

METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION RECREATION COMMISSION

Resolution No. 10-08

**For the Purpose of approving the extension of the National Sales, Marketing and Convention Services Agreement for the Oregon Convention Center with Travel Portland.**

WHEREAS, MERC oversees the operation of the Oregon Convention Center; and

WHEREAS, MERC and Travel Portland are parties to a Sales, Marketing, Convention Services Agreement for the Oregon Convention Center ("the Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides for up to four two-year extensions at MERC's discretion; and

WHEREAS, MERC extended the original term of the Agreement by two years and this extension expires on June 30, 2010; and

WHEREAS, in order to maximize the economic impact of the Oregon Convention Center for the Tri-County Metropolitan Region, Travel Portland provides critical support so that conventions, tradeshow and other national events take place at the Oregon Convention Center through a comprehensive Sales and Marketing plan to sell Portland as a destination; and

WHEREAS, MERC is satisfied with the efforts of the Travel Portland Team to accomplish the goals and duties outlined in the Agreement; and


WHEREAS, MERC has the authority to extend the National Sales, Marketing Convention Service Agreement with Travel Portland for an additional two years; and

WHEREAS, the Interim General Manager has sent the required sixty day notice to Travel Portland contingent upon MERC's approval of this extension.


**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

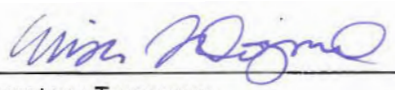
1. MERC authorizes Interim General Manager Cheryl Twete to extend the National Sales, Marketing and Convention Service Agreement with Travel Portland for an additional two year term as outlined in the Agreement;
2. The term shall be from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2012 unless terminated sooner as provided in the Agreement.

Passed by the Commission on May 5, 2010.

  
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Chair

Approved as to Form:  
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