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Minutes

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10:30 AM

Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber,
<https://zoom.us/j/615079992> Webinar ID: 615 079 992 or
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Council work session

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10:30 Call to Order and Roll Call

Council President Peterson called the Work Session to order at 10:30 a.m.

Present: 6 - Councilor Gerritt Rosenthal, Councilor Mary Nolan, Juan Carlos Gonzalez, Christine Lewis, Lynn Peterson, and Ashton Simpson

Excused: 1 - Duncan Hwang

10:30 Work Session Topics:

10:30 Garbage & Recycling System Facilities Plan Policy Preferences Workshop

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)
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Council President Peterson introduced Marta McGuire, WPES Director, Estee Segal, Principal SW Planner, Luis Sandoval, Principal SW, Planner, and Maria Elena, Metropolitan Group, to present on the topic.

Staff pulled up the WPES Garbage and Recycling System Facilities Plan Policy Preferences Workshop materials to present to Council.

The Councilors were asked to state their top three priorities for this project. Councilor Gonzalez listed community, environment, and prosperity. Councilor Simpson's were affordability/consistency, geographical access, and waste reduction. Councilor Lewis noted landfill diversion/reuse, workforce equity and wages, and 'everywhere is clean'. Councilor Nolan's priorities were reduction in total waste, climate friendliness, and respecting/supporting the private

investments that have already been made. Councilor Rosenthal listed education on waste production, toxic waste control, reduction, and eliminating service desolates. Finally, Council President Peterson's were reducing waste, reduction of financial risk to Metro over time, and to move Metro's role from providing service to just filling gaps. Presenters described an array of policy choices for the System Facilities Plan and set up an activity with these choices for Councilors to establish their policy preferences. Councilors were asked to make notecards about these choices and place them along continuums for each category. Then presenters and Councilors discussed the areas they aligned and the places they differed. Presenters summarized the key takeaways and noted that they will come back at the end of July with a narrowed selection of concrete options for the System Facility Plan.

12:20 Chief Operating Officer Communication

Marissa Madrigal provided an update on the following events or items:

They have wrapped up the stakeholder advisory table and community engagement efforts for Supportive Housing Services, and a recommendation will be forthcoming.

12:25 Councilor Communication

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings and events:

- Councilor Gonzalez reported on the JPACT trip to DC that some of the Councilors took last week.
- Councilor Simpson thanked the staff that coordinated the JPACT trip.
- Council President Peterson encouraged viewers to vote before the end of the day, noting Metro's Zoo Bond on the ballot.

12:30 Adjourn

There being no further business, Council President Peterson

adjourned the Council Work Session at 12:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam Hart

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