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## **Minutes**

**Thursday, September 3, 2020**

**2:00 PM**

**Annual MERC Meeting**

**This meeting was held virtually.**

**Council meeting**

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

MERC Commissioners were also in attendance of this joint MERC/Council meeting, including Commissioners Stoudamire- Phillips, Erickson, Krys-Rusoff, Hall, Malan, and Palm. Commissioner Leary was excused.

**Present:** 7 - Council President Lynn Peterson, Councilor Sam Chase, Councilor Shirley Craddick, Councilor Craig Dirksen, Councilor Bob Stacey, Councilor Christine Lewis, and Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez

**2. Public Communication**

Three people signed up in advance to give public testimony regarding the use of non-union vendors at the Expo Center Drive-In movie event.

**3. Presentations****3.1 MERC Venues Financial Update**

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)  
[Financial Update PPT](#)

President Peterson invited Rachel Lembo to present her Powerpoint and give a financial update of the MERC venues.

**3.2 EXPO Development Opportunity Study Update**

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)  
[Expo Process Update PPT](#)

Hilary Wilton, Metro, and Alex Joyce, Cascadia Partners gave an update of the development opportunity study for the Expo Center.

**3.3 Reimagine Oregon and Black Lives Matter Update**

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)

Marcus Mundy and Marissa Madrigal presented to Council and the MERC on the newly created Re-Imagine Oregon body and Metro's role in the Black Lives Matter movement.

4. Councilor Communication

There was none.

5. Adjourn

Seeing no further business, Council President Lynn Peterson adjourned the Annual MERC Meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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