

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING THE ) RESOLUTION NO. 15-4639  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REAPPOINTMENT OF )  
ELISA DOZONO TO THE METROPOLITAN ) Introduced by Tom Hughes,  
EXPOSITION RECREATION COMMISSION ) Council President

WHEREAS, the Metro Code, Section 6.01.030(a) provides that the Metro Council President shall appoint all members to the Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Commission ("the Commission"); and

WHEREAS, the Metro Code, Section 6.01.030(b) provides that the Council President's appointments to the Commission are subject to confirmation by the Metro Council; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Metro Code Section 6.01.030(d)(1), the Multnomah County Commission has nominated Elisa Dozono for reappointment on the Commission; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Metro Code, Section 6.01.030(e)(1), the Metro Council President has the authority to concur with the Multnomah County Commission's nomination of Ms. Dozono or reject it; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council President has concurred with the Multnomah County Commission's nomination of Ms. Dozono, and submitted the reappointment of Ms. Dozono to the Metro Council for confirmation; and

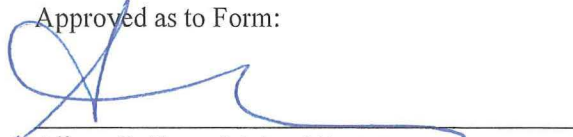
WHEREAS, the Metro Council finds that Elisa Dozono has the experience and expertise to make a substantial contribution to the Commission's work; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council hereby confirms the Council President's reappointment of Elisa Dozono as a member of the Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Commission, for a 4-year term as provided by the Metro Code, commencing on October 29, 2015 through October 28, 2019.

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

  
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Tom Hughes, Council President

Approved as to Form:

  
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Alison R. Kean, Metro Attorney

## STAFF REPORT

### IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 15- 4639, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REAPPOINTMENT OF ELISA DOZONO TO THE METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION RECREATION COMMISSION

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Date: October 29, 2015

Prepared by: Scott Robinson

#### BACKGROUND

The Metro Code, Section 6.01.030(a), gives the Metro Council President sole authority to appoint all members of the Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Commission, subject to confirmation by the Council. Section 6.01.030(d)(1) of the Metro Code allows Multnomah County to recommend the reappointment of a Commissioner for the Council President's consideration. Under section 6.01.030(e)(1) of the Metro Code, the Metro Council President has the authority to concur with Multnomah County's reappointment and submit it to the Metro Council for confirmation, or reject it.

Deborah Kafoury, Multnomah County Commission chair, has recommended Elisa Dozono for reappointment on the Commission. The council President has concurred with this recommendation and accordingly submitted his reappointment of Ms. Dozono to the Metro Council for confirmation. A copy of the recommendation letter from the Commission Chair is attached as Attachment 1 to this Staff Report. A copy of Ms. Dozono's biography is attached as Attachment 2 to this Staff Report.

If confirmed, Ms. Dozono will, pursuant to the Metro Code, serve a 4-year term beginning October 29, 2015, through October 28, 2019.

Metro Chief Operating Officer Martha Bennett concurs with this appointment.

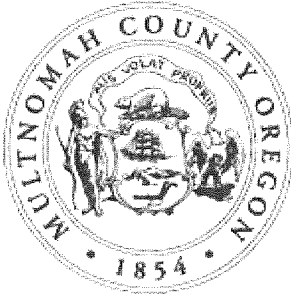
#### ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

- **Known Opposition.** None
- **Legal Antecedents.** Metro Code as referenced above.
- **Anticipated Effects.** Reappointment of Ms. Dozono to the Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Commission, in the manner provided by the Metro Code.
- **Budget Impacts.** None

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION

The chief Operating Officer recommends approval of Resolution 15-4639 to confirm the reappointment of Elisa Dozono to the Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Commission and to begin serving October 29, 2015.

Attachment 1



**Deborah Kafoury**  
**Multnomah County Chair**

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October 14, 2015

Tom Hughes, President  
Metro Council  
600 NE Grand Ave.  
Portland, OR 97232

Dear President Hughes,

Thank you for the opportunity to nominate a representative for the Metropolitan Exposition and Recreation Commission. Multnomah County supports the reappointment of Elisa Dozono as its representative for the term effective immediately and lasting through October 13, 2019.

Ms. Dozono's many years of community service as well as her background in government relations make her an ideal candidate for the commission which guides budget and policy decisions for the Portland's 5 Centers for the Arts, Oregon Convention Center, and Portland Expo Center.

Please accept our recommendation to reappoint Ms. Dozono to MERC.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Deborah Kafoury".

Deborah Kafoury  
Multnomah County Chair

## Attachment 2

### ELISA J. DOZONO BIOGRAPHY

Elisa J. Dozono is a litigation and government relations partner at Miller Nash Graham & Dunn LLP, recognized by her peers as one of the top 25 "Oregon Super Lawyers" by Law & Politics. Prior to joining Miller Nash in 2006, she worked for over 11 years in public affairs, serving as corporate media manager for the Port of Portland, communications director for former Portland Mayor Vera Katz, and media relations director for Oregon Governor John Kitzhaber's transition. In 1996, she led the Clinton/Gore campaign in Oklahoma. She has also worked as a news producer for Portland's KATU television and externed for the Honorable Ann Aiken of the U.S. District Court of Oregon.

#### Professional Activities

Ms. Dozono is admitted to practice in Oregon. She is a co-founder and member of the Oregon Asian Pacific American Bar Association and serves as a member of these associations: Oregon Minority Lawyers Association, Oregon Women Lawyers, Multnomah Bar Association, Federal Bar Association, American Bar Association, and Governor's Judicial Screening Committee.

#### Civic Activities

Ms. Dozono is a former chair of the Oregon State Lottery Commission. She is founding board president and serves as an emeritus director of Emerge Oregon, the premier program for recruiting and training Democratic women to run for office. She has also served on the board of directors of the Albina Opportunities Corporation and Cascade AIDS Project, chaired the City Club's research committee regarding the marijuana ballot measures, and sat on the City of Portland Central City Urban Renewal Area Committee. Elisa is a member of the Oregon Business Association's business & finance, and transportation committees, World Affairs Council, Travel Portland Multicultural Advisory Committee. Ms. Dozono has spoken on several panels regarding diversity in the legal profession and has donated hundreds of hours on pro-bono service to the ACLU and the Juvenile Rights Project.

#### Honors and Awards

Among her many honors, Ms. Dozono was selected as a Leader in Promoting Diversity 2015 by the Asian Pacific American Law Student Association at Willamette University. Additionally, she was selected as one of Portland's Rising Stars by Portland Monthly Magazine in 2013 and as a Woman of Influence Orchid Award winner by the Portland Business Journal in 2012. The Oregon Area Jewish Committee presented her with an Emerging Leadership Award in 2010. Dozono was selected for inclusion in Oregon Super Lawyers magazine as one of its top 25 Women Oregon Super Lawyers in 2014 and 2015.

#### Personal Activities

A fourth-generation Portlander, Elisa has written columns for *The Asian Reporter* and enjoys running, skiing, reading, films, and traveling.