

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPOINTING NEW	)	RESOLUTION NO. 22-5258
MEMBERS TO THE PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT	)	
REVIEW COMMITTEE	)	Introduced by Chief Operating Officer Marissa Madrigal in concurrence with Council President Lynn Peterson

WHEREAS, in furtherance of Metro’s Principles of Citizen Involvement, set forth in Resolution No. 97-2433, adopted January 23, 1997, and Ordinance No. 12-1294 amending Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030, the Metro Council established an Advisory Committee known as the Public Engagement Review Committee (PERC) to advise the Metro Council on the development and maintenance of programs and procedures to aid communication between the public and the Metro Council; and

WHEREAS, by a fair and open process, Metro has recruited applicants for PERC and the Metro Council President has appointed selected applicants consisting of members of the public, representatives of community organizations, and public involvement staff from local jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030 requires that the Metro Council confirm appointments made by the Council President to Metro’s Advisory Committees; and now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that:

(a) the following appointments by the Metro Council President are hereby confirmed;

Community organization representatives from the region:

- Alisa Kajikawa, APANO
- Diana Moreno, Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber

Multnomah County representative:

- Dani Bernstein

(b) each community organization member’s term will run from June 2022 through December 2025;

(c) staff will begin recruitment to fill PERC vacancies caused by any expiring terms starting fall 2022, working toward new appointments by December 2022.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 2nd day of June, 2022.



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Christine Lewis, Deputy Council President

Approved as to Form:



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Carrie MacLaren, Metro Attorney

## **STAFF REPORT**

### **IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 22-5258, FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPOINTING NEW MEMBERS TO THE PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE**

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Date: May 17, 2022

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## **BACKGROUND**

Metro's Public Engagement Review Committee (PERC) convenes a minimum of two times per year and consists of at-large community members, representatives from three community organizations and public involvement staff from Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington Counties.

The PERC serves as a key component of Metro's ongoing efforts to develop and implement broad, inclusive, informed and effective public engagement processes. Committee members are appointed to three-year terms on a rotating schedule.

The PERC bylaws call for at least three at-large community members and at least three representatives from a community organization. Terms for two representatives from a community organization have expired. In addition, Multnomah County's previous PERC appointee retired.

## **RECRUITMENT PROCESS**

As a result of the pandemic and the resulting staff reductions, PERC activity slowed in 2020 – 2021. In early 2022, the Communications Department reinitiated conversations with PERC members, which led staff to recommend an ad hoc spring recruitment for two community organization members to bring PERC membership into alignment with the bylaws. In addition, we requested replacement appointee from Multnomah County. This would bring the membership to five at-large community members, three representatives of community organizations, and three county representatives. As needed, staff intend on resuming a fall/winter recruitment cycle to address any vacancies due to term expirations at the end of the year.

Staff opened an application process in March and conducted targeted outreach to community stakeholders and jurisdictions to recruit committee applicants with public involvement experience, strong community connections, and a diverse geographic and demographic representation.

Staff received nine applications, two community based organizations and seven at-large, with representation from the tri-county area. The review panel are recommending the appointment of two community organization applicants who meet the following criteria:

- a commitment to community engagement
- demonstrated skills, knowledge or experience that apply to principles of citizen involvement adopted by Metro
- experience working with underrepresented communities.

After consulting the application review panel, the Metro Council President has appointed the following individuals to PERC for terms that expire in 2025: Alisa Kajikawa, APANO and Diana Moreno,

Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber. In addition, Metro accepts the appointment of Dani Bernstein, the Multnomah County representative.

#### **ANALYSIS/INFORMATION**

1. **Known Opposition** None
2. **Legal Antecedents** Resolution No. 97-2433 establishing Metro's Principles of Citizen Involvement: Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030; and Ordinance No. 12-1294 amending Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030.
3. **Anticipated Effects** The appointments to the PERC will allow Metro to more successfully engage communities with Metro's initiatives, improve public engagement practices, and prioritize projects for public outreach.
4. **Budget Impacts** No budget impacts. Program needs are accounted for in existing staff resources and accessing Communications M&S included in the FY 2021-2022 budget.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Confirm appointment of two community organization representatives:

- Alisa Kajikawa, APANO (2022 – 2025)
- Diana Moreno, Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber (2022 – 2025)

Confirm appointment of the Multnomah County representative:

- Dani Bernstein (no expiration)