BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING)	RESOLUTION NO. 14-4518
APPOINTMENTS TO THE METRO PUBLIC)	
ENGAGEMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE.)	Introduced by Chief Operating Officer Martha
		Bennett in concurrence with Council
		President Tom Hughes

WHEREAS, in furtherance of Metro's Principles of Citizen Involvement, set forth in Resolution No. 97-2433, adopted January 23, 1997, and Ordinance No. 12-1294 amending Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030, the Metro Council established an Advisory Committee known as the Public Engagement Review Committee (PERC) to advise the Metro Council on the development and maintenance of programs and procedures to aid communication between the public and the Metro Council; and

WHEREAS, by a fair and open process, Metro has recruited applicants for PERC and the Metro Council President has appointed selected applicants consisting of members of the public, representatives of community organizations, and public involvement staff from local jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030 requires that the Metro Council confirm appointments made by the Council President to Metro's Advisory Committees; and now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the following appointments by the Metro Council President to PERC are hereby confirmed to serve on PERC for the terms noted:

PERC Members and Terms

At-large representative from the region replacing Eleanor Hunter

One-year term: William Gifford

Alternative representative for the Coalition of Communities of Color

Two-year term:
Donita Sue Fry

Committee terms will run from January to December. Recruitment to fill vacancies will begin each fall and the Metro Council will endeavor to appoint new members each December.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 17th day of April, 2014.

Sam Chase, Deputy Council President

Approved as to Form:

Alison R. Kean, Metro Attorney

STAFF REPORT

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 14-4518 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO THE METRO PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE.

Date: April 7, 2014 Prepared by: Heather Coston, 503-813-7552

BACKGROUND

The Metro Council established a new standing public committee, the Public Engagement Review Committee (PERC), in 2012. The PERC convenes twice a year and consists of at-large community members, representatives from three community organizations and public involvement staff from Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties.

The PERC serves as a key component of Metro's ongoing efforts to develop and implement successful public engagement processes. The committee also assists with Metro's annual public engagement report, Opt In public engagement review survey and annual community summit.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

Following Eleanor Hunter's resignation from the PERC, staff sought another representative from Clackamas County. Referrals were requested from the committee and Metro Councilor Carlotta Collette.

Criteria for the selection of community organization representatives include:

- A commitment to community involvement
- Demonstrated skills, knowledge or experience that apply to principles of citizen involvement adopted by Metro
- An ability to assist in representing the geographic and demographic diversity of the region.

After consulting with Councilor Collette, reviewing William Gifford's previous PERC application, and conducting an interview, staff recommends his appointment to a one year term.

To facilitate representation from the Coalition of Communities of Color, we have identified Donita Sue Fry as an alternate to serve when Julia Meier cannot attend meetings.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

- 1. **Known Opposition** None
- 2. **Legal Antecedents** Resolution No. 97-2433 establishing Metro's Principles of Citizen Involvement: Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030; and Ordinance No. 12-1294 amending Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030.
- 3. **Anticipated Effects** The appointments to the PERC will allow Metro to more successfully engage communities with Metro's initiatives, improve public engagement best practices and prioritize projects for public outreach.

4. **Budget Impacts** No budget impacts. Program needs are accounted for in existing staff resources and accessing Communications M&S included in the COO proposed budget for FY 2013-2014.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Confirm the appointment of William Gifford to serve one year of the remainder of Eleanore Hunter's term and Donita Sue Fry to serve as the alternate representative for the Coalition of Communities of Color to the Public Engagement Review Committee (PERC).