

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING THE) RESOLUTION NO. 18-4950
REAPPOINTMENT OF DAMIEN R. HALL TO)
THE METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION) Introduced by Lynn Peterson,
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; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Code, Section 6.01.030(b) provides that the Metro 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 City of Portland has nominated Damien R. Hall for reappointment on the Commission; and

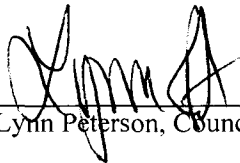
WHEREAS, pursuant to Metro Code, Section 6.01.030(e)(1), the Metro Council President has the authority to concur with the City of Portland's nomination of Mr. Hall or reject it ; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council President has concurred with the City of Portland's nomination of Damien R. Hall and submitted the reappointment of Mr. Hall to the Metro Council for confirmation; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that Damien R. Hall 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 Damien R. Hall as a member of the Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Commission, for a 4-year term as provided by the Metro Code, commencing immediately, on January 1, 2019, and through December 31, 2022.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 10th day of January, 2019.



Lynn Peterson, Council President

Approved as to Form:



Nathan A. S. Sykes, Acting Metro Attorney

STAFF REPORT

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 18-4950, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF DAMIEN R. HALL TO THE METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION RECREATION COMMISSION.

Date: December 13, 2018

Prepared by: Amy Nelson

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 Code allows the City of Portland to nominate a candidate for appointment 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 the City of Portland's nomination and submit it to the Council for confirmation, or reject it.

The City of Portland has recommended re-appointment of Damien Hall for continued membership on the Commission. A copy of Mr. Hall's resume is attached hereto as Attachment 1.

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 Mr. Hall to the Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Commission, in the manner provided by the Metro Code.
- **Budget Impacts.** None

RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Metro Council President recommends approval of Resolution 18-4950 to confirm the reappointment of Damien Hall to the Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Commission for a four-year term beginning on January 1, 2019 and ending December 31, 2022.

Damien R. Hall

Partner

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“Understanding and shaping the political and regulatory environment in which a real estate project takes place can be crucial to the success of each stage of the project, from planning and entitlements to financing and construction.”

Damien Hall is Ball Janik LLP's Chair of the Land Use and Real Estate practice groups. Mr. Hall represents both property owners and local governments, helping them navigate Oregon's unique land use requirements and political sensitivities to controlled growth and land development. Mr. Hall's approach is based on working collaboratively with developers, local government, and communities to establish common objectives and allow clients to achieve their development goals. His practice is focused on urban redevelopment and utility scale renewable energy project siting. In addition to his land use practice, Mr. Hall regularly assists clients with real estate transactions, real estate investment funds, natural resources law, municipal law, and formation and organization of business entities. Mr. Hall was recognized in 2016 by *Portland Business Journal* as a member of its esteemed "Forty Under 40."

Mr. Hall is actively involved in development and affordable housing issues in Portland. He is an active member of [BOMA](#), [NAIOP](#), and [ULI](#), was appointed by the Portland City Council to the [Home Forward](#) Board of Commissioners, and is on the Board of Directors for [Portland Community Reinvestment Initiatives, Inc.](#)(PCRI).

Mr. Hall is also active in renewable energy development throughout the Pacific Northwest. He is an active member of [OSEIA](#), presents regularly on renewable energy facility siting, and has participated in local and state level rulemaking for utility scale photovoltaic solar energy generation projects in both Oregon and Washington.

In addition to his professional engagements, Mr. Hall is dedicated to the community. He was appointed by the Metro Council to the [Metropolitan Exposition and Recreation Commission](#) (MERC), which oversees the region's visitor venues, including the Convention Center, Expo Center, and Portland's performance arts venues. He is also on the Board of Directors for [CareOregon](#), a nonprofit providing health plan services to four Coordinated Care Organizations, serving about 250,000 Oregonians. CareOregon's vision is healthy communities for all individuals, regardless of income or social circumstances. Additionally, Mr. Hall represented "[Verde – Let Us Build Cully Park!](#)" as pro bono counsel relating to the private development of Thomas Cully Park.

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practice areas

- [Public Agencies and Schools](#)
- [Land Use](#)
- [Real Estate](#)

education

J.D., 2008

Northwestern School of Law of Lewis & Clark College

B.S., Public Policy, Planning and Management, 2005

University of Southern California

admissions

California

Oregon

Washington

honors

Recognized by *Portland Business Journal's* 2016 "Forty Under 40"

2015 Runner-Up, *Portland Business Journal's* "Forty Under 40"

2015 National Black Lawyers Top 100

"Up and Coming Lawyer,"

Daily Journal of Commerce, 2011

news

- [Damien R. Hall Named a Partner of Ball Janik LLP](#)
01/04/2018
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- [Ball Janik LLP ranked in the 2018 "Best Law Firms" list by U.S. News® – Best Lawyers®](#)
11/01/2017
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- [Ball Janik LLP Ranked in the 2017 "Best Law Firms" list by U.S. News – Best Lawyers®](#)
11/02/2016
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- [Damien Hall of Ball Janik LLP was named as part of the 2016 class of Forty Under 40](#)
01/27/2016
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- [Damien Hall Appointed to Home Forward Board of Commissioners](#)
06/16/2015
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- [Ball Janik Attorneys Recognized by Portland Business Journal; Jim Prichard Named Forty Under 40](#)
02/23/2015
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- [Damien Hall Appointed to CareOregon Board of Directors](#)
02/06/2015
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- [Briefly Stated October 2014](#)
10/28/2014
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- [Briefly Stated Publications](#)
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- [Ball Janik LLP Receives Recognition as Top Ranked Firm by Chambers USA 2014](#)
05/29/2014
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- [Briefly Stated May 2014](#)
05/05/2014
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- [PCRI Welcomes Damien Hall to Its Board](#)
11/11/2013
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- [Briefly Stated December 2013](#)
12/16/2013
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- [Ball Janik LLP Welcomes Damien Hall to Portland Office](#)
10/16/2013
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- [Ball Janik LLP Top Ranked Firm by Chambers USA 2013](#)
05/23/2013