

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING THE	)	RESOLUTION NO. 15-4601
APPOINTMENT OF A NEW MEMBER TO THE	)	
NATURE IN NEIGHBORHOODS CAPITAL	)	Introduced by Chief Operating Officer
GRANTS REVIEW COMMITTEE	)	Martha Bennett in concurrence with
	)	Council President Tom 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 November 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 Community Representative and Metro Staff by Metro Council Resolution No. 14-4575 ("Confirming the Appointment of Members of the Nature In Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee"), adopted October 30, 2014; and


WHEREAS, the member of the committee that serves in the Fish Biologist position has resigned due to a change in employment; and

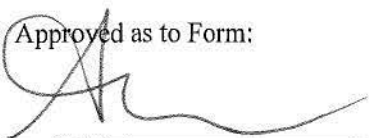
WHEREAS, another Fish Biologist has been invited to serve on the committee; and

WHEREAS, the Council President has appointed this individual to the committee; now therefore,

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

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 29th day of January 2015.

  
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Tom Hughes, Council President

Approved as to Form:  
  
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Alison R. Kean, Metro Attorney

**EXHIBIT A TO RESOLUTION NO. 15-4601**

**Nature in Neighborhoods  
Capital Grants Review Committee**

**Committee Member Confirmation**

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

Jim Brick

Fish Biologist

## **STAFF REPORT**

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 15-4601, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF A NEW MEMBER TO 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 appointment of a new member to the committee who will fill a vacancy for a fish biologist.

### **ANALYSIS/INFORMATION**

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

None.

#### **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," adopted 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," adopted 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," adopted 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 by the Metro Council 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,” adopted 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 by the Metro Council on January 12, 2012.

Metro Resolution No. 13-4408, “Confirming the Appointment of Members of the Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee,” adopted by the Metro Council on February 14, 2013.

Metro Resolution No. 13-4485, “Confirming the Appointment of Members of the Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee,” adopted by the Metro Council on December 19, 2013.

Metro Resolution No. 14-4575, “Confirming the Appointment of a New Member to the Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Review Committee,” adopted by the Metro Council on October 30, 2014.

### **3. Anticipated Effects**

By adopting Resolution No. 15-4601, the Metro Council will confirm the appointment of a new member 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. 15-4601