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## Minutes

Thursday, September 23, 2021

10:30 AM

<https://zoom.us/j/615079992> or 888-475-4499 (toll free)

**Council meeting**  
**&**  
**Council work session**

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

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

**2. Public Communication**

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

Hearing none, Council President Peterson moved on to the next agenda item.

**3. Presentations**

**3.1 Auditor's Office Annual Report**

Council President Peterson introduced Brian Evans, Metro Auditor (he/him) to present on the topic.

Auditor Evans presented the annual report from the Office of the Auditor for fiscal year 2020-21. Auditor Evans gave an overview of the responsibilities of the Office of the Auditor and broke down the evaluation metrics. The Office of the Auditor's performance is measured by: average hours to complete an audit and number of audits, audits completed per full-time equivalent employee, total audit hours per department, auditee feedback, and audit recommendation implementation rate.

Auditor Evans discussed the auditor's office's budget, the audit schedule for fiscal year 2021-2022, and information around the Office of the Auditor's accountability hotline. He explained that three audits were released in fiscal year 2020-2021. Two audits are expected to be completed in October 2021 while three more will be started later this year.

4. Consent Agenda

**A motion was made by Councilor Nolan, seconded by Councilor Lewis, to adopt items on the consent agenda.**

**The motion passed by the following vote:**

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

4.1 Consideration of the Council Meeting minutes for July 29, 2021.

4.2 Consideration of the Council Meeting minutes for August 03, 2021.

5. Ordinances (Second Reading)

5.1 Ordinance No. 21-1464, For the Purpose of Annexing to the Metro District Boundary Approximately 1.82 Acres Located at 7115 NW Kaiser Road in the North Bethany Area of Washington County

Council President Peterson stated that the first reading and public hearing for Ordinance No. 21-1464 took place on September 9, 2021.

Council President Peterson introduced Tim O'Brien (He/Him) to present Ordinance No. 21-1464.

Tim O'Brien responded to Councilor Craddick's question to explain that there are only 64 acres left to be annexed into the Metro boundary.

*Council Discussion*

There was none.

**A motion was made by Councilor Nolan, seconded by Councilor Stacey, that this Ordinance was adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

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

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5.2 Ordinance No. 21-1465, For the Purpose of Amending Metro Code Chapters 7.05, 7.06 and 7.07 to Add Certain Clarifications and Make Housekeeping Changes

Council President Peterson stated that the first reading and public hearing for Ordinance No. 21-1465 took place on September 9, 2021.

Council President Peterson introduced Rachael Lembo (she/her) to present Ordinance No. 21-1465.

*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 Stacey, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, Councilor Nolan, and Councilor Rosenthal

**6. Adjourn to a Work Session**

Seeing no further business, Council President Peterson adjourned the Metro Council meeting and moved on to the Metro Council Work Session.

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

Council President Peterson called the Metro Council Work Session to order at 11:01 a.m.

**2. Work Session Topics:**

2.1 Redistricting Discussion Work Session

Council President Peterson introduced Anne Buzzini (she/her), Ina Zucker (she/her) and Michelle Bellia (she/her) to present the topic.

Ina summarized that redistricting is done every 10 years when census data is received and explained that today's discussion will be about values, outcomes and objectives for redistricting.

Anne presented questions to the Council, wanting Council to think about values, outcomes and objectives that Council wishes to instill and achieve in the redistricting process. Anne explained Council's role in redistricting and the legal requirements for redistricting, gave information about how the redistricting process went in 2001 and 2011, and proposed a timeline for the redistricting process to the Council with a final vote on new boundaries being held on or before December 16, 2021.

In response to questions from Councilors Gonzalez and Rosenthal, Ina detailed the level of public and Council involvement in the redistricting process in 2001 and 2011.

#### *Council Discussion*

Councilor Nolan explained that while each district must individually meet Metro's values, Metro as a whole must also meet these values.

Councilor Craddick expressed her support for the values from 2011 and believes they still hold today. Councilor Craddick added that she wants Council to consider communities of color and ethnic groups when redistricting and believes that these communities should be within the same districts.

Councilor Lewis expressed that she believes that Council should hold a standalone hearing or workshop to engage community in this process instead of just relying on regular

Council Meetings and Work Sessions. Councilor Lewis added that transit service districts are important to consider throughout the redistricting process.

Councilor Rosenthal asked about the overall population growth per district in the last 10 years and how robust public engagement was in previous redistricting processes. Additionally, he highlighted that he believes that previous redistricting processes have worked well and he does not foresee major changes being necessary in District 3.

Councilor Gonzalez agreed with Councilor Lewis that transit districts should be considered during redistricting and wondered if Council can use this process to build on investment projects and make sure that specific points of investment are overseen within one district. Additionally, Councilor Gonzalez asked staff how involved Council will be throughout this process.

Councilor Stacy pointed out the opportunity to look at the area east of 82nd and west of Gresham that he feels has historically been underrepresented in council.

Metro Council President summarized that Council seems to appreciate Metro's current values as well as the Secretary of State's values for this process and that Council seems to want slightly more community engagement than what happened in 2011. Council President Peterson asked Councilors if they are interested in looking at completely redesigning districts or just dealing with districts that have either grown or shrunk.

Councilor Nolan asked staff if Metro has a budget for the redistricting process and about what financial, human, and technological resources have been approved for this

process. Additionally, Councilor Nolan stated that they believe that the 2011 process was well done and that too much community engagement may not further assist the redistricting process.

Councilor Craddick showed her appreciation for the 2011 redistricting process and highlighted that transportation must also be considered within the redistricting process. Councilor Craddick believes that moving District 1 farther west could create benefits for Metro and the district.

Council President Peterson highlighted that these districts should not create divides within the region and summarized the Council discussion.

### **3. Chief Operating Officer Communication**

Chief Operating Officer Marissa Madrigal (she/her/ella) provided an update on the following events or items:

- Metro is hosting city managers for an event at the Oregon Zoo on October 13
- New Communications Director Neil Simon started this week
- The vaccine requirements policy

### **4. Councilor Communication**

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings or events:

- Councilor Stacey's replacement
- Region 1 ACT meeting
- MPAC
- West Side Economic Alliance
- Oregon Transportation Plan Committee
- Tour of Blue Lake and Oxbow Park put on by the Parks and Nature Staff
- The Wood Village City Hall grand opening
- Oregon Walks "Steptember" events

- City of Lake Oswego City Hall grand opening

**5. Adjourn**

There being no further business, Council President Peterson adjourned the Metro Work Session at 12:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Stellan Roberts*

Stellan Roberts, Legislative Assistant

**ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2021**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DOCUMENT TYPE</b>	<b>DOC DATE</b>	<b>DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>DOCUMENT No.</b>
<b>1.0</b>	PowerPoint	09/23/21	RID Patrol and Community Cleanup Progress Report PowerPoint	092321c-01
<b>2.0</b>	PowerPoint	09/23/21	Redistricting Process & Engagement PowerPoint	092321c-02
<b>3.0</b>	PowerPoint	09/23/21	Redistricting Initial 2020 Census Data PowerPoint	092321c-03