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Minutes

Tuesday, June 18, 2019

2:00 PM

Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber

Council work session

2:00 Call to Order and Roll Call

Deputy Council President, Sam Chase, called the Metro Council work session call to order at: 2:03 p.m.

Present: 5 - Councilor Sam Chase, Councilor Shirley Craddick, Councilor Craig Dirksen, Councilor Bob Stacey, and Christine Lewis

Excused: 2 - Juan Carlos Gonzalez, and Lynn Peterson

2:05 Safety Briefing**Work Session Topics:**

2:10 Measuring the Region's Performance: Regional Barometer

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Deputy President Chase introduced Andrew Scott, Acting Chief Operating Officer, and Cary Stacey, Project Manager to give an overview on the Regional Barometer to measure the Metro region's performance. Mr. Scott highlighted that the goal of their presentation was to focus on the overall structure and direction of the regional barometer project website. He also noted that ultimate goal was for the project website to be a useful tool for Metro Council, Staff, and the public to measure where the metro region was against the six desired regional outcomes that Council adopted in 2010. Mr. Scott explicitly noted that the purpose of the regional barometer tool was not would not be for policy. Ms. Stacey expanded on the various principles of the project such as: (1) for it to be useful to give valuable information to staff, counselors and leaders to make decisions, (2) consistency and transparency to make data uniformity at Metro clear, (3) to show Metro's work through that data, (4) to be selective and not give too much data that would exhaust the average viewer, while still showing diversity of outcomes that reflect the Council's goals, and (5) to build public trust with Metro and the work they do. She emphasized that the

project was designed for the general public, so that any person in the region or outside the region could take a look at the website to see the work Metro did and the progress of the region.

Ms. Stacey noted that this was phase one of what would be a phase two project. She explained that phase two of the project included taking data that exists and applying it to development sites. She noted that they had reached out to multiple stakeholders such as, Oregon Health Authority, Oregon Department of Education, the Department of Environmental Quality, and community partners such as Latino network, APANO, Adelante Mujeres, Resolutions Northwest, among others and asked about what data they wanted to see on the website, as well as what data they wanted to provide. Ms. Stacey announced they anticipated for their site with the aforementioned data to go live in December 2019. She shared that they had an outreach plan to take this data to Metro's technical advisory committees and data partners that worked with Metro to provide and coordinate data, and that they would then continue to work with advocacy groups. Ms. Stacey noted that both phases of the project would involve the input and feedback from Council.

She gave Council a brief tour of the Regional Barometer website and gave a general overview of the site structure and design. Ms. Stacey acknowledged and thanked the Research Center Staff that helped work on the project. She also noted that they consulted with the Coalition of Communities of Color (CCOC). Ms. Stacey expanded on the various user usage, called the 30/30/30 levels (broken down by thirty seconds, thirty minutes, and 30 hours levels) and how they had used this format to inform their design on the webpages. She went over the various outcomes laid out on the website in phase one, such as: safe and reliable transportation, economic competitiveness, clean air, water

and healthy ecosystems, leadership in climate change, vibrant communities, and equity. For each of these outcomes, Ms. Stacey briefly overviewed their indicators, measures, and their sources of data. Mr. Scott noted the state of Oregon had detailed data and information on the metro region that they did not publish on their own website, but they encouraged the platform metro had created through this program.

Council Discussion

Council Christine Lewis stated that the Regional Barometer was on the right track with their level of transparency, raw data and their local interaction at various levels. She raised concerns over how the team planned to manage and display historic data as well as trends over time that altered tracking modeling. Councilor Lewis emphasized that only “good” data from a state level group or an undisputed leader in that field should be of preference. Councilor Bob Stacey raised precautionary concerns over maps as a means to display data, as it could potentially lead to a misunderstanding (or be misleading) of the data due to demographic differences. He wanted to know how they could define indicators without leaning towards a specific type of ideology. Councilor Stacey did not want the Regional Barometer data displayed to show political bias. He wanted the presentation of data to be as clinical as possible to avoid bias.

Councilor Craddick raised concerns over when the data upkeep on the website would end. She noted the need to measure and show what was valuable for the community, but that this initiative also took financial resources that Metro had to fund. Councilor Craddick also raised concerns over data backup in the case of a hack or data breach. Deputy President Chase wanted to know how the website would be centralized to use as a data system at the Metro Regional Center. He also noted the website could be of great value to set and measure climate goals for the metro region.

Councilor Lewis suggested for the climate change category of the barometer to include more itemized subcategories, such as food consumption. She also suggested for the arts and culture to be a part of the health indicators for healthy communities in phase two. Councilor Lewis announced she had recently been named as a liaison for the Regional Arts and Culture Council (RACC). In that regard, she wanted staff and RACC to converse about the data RACC had and how they could collaboratively use it as a starting point to guide the regional barometer indicators.

2:40 Regional Investment Strategy Update

Deputy President Chase called on Mr. Andy Shaw, Metro Government Affairs to give the Regional Investment Strategy (RIS) update. Mr. Shaw went over the housing bond local implementation strategy adoption process chart that was distributed to Council. The chart went over the jurisdictions that participated, local governing body endorsement dates, oversight committee recommendation meetings dates, and Metro Council consideration dates. The participating jurisdictions included: Housing Authority of Washington County, City of Beaverton, Housing Authority of Clackamas County, Metro Site Acquisition, City of Hillsboro, City of Gresham, Home Forward, and the City of Portland. He noted the oversight committee had already held five meetings to get themselves oriented.

Council Discussion

Councilor Craddick asked Mr. Shaw to expand upon what he meant by “local government body endorsement” on the chart. Mr. Shaw explained that local strategies were developed by local jurisdictions, and that they did their own engagement around that process. He added that they endorsed their own strategy and moved it forward to the oversight committee for review before finalization. Mr. Shaw explained that staff sought both joint approval of the local body and Metro Council.

Ms. Emily Lieb, Housing Bond Program Manager, explained that the local strategy described the process to advance areas that related to unit production, developments plans, racial equity and strategies that reflected current and future community engagement. Councilor Lewis asked staff to expand on the dynamics around the Metro site acquisition plan, and how that plan impacted or better leveraged dollars in the other local plans. Ms. Lieb noted there had been meetings underway between their team and every other local team to understand how Metro's site acquisition plan should be reflective of local plans, timelines, and plan coordination. She reported staff had already met with five of the seven jurisdictions, and they had worked to follow up with the other two jurisdictions. Councilor Craddick asked if staff thought jurisdictions were comfortable with meeting timelines set in place. Ms. Lieb noted they had worked together with other jurisdictions to be a part of the local timeline, and that the timelines had been set on dates that jurisdictional partners established.

Mr. Shaw discussed recent rules that were changed on Federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD). He noted that new HUD rules specifically impacted and destabilized immigrant families in public housing and trans people who tried to access emergency shelters. Mr. Shaw announced staff was concerned about these rule changes, and that they did work to be a part of a coalition to raise concerns with the federal government. Councilor Stacey requested for Council to write a letter as potential legislative action to oppose the proposed HUD rules. Mr. Shaw noted staff planned to work on a response and that it would be ready by early July.

He also spoke on the parks and nature bond measure, and how staff worked to finalize components of it, which included a draft of an explanatory statement to match with

the ballot title and summary. Mr. Shaw announced the draft was certified and would head towards the November ballot. He spoke on the legal language around the parks bond measure and fact sheet for the measure. Mr. Shaw noted staff was informed on the role public employees had on sharing neutral information, and how they had no kind of advocacy role for or against an electoral issue.

He announced that the Transportation Task Force were to have their eighth meeting on Wednesday, June 1, 2019. Mr. Shaw remarked that staff planned to launch the discussion around areas for program investments during the meeting.

3:10 Legislative Update

Mr. Shaw announced that Metro's legislation on vending for the commissions for the Oregon Commission for the Blind had strong votes in both the house and the senate and was off to the Kate Brown, Oregon Governor. He spoke on the cleanup legislation of House Bill 2017 and how Metro attached authority to ask voters to establish a vehicle registration fee outside of the limits of what the counties did; however, the total amount of vehicle registration fees allowed were limited by a collective amount that counties and Metro did that separates the county amount and Metro amount. Mr. Shaw announced that the carbon cap and invest legislation passed the house by supermajority, but that it was unlikely that it would receive a super majority in the Senate. He spoke on HB2001 around missing middle housing and the urban growth boundary; he noted that staff submitted written testimony that supported the legislation but raised concerns about urban growth boundary component of the bill.

3:25 Chief Operating Officer Communication

Andrew Scott, Interim Chief Operating Officer, reminded council that restrictions over the parks bond discussion and neutrality did not apply to Council; it only applied to Metro staff and policy advisors. He announced that Will Elder,

Principal Solid Waste Operations Planner, would be attending the Columbia Ridge Landfill Tour with Metro Councilors and staff, Gilliam County Council, local civic and business leaders and Metro contractors, Waste Management and Walsh Trucking, on Thursday, June 27, 2019.

4:30 Councilor Communication

Councilor Lewis shared that on Thursday, June 13,, 2019, she participated as a member of the Oregon City Community Enhancement Grant Committee, and they awarded grants for the second time on record. Councilor Lewis also announced that she and Councilor Craddick has attended the Clackamas County Coordinating Committee retreat on Friday, June 14, 2019. She also announced that she and Councilor Stacey marched together at the annual Portland pride parade on Sunday, June 16, 2019. Councilor Craddick announced that she had attended the East Multnomah County Transportation Committee meeting on Monday, June 17, 2019, and they discussed projects around adding auxiliary lanes.

Councilor Stacey announced that he attended the final meeting for the ultra-high speed advisory group on Monday, June 17, 2019. He noted that Metro and other communities of the region had not made a financial commitment to the project, but if the studies around the project continued among the three governments-state and provincial governments-there could potentially be discussion around the level of commitment from the metropolitan area and how to put together an initial phase.

4:35 Adjourn

Seeing no further business, Deputy Council President Sam Chase adjourned the Metro Council work session at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alma Pinto".

Alma Pinto, Council Policy Assistant

EXECUTIVE SESSION ORS 192.660 (2)(e): TO CONDUCT DELIBERATIONS WITH PERSONS DESIGNATED BY THE GOVERNING BODY TO NEGOTIATE REAL PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS.

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JUNE 18, 2019

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
1.0	Handout	06/18/2019	Housing Bond Local Implementation Strategy Adoption Process	061819cw-01