

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF)	RESOLUTION NO. 96-2401
REAPPOINTING MONICA)	
HARDY AND STEVE SCHWAB)	
TO THE SOLID WASTE RATE)	Introduced by Mike Burton
REVIEW COMMITTEE)	Executive Officer

WHEREAS, Chapter 5.08 of the Metro Code provides for the establishment of a Rate Review Committee composed of seven members, including one Metro Councilor, who shall serve as Committee chair and who shall be appointed by the Council Presiding Officer, six other members who shall be appointed by the Executive Officer, subject to confirmation by the Council; and

WHEREAS, The term of the member serving as a citizen ratepayer and the term of a member serving as a person engaged in the business of hauling solid waste expires in September, 1996; and

WHEREAS, It is important that the Rate Review Committee maintain a high level of continuity as it considers a major solid waste rate restructuring proposal; and

WHEREAS, Monica Hardy, who serves as the "citizen ratepayer" member was originally appointed to the committee in October 1995 to complete the term of her predecessor, who resigned; and

WHEREAS, Monica Hardy is a resident of Multnomah County who is an active member of various organizations including the Board of Directors of the Metro area YMCA, the Oregon Bar Association and is an attorney with the Portland office of the law firm of Preston, Gates & Ellis and is well suited to carry out the duties of the citizen ratepayer member; and

WHEREAS the Executive Officer has recommended that Monica Hardy be reappointed to the committee for a full term; and

WHEREAS, Steve Schwab was recommended by the Tri-County Haulers Association to fill one of the positions designated for those engaged in the business of hauling solid waste and has served the initial term and was reappointed for a consecutive term; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Officer HAS recommended that Steve Schwab be reappointed for a period of one year; because of the primary need for continuity as the Committee examines solid waste rate restructuring; and

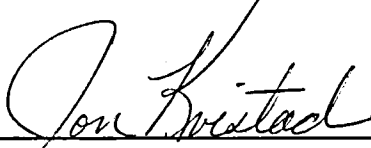
WHEREAS, The Regional Environmental Management Department has been proceeding carefully with a major rate restructuring project involving several regional "stakeholders," including members of the current Rate Review Committee; and

WHEREAS, the resolution was submitted to the Executive Officer for consideration and was forwarded to the Council for approval; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,

THAT the following individuals are confirmed for appointment to the Rate Review Committee, to fill the positions indicated: Monica Hardy for a full term as a member who is a citizen ratepayer; and Steve Schwab for a term of one year serving as a member engaged in the business of hauling solid waste.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 17th day of October, 1996.



Jon Kvistad, Presiding Officer

STAFF REPORT

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 96-2401 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REAPPOINTING MONICA HARDY AND STEVE SCHWAB TO THE SOLID WASTE RATE REVIEW COMMITTEE.

Date: September 26, 1996

Presented by: Roosevelt Carter

FACTUAL BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

Ordinance No. 91-436A, Metro Code Chapter 5.08 establishes a seven-member solid waste rate review committee, six members of which are to be appointed by the Executive Officer, subject to confirmation by the Council. The members appointed by the Executive Officer shall include: Two persons engaged in the business of hauling solid waste; one person with business-related financial experience; one person with experience in establishing rates; one person involved with a local recycling or waste reduction program; and one citizen rate-payer. The seventh committee member shall be a Metro Councilor, who shall be appointed by the Council Presiding Officer.

The Regional Environmental Management Department has been carefully proceeding with a major rate restructuring project involving several regional "stakeholders," including members of the current Rate Review Committee. The outcome of this project could have a large impact on the regional solid waste disposal system as well as Metro and REM Department revenues. Due to the potential impact of the rate restructuring project, it is important that the Rate Review Committee maintain a high level of continuity as it considers any project proposals.

Monica Hardy, who serves as the "citizen rate payer" member was originally appointed to the committee in October 1995 to complete the term of her predecessor who resigned. Ms. Hardy is an attorney with the Portland office of the law firm of Preston, Gates & Ellis. Her area of practice is Municipal Bond Finance. Steve Schwab is a local solid waste hauler and was recommended by the Tri-County Haulers Association. Because of the primary concern of continuity noted above, the Executive Officer recommends that Monica Hardy be reappointed to the committee for a full term and that Steve Schwab be reappointed for a term of one year.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

The Executive Officer recommends that Resolution No. 96-2401 be adopted, confirming reappointment of Monica Hardy for a full term as the "citizen rate-payer" member of the committee and confirming the reappointment of Steve Schwab for one year as a "person engaged in the business of hauling solid waste" as a representative to the Solid Waste Rate Review Committee.

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