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## Minutes

Tuesday, June 4, 2024

10:30 AM

Metro Regional Center, Council Chamber,  
<https://zoom.us/j/615079992> Webinar ID: 615 079 992 or  
888-475-4499 (toll free) [https://www.youtube.com/watch?  
v=bKy5nf0dmXI&list=PLeB2faWWqJxGAOgOHIX1Wdw4NNSBfpYH](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bKy5nf0dmXI&list=PLeB2faWWqJxGAOgOHIX1Wdw4NNSBfpYH)

**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 Update to Metro Regional Waste Advisory Committee Structure

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)  
[Ordinance No. 24-5413](#)  
[Attachment 1](#)

Council President Peterson introduced Rosalynn Greene (she/her), WPES Strategic Initiatives Manager, Metro, and Marta McGuire (she/her), Director of WPES, Metro, to present on the topic.

Staff pulled up the Update to Metro Regional Waste Advisory Committee Structure PowerPoint to present to Council.

Presenters gave an update on the Metro Regional Waste Advisory Committee, describing efforts to enhance transparency and collaboration with industry, government, and community partners. They highlighted recommendations from the Waste Fee Policy Task Force, including expanding the committee's scope and representation to better involve key stakeholders and improve the budget and fee-setting process. Proposed changes include adding new seats and having a Metro

Councilor chair and co-chair the committee. The presentation concluded with a call for council feedback and approval on these updates.

*Council Discussion*

President Peterson asked if there were going to be more mayors on RWAC, and McGuire explained how regions can request changes to the members of this committee.

Councilor Nolan inquired about BIPOC representation on the committee, and McGuire reiterated the selection process and noted that this committee is one of the most diverse yet.

Councilor Rosenthal requested clarification on the definition of 'reuse organization' and what that includes, and presenters gave a more detailed explanation.

Councilor Lewis expressed support and suggested a system to ensure the committee maintains a closeness to Council.

Councilor Gonzalez also voiced his support for these changes and their importance in moving RWAC closer in.

Seeing no further discussion, President Peterson moved on to the next agenda item.

11:20 FY 2024-25 Budget - Discussion of Budget Amendments and Notes

Attachments: [Staff Report](#)  
[Attachment 1](#)  
[Attachment 2](#)

Council President Peterson introduced Marissa Madrigal (she/her), COO, Metro and Brian Kennedy (he/him), CFO, Metro to participate in the discussion.

Kennedy gave a brief overview of the department amendments to be considered at the next Council meeting.

*Council Discussion*

Councilor Lewis updated the budget amendment to a budget note, as per Oregon budget rules.

Councilor Gonzalez described how his and Councilor Lewis's budget amendment has expanded to include some gap funding after discussions with stakeholders.

Seeing no further discussion, President Peterson moved on to the next agenda item.

**12:05 Chief Operating Officer Communication**

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

Affordable housing funding conversations have continued to happen with county partners, and described the schedule for when Council will be getting updates and recommendations.

**12:10 Councilor Communication**

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings and events:

- Councilor Gonzalez gave a heads up on some updates he will be sending out soon on an amendment for economic development organization changes.
- Councilor Simpson attended the Historical Significance and Memorialization Committee storytelling event yesterday, noting how powerful it was.
- Councilor Lewis reported on the Willamette Falls Locks Authority meeting from last Tuesday.
- Councilor Rosenthal reiterated appreciation for the

storytelling event.

- Councilor Hwang joined via Zoom at 11 am and gave an update on a presentation he made at a health conference and who he was able to connect with.

**12:15 Adjourn**

There being no further business, Council President Peterson adjourned the Metro Work Session at 11:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Sam Hart*

Sam Hart, Legislative Assistant