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Minutes

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10:30 AM

**Metro Regional Center, Council chamber,
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Council meeting

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call

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

Excused: 1 - Council President Lynn Peterson

2. Public Communication

There was none.

Public comment may be submitted in writing. It will also be heard in person and by electronic communication (video conference or telephone). Written comments should be submitted electronically by emailing legislativecoordinator@oregonmetro.gov. Written comments received by 4:00 p.m. the day before the meeting will be provided to the council prior to the meeting. Testimony on non-agenda items will be taken at the beginning of the meeting. Testimony on agenda items generally will take place during that item, after staff presents, but also may be taken at the beginning of the meeting.

Those wishing to testify orally are encouraged to sign up in advance by either: (a) contacting the legislative coordinator by phone at 503-813-7591 and providing your name and the agenda item on which you wish to testify; or (b) registering by email by sending your name and the agenda item on which you wish to testify to legislativecoordinator@oregonmetro.gov. Those wishing to testify in person should fill out a blue card found in the back of the Council Chamber.

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3. Consent Agenda

3.1 **Resolution No. 25-5456** For The Purpose Of Adding Or Amending Nine Projects To The 2024-27 Mtip Including Six New Americans With

Disabilities Act Upgrade Projects To Meet Federal Project Delivery Requirements

- Attachments: [Resolution 25-5456](#)
[Exhibit A](#)
[Staff Report](#)
[Attachment 1](#)
[Attachment 2](#)
[Attachment 3](#)
[Attachment 4](#)

3.2 **Resolution No. 25-5457** For the Purpose of Appointing 8 New Members to the Metro Affordable Housing Bond Community Oversight Committee

- Attachments: [Resolution No. 25-5457](#)
[Exhibit A](#)
[Staff Report](#)

A motion was made by Councilor Nolan, seconded by Councilor Rosenthal, that this item be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Councilor Hwang, Councilor Simpson, Councilor Nolan, Councilor Rosenthal, Councilor Gonzalez, and Councilor Lewis

Excused: 1 - Council President Peterson

3.3 **Resolution No. 25-5461** For the Purpose of Appointing One New Member to the Regional Waste Advisory Committee

- Attachments: [Resolution no. 25-5461](#)
[Staff Report](#)

Councilor Nolan moved to adopt the consent agenda, Councilor Rosenthal seconded. After the passage the consent agenda, Councilor Rosenthal appreciated that Durham, one of the smallest cities, also benefitted from the ADA projects.

A motion was made by Councilor Nolan, seconded by Councilor Rosenthal, that this item be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Councilor Hwang, Councilor Simpson, Councilor Nolan, Councilor Rosenthal, Councilor Gonzalez, and Councilor Lewis

Excused: 1 - Council President Peterson

4. Resolutions

4.1 **Resolution No. 25-5449** For the Purpose of Proclaiming Every February as Black History Month in the Greater Portland Region

Presenter(s): Mychal Tetteh (he/him), Parks & Nature Community Services Program Director
Marissa Grass (she/her), Government Affairs & Policy Development Strategic Engagement Advisor

Attachments: [Resolution No. 25-5449](#)
[Staff Report](#)

Metro staff Chanel Perry and Mychal Tetteh shared a presentation that touched on Metro’s Black Employee Resource Group, the history of African American contributions in labor, the civil rights movement, and labor justice.

Keanon Myles shared contributions of Black workers in Metro’s Waste Prevention and Environmental Services department to improve services for the community.

Councilor Nolan and Rosenthal thanked staff for sharing constructive feedback to support Council’s efforts to improve equitable programs and services.

Councilor Lewis thanked the Black Employee Resource Group for its work outside today’s presentation.

A motion was made by Councilor Nolan, seconded by Councilor Rosenthal, that this item be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Councilor Hwang, Councilor Simpson, Councilor Nolan, Councilor Rosenthal, Councilor Gonzalez, and Councilor Lewis

Excused: 1 - Council President Peterson

4.2 **Resolution No. 25-5462** For the Purpose of Authorizing the Sale of General Obligation Bonds

Presenter(s): Caleb Ford (he/him), Deputy CFO, Metro

Attachments: [Resolution No. 25-5462](#)
[Staff Report](#)

Chief Financial Officer recommended authorizing the issuance of new bond funds to support the work of the 2019 Parks and Nature Bond and 2024 Oregon Zoo Bond.

Councilor Nolan asked about stability and average rates at this time, and staff replied that bonds have been stable in the 5% range and that Metro carries a AAA bond rating.

A motion was made by Councilor Nolan, seconded by Councilor Lewis, that this item be adopted. The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Councilor Hwang, Councilor Simpson, Councilor Nolan, Councilor Rosenthal, Councilor Gonzalez, and Councilor Lewis

Excused: 1 - Council President Peterson

5. Ordinances (First Reading and Public Hearing)

5.1 **Ordinance No. 25-1527** For The Purpose Of Annexing To The Metro District Approximately 5.46 Acres In Hillsboro Along NW West Union Rd East Of NW Helvetia Rd

Presenter(s): Glen Hamburg (he/him), Senior Regional Planner

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 25-1527](#)
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Glen Hamburg, Senior Regional Planner, described the current status of the property under consideration.

5.1.1 Public Hearing for Ordinance No. 25-1527

There was no public comment during the hearing.

7. Chief Operating Officer Communication

COO Madrigal offered support for staff.

8. Councilor Communication

There were none.

9. Adjourn

There being no further business, Council President Peterson adjourned the Metro Council Meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Nicholas Cooley, Legislative Assistant