

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING)	RESOLUTION NO. 16-4674
APPOINTMENTS TO THE METRO PUBLIC)	
ENGAGEMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE.)	Introduced by Chief Operating Officer Martha Bennett in concurrence with Council President Tom Hughes

WHEREAS, in furtherance of Metro’s Principles of Citizen Involvement, set forth in Resolution No. 97-2433, adopted January 23, 1997, and Ordinance No. 12-1294 amending Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030, the Metro Council established an Advisory Committee known as the Public Engagement Review Committee (PERC) to advise the Metro Council on the development and maintenance of programs and procedures to aid communication between the public and the Metro Council; and


WHEREAS, by a fair and open process, Metro has recruited applicants for PERC and the Metro Council President has appointed selected applicants consisting of members of the public, representatives of community organizations, and public involvement staff from local jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030 requires that the Metro Council confirm appointments made by the Council President to Metro’s Advisory Committees; and now therefore

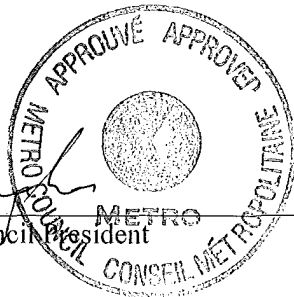
BE IT RESOLVED that:

- (a) the appointments by the Metro Council President set forth on Exhibit A to this Resolution, are hereby confirmed, each for a three year term;
- (b) the term of each member set forth on Exhibit A will run from January 2016 through December 2018; and
- (c) Staff will begin recruitment to fill PERC vacancies caused by any expiring terms starting fall 2016, working toward new appointments by December 2016.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 21st day of January, 2016



 Tom Hughes, Council President



Approved as to Form:



 Alison R. Kean, Metro Attorney

Exhibit A to Resolution No. 16-4674

At-large representatives from the region

- Octaviano Merecias-Cuevas – Associate Director of Outreach for the Washington County Youth Development Center, a part of the OSU Extension Program.
- Cory L. Murphy – President of Iconiqs Media LLC., an event management & non-profit consulting firm that focuses on civil rights and social justice within Oregon’s African-American and LGBT communities.
- Addie Shrodes – Oregon Hatfield Fellow, currently leading the development of a youth engagement strategy for Metro.

Community organization representative

- Justin Pabalate – Q Center executive co-director, development and community relations.

STAFF REPORT

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 16-4674 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO THE METRO PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE.

Date: Jan. 11, 2016

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BACKGROUND

Metro's Public Engagement Review Committee (PERC) convenes three times a year and consists of at-large community members, representatives from three community organizations, and public involvement staff from Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

The PERC serves as a key component of Metro's ongoing efforts to develop and implement successful public engagement processes. Members are appointed to three-year terms on a rotating schedule.

One representative from a community organization and two-at large community representatives' terms have expired. In addition, one at-large community representative resigned from the committee.

Staff opened an application process and engaged community stakeholders, local agencies and jurisdictions to recruit committee applicants with public involvement experience, strong community connections, and a diverse geographic and demographic representation.

Staff received 25 applications and selected four that meet the following criteria:

- A commitment to community engagement
- Demonstrated skills, knowledge or experience that apply to principles of citizen involvement adopted by Metro
- Experience working with underrepresented communities.

After consulting with councilors, the communications director, and staff, the Metro Council President has appointed the following individuals to PERC for three-year terms: Octaviano Merencias, Cory L. Murphy Addie Shrodes and Justin Pabalate.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

1. **Known Opposition** None
2. **Legal Antecedents** Resolution No. 97-2433 establishing Metro's Principles of Citizen Involvement: Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030; and Ordinance No. 12-1294 amending Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030.
3. **Anticipated Effects** The appointments to the PERC will allow Metro to more successfully engage communities with Metro's initiatives, improve public engagement best practices, and prioritize projects for public outreach.

4. **Budget Impacts** No budget impacts. Program needs are accounted for in existing staff resources and accessing Communications M&S included in the COO proposed budget for FY 2016-2017.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Confirm appointing three at-large community representatives to the PERC for three-year terms:
Octaviano Merencias, Cory L. Murphy and Addie Shrodes.

Confirm appointing one community organization representative to the PERC for a three-year term:
Justin Pabalate, executive co-director, Q Center