METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION RECREATION COMMISSION

Resolution No. 16-30

For the purpose of approving and transmitting to the Metro Council budget amendments to the Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Commission (MERC) Fund Approved Budget for fiscal year 2016-17, and requesting amendment of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) FY 2016-17.

WHEREAS, Metro Code 6.01.050 provides that MERC shall annually prepare and approve an annual budget which shall, to the maximum extent permitted by law, consist of one commission-wide series of appropriations; and

WHEREAS, MERC previously approved and transmitted to the Metro Council the fiscal year 2016-17 budget for the MERC Fund; and

WHEREAS, MERC staff request certain budget amendments to the approved budget for fiscal year 2016-17 for the reasons described in the attached Staff Report.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT,

- MERC approves the budget amendments to the MERC Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017 for inclusion as part of the total Metro budget for this period and approves the requested changes to the CIP as described in the attached Staff Report.
- MERC requests that the Metro COO present these amendments to the Approved Budget to Metro Council for ratification.

Passed by the Commission on November 2, 2016.

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Approved as to Form: Alison R. Kean, Metro Attorney

Secretary/Treasurer

By:

Nathan A.S. Sykes, Deputy Metro Attorney

MERC Staff Report

Agenda Item/Issue:

For the purpose of approving and transmitting to the Metro Council a FY 2016-17 Budget and Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) amendment to the MERC Fund.

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Presented By: Ben Rowe

Date: November 2, 2016

Background and Analysis:

The Oregon Convention Center is currently managing five large lighting replacement projects, replacing less efficient fixtures and bulbs with either more efficient or LED lighting in the following areas: North Towers and South Atrium, Portland Ballroom, Oregon Ballroom, Loading Dock and Parking Garage. Once complete, OCC will realize electricity cost savings and receive substantial rebates from the Energy Trust of Oregon.

The contract for the Portland and Oregon ballrooms lighting replacement was approved in May 2016. And as reported in the staff report for resolution 16-16 June 1, 2016:

OCC's lighting projects (\$396,900) were delayed due to rapidly emerging LED technology and the availability of preferred products.

In addition to the Carryover of unspent lighting project budget, OCC will propose in the first budget amendment process to add \$750,000 to the Tower Lighting portion of the project. The scope of this portion includes lighting design and replacing fixtures in both the towers on the North end and the Skylight [atrium] on the South end of the building. This portion of the project will reduce the number of fixtures, increase lumens (brightness), reduce total Watts used, introduce colors lamps, and computerized controls.

OCC received initial professional cost estimates for the tower, atrium, Oregon Ballroom and parking garage projects significantly lower than secondary estimates and bids. The discrepancy between the initial and secondary estimates are due to several factors including constantly evolving LED fixture technology, product availability, and pilot product testing for operational compatibility. A combination of these variables facilitated the schedule delays and cost changes to these projects.

OCC proposes to reduce the budget amount for the OCC Holliday Plaza Landscape Design Project (8R082) and increase the combined budget amounts in the three lighting upgrade projects listed below and by the same amount. The proposed changes will not change the total capital budget appropriation for OCC, merely how much is allocated to each project.

Fund: OCC Fund							
Line Item Title	Account	Fund	Dept	Prog	Class	Proj	Amount
Requirements:							
Holladay Plaza Design	571000	550	55999	55950	0000	8R082	(724,100)
Tower Lighting	572000	550	55999	55950	0000	8R052	526,100
Oregon Ballroom Lighting	572000	550	55999	55950	0000	8R080	108,000
Parking Garage Lighting	572000	550	55999	55950	0000	8R167	90,000
Total Requirements							\$0.

Fiscal Impact:

This action will amend the FY 2016-17 Approved Budget subtracting and adding the amounts listed above among the appropriate line items.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends the Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Commission adopt Resolution 16-30.