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Minutes

Thursday, February 6, 2020

2:00 PM

Metro Regional Center, Council chamber

Council meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

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

Present: 6 - Council President Lynn Peterson, Councilor Sam Chase, Councilor Shirley Craddick, Councilor Craig Dirksen, Councilor Bob Stacey, and Councilor Christine Lewis

Excused: 1 - Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez

2. Public Communication

Tracy Farwell, City of Portland: Mr. Farwell, of Engineers for a Sustainable Future, testified against TriMet's proposed diesel bus service. He proposed cutting diesel pollution and focusing on electric, zero emission vehicles.

3. Resolutions

- 3.1 Resolution No. 20-5078, For the Purpose of Proclaiming February 1 through February 29, 2020 Black History Month

Council President Peterson called on Ms. Nyla Moore, Mr. Matan Gold, Mr. Joshua Manus, Metro staff, and former Metro Councilor Ed Washington, to introduce Resolution No. 20-5078, proclaiming February 2020 Black History Month. They shared their experiences and spoke to the significance of recognizing Black History Month.

Council Discussion

The Metro Council thanked Metro staff and former Councilor Washington for sharing their stories. Councilor Chase recognized the importance of continuing to build inclusion and dismantling systemic racism. Councilor Lewis noted that it was important to recognize the historical impacts of racism in the Metro region and to work to address these inequities throughout the year. Councilor Dirksen then read the proclamation into the record.

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 - Council President Peterson, Councilor Chase, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Dirksen, Councilor Stacey, and Councilor Lewis

Excused: 1 - Councilor Gonzalez

- 3.2 Resolution No. 20-5071, For the Purpose of Authorizing Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Gresham for Implementation of the Metro Affordable Housing Bond Measure

Council President Peterson 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 Gresham. She noted that the Metro Council had approved execution of similar IGAs with the City of Beaverton, the City of Hillsboro, Washington County, and Clackamas County. 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

Councilors asked about home ownership, administrative review, housing vouchers, and proposed projects. Councilors thanked Metro and City of Gresham for all their work.

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

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

Excused: 1 - Councilor Gonzalez

- 3.3 Resolution No. 20-5065, For the Purpose of Establishing the Parks and Nature Fund and for Amending the FY 2019-20 Budget and Appropriations Schedule

Council President Peterson called on Ms. Lisa Houghton, Metro staff, for a brief presentation on the resolution. Ms. Houghton explained that approval of the resolution would establish the budgetary and accounting framework necessary to allow the Parks and Nature bond program to move forward. She noted that it would establish a new fund which would provide accountability and greater transparency, recognize \$10 million in bond proceeds, and add \$10 million in new appropriation authority and six full-time equivalent employees.

Council Discussion

There was none.

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

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

Excused: 1 - Councilor Gonzalez

- 3.4 Resolution No. 20-5077, For the Purpose of Seeking an Exemption from Competitive Bidding and Procurement of Construction Manager General Contractor Services by Competitive Request for Proposals for the Oregon Convention Center Staff Space Renovations Project

Council President Peterson recessed the meeting of the Metro Council and convened the Metro Contract Review Board. She then called on Ms. Julie Hoffman and Mr. Brent Shelby, Metro staff, to provide a presentation on Resolution No. 20-5077.

Ms. Hoffman explained that the resolution would authorize an alternative procurement method for the construction of the Oregon Convention Center's Staff Space Renovations Project. She noted that the state's contracting rules required all public improvement projects to be procured through competitive bidding, but that there were certain exceptions

within the rules. She stated that the law permitted procurement through request for proposal (RFP) if the method was unlikely to encourage favoritism and would likely result in substantial cost savings and other benefits to Metro. Ms. Hoffman explained that given the complexity of the project, Procurement Services staff recommended this alternative procurement method in the form of an RFP.

Council Discussion

There was none.

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

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

Excused: 1 - Councilor Gonzalez

3.4.1 Public Hearing for Resolution No. 20-5077

Council President Peterson opened up a public hearing on Resolution No. 20-5077 and requested that those wishing to testify come forward to speak. Seeing none, Council President Peterson gavelled out of the public hearing. She then adjourned the meeting of the Metro Contract Review Board and re-convened the meeting of the Metro Council.

4. Consent Agenda

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

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

Excused: 1 - Councilor Gonzalez

- 4.1 Resolution No. 20-5068, For the Purpose of Adding Two New Projects to the 2018-21 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program Involving Ride Connection in Support of Senior and Disabled Persons Needs and ODOT in Support of the Columbia Bottomlands Conservation Project (JA20-07-JAN)
- 4.2 Consideration of the Council Meeting Minutes for January 30, 2020.

5. Chief Operating Officer Communication

Mr. Andrew Scott, Interim Chief Operating Officer, provided an update on Cascade Festival of African Films.

6. Councilor Communication

There was none.

7. Adjourn

There being no further business, Council President Peterson adjourned the Metro Council meeting at 3:02 p.m. She announced that the Metro Council would then meet in an executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(a), to consider the employment of a public officer, employee staff member, or individual. The Metro Council will convene the next regular council meeting on February 20 at 2:00 p.m. at the Metro Regional Center in the council chamber.

Respectfully submitted,

Nellie Papsdorf, Legislative and Engagement Coordinator