

**METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION RECREATION COMMISSION**

**Resolution No. 17-15**

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 2017-18.

**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 2017-18 budget for the MERC Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, MERC staff request certain budget amendments to the Proposed Budget for fiscal year 2017-18 for the reasons described in the attached Staff Report.

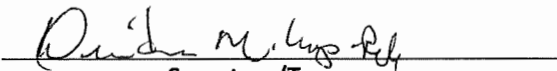
**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT,**


1. MERC approves the budget amendments to the MERC Fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018 for inclusion as part of the total Metro budget for this period.
2. MERC requests that the Metro COO present these amendments to the Proposed Budget to the Metro Council for ratification.

Passed by the Commission on May 3, 2017.

  
Chair

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 2017-18 Budget amendment to the MERC Fund.

**Resolution No:** 17-15

**Presented By:** Ben Rowe

**Date:** May 3, 2017

**Background and Analysis:** The General Manager of Visitor Venues position was filled March 1, 2017. The decision to propose this new position in fiscal year 2017-18 was delayed until the new GM was in place and could evaluate the MERC Admin team and the necessity of the proposed scope of work.

The new General Manager of Visitor Venues proposes a 1.0 FTE, 24 month limited duration, Program Director position. If approved, this position will be funded from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019.

The proposed Program Director position will manage a portfolio of special projects to accomplish and further the strategic plans and goals of the four Visitor Venues. This position will plan, develop, implement and monitor processes, policies, and procedures for the sustainable financial operation of the Visitor Venues.

In fiscal year 2017-18, this position will be funded from MERC fund reserves with no financial impact to the venues. Non TLT Pooled Capital MERC reserves in the fiscal year 2017-18 budget totals \$1,289,059. Funding for this position in fiscal year 2018-19 will be determined during budget development.

<b>Fund:</b>	<b>558 – MERC Admin</b>
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<b>Line Item</b>	<b>Original Budget</b>	<b>Amendment</b>	<b>Amended Budget</b>
Contingency (excluding TLT Pooled Capital)	\$1,289,059	(168,000)	\$1,121,059
MERC Admin Personnel Services	277,074	168,000	445,074
<b>Total Requirements:</b>	<b>\$1,566,133</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,566,133</b>

**Fiscal Impact:** This action will amend the FY 2017-18 Proposed Budget subtracting and adding the amounts listed above among the appropriate line items.

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends the Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Commission adopt Resolution 17-15.