

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF RE-APPOINTING)	RESOLUTION NO. 24-5410
MEMBERS TO THE NATURAL AREAS AND)	
CAPITAL PROGRAM PERFORMANCE)	Introduced by Chief Operating Officer Marissa
OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE)	Madrigal with the Concurrence of Metro
)	Council President Lynn Peterson

WHEREAS, at the general election held on November 5, 2019, Metro Area voters approved the 2019 Parks and Nature Bond Measure (“Bond Measure”), authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$475,000,000.00 for the purpose of funding natural area and water quality protection and to connect people to nature close to home; and

WHEREAS, the Bond Measure calls for community oversight and states that an independent community oversight committee will review bond expenditures and provide annual reports; and

WHEREAS, Metro Code Chapter 2.19.220 creates and governs the Natural Areas and Capital Program Performance Oversight Committee, which consists of 9 to 21 members, appointed by the Metro Council President and subject to confirmation by the Metro Council; and

WHEREAS, in Resolution No. 21-5155, the Metro Council confirmed the Council President’s appointment of 19 members to the Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council President has reappointed 5 members to the Committee to serve an additional two-year term, as set forth in Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council desires to confirm the Metro Council President’s appointments; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council confirms the appointments to the Natural Areas and Capital Program Performance Oversight Committee as set forth on Exhibit A.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 25th day of April 2024.



Lynn Peterson, Council President

Approved as to Form:



Carrie MacLaren, Metro Attorney

Exhibit A to the Resolution No. 24-5410

**Natural Areas and Capital Program Performance Oversight Committee
Committee Member Re-appointments for 2024**

The following persons will be appointed to a second two-year term beginning in 2024 and eligible to serve one additional two-year term thereafter:

John Ferguson	Former geotechnical engineer
PK Melethil	Traditional Chinese medicine physician and environmental scientist
Vivek Shandas	Professor, Portland State University
Shannon Shoul	Director, Procurement Sustainability, Nike
Erin Upton	Environmental social scientist and landscape architect

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 24-5410 FOR THE PURPOSE OF RE-APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE NATURAL AREAS AND CAPITAL PROGRAM PERFORMANCE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Date: April 8, 2024
Department: Parks and Nature
Meeting Date: April 25, 2024

Prepared by: Beth Cohen

ISSUE STATEMENT

Independent community oversight has been essential to Metro's accountability and delivery on promises made to voters in its funding measures. In February 2021, the Metro Council established the Natural Areas and Capital Program Performance Oversight Committee, charged with providing independent and transparent oversight Metro's use of capital funds from the \$475 million 2019 parks and nature bond, the parks and natural areas levy and remaining funds from the 2006 natural areas bond, and confirmed the appointment of a slate of 19 members.

In order to ensure continuity in the committee and to avoid having the entire committee membership turn over at the same time, half the committee members were appointed to an initial one-year term and half the members were appointed to an initial two-year term.

The purpose of Resolution No. 24-5410 is to re-appoint individuals originally appointed for a two-year term in 2022 to serve on the Natural Areas and Capital Program Performance Oversight Committee for a second two-year term.

ACTION REQUESTED

Staff requests approval of Resolution No. 24-5410 to re-appoint individuals to serve on the Natural Areas and Capital Program Performance Oversight Committee.

IDENTIFIED POLICY OUTCOMES

The current makeup of the oversight committee reflects the Metro Council's direction for members to bring a deep understanding of conservation values and racial equity as well as multiple complementary backgrounds and knowledge across a range of topics including conservation, habitat and biodiversity, finance, working lands, understanding of the disability community and the urban Indigenous community and of issues around tribal sovereignty.

The Metro Council has asked the oversight committee to monitor how bond implementation activities are meeting the direction in the bond measure, to monitor