## BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING AN	)	RESOLUTION NO. 19-4958
APPOINTMENT TO THE METRO PUBLIC	)	
ENGAGEMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE	)	Introduced by Chief Operating Officer Martha
		Bennett in concurrence with Council
		President Lynn Peterson

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 the appointment of Amanda Garcia-Snell by the Metro Council President, as nominated by the Washington County Administrator as demonstrated by exhibit A to this resolution, is hereby confirmed.

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

Lynn Peterson, Council Presiden

Approved as to Form:

Nathan A. S. Sykes, Acting Metro Attorney



# WASHINGTON COUNTY OREGON

Metro Council President Tom Hughes 600 NE Grand Avenue Portland, OR 97232

December 10, 2018

RE: Washington County designee change for Metro Public Engagement Review Committee

President Hughes,

Washington County recently hired a new countywide Community Engagement Manager to replace Mike Dahlstrom upon his retirement. I'm pleased to report that Amanda Garcia-Snell, formerly a Supervisor in the Department of Health & Human Services, has been selected to fill that position.

I recommend that Metro Council appoint Amanda Garcia-Snell as Washington County's primary PERC representative. I believe that in her role, Amanda is best suited to represent Washington County on the PERC, where she will be able to continue the great work that Mike has accomplished in reaching out to our diverse communities. I also recommend renewing the appointment of Melissa De Lyser, LUT Communications Coordinator, to serve as Amanda's alternate, in the event she is unable to attend a PERC meeting.

Both Amanda and Melissa will ably represent the needs of Washington County residents, provide advice on the best communication tools to reach residents of the county, and provide input on how Metro can work collaboratively with the county and continue to improve its public engagement practices to reach all residents of the region.

I understand that PERC members are expected to:

- Attend all PERC meetings;
- Fully participate in PERC discussions, initiatives and in an annual region-wide community summit; and
- On an optional basis, participate in a regional public involvement peer group to share best practices

I will notify Metro if Washington County chooses to change its PERC designee(s) in the future.

We're looking forward to continued collaboration on our mutual agency goals of service and community engagement.

Robert Davis

County Administrator

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Amanda Garcia-Snell, Community Engagement Manager
Andrew Singelakis, Director of Land Use & Transportation
Melissa De Lyser, LUT Communications Coordinator
Stephen Roberts, LUT Special Projects Coordinator

## **STAFF REPORT**

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 19-4958 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING AN APPOINTMENT TO THE METRO PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE.

Date: Dec. 27, 2018 Prepared by: Clifford Higgins, 503-797-1932

#### BACKGROUND

Metro's Public Engagement Review Committee (PERC) convenes three to four times per 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 broad, inclusive, informed and effective public engagement processes. Community members are appointed to three-year terms on a rotating schedule.

In addition to the community members, he PERC bylaws and Metro Code (2.19.100) call for at one representative who is a county employee from each of Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties (for a total of three), for term lengths determined by the appointing jurisdiction.

Washington County has nominated a new member from its staff.

After consulting with staff, the Metro Council President has appointed Amanda Garcia-Snell to represent Washington County on the committee.

## 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 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 2018-2019.

## RECOMMENDED ACTION

Confirm appointment of Washington County representative Amanda Garcia-Snell to the Public Engagement Review Committee.