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Metro Councilors  
600 NE Grand Avenue  
Portland, OR 97232-2736

Attached is a copy of a flyer sent to users of our regional facilities. You will most likely receive letters similar to the "recommended" letter outlined. Since the writer sent it anonymously, I have been unable to determine the origin of the flyer.

I look forward to a reasoned discussion of the budget with you.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mike Burton'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Mike Burton  
Executive Officer

enc.

## Use this sample letter to draft YOUR OWN letter to the Metro Council

Dear Councilors (or insert a specific name).

As a citizen of this region, I have enjoyed our public facilities and our cultural opportunities for many years. I was pleased when the Metro Council struck a deal with Multnomah County and the City of Portland in 1997 to ensure that our facilities would be operated efficiently and maintained at professional standards.

Now, I understand that the budget submitted to the Metro Council could override those promises and jeopardize the future of our facilities. I am writing you today to implore that you not allow that to happen!

The budget for our regional government should not be balanced on the backs of non-profit organizations that bring culture and happiness to our families. You must resist the urge to take money away from our facilities and devastate what we have all worked so hard to create for our community.

Increasing the costs to operate our facilities would be a step backwards, not forwards! It would send the wrong message to our region as to what Metro represents and supports regarding our quality of life. Managing this region should also mean managing our facilities in a way that allows more citizens to have access to culture and the performing arts, not driving people out of the facilities because they can no longer afford to attend events.

I urge to you reject any budget proposal that would increase the cost of managing the regional facilities more than the acceptable rate of inflation.

Respectfully,

**YOUR NAME**

### **Metro Council Information:**

**600 NE Grand Avenue, Portland 97232**

*David Bragdon, Dist. 7 797-1889 Presiding Officer*

*Rod Park, Dist. 1*

*797-1547*

*Bill Atherton, Dist. 2*

*797-1887*

*Jon Kvistad, Dist. 3*

*797-1549*

*Susan McLain, Dist. 4*

*797-1553*

*Ed Washington, Dist. 5*

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*Rod Monroe, Dist. 6*

*797-1552*

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To Mike Burton - 797-1799  
From Shirley Bledsae

**URGENT URGENT URGENT URGENT**

**Our Regional Facilities Need Your Support NOW!**

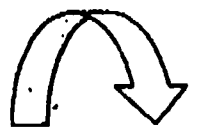
**The MERC budget is under attack from the Metro Executive Officer. He has proposed a 64% increase in charges levied against MERC and that money would instead go to making Metro's Executive Offices even bigger!**

**The Metro Executive's proposal will result in higher rent, higher fees to users and fewer opportunities for our local performers.**

The Metro Budget Committee and the rest of the Council need to hear from you. They must be told the Executive Officer's proposal is not acceptable. Your voice is important and you need to let them know how this proposal would negatively affect the quality of life in our region.

**Don't allow the Executive Officer's appetite for more money to ruin the future of our public facilities and our opportunities to enjoy our own culture!**

Write, fax or call the Metro Council today and tell them to keep the promises that were made in 1997, which Metro agreed to, that allows MERC to operate efficiently and like a business.

**OVER** 

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March 23, 2000

Mr. David Bragdon  
Presiding Officer  
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Metro Regional Center  
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Portland, OR 97232

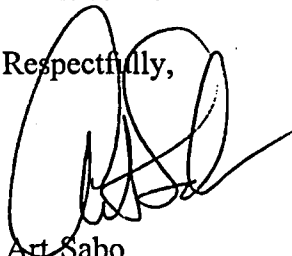
Dear Councilor Bragdon:

As a citizen of this region, I have enjoyed our public facilities and cultural opportunities for many years. Therefore, I appreciated the fact that in 1997 the Metro Council was able to reach an agreement with Multnomah County and the City of Portland to ensure that our facilities would be operated efficiently and maintained at professional standards. Now, however, I understand that the budget recently submitted to Metro Council could override those promises and jeopardize the future of our facilities.

The budget for our regional government should not destroy what so many organizations have worked hard to create for our community. Increasing costs and denying individuals access to these cultural opportunities because they can no longer afford to attend events sends an extremely negative message. In addition, those positive elements of our region which make us a popular "destination city" for tourists and convention attendees are being threatened. This, in turn, threatens the economic stability of our region. As Director of Marketing at the Doubletree Hotel Portland/Lloyd Center (three blocks from the Oregon Convention Center), we continually promote the positive aspects of this area to potential meeting and convention attendees.

I urge you to reject any budget proposal that would increase the cost of managing the regional facilities more than the acceptable rate of inflation.

Respectfully,



Art Sabo  
Director of Marketing

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**Draft Streamside CPR Work Schedule  
April – September 2000**

	April	May	June	July	August	September
• Inventory – refinements and any necessary field checks	-----	-----	-----	-----		
• Resource Significance	-----	-----				
• ESEE – refinements		-----				
• Program Elements – Regional Safe Harbor (application to floodplains in centers, corridors width, intermittent streams and ditches, roads and utilities) – Riparian District Plans (performance standards, BMPs, assessment procedures) – Environmental Discretionary Review (roads and utilities, intermittent streams, water dependent uses) – Restoration – Local Implementation Schedule	----- ----- ----- -----	----- ----- ----- -----	----- ----- -----			
• Supplementary CPR Report			-----	-----		
• Functional Plan – First Draft – Final Draft			-----		-----	
• Public Outreach – Technical Committees and Stakeholder Involvement – Citizen Outreach – Workshops/Open Houses	----- -----	----- -----	----- -----	----- ----- -----	----- -----	----- -----
• Council Hearing, Review and Decision					-----	-----