BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING THE)	RESOLUTION NO. 19-4994
APPOINTMENT OF ANDREW SCOTT AS)	
ACTING CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER)	Introduced by Council President Lynn
)	Peterson

WHEREAS, Chief Operating Officer Martha J. Bennett has submitted her resignation effective May 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, as a result of Martha J. Bennett's resignation, there will be a vacancy in the office of Chief Operating Officer effective May 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council President and Council intend to fill the vacancy on a permanent basis after conducting a competitive process for the selection of a Chief Operating Officer. The Council President desires to appoint an Acting Chief Operating Officer to serve until the selection process is completed; and

WHEREAS, the duties and responsibilities of the Chief Operating Officer are described and provided for in the Metro Charter and the Metro Code; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.20.070 of the Metro Code provides that during any vacancy in the office of Chief Operating Officer, such vacancy shall be filled with all due speed and that the Council President has the authority to appoint an acting Chief Operating Officer subject to confirmation by the Metro Council by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council President has appointed Andrew Scott to serve as Acting Chief Operating Officer as of May 11, 2019, subject to Council confirmation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Scott is qualified to be the Acting Chief Operating Officer and has stated his intent to accept the position; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council:

Affirms the appointment of Andrew Scott as Acting Chief Operating Officer

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 4th day of May 2019

ynn Peterson, Council Presiden

Approved as to Form:

Nathan A. S. Sykes, Acting Metro Attorney

STAFF REPORT

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ANDREW SCOTT AS ACTING CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

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BACKGROUND

Chief Operating Officer Martha Bennett has submitted her resignation effective May 10, 2019, which will result in a vacancy in the Office of the Metro Chief Operating Officer.

The Metro Council President and Council intend to permanently fill the vacancy after a competitive recruitment process for selection for the position of Chief Operating Officer. In the interim the Council President wishes to appoint an Acting Chief Operating Officer to serve in the role until the recruitment process closes and a replacement is hired.

Metro Code Section 2.20.070 directs the Council President to appoint an Acting Chief Operating Officer "with all due speed", which appointment is then subject to confirmation by the Metro Council by resolution. The Council President has the authority to appoint an Acting Chief Operating Officer subject to confirmation by the Metro Council by resolution.

Council President Peterson has appointed Andrew Scott to serve as Acting Chief Operating Officer subject to Council confirmation by resolution as required by Metro Code. Mr. Scott is the current Deputy Chief Operating Officer. Council President Peterson has determined that Mr. Scott is qualified to serve as Acting Chief Operating Officer.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

- 1. Known Opposition None
- 2. Legal Antecedents Metro Charter Chapter V, Section 25(1) and Metro Code Chapter 2.20 govern the creation, duties, powers, and other functions of the Metro Chief Operating Officer. Section 2.20.070 of the Metro Code states that during any vacancy in the position of the Metro Chief Operating Officer, the vacancy shall be filled with all due speed and that the Council President has the authority to appoint an Acting Chief Operating Officer subject to confirmation by the Metro Council by resolution.
- **3. Anticipated Effects** This appointment will fill the vacancy in the position of Chief Operating Officer on an interim basis by Andrew Scott, transferring the current Deputy Chief Operating Officer to the position of Acting Chief Operating Officer.

4. Budget Impacts Due to the transfer of the current Deputy Chief Operating Officer to the position of Acting Metro Chief Operating Officer, there will be no new hire required to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of the current Chief Operating Officer, thus resulting in a net budget savings to Metro during the interim period.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Council President Peterson and staff recommend adoption of Resolution 19-4994