

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING ) RESOLUTION NO. 14-4575  
APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE )  
NATURE IN NEIGHBORHOODS ) Introduced Chief Operating Officer Martha  
CAPITAL GRANTS REVIEW ) Bennett in concurrence with Council President  
COMMITTEE ) Hughes

WHEREAS, Metro Code 2.19.230 establishes the Nature in Neighborhoods Grants Review Committee whose members are to be appointed by the Metro Council President subject to confirmation by the Metro Council; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council confirmed the appointments of the original committee by Metro Council Resolution No. 07-3879 (“Confirming the Appointment of Members to the Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee”), adopted Nov. 1, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council most recently confirmed the reappointment of one member to the Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee and added three additional members to the positions of Fish Biologist, Water Quality Specialist and Community Representative by Metro Council Resolution No. 13-4485 (“Confirming the Appointment of Members of the Nature In Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee”), adopted December 19, 2013; and

WHEREAS, three members of the committee have either resigned or reached the end of their ability to serve due to term limits defined in Resolution No. 06-3672B, “For the Purpose of Submitting to the Voters of the Metro Area a General Obligation Bond Indebtedness in the Amount of \$227.4 Million to Fund Natural Area Acquisition and Water Quality Protection;” and

WHEREAS, three new members have been invited to serve on the committee; and

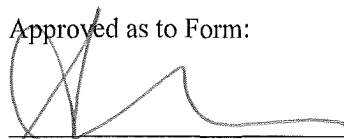
WHEREAS, one current member wishes to be reappointed to the committee; and

WHEREAS, the Council President desires to appoint three new members, and to reappoint one current member to the committee; now, therefore,

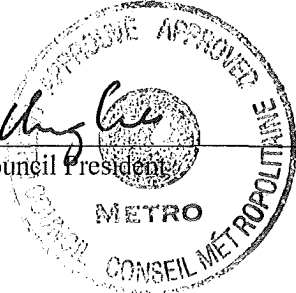
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Metro Council confirms the appointments to the Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee, as set forth in Exhibit “A” attached hereto.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 30 day of October 2014.

Approved as to Form:

  
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Alison R. Kean, Metro Attorney

  
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Tom Hughes, Council President



**Exhibit A to Resolution No. 14-4575**

**Nature in Neighborhoods  
Capital Grants Review Committee**

**Committee Member Confirmations**

The following person has served two, two-year terms, and is being appointed for a final two-year term:

Gayle Killam                      Water Quality Specialist

The following persons shall serve one two-year term, and be eligible thereafter to serve one additional two-year term:

Karen Spencer	Community Representative
Chips Janger	Community Representative
Peter Guillozet	Metro Staff Scientist

## **STAFF REPORT**

### **IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 14-4575, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE NATURE IN NEIGHBORHOODS CAPITAL GRANTS REVIEW COMMITTEE**

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#### **BACKGROUND**

The Natural Areas Bond Measure provides \$15 million for a Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Program to provide local organizations and public entities with additional funds for land acquisition and projects that protect and enhance natural resources in the urban environment.

The Metro Council created a Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee in November 2007. The Capital Grants Review Committee consists of members appointed by the Council President and confirmed by the Metro Council.

Members of the committee hail from all areas of the region and a variety of technical and professional disciplines, including water quality specialists, community representatives, a fish biologist, and a landscape architect.

The grant review committee reviews grant applications with the support and due diligence of Metro staff and makes recommendations for funding to the Metro Council. The Metro Council awards all grants under this program.

This Resolution confirms the reappoint of one current committee member. In addition, it confirms the appointment of four new members to the committee who will fill the vacancies for community representative.

#### **ANALYSIS/INFORMATION**

##### **1. Known Opposition**

There is no known opposition to this resolution.

##### **2. Legal Antecedents**

Metro Resolution No. 06-3672B, "For the Purpose of Submitting to the Voters of the Metro Area a General Obligation Bond Indebtedness in the Amount of \$227.4 Million to Fund Natural Area Acquisition and Water Quality Protection," approved by the Metro Council on March 9, 2006.

Metro Code Section 2.19.230, "Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee," which section establishes the purpose, authority, and member appointment process for the committee.

Metro Resolution No. 07-3879, "Confirming the Appointment of Members to the Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee," approved by the Metro Council on November 1, 2007.

Metro Resolution No. 07-3874, "Confirming the Appointment of the Chair of the Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee," approved by the Metro Council on December 6, 2007.

Metro Resolution No. 09-4027, "Confirming the Reappointment of Members to the Nature In Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee, Designating the Chair, and Appointing a New Metro Natural Resources Staff Person," adopted on February 19, 2009.

Metro Resolution No. 09-4096, "Confirming the Reappointment of Members to the Nature In Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee and Appointing a New Person In The Water Quality Specialist Position," approved by the Metro Council on December 10, 2009.

Metro Resolution No. 12-4318, "Confirming the Appointment of Members of the Nature In Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee," adopted on January 12, 2012.

Metro Resolution No. 13-4408, "Confirming the Appointment of Members of the Nature In Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee," adopted on February 14, 2013.

Metro Resolution No. 13-4485, "Confirming the Appointment of Members of the Nature In Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee," adopted on December 19, 2013.

### **3. Anticipated Effects**

By approving resolution 14-4575, the Metro Council will confirm the reappointment of one committee member whose term has expired but who wishes to continue serving, and will appoint a Metro staff member and two new community members to the committee. The expertise of these committee members helps ensure that the Metro Council awards grant funds to projects that best meet the goals and objectives of the Natural Areas Bond Measure.

### **4. Budget Impacts**

There are no budget impacts.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Staff recommends adoption of Resolution No. 14-4575.