BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING CRITERIA FOR COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT CHARTER COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 91-1406

INTRODUCED BY THE GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, Oregon voters approved a constitutional amendment at the November 6, 1990 general election, allowing voters in the Metropolitan Service District to consider a charter for the District (Ballot Measure #1); and

WHEREAS, Ballot Measure #1 directed the state legislature to establish a process for creating a charter committee; and

WHEREAS, legislation establishing the charter committee appointment process (Senate Bill 298) currently provides for the Metro Council to appoint six of the sixteen members; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council wants its appointees to be people with credibility and standing in the community, who support regional government, and who reflect the diversity of the people in the district; and

WHEREAS, the Council wants to ensure that its appointments are made in a timely manner and in accordance with a clearly delineated process; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED

That the Council of the Metropolitan Service District establishes the following criteria for Council appointments to the Metropolitan Service District charter committee:

who have a history of active and positive participation in

community affairs.

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- regional government.
- 3. The Council shall strive to achieve racial and gender balance in their appointments to reflect the diversity of the community.
- 4. Councilors shall interview prospective appointees to determine whether they meet the above criteria.
- 5. Councilors shall participate in an open process to identify prospective appointees, and are encouraged to solicit names from Councilors and other elected officials in the district.
 - 6. Councilors shall submit the names of their appointees to the Presiding Officer no later than ten days prior to the deadline for notifying the District's election officer of the appointments. Final notice of appointment shall be signed by both appointing Councilors and delivered to the Clerk of the Council no later than three days prior to the deadline. The Clerk shall notify the election officer of all appointments.
- 7. In the event any two Councilors paired for the purpose of appointing a charter committee member cannot agree on an appointee, the Presiding Officer shall appoint a five member committee to determine the appointee from among the two Councilors' selections. This committee shall consist of all members of the Governmental Affairs Committee and any additional Councilors to bring the membership to five, provided that no Councilor who is a party to the dispute being considered shall serve on the committee. The Chair of the Governmental Affairs Committee shall chair the dispute

resolution committee, unless he is a party to the dispute in which case the Vice Chair of Governmental Affairs shall chair it. If the Presiding Officer is a party to a dispute, the Deputy Presiding Officer shall make any necessary appointments.

ADOPTED by the Council of the Metropolitan Service District this 28th day of February , 1991.

Tanya Collier, Presiding Officer

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GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT

RESOLUTION NO. 91-1406, ESTABLISHING CRITERIA FOR COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT CHARTER COMMITTEE

Date: February 27, 1991 Presented by: Councilor Devlin

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: At its February 21, 1991 meeting the Governmental Affairs Committee voted 3-0 to recommend Council approval of Resolution No. 91-1406. Voting were Councilors DeJardin, Hansen, and Knowles. Councilors Collier and Devlin were excused.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/ISSUES: Committee staff Casey Short explained the background and features of the resolution. At its February 9 retreat, the Council directed that a resolution establishing criteria for Councilors' Charter Committee appointments be drafted, and established some criteria.

The criteria are that the appointees be well-known and active members of the community who have an appreciation of the role of regional government. Councilors shall interview prospective appointees and strive to achieve racial and gender balance in their appointments to reflect the diversity of the community. Councilors are to solicit names of prospective appointees from other members of Council and other elected officials.

The resolution further stipulates a time line for submitting the names of their appointees to the Presiding Officer and to the Clerk of the Council, for review and official notification to the district election officer. Finally, the resolution sets up a dispute resolution process to be followed in case a pair of Councilors cannot agree on an appointee.

There was no committee discussion, and the resolution was unanimously recommended for Council approval.