#### BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CREATING )
A NEW TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE )
TO ADVISE METRO ON MEASURES THAT )
LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, BUSINESSES )
AND CITIZENS OF THIS REGION CAN TAKE )
TO REDUCE DAMAGE FROM ALL NATURAL )
DISASTERS

Resolution No. 96-2367

Introduced by: Mike Burton Executive Officer

WHEREAS, the metropolitan aspects of natural disaster planning and response coordination are functions assigned to Metro by the Metro Charter; and

WHEREAS, the potential for natural disaster exists in this region; and WHEREAS, the population, property and infrastructure in this region can be impacted by natural disasters such as earthquake, landslide, flood, windstorm, winter storm, volcanoes, wildfire, drought; and

WHEREAS, several advisory committees have been created by staff to help evaluate methods of applying earthquake hazards information in land use mitigation planning and emergency preparedness; and

WHEREAS, staff may be forced to create more advisory committees as natural hazards mitigation is incorporated into Metro plans such as the Regional Framework Plan; and

WHEREAS, one advisory committee created by the Council is needed to consolidate all staff appointed ad hoc committees and assure participation by all jurisdictions and agencies in addressing the impact of natural hazards that could impact the population, property, infrastructure in this region; now, therefore

# BE IT RESOLVED,

- 1. That the Metro Council hereby creates a Natural Hazards Technical Advisory Committee (HAZTAC) to advise Metro's Policy Advisory Committee and the Council on measures local governments, businesses and citizens of this region can take to reduce damage from all natural disaster.
- 2. The purpose, composition, charge and appointment/confirmation procedures for the committee are hereby adopted as shown in Exhibit A.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 26 day of September, 1996.

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Jon Kvistad, Presiding Officer

#### **EXHIBIT A TO RESOLUTION 96-2367**

# PURPOSE, COMPOSITION, CHARGE, AND APPOINTMENT AND CONFIRMATION PROCEDURES FOR THE METRO NATURAL HAZARD TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- The Natural Hazard Technical Advisory Committee (hereinafter referred to as "advisory committee") shall review the Growth Management Services Department's metropolitan aspects of natural disaster planning and response coordination issues and projects for the Regional Framework Plan (RFP) and other related programs. The advisory committee may take public comment at its meetings prior to making its recommendations to Metro. Recommendations from the advisory committee will be delivered to the Executive Officer and Council by the Director of the Growth Management Services Department and/or the chair of the advisory committee.
- 2. The advisory committee shall review and advise Metro on strategies and activities related to implementing the goals and objectives of the metropolitan aspects of natural disaster planning and response coordination of the RFP.
- 3. The advisory committee will met at least four times per fiscal year (July 1 June 30), and more often if requested by the Director of Metro's Growth Management Services Department.
- 4. The advisory committee will coordinate its review of the metropolitan aspects natural disaster planning and response coordination with the existing Regional Emergency Management Group (REMG). REMG consists of elected officials and emergency planners from local governments in the Metro region and Columbia County and Clark County, Washington.
- 5. The advisory committee shall be composed of 13 voting member and one non-voting member (Metro or who will serve in an ex-officio capacity). Nominations, except for the ex-officio Metro Council member, shall be made by the Executive Officer and require Council confirmation. The ex-officio Metro member shall be appointed by the Presiding officer and confirmed by the Metro Council for a two-year term.
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  - b) One voting member representing schools
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- 6. The chair of the advisory committee will come from the voting membership of the committee. The first chair shall be designated by the Executive Officer and confirmed by the Council. The first chair shall serve a one-year term. After this period, the committee shall elect its chair from its membership. Election will be by a majority vote. The chair will be elected on an annual basis.

#### **EXHIBIT A CONTINUED**

- 7. Advisory committee members shall serve no more than two consecutive terms. To serve a second term: members must reapply; must be re-nominated by the ; and re-confirmed by the to serve an additional term. Initial terms of one year shall not be considered a "full term."
- 8. If a vacancy occurs in any position, the shall appoint a new member who represents the professional discipline of that position. The member must be confirmed by the . The new member shall complete the uncompleted duration of the term for that position. The new member can only be reappointed to one additional full term.
- 9. A quorum of the advisory committee shall be a majority of the filled voting positions at the time of the meeting (e.g., if nine positions are filled and two positions are vacant, 5 is a quorum).
- 10. Any advisory committee member who intends to resign shall write a letter to the chair of the committee and Director of the Growth Management Services Department. The reason for the resignation and effective date shall be stated in the letter.
- 11. Any member missing three consecutive meetings (for any reason other than personal and/or family illness) in effect has resigned from the committee. A vacancy will automatically occur and a new member will be appointed by the and confirmed by the .
- 12. The advisory committee, if it chooses, may adopt rules of procedure.
- 13. The Growth Management Services Department will staff the advisory committee.

#### Staff Report

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 96-2367 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CREATING A NEW TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE THAT WILL ADVISE METRO ON MEASURES LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, BUSINESSES AND CITIZENS CAN TAKE TO REDUCE DAMAGE FROM NATURAL DISASTERS

Date: August 29, 1996

Presented by: John Fregonese

#### **PROPOSED ACTION**

This resolution creates a new advisory committee to advise Metro on measures that local governments, businesses and citizens in this region can take to reduce damage from natural disasters.

#### **FACTUAL BACKGROUND**

In the past four years this region has experienced earthquakes, flood, landslide, high wind storm and severe winter storm. Other natural hazards that could impact the Metro region include volcanic eruption, drought and wildfire. Evaluation of these natural hazards in the context of their impact on life, property and infrastructure has been initiated through our current earthquake projects.

In the spring of 1994, the Director of the Planning Department created an advisory committee, Metro Advisory Committee for Mitigating Earthquake Damage (MACMED), to help review progress and provide comments on how the *Relative Earthquake Hazard Maps* developed by the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) can be used to develop measures for mitigating earthquake hazards. The chair of MACMED is John Fregonese, Growth Management Services Department Director.

The MACMED started meeting in May 1994 and has reviewed the work of Metro staff and consultants on the uses of earthquake hazard maps in land use planning. The major product of this effort is the report titled *Using Earthquake Hazard Maps for Land Use Planning and Building Codes Administration.* The report shows the importance of land use planning and building regulation as key tools for reducing potential earthquake damage in the Metro region. It contains recommendations and general guidelines for application of the maps in comprehensive plans and in the building permitting activities of local governments. MACMED's recommendations represent a major step forward in helping local governments in the Metro region gradually reduce the region's vulnerability to earthquake-induced disaster.

Additional ad hoc committees have been created by staff to deal with earthquake matters. The committees include: a) Metro Advisory Committee for Mitigating Earthquake Damage; b) Regional Emergency Transportation Routes Committee; c) Metro Area Disaster Information Atlas Committee; d) Earthquake Preparedness Conference Committee; and e) Peer Review Committee for Portland Pilot Earthquake Damage and Loss Results Study being conducted by the National Institute of Building Sciences and Federal Emergency Management Agency. The efforts of these committees have yielded several reports including *The Regional Emergency Transportation Routes, Metro Area Disaster Geographic Information System, Lifeline and Critical Facilities Damage Management Information Needs.* 

To consolidate existing ad hoc Metro committees and avoid the creation of more ad hoc committees by staff in the future as we embark on mitigation planning all natural hazards, it is recommended that the Metro Council establish a Natural Hazards Technical Advisory Committee (HAZTAC) to review staff work and provide guidelines for policy development by the Council. With the creation of HAZTAC, Metro, local governments and other entities in this region can cooperatively and effectively mitigate the impact of all these natural hazards.

Additional hazards such as landslide, flood, windstorm, winter storm, volcanos and drought need to be analyzed to determine their potential impact on the population, property and infrastructure in the region. Identifying potential impact of these natural hazards and hazard mitigation measures that can reduce the region's vulnerability to disaster may be incorporated into other Metro projects such as the Regional Framework Plan, Regional Solid Waste Plan, Regional Transportation Plan, and Regional Greenspaces and Parks Plan. HAZTAC will work very closely with other groups such as Metro Policy Advisory Committee, Metro Technical Advisory Committee, the Regional Emergency Management Group, Regional Water Policy Advisory Committee, and other Metro advisory committees. The major task of HAZTAC will be to make recommendations to the Council on actions that can be taken to reduce vulnerability through hazard mitigation measures and improve the community ability tp prepare for, respond to and recover from disastrous natural events.

Members of the current ad hoc committees created by staff have suggested that representatives of several organization serve on a HAZTAC (Attachment A). Current MACMED members who have expressed an interest in serving on HAZTAC are listed in Attachment B to this staff report.

#### **EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

The Executive Officer recommends approval of Resolution No. 96-2367

# **ATTACHMENT "A" TO STAFF REPORT**

Organizations recommended by members of staff-appointed ad hoc committees to serve on the Metro Natural Hazards Technical Advisory Committee (HAZTAC)

- Local Government
  - Land use planning
  - Building codes administration
  - Floodplain management
  - Public utility (sewer, water)
  - Transportation
  - Emergency management
  - Hazardous waste
- Schools
- Hospitals
- Port of Portland
- Geologist
- Private utility (electric, natural gas, telecommunication, etc.)
- General contractor
- Insurance
- Attorney
- Home builder
- Non-profit emergency services agencies

#### ATTACHMENT "B" TO STAFF REPORT

# Members of the Metro Advisory Committee for Mitigating Earthquake Damage (MACMED) expressing interest in serving on HAZTAC.

- 1. Scott Barrie, Director of Local Government Affairs, Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland
- Wink Brooks, Planning Director, City of Hillsboro
- 3. Michael Cliburn, Building Services Administrator, Clackamas County
- 4. Jack Conway, Commercial Insurance Superintendent, State Farm Insurance
- 5. George Houston, Division Chief, Bureau of Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services, City of Portland
- 6. Jim Kennedy, Natural Hazard Mitigation Program Manager, Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development
- 7. Bob Kelly, Building Official, Washington County
- 8. Margaret Mahoney, Director of Bureau of Buildings, City of Portland
- 9. Edward Sullivan, Attorney, Preston Gates Ellis

# Other Names/Agencies Recommended by MACMED Members

- 1. John Beaulieu, Deputy State Geologist, Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries
- 2. Ed Tronke, Attorney, Brownstein Rask Arenz Sweeney Kerr and Grim
- 3. Dennis Sigrist, Hazard Mitigation Officer, Oregon Emergency Management
- 4. Oregon Building Codes Division representative

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