

METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION-RECREATION COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO 97-54

For the purpose of approving of charges for temporary installation of telephone service.

WHEREAS, the Portland Metropolitan Exposition Center has the capability to provide temporary telephone service to its customers;

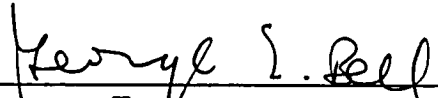
WHEREAS, provision of this service is in the best interest of the Center and its customers;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission approves the proposed telephone service charges and effective dates as recommended in the attached Staff Report ("Exhibit A").

Passed by the Commission on October 8, 1997.




Chair



Secretary-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: 
Daniel B. Cooper
General Counsel

MERC STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item/Issue: Approval of charges and effective dates for the temporary installation of telephone service

Resolution No.: 97-54

Date: October 8, 1997

Presented by: Chris Bailey

BACKGROUND:

Construction of the Expo Center's new building included the installation of a telephone infrastructure that provided connectivity to the Oregon Convention Center's telephone system, upgrade of the Expo Center's administrative telephone system and the capability to provide temporary telephone service to exhibitors in both the new and pre-existing exhibit halls of the facility.

Prior to installation of this system, the Expo Center could only provide telephone service to show management in designated locations and services for exhibitors were provided by U.S. West. Services for show management have long been approved by the Commission and are not subject to change by this resolution.

The in-house provision of temporary telephone service to exhibitors not only enhances the capacity of the Expo Center to provide immediate on-site customer service, but significantly increases telephone revenue resources as well.

The purpose of this report, therefore, is to propose that the following charges be effective immediately for the new exhibit hall and January 1, 1998 in the pre-existing exhibit halls for the temporary installation of telephone service:

<u>Service</u>	<u>Advance Order</u>	<u>Floor Order</u>
Telephone and Line	\$200.00	\$225.00
Each Additional Telephone and Line	\$150.00	\$175.00

Rates include \$50.00 refundable deposit less charges for all local outgoing, long distance, 1-800 and operator-assisted calls.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Costs associated with the telephone infrastructure were included with the new building and there are virtually no new costs associated with expanding the service to included exhibitors. Assuming 250 orders for first line service, however, it is anticipated that gross revenues will exceed \$40,000 a year.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Metropolitan Exposition-Recreation Commission approve the proposed charges and effective dates for the temporary installation of telephone service.