BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN SERVICE DISTRICT

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING) RESOLUTION NO. 91-1539
THE APPOINTMENT OF CLIFFORD)
CARLSEN TO THE METROPOLITAN) Introduced by Rena Cusma
EXPOSITION-RECREATION COMM-) Executive Officer
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WHEREAS, The Metropolitan Service District Code, Section 6.01.030, provides that the Council confirms members to the Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission; and

WHEREAS, The Executive Officer has nominated Clifford Carlsen for appointment to fill the vacancy created by the term expiration of Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commissioner Ted Runstein; and

WHEREAS, Clifford Carlsen is well qualified and able to serve and to contribute to the work of the commission; and

WHEREAS, The Executive Officer has recommended Clifford Carlsen to serve a four year term; and

WHEREAS, The Council finds that Clifford Carlsen is well qualified to carry out commission duties; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,

That Clifford Carlsen is hereby confirmed as a member of the Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission for the term beginning January 15, 1992, and ending January 15, 1996.

ADOPTED by the Council of the Metropolitan Service District this __19th_ day of __December____, 199%.

Tanya Collier, Presiding Officer

STAFF REPORT

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 91-1539 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF CLIFFORD CARLSEN TO THE METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION-RECREATION COMMISSION

Date: December 5 , 1991 Presented by: Don Rocks

The term of Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commissioner Ted Runstein expires January 15, 1992. Mr. Runstein is a Metro appointment and was named Chair by the Executive Officer.

Clifford Carlsen has been nominated by the Executive Officer to replace Mr. Runstein. Mr. Carlsen currently chairs the Metro Facilities Study Advisory Committee, whose report is in the final stages of preparation. Mr. Carlsen is an attorney and a principal in the firm of Miller, Nash, Wiener, Hager & Carlsen. Additionally, he has a long history of involvement in community affairs and is intimately familiar with the facilities operated by the Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission by virtue of the Facilities Study as well as earlier association with the Portland Center for Performing Arts campaign and programmatic issues.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

The Executive Officer recommends that Clifford Carlsen be confirmed to serve a four year term on the Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission.

RESOLUTION NO. 91-1539, CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF CLIFFORD CARLSEN TO THE METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION-RECREATION COMMISSION

Date: December 11, 1991 Presented by: Councilor Knowles

<u>COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:</u> At its December 10, 1991 meeting the Regional Facilities Committee voted 5-0 to recommend Council adoption of Resolution No. 91-1539.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/ISSUES: Executive Assistant Don Rocks presented the staff report. He introduced Cliff Carlsen, whom the Executive Officer is appointing to replace Ted Runstein on the Metro E-R Commission. Mr. Runstein's term expires January 15, 1992. Mr. Rocks added that Ron Kawamoto's term also expires in January, and he was awaiting notification from Multnomah County of their nomination of Mr. Kawamoto to a full term.

Mr. Carlsen briefly discussed his background of involvement in activities related to MERC's operations, which includes membership on the PCPA Committee prior to and through completion of construction of the Performing Arts Center, membership on the Civic Auditorium Advisory Committee, member and chair of the Metropolitan Arts Commission, jury member for selection of the architect for PCPA, and member of PCPA Advisory Committee. He represented Metro in negotiations with the City of Portland regarding ERC/MERC consolidation, and is Chair of the Regional Facilities Public Policy Advisory Committee.

Mr. Carlsen said he wanted to see two things happen at MERC: first, that public funding of regional facilities should be a regional responsibility and Metro should be in the lead in determining how that funding is to occur; and second, that public oversight of those facilities be conducted in such a way as to be beyond criticism as much as possible. He committed to keep the Council and Executive advised on Commission issues.

Councilor Buchanan asked Mr. Carlsen for his ideas on public funding of the facilities in the system. Mr. Carlsen referred to his Committee's report, which Council will receive next week. He summarized the recommended options being an increase in the hotel/motel tax, an admissions tax, and a General Obligation bond issue for capital expenditures. He said there are other possible options, which may include taxing authority that may be granted in the charter.

Councilor Buchanan asked Mr. Carlsen's opinion on transfer of the Expo Center from Multnomah County to Metro. Mr. Carlsen said his committee recommended that the transfer take place, which would produce economies in marketing, labor, and perhaps upkeep.