

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING THE)	RESOLUTION NO. 21-5161
APPONTMENT OF BARBARA ERLICH TO THE)	
METRO CENTRAL STATION COMMUNITY)	Introduced by Councilor Mary Nolan
ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE (MCSCEC)		

WHEREAS, Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030, "Membership of the Advisory Committees," states that all members and alternate members of all Metro Advisory Committees shall be appointed by the Council President and shall be subject to confirmation by the Council; and

WHEREAS, Metro Code Chapter 2.19.120, "Metro Central Station Community Enhancement Committee (MCSCEC)," provides for the MCSCEC; and

WHEREAS, Metro Code Chapter 2.19.120(b)(1) sets forth representation criteria for membership on the committee; and

WHEREAS, a vacancy has occurred in representation of the Cathedral Park Neighborhood on the MCSCEC; and

WHEREAS, the Council President has appointed Barbara Erlich a resident of the Cathedral Park Neighborhood, nominated by the Cathedral Park Neighborhood Association Board, is subject to confirmation by the Metro Council; and

WHEREAS, Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030 states that advisory committee members are limited to two consecutive two-year terms; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Erlich is a member in good standing and her appointment is supported by the Committee Chair; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council confirms the appointments of Barbara Erlich to Metro's Metro Central Station Community Enhancement Committee

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 27th day of May 2021.



Lynn Peterson, Council President

Approved as to Form:



Carrie MacLaren, Metro Attorney

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF BARBARA ERLICH TO
THE METRO CENTRAL STATION COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE
(MCSCEC)

Date: May 6, 2020
Department: Waste Prevention and
Environmental Services
Meeting Date: May 27, 2020

Prepared by: Rob Nathan, 503-797-1691
Presenter(s): Councilor Mary Nolan and
Rob Nathan
Length: Consent

ISSUE STATEMENT

A vacancy has occurred in the Metro Central Station Community Enhancement Committee (hereinafter referred to as MCSCEC) membership. The vacancy in the MCSCEC membership currently exists due to reaching maximum term length for a member representing the Cathedral Park Neighborhood.

ACTION REQUESTED

Lynn Peterson, Council President, and Councilor Mary Nolan, chair of the MCSCEC recommend adoption of this resolution to confirm the appointment of Barbara Erlich to serve on the MCSCEC.

IDENTIFIED POLICY OUTCOMES

With adoption of this resolution, Barbara Erlich will be appointed to one, two-year, term on the MCSCEC with the option to serve a second, two-year, term.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends adoption of this resolution to appoint Barbara Erlich to the MCSCEC. Ms. Erlich' interest form articulates her passion for community enhancement and her connectedness to the community she lives in. In addition, Ms. Erlich is highly praised by the Cathedral Park Neighborhood Association Board for her active work in the Cathedral Park Neighborhood engaging with the community and working to remediate and preserve natural areas such as Willamette Cove and Baltimore Woods.

Ms. Erlich also actively engages in neighborhood clean-ups with SOLVE and is the current Vice-President on the board of the Edgewater House Condominiums, located directly above Willamette Cove. Ms. Erlich' connectivity to the Cathedral Park Neighborhood Association, surrounding neighborhood and her active engagement in community-based volunteering make and her an especially well-positioned candidate for the MCSCEC.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT & FRAMING COUNCIL DISCUSSION

- How does this advance Metro's racial equity goals?
This engagement approach for recruiting committee members and the appointment of one of these members supports Goal B/Objective 2: Increase participation of communities of color in metro decision-making.

- How does this advance Metro's climate action goals?
Ms. Erlich is actively engaged in improving the health of our natural environment through volunteering and feedback groups. Along with her residency in the Cathedral Park Neighborhood this makes her uniquely suited to address the diverse geography of the Enhancement Grant boundary and promote community-based solutions to the environmental issues of her community.
- Known Opposition/Support/Community Feedback
There is no known opposition to appointment of Susan Andrews to the MCSCEC.
- Explicit list of stakeholder groups and individuals who have been involved in policy development.
Mary Nolan, Metro Councilor District 5
Rob Nathan, Metro Community Enhancement Grant Manager
Cathedral Park Neighborhood Association Board; Jon Smart, Chairperson and Jennifer Vitello, Board Member
- Legal Antecedents
Chapter 2.19 of the Metro Code Relating to Advisory Committees; Section 2.19.120 provides for a Metro Central Station Community Enhancement Committee and sets forth guidelines for representation.
- Anticipated Effects
Adoption of this resolution would confirm the appointment of Barbara Erlich to the MCSCEC.

BACKGROUND

The MCSCEC is charged with helping develop plans to administer grant funds, solicit and review grant applications, and select for funding improvement projects that benefit the area directly affected by the Metro Central transfer station, including portions of Northwest and North Portland.

Mary Nolan, Councilor of Metro district 5, chairs the seven-member committee. Members are required to reside within the boundaries of their respective neighborhood associations. The business and environmental representatives have no residency requirement but must maintain interest in the enhancement boundary. This requirement does not apply to the Metro Councilor appointed to the committee.

A recruitment to fill the positions began in December of 2020, seeking replacement to represent Cathedral Park Neighborhood on the MCSCEC. Metro staff engaged the Cathedral Park Neighborhood Association, and community partners, who service historically marginalized communities within the enhancement boundary in attempt to recruit a

member. Metro staff ended up with two referrals and had conversations with both residents who qualified and met the requirements for the vacant seats. One resident was nominated by the Cathedral Park Neighborhood Association and decided to submit an interest form. Staff recommends Barbara Erlich for the Cathedral Park Neighborhood MCSEC seat.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – Barbara Erlich MCSCEC interest form



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Metro Central Community Enhancement Program Committee Application

Please return completed two-page application to:

Eric Crandall: Community Enhancement Grants Program Support

Email: Eric.Crandall@oregonmetro.gov

Deadline to submit committee applications is Thursday, March 18th

Name: Barbara Erlich

Organization or business name (optional): Cathedral Park Neighborhood Association

Home address: 7521 N Edgewater Ave,

City: Portland

State: OR

Zip: 97203

Preferred phone: 503.289.7847

Email: barbara_erlich@yahoo.com

Which Neighborhood Assoc. serves your home address (Check one)?

Forest Park Neighborhood Association

Northwest District Neighborhood Association

Friends of Cathedral Park

Northwest Industrial area (NIBA)

Linnton Neighborhood Association

*Metro strives for membership on its committee that reflects the diversity of the Portland metro region.
The following demographic information is optional:*

Gender: F Age: 55 Race or ethnicity:

Briefly describe your interest in the Metro Central Enhancement Committee and why you would like to serve on the committee.

I am an active member of my community. I am the Vice President on the board of Edgewater House Condominiums. Additionally, I participated in the Willamette Cove In-Water Remedial Design request for community input. I also volunteer with Solve and Baltimore Woods.



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Members of the Metro Central Enhancement Committee contribute a wide variety of complementary skills and experiences. Please describe the relevant knowledge, professional and/or lived experience that you would bring to the committee.

I work with different levels of management. I assist in development of new facilities and concepts. And, I am seen as a problem solver.

Please explain how you keep informed and aware of the community's diverse needs and priorities.

I attend and participate in meetings. Additionally, I stay informed via Emails.

Summarize any relevant experience in working or collaborating with people whose background is different than yours.

As a member of a religious minority, I understand what it feels like to be sidelined and dis-included. I can't think of a time in this country when inclusion was more important. Portland has many veils. Some are more inclusive than others. I will take diversity into consideration when reviewing the criteria.



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Metro adopted a [Strategic Plan to Advance Racial Equity](#) in 2016. What are some ways you hope to support Metro in reaching goal E listed in the plan during your term as a grant committee member?

Goal E: Metro's resource allocation advances racial equity.

Goal E Statement: Metro advances economic opportunities for communities of color through various avenues including equitable contracting practices, distribution of investments, and grant programs.

More information: Goal E specifics can be found on pages 45 of [Metro's Strategic Plan to Advance Racial Equity](#).

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Do you now have or anticipate any conflicts of interest that might require you to excuse yourself from the review of any potential project? Please explain. For example, do you or a family member work for or serve on the board of an organization that might seek a grant from this program? Are you a consultant that might be interested in submitting a proposal for the type of work that this program funds?

None whatsoever.

Written endorsements, from neighborhood associations, are encouraged but required. If you have a written endorsement please include it as a separate attachment in your application email to Eric.Crandall@oregonmetro.gov

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