

METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION-RECREATION COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 96-61

Approving FY 1997-98 Facility Rental Rates for the Portland Metropolitan Exposition Center.

The Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission finds:

1. That current Facility Rental Rates are scheduled to expire June 30, 1997
2. That the proposed rates are appropriate for the facilities provided and;
3. That the Expo Advisory Committee has reviewed and approved the proposed Facility Rental Rates.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission approves the FY 1997-98 Facility Rental Rates for the Portland Metropolitan Exposition Center.

Passed by the Commission on November 13, 1996




Chairman



Secretary-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM;
Daniel B. Cooper, General Counsel



Mark B. Williams
Senior Assistant Counsel

MERC STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item / Issue: Approving Fiscal Year 1997-98 Facility Rental Rates for the Portland Metropolitan Exposition Center.

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Date: November 13, 1996

Presented by: Chris Bailey

Background: The Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission approved rental rates for the Portland Metropolitan Exposition Center in April 1995. During the intervening time period, operational costs have risen and with the recent expansion, operational costs and associated requirements will increase accordingly. In order to compensate for these increases, it is necessary to adjust rental rates.

Staff conducted a telephone survey of seven "comparable" facilities and determined that the proposed rates remain competitive for exposition space and the services furnished.

Staff also provided the rental rates to the Expo Advisory Committee for comment and the rates were approved as proposed.

Fiscal Impact: The proposed rates reflect an average increase of approximately 4% for individual hall rental and 11% for hall combinations.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Commission approve the proposed FY 1997-98 Facility Rental Rates for the Portland Metropolitan Exposition Center.

**Facility Rental Rates
Effective July 1, 1997**

Facility	Sq. Ft. Area	Daily Rental
Hall A	48,000	\$1800
Hall B	36,000	1375
Hall C	60,000	2225
Hall D (1)	60,000	2225
Hall E (2)	108,000	5400
East Hall	4,400	450
West Hall	12,000	700
Halls AB	84,000	2850
Halls ABC East and West	160,400	5250
Halls ABCD East and West	220,400	7025
Halls ABCDE East and West	332,900	11350
Halls CDE	232,500	8000
Connector (3)	4,500	225
Hall A Lobby	3,100	300
Hall E1 (4)	5,400	2700
Hall E2 (5)	5,400	2700
Hall E Lobby	7,200	1450
Lounge	1,500	150
Meeting Room A (6)	545	100
Meeting Room B (7)	625	125
VIP Room	700	100
Outside Space (8)		250

Note(s):

- 1 Formerly known as South Hall
- 2 Can be divided into northern and southern halves, Halls E1 & E2 respectively
- 3 Connecting space between Halls D and E
- 4 Northern half of Hall E
- 5 Southern half of Hall E
- 6 Located in Hall E Lobby, south end; can be combined with Meeting Room B
- 7 Located in Hall E Lobby, south end; can be combined with Meeting Room A
- 8 \$250 minimum: Commercial rate \$.01 per square foot/event day, Non-commercial rate \$.01 per square foot run of show (2 day maximum)