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Minutes

Thursday, January 23, 2020

2:00 PM

Metro Regional Center, Council chamber

Council meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Deputy Council President Juan Carlos Gonzalez called the Metro Council meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

Present: 6 - Councilor Sam Chase, Councilor Shirley Craddick, Councilor Craig Dirksen, Councilor Bob Stacey, Councilor Christine Lewis, and Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez

Excused: 1 - Council President Lynn Peterson

2. Public Communication

Sharon Andrews, City of Portland: Andrews, show coordinator of the Portland Metro RV Dealers, spoke in favor of the Portland Expo Center and its events. She provided an overview of Portland Metro RV Dealer's two yearly shows at the Expo Center and explained that due to their size, they could not be held elsewhere. She outlined the economic impact of these shows and their importance for local businesses.

Eric Fruits, City of Portland: Fruits, of the Cascade Policy Institute, requested that the Metro Council reject the Parks and Nature Annual Report. He shared concerns about the program's administrative costs as well as the capacity of its Oversight Committee.

3. Resolutions

- 3.1 Resolution No. 20-5067, For the Purpose of Setting an Effective Date of January 2025 for Prohibiting the Landfill Disposal of Commercially-Derived Food Waste Generated Within the Region

Deputy Council President Gonzalez called on Ms. Jennifer Erickson and Ms. Pam Peck, Metro staff, for a brief presentation on the resolution. Ms. Erickson explained that in 2018, the Metro Council adopted the business food waste requirement, which requires local governments to adopt and implement mandatory food scraps collection programs for certain businesses. She noted that adoption of Resolution No. 20-5067 would formalize January 2025 as

the effective date for the food waste ban. She gave a brief overview of the ban and how it would improve public health and environmental impacts. Ms. Peck provided an overview of the "Food Waste Stops with Me" initiative.

Council Discussion

Councilor Stacey asked about the local jurisdictions that had not yet enacted legislation to conform to the regional food waste collection standard.

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

Aye: 6 - Councilor Chase, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Dirksen, Councilor Stacey, Councilor Lewis, and Councilor Gonzalez

Excused: 1 - Council President Peterson

- 3.2 Resolution No. 20-5070, For the Purpose of Authorizing Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Hillsboro for Implementation of the Metro Affordable Housing Bond Measure

Deputy Council President Gonzalez called on Ms. Emily Lieb, Metro staff, for a brief presentation on the resolution. Ms. Lieb explained that adoption of the resolution would approve the execution of an affordable housing bond implementation intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with the City of Hillsboro. She noted that the Metro Council had approved execution of similar IGAs with the City of Beaverton, Washington County, and Clackamas County, and had another planned with the City of Gresham in early February. She then provided an overview of the city's implementation strategy, which complied with the expectations outlined in Metro's Housing Bond Work Plan, adopted in January 2019.

Council Discussion

Councilor Craddick asked about the city's planned projects. Councilor Lewis asked about vouchers assigned through the City of Hillsboro's allocation. Councilors expressed support

for the IGA and thanked Metro and city staff for their work.

4. Consent Agenda

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilor Craddick, seconded by Councilor Stacey, to adopt items on the consent agenda. The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Councilor Chase, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Dirksen, Councilor Stacey, Councilor Lewis, and Councilor Gonzalez

Excused: 1 - Council President Peterson

- 4.1 Resolution No. 20-5072, For the Purpose of Reappointing Five Members of the Metro Affordable Housing Bond Community Oversight Committee
- 4.2 Consideration of the Council Meeting Minutes for January 9, 2020
- 4.3 Consideration of the Council Meeting Minutes for January 16, 2020

5. Presentations

5.1 Parks and Nature Annual Report

Deputy Council President Peterson called on Mr. Dan Moeller, Metro staff, to present the Parks and Nature Annual Report. Mr. Moeller provided an overview of how funds were spent, including restoration, maintenance, improving existing parks, and direct investments in local communities. He shared examples of Parks and Nature's projects from the past year and highlighted the department's extensive education and volunteer programs. He also provided an update on the department's two major funding sources: the 2006 bond measure and the renewal of the operating levy, beginning in July 2018. He gave an overview of these funding measures and how the funding was allocated.

Council Discussion

Councilors recognized the Parks and Nature department for its work and service to the region. Councilor Chase spoke to the importance of investing in equitable access to nature.

5.2 Committee on Racial Equity Annual Report

Deputy Council President Peterson called on Ms. Raahi Reddy, Metro staff, to present the Committee on Racial Equity (CORE) Annual Report. Ms. Reddy explained that Metro had completed Year 3 of implementation for the Strategic Plan to Advance Racial Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion. She provided an update on the status of actions that were slated for implementation and highlighted work that had done in the past year to advance diversity, equity, and inclusion at Metro. She then introduced members of CORE to share highlights from the committee's accomplishments over the past year, including engagement with the Regional Waste Plan, the upcoming transportation measure, the Parks and Nature bond, and the Oregon Zoo's ADA Transition Plan.

Council Discussion

Councilors thanked CORE for their guidance, service, and accomplishments.

6. Chief Operating Officer Communication

Interim Chief Operating Officer Andrew Scott provided an update on the Construction Career Pathways project.

7. Councilor Communication

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings or events: the Division Transit project and the Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC).

8. Adjourn

There being no further business, Deputy Council President Gonzalez adjourned the Metro Council meeting at 3:29 p.m. The Metro Council will convene the next regular council meeting on January 30 at 2:00 p.m. at the Metro Regional Center in the council chamber.

Respectfully submitted,

Nellie Papsdorf, Legislative and Engagement Coordinator