Willamette Falls Legacy Partners table meeting with Councilor Gonzalez and Ms. Madrigal. She expressed that in future meetings there will be a focus on community engagement and making sure landowners and funders are present at the table.

Councilor Gonzalez shared that the Willamette Falls Legacy meeting was very fruitful and partners were able to have honest and open communication. He reminded constituents to turn in their ballots and to those who have not voted in the 2020 election yet to go out and vote.

8. Adjourn

Seeing no further business, Council President Lynn Peterson adjourned the Metro Council work session at 3:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 29, 2020

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	DOC DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT NO.
3.1	PowerPoint	10/29/20	Office of the Auditor Annual Report Presentation.	102920c-01