

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPOINTING )	RESOLUTION NO. 00-2893
JERRY POWELL, JAMES STRATHMAN, )	
AND BERNARD DEAZLEY TO THE )	Introduced by Mike Burton,
SOLID WASTE RATE REVIEW )	Executive Officer
COMMITTEE )	

WHEREAS, Chapter 5.08 of the Metro Code provides for the establishment of a Rate Review Committee composed of seven members, including one Metro Councilor who shall serve as Committee Chair and who shall be appointed by the Council Presiding Officer, and six other members who shall be appointed by the Executive Officer subject to confirmation by the Council; and,

WHEREAS, through term limits and resignations, there exist three vacancies on the Rate Review Committee, including the positions representing recycling, finance, and the general public; and,

WHEREAS, Chapter 5.08 of the Metro Code provides that term vacancies shall be filled for the remainder of the vacant term; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Jerry Powell has applied to serve on this committee in the capacity of being in the business of recycling solid waste; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. James Strathman has applied to serve on this committee and meets the required qualification of having business related financial experience; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Bernard Deazley has applied to serve on this committee and meets the required qualification of being a citizen ratepayer; and,

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has recommended that Jerry Powell be appointed to the Committee for an initial term for the period of four years, to expire in September 2003; and,

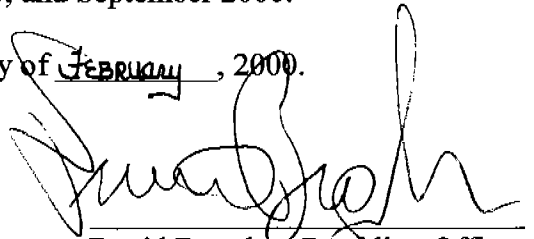
WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has recommended that James Strathman be appointed to serve out the remainder of Barry Bennett's term, to expire in September 2000; and,

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has recommended that Bernard Deazley be appointed to the Committee to serve out the remainder of Monica Hardy's term, to expire in September 2000; and,

WHEREAS, the resolution was submitted to the Executive Officer for consideration and was forwarded to the Council for approval; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that Jerry Powell, James Strathman, and Bernard Deazley are appointed to the Rate Review Committee, to fill the positions indicated, whose terms shall expire, respectively, in September 2003, September 2000, and September 2000.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 17<sup>th</sup> day of FEBRUARY, 2000.



David Bragdon, Presiding Officer

Approved as to Form:



Daniel B. Cooper, General Counsel

## **REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT**

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 00-2893, FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPOINTING JERRY POWELL, JAMES STRATHMAN AND BERNARD DEAZLEY TO THE SOLID WASTE RATE REVIEW COMMITTEE

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Date: February 9, 2000

Presented by: Councilor McLain

**Committee Recommendation:** At its February 9 meeting, the committee considered Resolution No. 00-2893 and voted unanimously to send the resolution to the Council with a do pass recommendation. Voting in favor: Councilors Park and McLain and Chair Washington.

**Existing Law:** Metro Code Section 5.08.010 establishes a seven-member Rate Review Committee which is responsible for making recommendations to the Council concerning proposed solid waste disposal fees. Metro Code Section 5.08.030 defines the membership of the committee and provides that it will be chaired by a Metro Councilor.

**Committee Issues/Discussion:** Terry Petersen, Regional Environmental Management Director, presented the staff report. He noted that two members of the Rate Review Committee have resigned their positions within the past several months and that the term of one of the members had expired. He noted that Dr. Strathman, a professor at Portland State University, would be filling the position designated for an individual with a background in business and finance. Mr. Powell, a nationally recognized authority on recycling issues, would be filling the position designated for an individual with a recycling background. Mr. Deazley will fill the position designated for a citizen payer.

Councilor Park asked how many applications had been received. Tom Chaimov, REM staff, responded that 11 applications were received for the citizen ratepayer position and that the nominees for the other positions had been asked to serve after consultation with persons in the recycling and business and finance communities.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY  
RESOLUTION 00-2893  
SOLID WASTE RATE REVIEW COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT**

**PROPOSED ACTION**

- Council confirmation of Jerry Powell's, James Strathman's, and Bernard Deazley's appointment to the Solid Waste Rate Review Committee.

**WHY NECESSARY**

- The second full term of Rate Review Committee member Shirley Coffin, engaged in the business of recycling, expired in September 1999.
- Rate Review Committee member Barry Bennett, who has business related finance experience, resigned in December 1999.
- Monica Hardy, Citizen-At-Large member of the Rate Review Committee, resigned in September 1999.

**ISSUES/CONCERNS**

- Jerry Powell is currently involved in—and for three decades has been involved in—recycling, environmental, and waste management issues.
- James Strathman, Professor and Director of the Center for Urban Studies at Portland State University, has studied and published articles on the economic impact of urban planning issues, including solid waste.
- Mr. Bernard Deazley, citizen rate payer, has administrative, budgetary, and supervisory experience, as well as first-hand knowledge of the region's solid waste system through a Master's degree project at Lewis & Clark College.

**BUDGET/FINANCIAL IMPACT**

- None

## STAFF REPORT

### CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 99-2893 FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPOINTING JERRY POWELL, JAMES STRATHMAN, AND BERNARD DEAZLEY TO THE SOLID WASTE RATE REVIEW COMMITTEE.

Date: 1-13-00

Presented by: Terry Petersen

#### FACTUAL BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

Ordinance No. 91-436A, Metro Code Chapter 5.08, establishes a seven-member Solid Waste Rate Review Committee, six members of which are to be appointed by the Executive Officer, subject to confirmation by the Council. The members appointed by the Executive Officer shall include: two persons engaged in the business of hauling solid waste; one person with experience establishing rates; one person involved with a local recycling or waste reduction program; and one citizen rate-payer. The seventh committee member shall be a Metro Councilor, who shall be appointed by the Council Presiding Officer.

Metro Code Section 5.08.030 provides that non-council members of the Solid Waste Review Committee shall serve no more than two consecutive full terms on the committee and that mid-term replacements serve out the remainder of a vacant term.

In September 1999, Shirley Coffin, who is involved with a local recycling or waste reduction program, completed two full terms on the Rate Review Committee. Jerry Powell, editor of Resource Recycling Magazine, chair of Oregon Recycling Markets Development Council, founding chair of the Association of Oregon Recyclers, and 30-year active participant in Portland area waste management issues, has applied to serve on the Rate Review Committee.

In December 1999, with one year remaining in his term, Barry Bennett, who has business related financial experience, resigned from his position on the Rate Review Committee. James Strathman, professor and director of the Center for Urban Studies at Portland State University, has conducted economic studies on various urban planning issues, including solid waste issues, and has applied to serve on the Rate Review Committee.

In September 1999, Monica Hardy, citizen rate payer, resigned from her position on the Rate Review Committee with one year remaining in her term. Mr. Bernard Deazley, native Oregonian, federal health care administrator, and community volunteer, has applied to serve on the Rate Review Committee.

Because Jerry Powell is currently involved with a local recycling or waste reduction program, and because Mr. Powell has extensive local knowledge and expertise in the business of recycling; and because James Strathman has ample economic knowledge and specific experience with the metro area solid waste industry; and because Mr. Bernard

Deazley has administrative experience, financial skills, and a desire to serve his community, the Executive Officer recommends that Jerry Powell be appointed to serve on the Rate Review Committee for a four-year term to expire in September 2003, and that James Strathman and Bernard Deazley be appointed to serve out vacated terms on the Rate Review Committee for a period of one-year, to expire in September 2000.

#### EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

The Executive Officer recommends that Resolution No. 00-2893 be adopted, confirming Mr. Jerry Powell to serve a four-year term as a member of the Solid Waste Rate Review Committee through September 2003, and confirming Dr. James Strathman and Mr. Bernard Deazley to serve a one-year terms as members of the Solid Waste Rate Review Committee through September 2000.