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Minutes

Tuesday, November 17, 2020

2:00 PM

This meeting was held virtually

Council work session

2:00 Call to Order and Roll Call

Council President Lynn Peterson called the Metro Council work session call to order at: 2:01 p.m.

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

Excused: 1 - Councilor Sam Chase

Work Session Topics:

2:05 Supportive Housing Services: Metro Code

Council President Peterson introduced Ms. Jes Larson, Housing Policy Program Manager, Ms. Anneliese Koehler, Regional and State Affairs Advisor, and Rachael Lembo, MERC Finance Manager to present on the Supportive Housing Services Metro Code.

Ms. Larson provided a presentation overview which included program stakeholder advisor table and work plan development, tax advisory table and tax code development, and policy considerations for Council. She discussed the regional need for affordable housing and mentioned homelessness in students, those at risk, those within the BIPOC community, and persistent and prolonged homelessness. She mentioned the regional potential for 5,000 supportive housing units and the programmatic work plan sections. Ms. Larson expanded on the sections of the work plan, which included guiding principles, governance, funding distribution and eligible uses, accountability structures and processes, and regional coordination.

Ms. Lembo discussed the Supportive Housing income taxes. She covered the new code chapters such as the 7.05 income tax administration for personal and business taxes, 7.06 personal income tax, and 7.07 business income tax. She

discussed sections for each taxing such as administrative authority, minimum tax, interest rate, filing status, and tax exemptions. She mentioned the next steps for the Supportive Housing Services (SHS) for November through December which included Council actions and oversight committee meetings.

Ms. Lembo posed the following questions to the Council:

- Does the programmatic work plan effectively define implementation to ensure success and advance racial equity?
- Do the proposed tax code policies implement an effective, efficient and transparent tax collection system?

Council Discussion

Councilor Lewis requested more information on the head of household taxation. She spoke to the importance of integrating racial equity in SHS.

Councilor Gonzalez commented his appreciation on all counties taking a regional approach and the oversight and accountability of the work plan.

Councilor Craddick voiced her appreciation of the oversight committee recruitment process and the monitoring of the work plan process. She requested clarification on the administrative fees.

Councilor Stacey voiced his appreciation for staff.

Councilor Dirksen requested staff to speak on the language concerning people with disabilities in the measure.

Ms. Marissa Madrigal discussed COVID updates for the state of Oregon and the community campaign for Metro.

2:55 Councilor Communication

Councilor Lewis discussed the recruitment for the Parks and Nature oversight committee and the Clackamas County adoption of the C2P2.

Council President Peterson reminded the Council of the Executive Session meeting that would occur after the work session was adjourned.

3:00 Adjourn

Seeing no further business, Council President Lynn Peterson adjourned the Metro Council work session at 3:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 17, 2020

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
1.0	PowerPoint	11/17/2020	Supportive Housing Services: Implementation Readiness	111720cw-01