

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING THE ) RESOLUTION NO. 07-3832  
APPOINTMENT OF KATHY FOLSOM TO THE )  
REGIONAL SOLID WASTE ADVISORY ) Introduced by David Bragdon,  
COMMITTEE (SWAC) ) Council President

WHEREAS, Metro Code Chapter 2.19.130 established the Regional Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) to evaluate policy recommendations to the Metro Council regarding regional solid waste management and planning; and

WHEREAS, Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030 states that all members and alternate members of all Metro Advisory Committees shall be appointed by the Council President subject to confirmation by the Council; and

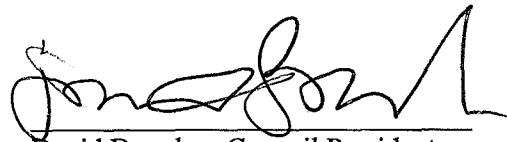
WHEREAS, Metro Code Chapter 2.19.130 authorizes representatives and alternates for the SWAC; and

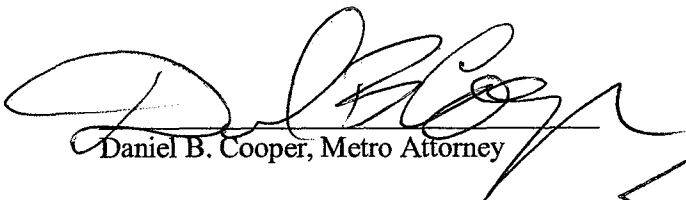
WHEREAS, vacancies have occurred in the SWAC membership; and

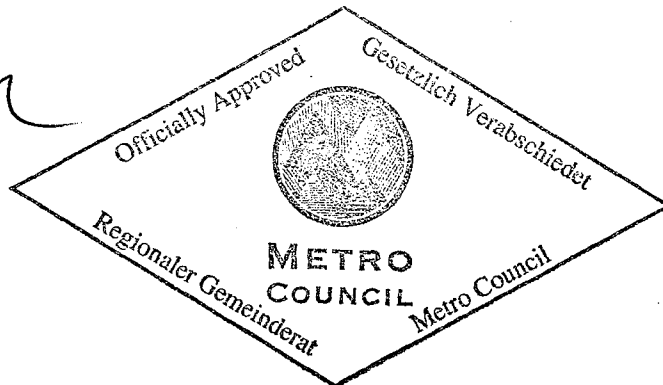
WHEREAS, the Council President has appointed Kathy Folsom as an alternate member representing the County of Washington, subject to confirmation by the Metro Council; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Metro Council confirms the appointment of Ms. Folsom to Metro's SWAC.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2007.

  
David Bragdon, Council President

  
Daniel B. Cooper, Metro Attorney



## STAFF REPORT

### IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 07-3832 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF KATHY FOLSOM TO THE REGIONAL SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SWAC)

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Date: July 25, 2007

Prepared by: Susan Moore

#### BACKGROUND

The 25-member Regional Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC), representing recyclers, the hauling industry, disposal sites, citizen-ratepayers and local governments, evaluates policy options and presents recommendations to the Metro Council regarding regional solid waste management and planning.

The following individual has been recommended to serve as a member of the SWAC:

1. Washington County has recommended Kathy Folsom as the new alternate representative to Metro's Solid Waste Advisory Committee. (See Attachment 1).

#### ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

##### 1. Known Opposition

There is no known opposition.

##### 2. Legal Antecedents

ORS 192.610 "Governing Public Meetings", Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030, "Membership of the Advisory Committees" and 2.19.130, "Metro Solid Waste Advisory Committee", are the relevant legal documents related to these appointments.

##### 3. Anticipated Effects

This resolution is intended to appoint the following individual for non-term limited service on the SWAC: Kathy Folsom.

##### 4. Budget Impacts

None.

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Council President has reviewed the qualifications of Ms. Folsom and finds her qualified to advise Metro in the matters of solid waste management and planning. Therefore, Council confirmation of this appointment by adoption of Resolution No. 07-3832 is recommended.

## **Kathy Folsom**

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### **Career Profile**

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Experienced professional with 19 years of experience in utility and transportation regulatory analysis. Responsible for analysis of proposals from regulated energy, telephone, water and solid waste companies. Resourceful and organized with strong skills in improving, advocating or achieving efficient compliance with orders, administrative rules and statutes. Strong technical skills in connection with the investigation of industry proposals, financing, rate design, and rate increases.

### **Professional Experience**

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#### **Management Analyst II**

Washington County Solid Waste and Recycling, Hillsboro, OR (2006 – Present)

*Responsibilities include*

- Oversee annual rate review of 15 haulers and 3 disposal facilities
- Administer and revise solid waste ordinances
- Review landfill and compost facilities franchising
- Determine rate design policies
- Supervise recycling specialist work program
- Manage \$1.1 million Solid Waste and Recycling budget

#### **Regulatory Analyst III**

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, Olympia, WA (1994 – 2006)

*Responsibilities included*

- Analyzed and developed recommendations on highly complex petitions, tariff revisions, rate requests, affiliated interest, and transfer of property filings.
- Developed, presented, and defended authoritative expert testimony or technical presentations in contested cases.
- Lead staff on all financial issues and filings including security issuances, determination of appropriate rate of return, and financial reporting.
- Provided technical assistance to regulated companies, customers, shareholders, industry groups, and law firms in interpreting, understanding, and complying with commission statutes and rules.
- Served as agency Plain Talk Representative; responsible for rewriting documents in plain and concise language.

#### **Utilities Rate Research Specialist II**

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, Olympia, WA (1990 – 1994)

*Responsibilities included*

- Independently interpreted, evaluated, and analyzed filings pertaining to the regulation of public utility and solid waste companies.
- Prepared testimony for formal cases involving utility and transportation companies.
- Independently researched, drafted and implemented rulemaking proposals and revisions.

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### **Utilities Rate Research Specialist I**

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, Olympia, WA (1988 – 1990)

#### *Responsibilities included*

- Utilized financial and economic skills to develop studies involving financial, cost, marketing and operating characteristics of transportation and utility companies.
- Prepared and coordinated written and oral reports.

## **Education**

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Portland State University, Portland, OR  
M.B.A. Business (1987)

Washington State University, Pullman, WA  
B.A. Business Administration – Finance (1984)