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Minutes

Thursday, January 28, 2021

2:00 PM

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Council meeting

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 up the public comment portion of the meeting and requested that those wishing to testify come forward to speak.

Robert Liberty City of Portland: Mr. Liberty expressed his concerns around the next update to the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). He asserted that desired outcomes (such as a reduction of congestion) should first be determined before deciding on projects and allocating assets.

Councilor Stacy responded by asserting that the Council's new method of allocation assets centers on the improvement of existing transportation structures (with respect to safety and equity), rather than embarking on new construction ventures, and thanked Mr. Liberty for his testimony.

3. Presentations

3.1 FY 20 Parks & Nature Annual Report

Jon Blasher presented an update to how bonds from prior years have enabled the completion of numerous projects, park improvements, and aided in the diversification of the workforce. Additionally, Mr. Blasher detailed the adjustments that education and volunteering efforts have made in response to the COVID-19 pandemic in order to continue offering experiences involving natural areas. Mr. Blasher emphasized efforts to address diversity, equity, and inclusion; protecting land; and managing historic cemeteries. Lastly, Mr. Blasher broke down the application

of the 2006 natural areas bond, and the 2018 levy renewal.

Council Discussion
Councilor Lewis asked what restoration work could be done in a COVID-19 scenario. Additionally, Ms. Lewis asked for an update on a project headed by Cornelius.

Mr. Blasher assured the Councilors that restoration work is ongoing, and offered follow-up regarding the Cornelius-headed project outside of session.

Councilor Gonzales complimented the department on the thoroughness of their report, with particular emphasis on the outcomes.

Councilor Craddick thanked Parks & Nature staff for their hard work.

Councilor Stacey thanked Mr. Blasher for his coverage of information pertinent to his constituents (the Memorial Garden).

Mr. Blasher offered an update on the Cornelius-headed project, saying that it will be completed by the end of the fiscal year.

3.2 FY 20 Parks and Nature Oversight Committee Annual Report

Mr. Blasher introduced Peter Mohr, chairperson of the P&N Oversight Committee, to present.

Mr. Mohr recapped the goals of the 2006 bond and spoke to the challenges they have faced in the process of both achieving and surpassing those goals. Mr. Mohr complimented the P&N department on their commitment to transparency, as well as their efficiency.

Council Discussion
Councilor Lewis asked whether Mr. Mohr had any wisdom

to offer as the Council moves forward with the 2019 bond.

Mr. Mohr responded by noting that the 2019 bond is much more diverse in terms of its objectives. He further suggested that they learn from successes made with the 2006 bond measure, and to remain transparent. Additionally, more public relations to increase awareness of the bond measure was suggested.

Councilor Rosenthal asked whether money promised for the Scott Creek Oak Bluff was reallocated. Mr. Mohr confirmed that the money was in the process of being re-allocated.

The difference between "accessibility" in the 2006 bond and 2019 bond were also discussed-as "accessibility" has been more discretely identified by the Council as an objective outcome as part of the 2019 bond.

4. Consent Agenda

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilor Lewis, seconded by Councilor Nolan, 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 January 21, 2021

4.2 Resolution No. 21-5156, For the Purpose of Appointing Two New Members and Reappointing Five Members of the Metro Affordable Housing Bond Community Oversight Committee

5. Ordinances (First Reading and Public Hearing)

5.1 Ordinance No. 21-1458, For the Purpose of Annexing to the Metro District Boundary Approximately 5.85 Acres Located at 10680 SW Clutter Street in Wilsonville

Council President Peterson introduced Metro Attorney Carrie MacLaren to present on Ordinance No. 21-1455. Ms. MacLaren reviewed legal procedure required when Council passes annexations.

Council President Peterson introduced Tim O'Brien to present. Mr. O'Brien reviewed the land in Wilsonville that staff suggests to be annexed.

Council Discussion
There was none.

5.2 Ordinance No. 21-1459, For the Purpose of Annexing to the Metro District Boundary Approximately 0.357 Acres Which Represents the Street Right-of-Way Portion for Property Located at 15455 SW Finis Lane in Tigard.

Tim O'Brien reviewed the land in Tigard that staff suggests to be annexed.

Council Discussion
Tim O'Brien addressed a previous inquiry from the Council regarding how many acres are left to be annexed.

5.2.1 Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 21-1458 & Ordinance No. 21-1459

Council President Peterson opened up a public hearing on Ordinance No. 21-1458 and Ordinance No. 21-1459 and requested that those wishing to testify come forward to speak. Seeing none, Council President Peterson gaveled out of the public hearing. She noted that the Metro Council would hold a second hearing and vote on February 4, 2021.

6. Chief Operating Officer Communication

Marissa Madrigal shared that Nora the polar bear is returning to the zoo. Additionally Ms. Madrigal detailed some small and socially-distant meetings that she was able to attend, and invited Councilors to connect with her should they have constituents for her to meet with. Lastly, Ms.

Madrigal described the details of a Senior Leadership Team Zoom meeting going over the events of the past year.

7. Councilor Communication

Councilor Stacey announced that he had attended a House Bill 2017 Transit Advisory Committee (managed by TriMet) that morning that detailed 7 prospective projects they seek to be funded. He offered to pass on a list of those projects to those interested.

Councilor Lewis recapped the events of the first meeting of the Project Advisory Committee for the West Linn Oregon City Bicycle-Pedestrian Bridge Alignment Study (which occurred the day prior).

8. Adjourn

Seeing no further business, Council President Lynn Peterson adjourned the Metro Council work session at 3:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JANUARY 28, 2021

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	DOC DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT NO.
3.1	PPT	01/28/21	Parks-and-Nature-Annual-Report-2019-20	012821c-01
4.1	Minutes	01/28/21	Council Meeting Minutes for January 21, 2021	012821c-02