BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING THE)	RESOLUTION NO. 15-4611
APPOINTMENTS OF JARED FRANZ AND)	
LANNY GOWER, AND REAPPOINTMENTS OF)	Introduced by Chief Operating Officer Martha
ADRIAN ESTEBAN AND CORA POTTER, AS)	Bennett in concurrence with Council
CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVES TO THE)	President Tom Hughes
TRANSPORTATION POLICY ALTERNATIVES)	-
COMMITTEE)	

WHEREAS, Metro Code Sections 2.19.030(b) and 2.19.180(b)(6), and the Transportation Policy Alternatives Committee (TPAC) bylaws, provide that the Metro Council President shall appoint members of TPAC, subject to confirmation by the Metro Council; and

WHEREAS, TPAC coordinates and guides the regional transportation planning program in accordance with the policy of the Metro Council; and

WHEREAS, TPAC has four seats for citizen members currently vacant; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council President has made the following appointments to fill the TPAC vacancies:

Reappointment; 2-Year Term:

- 1. <u>Adrian Esteban</u>, Civil Engineer, David Evans and Associates. (Reappointment; Previously served on TPAC January 2013 through December 2014; Appoint to complete Two-Year Term January 2015 through December 2016)
- 2. <u>Cora Potter</u>, Service Specialist, Ride Connection. (Reappointment; Previously served on TPAC January 2013 through December 2014; Appoint to complete Two-Year Term January 2015 through December 2016)

New Appointment; 2-Year Term:

 Jared Franz, Program Director, Transportation Justice, OPAL Environmental Justice Oregon. (New appointment; Appoint to complete Two-Year Term – January 2015 through December 2016)

New Appointment; 1-Year Term:

1. <u>Lanny Gower</u>, Tax Manager, Con-Way Freight, Inc. (New appointment; Appoint to complete One-Year Term – January 2015 through December 2015)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Metro Council hereby confirms the Metro Council President's appointment of the foregoing individuals to serve as TPAC citizen members, for the terms noted above.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 19th day of March, 2015.

Jon Mugles
Tom Hughes, Council President

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Approved as to form:

Alison R. Kean, Metro Attorney

STAFF REPORT

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 15-4611, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S APPOINTMENT OF JARED FRANZ AND LANNY GOWER, AND REAPPOINTMENT OF ADRIAN ESTEBAN AND CORA POTTER, AS CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVES TO THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY ALTERNATIVES COMMITTEE

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BACKGROUND

The Transportation Policy Alternatives Committee (TPAC) provides technical advice to the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) and the Metro Council regarding transportation planning and policy. TPAC has 21 members: 15 technical staff from governments in the region and 6 interested community members. The community members represent various areas of transportation expertise, parts of the region and community perspectives. The selection committee sought in particular applicants with expertise in the following areas as they relate to transportation planning: economic development, freight movement, and trade; and the needs of underrepresented residents such as people of color, people with low income, people with disabilities, seniors, and youth.

Currently TPAC has four vacant citizen member seats. Three of the vacant seats are for 2-year terms, the result of the expiration of previous terms, while one of the seats is for a 1-year term, the result of an early resignation due to scheduling conflicts. All four nominees were interviewed as a part of the public recruitment process during the winter of 2015.

Members nominated are as follows:

2-Year Terms

- 1. Adrian Esteban, a civil engineer at David Evans and Associates and current TPAC member, has experience as a project manager and transportation engineer for numerous transportation design projects. His previous work and volunteer experience include design and management of transportation facilities, community organization, volunteering with the Rose City Park Neighborhood Association and Metro's Regional Transportation Options Committee.
- 2. Jared Franz, program director for Transportation Justice at OPAL Environmental Justice Oregon, has experience with civil rights and environmental justice law. Through his position at OPAL, he has been a part of Metro's Equity Baseline Technical workgroup, directs the Bus Riders Unite transit justice program, trains community organizers in low-income communities and communities of color, provided support to the Multnomah Youth Commission, and worked on TriMet, Metro and the City of Portland Title VI programs.
- 3. Cora Potter, a service specialist with Ride Connection and current TPAC member, has experience with mobility issues, paratransit management and operations, and transit equity relating to accessibility, age and geographic changing demographics and low-income communities. She also has been an active part of the Lents Neighborhood Association, Foster Green EcoDistrict, Portland Streetcar Inc. Citizen Advisory Committee, and 82nd Avenue of Roses High Crash Corridor Advisory Committee.

1-Year Terms

4. Lanny Gower is the licensing and operating tax manager for Con-way Freight Inc. He brings experience in government relations and strong connections in the transportation industry combined with a passion for bicycling. Mr. Gower is an avid cyclist who has been riding for 25 years in the Portland area. He has worked to create a supportive bike commuting culture at Con-way by starting a bike committee to encourage employees and management to bike to work. He is also one of the founding partners of the Fat Tire Farm bike shop. His background includes serving on the Oregon Trucking Association Board of Directors and the International Registration Plan Industry Advisory Committee.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

- 1. **Known Opposition**: None.
- 2. **Legal Antecedents**: Metro Code Sections 2.19.030 (a) and (b) and 2.19.180 (b)(6); Metro TPAC Bylaws.
- 3. Anticipated Effects: Approval fills all vacancies for citizen members on TPAC.
- 4. Budget Impacts: None.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the adoption of Resolution No. 15-4611