

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPOINTING KATHRYN )  
HENTON TO THE METRO COMMITTEE FOR ) RESOLUTION No. 00-2881  
CITIZEN INVOLVE MENT ) INTRODUCED BY COUNCILOR PARK

WHEREAS, Objective 1.1 of the Regional Urban Growth Goals & Objectives states that Metro shall establish a Regional Citizen Involvement Coordinating Committee to assist with development, implementation and evaluation of its citizen involvement program; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Charter also called for the creation of an Office of Citizen Involvement, and the establishment of a citizens committee therein; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council created said Office and established Metro Committee for Citizen Involvement as the citizen committee within that Office, by adopted Ordinance No. 93-0479A; and

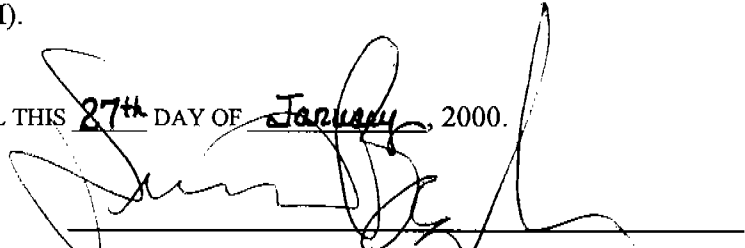
WHEREAS, there are vacancies in MCCI membership; and

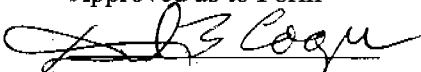
WHEREAS, a recruitment and selection process has been initiated, resulting in the nomination of the following citizens to MCCI:

Kathryn Henton	2129 SE Douglas Place, Gresham, OR 97080	District 1, Position 3
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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Metro Council appoints Kathryn Henton as a member of the Metro Committee for Citizen Involvement (MCCI).

ADOPTED BY THE METRO COUNCIL THIS 27<sup>th</sup> DAY OF January, 2000.

  
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Presiding Officer David Bragdon

Approved as to Form  
  
Office of General Counsel

**METRO OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT**

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. OO-2881, FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPOINTING KATHRYN HENTON TO THE METRO COMMITTEE FOR CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT.**

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**Date:** January 21, 2000

**Presented by:** Councilor Atherton

**Committee Action:** At its January 19, 2000 meeting, the Metro Operations Committee voted 3-0 to recommend Council adoption of Resolution 00-2881. Voting in favor: Councilors Atherton, Washington and Monroe.

**Background:** Karen Withrow gave a brief staff presentation. Ms. Henton is being nominated by MCCI to fill an existing vacancy for position 3, District 1.

- **Existing Law:** The Metro charter calls for the creation of an Office of Citizen Involvement. Ordinance 93-0479A created the Office of Citizen Involvement. Metro code chapter 2.12, Office of Citizen Involvement, calls for appointment to MCCI to take place through Council resolution.
- **Budget Impact:** None

**Committee Issues/Discussion:** None

STAFF REPORT

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DECEMBER 9, 1999

KAREN WITHROW (x1539)

BACKGROUND

For some time now, MCCI has had several vacancies. Over the last six to eight months we have done some advertising in the Oregonian, community newspapers and minority newspapers. In addition we have made a multitude of personal contacts, some through our Metro Councilors. Just recently we again placed some small text ads near the Council agenda in the Oregonian.

We are now very pleased to present another candidate from District 1. Kathryn Henton has been very careful to research and understand the roles and responsibilities of membership in MCCI and to be sure she has the time and willingness to be a committed member. We are very excited to have her.

In a related issue, plans are being made to form a Citizen Involvement Committee in the Gresham area. Kathryn has also been asked to participate on this committee and she is considering doing so. If this were to happen she could become a vital citizen link between one of our local partners and Metro in matters of citizen involvement.

The MCCI Nominating Committee and full committee membership have both voted to approve and send forward Kathryn's nomination and we thank the Council for their consideration of this Resolution.

Application for Citizen Involvement

Name Kathryn Henton Council district/County District 1, Multnomah County
Address 2129 SE Douglas Pl, Gresham State/ZIP OR 97080
Phone: Home 503-666-4806 Work 503-227-6441 FAX 503-227-7099 e-mail mihen@aol.com
Occupation/place of employment Henton & Company, PC, 2121 SW Broadway, Ste 350 Portland, OR 97201

Education, work or volunteer experience

- Bachelor of Arts, Business Administration: Marketing with Honors, Portland State University, 1990
Office Manager, Henton & Company, P.C., Portland, Oregon, 1991-Present
Past President Lutheran Women's Missionary League, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Gresham, Oregon. Past Chairperson, Redeemer Lutheran Church Fellowship Committee. Member, Fellowship Committee, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Boring, Oregon.
Member, Gresham Grade School Superintendent's Parent Advisory Board, 1987-1989
Volunteer, Fairlawn Nursing Home, 1978-1988

List and describe any involvement you have had with groups, boards, organizations, etc.

My involvement has been limited, especially in recent years as I raised a family, completed my education and worked with my husband in managing a CPA firm. Church, nursing home visitation and Parent Teacher Club activities have dominated my involvement in volunteer activities. I have served on boards and committees where I have worked one-on-one as well as in a group environment.

Name the committee(s) you are interested in and explain why you think the committee issues are important

This past April I became involved in an effort to protect my home and community from development that was potentially and unnecessarily damaging to my neighborhood and community. When I first approached the project, I believed I could make a difference but I also believed I was working against government. The complexity of governing laws and regulations coupled with communication barriers with governing officials was at times frustrating, discouraging and even overwhelming. The greatest challenge I faced once I determined which governing entity and/or person I needed to reach was to successfully communicate and secure appropriate information or action. While working with neighbors, I came to understand that the frustration and difficulties I experienced were common; and, unfortunately, I also met a number of people who expressed a defeatist attitude towards effecting change in our government. I eventually came to recognize that I was not working against government but, rather, with government employees and representatives who, like myself, cared about the work they were doing and who were also concerned and dedicated to protecting and improving the community. It became evident to me that citizen involvement is crucial in order to improve communication and effect change in government. Good government is not possible without citizen involvement, and Metro's Committee for Citizen Involvement provides an opportunity for citizens such as myself to have an effective voice in how our community faces its needs and challenges today and in the future. The Portland metropolitan area continues to rapidly grow and change. Growth management, density, in-fill development, transportation, and basic livability are becoming increasingly more complicated issues that involve all of us and are important issues for me. I hope to become an active and positive participant in preserving and improving the livability we enjoy in the greater Portland metropolitan area and in my community. I am interested in serving on Metro's Committee for Citizen Involvement and would like to couple that involvement with the City of Gresham's Citizen Involvement Committee. I am pursuing this participation at the encouragement of Gresham Mayor Charles Becker.

List any relevant experiences, skills or interests that have helped to prepare you for a position on this committee

Event planning and implementation have dominated my activities and are my strong point. I have good organizational skills with motivation to follow through on projects I begin. I am flexible, fair and open-minded. Once committed to a task or project, I will complete it to the best of my ability. My recent involvement with the City of Gresham and the Division of State Lands as we reviewed a subdivision proposal in my neighborhood has exposed me to issues relating to density, in-fill development and basic livability.

List two references who are familiar with your community and volunteer work

Charles Becker, Mayor, City of Gresham, 503-618-2584

Reverend Dave Forsberg, P.O. Box 1991, Florence, Oregon 97439, 541-997-3857

Optional: Attach resume

Most advisory committees require meeting at least once a month. Meeting hours may be evening or day depending on the committee. Many committees also require some investment in time outside of the meetings. Will you commit to the time required to fulfill your duties if appointed to an advisory committee?  yes  no

Since some committees may have specific requirements for membership, please request an addendum for specific advisory committees to determine if you qualify for application. Call the Metro Office of Citizen Involvement at 797-1539 for further general information, or call the contact person listed for each individual advisory committee if you have detailed information requests.

Signature



Date 9/1/99

Membership on Metro advisory committees is open to all interested citizens subject to the qualifications determined by the appointing authority as necessary for the conduct of its business. Metro encourages participation in its affairs by all people, especially those who are under represented in public involvement.

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MCCI SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. Why would you like to serve as a member of the Metro Committee for Citizen Involvement (MCCI)?  
I am concerned about preserving the livability of the Portland Metropolitan area and believe that communication between government agencies and communication between government and citizens is vital if we are to preserve, and perhaps even improve, livability in our communities. I hope to serve jointly on the Gresham Citizen Involvement Committee
2. What do you anticipate enjoying most about being a member of MCCI?

Contributing in a positive, proactive manner with others who share a desire to effect change for the betterment of our communities.

3. What strengths, knowledge and skills do you bring to MCCI?

Organizational and communication skills, dedication to task, a commitment to do quality work.

4. Do you have personal or professional goals that may be impacted by your participation on MCCI?

No

5. Do you have any questions or concerns about becoming an MCCI member?

No

Please list three references who are familiar with your citizen involvement experience (please list name, affiliation and phone number).

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- b. Reverend Dave Forsberg, PO Box 1991, Florence, OR 97439, 541-997-3857
- c. Paul Mueller, CPA, 2121 SW Broadway, Ste 350, Portland 97201, 503-221-2001. (Work-related reference only)