#### BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

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FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING SECTION 2.19.160 OF THE METRO CODE TO ESTABLISH A GREENSPACES POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

ORDINANCE NO. 04-1030

Introduced by Chief Operating Officer Michael J. Jordan, with the concurrence of Council President David Bragdon

WHEREAS, the Metro Council wishes to abolish the existing Regional Parks and Greenspaces Citizen Advisory Committee (RPGCAC) established by the Metro Council through Resolution No. 94-2026A, dated October 13, 1994, and Metro Code Section 2.19.160, assigning some of its functions to a newly created committee; and

WHEREAS, the purpose and duties of the Greenspaces Technical Advisory Committee (GTAC), established in 1990 via Metro Council Resolution No. 90-1344, adopted on December 27, 1990, were concluded on October 13, 2002 by virtue of a Metro Council established sunset date; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council wishes to further commit to the ongoing work of planning for and providing parks, natural areas, trails and greenspaces for this region by creating a new advisory committee having continuing existence under Metro Code Chapter 2.19, which will assume many of the duties of the RPGCAC and former GTAC, as well as other duties; and

WHEREAS, the new advisory committee is to be known as the Greenspaces Policy Advisory Committee (GPAC); now therefore

THE METRO COUNCIL ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. Metro Code Section 2.19.160 is amended as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto; and
- 2. That this Ordinance being necessary to better serve the public and to work more effectively and efficiently with communities of interest of the Metro Area because an emergency is declared to exist, and this Ordinance shall take effect immediately, pursuant to Metro Charter Section 39(1).

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 45th day of, 2004.		
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ATTEST:	CONSIGLION	Approved as to Form:
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# 2.19.160 Regional Parks and Greenspaces Policy Advisory Committee (RPGAC) (GPAC)

(a) Purpose. The purpose of the Greenspaces Policy Advisory Committee (GPAC) is to provide consultation and advice to the Metro Council on regional park policy regarding:

- (1) Regional Framework Plan Parks and Greenspaces Related Issues. In particular, GPAC will participate in development and implementation of policies related to Chapter 3 of the Regional Framework Plan, including but not limited to the recommendations contained in the April 4, 2001 Final Report of the Parks Subcommittee of the Metro Policy Advisory Committee.
- (2) The possible inclusion in the Regional Framework Plan of additional or new policies related to the establishment, protection and development of a regional system of parks, natural areas, trails and greenspaces.
- (3) The development of goals and funding recommendations for all public properties included in the regional parks system, regardless of ownership.
- (4) Compliance with specific portions of Title 12 concerning the provisions of parks and open space regionwide.
- (5) Other questions related to parks, natural areas, trails and greenspaces that may be referred to this committee by the Metro Council.

(b) MPAC Advice and Consultation. The purpose of the GPAC is not to detract or interfere with the role of MPAC. Any issue that requires MPAC advice or consultation will be referred to MPAC prior to Metro Council action.

(c) Membership. The GPAC is composed of a total of 15 members all appointed by the Metro Council President subject to Council confirmation. The Council President shall designate one (1) member to serve as Chair. Seven (7) of the initial GPAC Committee members shall be appointed to serve a one (1) year term and may be reappointed for up to two (2) additional terms as provided in Section 2.19.020.

(1) The GPAC Committee membership shall be as follows:

- (A.1) One (1) member shall represent the largest City in the region;
- (B.2) One (1) member shall represent a park provider located east of the Willamette River;
- (C.3) One (1) member shall represent a park provider located west of the Willamette River;
- (D.4) One (1) member shall represent cities or park districts in the eastern part of the region;
- (E.5) One (1) member shall represent cities or park districts in the central western part of the region;
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- (F.6) One (1) member shall represent cities or park districts in the southern part of the region;
- (G.7) One (1) member shall represent cities or park districts in the western most part of the region;
- (H.8) One (1) member shall represent cities or park districts in the southwest part the region;
- (I.9) One (1) member shall represent non-profit land trust organizations actively protecting land in the Metro Area;
- (J.10) One (1) member shall represent environmental groups active in parks and greenspaces-related issues in the Metro Area;
- (K.11-15) Five (5) members shall be appointed at-large.
- (a) <u>Purpose</u>. The purpose of the Regional Parks and Greenspaces Advisory Committee is to:
  - (1) Review, comment and make recommendations to the Chief Operating Officer and Council on the policies, plans, programs, and proposed annual budget for the Regional Parks and Greenspaces Department.
  - (2) The RPGAC replaces the Greenspaces Policy Advisory Committee and Multnomah County Parks Advisory Committee.
  - (3) Coordinates its meetings, agendas, work tasks with the Greenspaces Technical Advisory Committee (GTAC).
  - (4) Makes recommendations on implementation activities for the Greenspaces Master Plan, and Greenspaces Bond Measure (when one is passed by the voters) to the Chief Operating Officer and Council.
  - (5) Recommends actions related to Metro's management and operations of Regional Parks and Greenspaces.
- (b) <u>Membership</u>. The RPGAC shall be composed of:

(1) Eleven voting members and one non-voting member who shall be a Metro Councilor. Appointments shall be made by the Council President and require confirmation.

- (2) Seven voting members (one residing in each of the seven Metro Council Districts) from within Metro's boundaries.
- (3) One voting member residing in Clackamas County, but outside of Metro's boundaries.
- (4) One voting member residing in Multnomah County, but outside of Metro's boundaries.
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- (5) One voting member residing in Washington County, but outside of Metro's boundaries.
- (6) One voting member residing in Clark County (to retain the bi-state nature of the Greenspaces planning effort).
- (7) The chair of the RPGAC will come from the voting membership of the RPGAC. The RPGAC shall elect its chair from its membership, held by a majority vote. The chair of the Committee will be elected on an annual basis.

(Ordinance No. 00-860A, Sec. 1. Amended by Ordinance No. 02-955A, Sec. 1.)

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Date: December 4, 2003

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# BACKGROUND

The Metro Council is committed to the vision of the Greenspaces Master Plan of a cooperative, interconnected system of parks, natural areas, trails and greenspaces for wildlife and people. In order to better serve the public and to work more effectively and efficiently with communities of interest, the Metro Council requested a review of the advisory committee structure related to parks and greenspaces issues.

# **ANALYSIS/INFORMATION**

## 1. Known Opposition: None.

### 2. Legal Antecedents:

The Metro Council has benefited greatly from the advice of a number of different policy, citizen and technical committees on matters related to parks and greenspaces issues leading up to the adoption of the Greenspaces Master Plan and during the past decade of its implementation. In particular, the Greenspaces Technical Advisory Committee (GTAC) has played an essential advisory role since its formation in 1990 (Resolution No. 90-1344, adopted on December 27, 1990). GTAC was revamped after the Council adoption of the Regional Framework Plan (Ordinance No. 97-715B, adopted on December 11, 1997) in 1998 (Resolution No. 98-2698, adopted on November 5, 1998) and has continued to play an important advisory role to Metro. Additionally, a citizen-based committee was formed in 1994 (Resolution No. 94-2026A, adopted on October 18, 1994) after the transfer of Multnomah County's Parks operations to Metro to advise the Metro Council and the Metro Regional Parks and Greenspaces Department in its work managing a park system and to provide advice regarding the implementation of the Open Spaces Parks and Streams bond measure passed by voters in 1995.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately, pursuant to Metro Charter Section 39(1).

### 3. Anticipated Effects:

By approving Ordinance No. 04-1030, the Metro Council will create efficiencies and better serve the public through the consolidation of two advisory committees. The expertise of GTAC, the technical advisory committee, and RPGCAC, the citizen committee, will continue to be captured through the new committee structure while also raising the profile of parks and greenspaces policy issues. This Ordinance is necessary to better serve the public and to work more effectively and efficiently with communities of interest of the Metro Area because an emergency is declared to exist.

# 4. Budget Impacts:

Budget impacts should be minimal as efficiencies will be created by eliminating two committees and replacing both with a single advisory committee. Metro Parks and Greenspaces staff will assist the new committee on administrative and technical matters as needed. The committee will report to the Metro Council on a regular basis as matters arise, appearing at regular Metro Council meetings no less than twice per year.

## 5. Outstanding Questions: None.

# **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Michael J. Jordan, Chief Operating Officer, with the concurrence of David Bragdon, Council President, recommends adoption of Ordinance 04-1030.