

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING)	RESOLUTION NO. 01-3054
THE APPOINTMENTS OF JAMES)	
STRATHMAN AND BERNARD)	
DEAZLEY TO THE SOLID WASTE)	Introduced by Mike Burton,
RATE REVIEW COMMITTEE)	Executive Officer

WHEREAS, Chapter 2.19 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, Metro Code Section 2.19.003 (c) provides that committee members shall serve no more than two consecutive two-year terms; and

WHEREAS, the initial terms of Rate Review Committee incumbents James Strathman, with business-related financial experience, and Bernard Deazley, citizen rate payer, expired in September 2000; and,

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer has appointed James Strathman and Bernard Deazley to the Committee for a term to expire in September 2002; and,

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

BE IT RESOLVED, that Metro Council hereby confirms the appointments of James Strathman and Bernard Deazley to the Rate Review Committee for the positions and terms set forth herein.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 12th day of April, 2001.



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David Bragdon, Presiding Officer

Approved as to Form:

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Daniel B. Cooper, General Counsel

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
RESOLUTION 01-3054
SOLID WASTE RATE REVIEW COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT**

PROPOSED ACTION

- Council confirmation of the reappointments of James Strathman and Bernard Deazley to the Solid Waste Rate Review Committee.

WHY NECESSARY

- The initial term of James Strathman, who has business-related finance experience, expired in September 2000.
- The initial term of Bernie Deazley, Citizen-At-Large, expired in September 2000.

ISSUES/CONCERNS

- 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. As a Rate Review Committee member, Dr. Strathman has asked targeted technical questions and has provided a welcome conduit for outreach and exchange of ideas at PSU.
- As a public health care administrator, Bernie Deazley has acquired supervisory, budgetary, and strategic planning experience in the public sector. Mr. Deazley has been a “quick study” of the solid waste financial system, offering material- as well as process-oriented feedback to the Rate Review Committee.
- Important rate-related issues, including a reevaluation of Department cost and revenue allocations, will be brought before the Rate Review Committee in the near future. Continuity of membership on the committee is a high priority, given the committee’s progress to date toward understanding the complex structure of Metro's solid waste fees.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL IMPACT

- None

STAFF REPORT

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 01-3054 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REAPPOINTING JAMES STRATHMAN AND BERNARD DEAZLEY TO THE SOLID WASTE RATE REVIEW COMMITTEE.

Date: March 2001

Presented by: Terry Petersen

BACKGROUND

In March 2000, James Strathman, professor and director of the Center for Urban Studies at Portland State University, was appointed to serve out the remaining seven months of an existing term on the Rate Review Committee. In September 2000, Dr. Strathman's initial term expired.

In March 2000, Bernard Deazley, citizen rate payer, was appointed to serve out the remaining seven months of an existing term on the Rate Review Committee. In September 2000, Mr. Deazley's initial term expired.

Because James Strathman and Bernard Deazley are valued members of the Rate Review Committee, the Executive Officer recommends that James Strathman and Bernard Deazley be reappointed to serve on the Rate Review Committee, each for a two-year term to expire in September 2002.

EXISTING LAW

Metro Code Chapter 2.19 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 the following: 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 2.19.003 (c) provides that non-council members of the Solid Waste Review Committee shall serve no more than two consecutive full terms of two years each on the committee and that mid-term replacements shall serve out the remainder of a vacant term.

BUDGET IMPACT

None

OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS

The final term of a third member of the Rate Review Committee, engaged in the business of hauling solid waste, also expired in September 2000; however, to date, a new nominee for that committee position has not been identified.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

The Executive Officer recommends that Resolution No. 01-3054 be adopted, confirming Dr. James Strathman and Mr. Bernard Deazley to serve two-year terms as members of the Solid Waste Rate Review Committee through September 2002.