

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

In the matter of calling for)
joint meetings with the Cities)
of Portland and Gresham to decide) RESOLUTION
on local government services) 91-94

WHEREAS, Multnomah County, the cities within Multnomah County and the Metropolitan Service District have mutual interests in providing services in an efficient and cost-effective manner; and

WHEREAS, Multnomah County wishes to initiate joint meetings with the incorporated jurisdictions and the Metropolitan Service District to find ways to further mutual interests; and

WHEREAS, the Metro charter revision is underway and may provide opportunities for discussions of regional services; and

WHEREAS, as a first step, the City of Portland, through Commissioner Kafoury, has demonstrated interest in beginning a series of meetings between our two governments; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gresham, through Mayor McRobert, has demonstrated interest in participating in a series of meetings; and

WHEREAS, immediate and foreseeable fiscal constraints present the opportunity for metropolitan governments to move forward with an examination and identification of how, how much and by whom government services best may be provided; and

WHEREAS, "Resolution A," dated March 15, 1983 began but did not complete the process of identifying the most appropriate provider of services as between local governments; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that:

(1) The Board of County Commissioners, the Portland City Council and the Gresham City Council will meet in joint session on Wednesday, September 4, 1991 to begin the process of identifying government services that should be merged, transferred, discontinued, contracted for or recommended for regionalizing;

(2) These governments will complete this effort at a final meeting no later than Wednesday, December 4, 1991. Decisions resulting from this effort may be incorporated into the budgets of the governments to be prepared for fiscal year 1992-93;

(3) An outside consultant, mutually agreed upon by the governments, will facilitate the joint government meetings.

(4) This effort will be staffed by a work group of seven members as follows: one delegate from the budget office, the executive's office and one commissioner's office from Multnomah County and the City of Portland, and the Gresham city manager. This work group may be expanded to include representation from other cities in Multnomah County.

(5) Prior to the initial meeting on September 4, each commission will meet to develop its agenda for the joint government meetings.

(6) Services which the county is interested in discussing include animal control, emergency management, aging programs, parks, transportation, planning and law enforcement.

(7) Any costs associated with this decision-making process will be shared equally by the participating governments.

ADOPTED this 27th day of June, 1991.



Gladys McCoy

Gladys McCoy, Chair
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