

CHARLES WILLIAMSON

METRO COUNCILOR DISTRICT 2

Active in professional organizations and civic affairs, Charlie brings a diverse background to the Metro Council. He helped organize the Oregon Legislative Action Center (1971), was a member of the Board of Directors from 1971 to 1975, and served one year as vice-chairman. Charlie has also served as president and Board member of the Oregon Consumer League, a member of the City of Portland-Multnomah County Metropolitan Human Relations Commission, and chairman of the Northwest District Association Arterial Streets Committee. He is presently Treasurer and a member of the Board of Directors of the Oregon Graduate School of Professional Psychology.

As a sole practitioner with a general law practice, Charlie is a member of the American Bar Association and the Oregon State Bar Association. Previously, he was associated with a Portland law firm and specialized in business litigation and legislative advocacy. He also practiced law in Massachusetts before moving to Oregon.

Charlie attended Colgate University in New York, graduating with an A.B. in Political Science and received his LL.B. from Suffolk University Law School in Boston, where he served on the Law Review.

Charlie and his wife Julie have a daughter, Anne, and sons, Steve and Geoff, and reside in Northwest Portland.

For the Metropolitan Service District, Charlie serves as chairman of the Council Transportation Committee.

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OATH OF OFFICE

I, Charles Williamson, do solemnly swear to perform the office of Councilor of the Metropolitan Service District to the best of my ability; and to uphold the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution and laws of the State of Oregon, and the Rules and Ordinances of the Metropolitan Service District.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Charles Williamson", written over a horizontal line.

Sworn to before me on this the
5th day of January, 1981.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Cynthia M. Wickman", written over a horizontal line.

Notary Public of the State of Oregon

My commission expires on 9/17/84.

STATE OF OREGON,

County of Multnomah

} ss.

I, Charlie Williamson, do

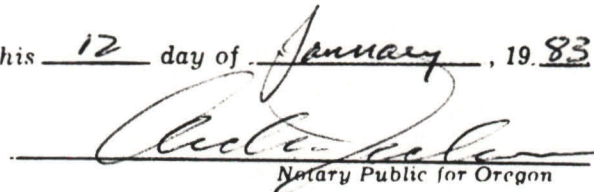
solemnly swear, or affirm, that I will support the Constitution of the United States, the
Constitution of the State of Oregon, and the laws thereof, and that I will faithfully
discharge the duties of COUNCILOR, THIRD DISTRICT, METROPOLITAN

SERVICE DISTRICT

according to the best of my ability, so help me God.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12 day of January, 19 83



Notary Public for Oregon

My commission expires 4-6-85



METRO

Introduction to Public History
Project A: Digital Archive of Metro Councilors
Metro Councilor Oral History Interviews

Purpose and Scope of the Project

Students enrolled in Portland State University's *Introduction to Public History* class have been working since September 2005 on a practicum project at Metro. The goal of **Project A: Digital Archive of Metro Councilors** is to research and document the public service of Metro's elected officials, and provide public access to the information through web-based technology.

To date, students have been working with primary resources to research councilors' terms of office, district representation, internal and external committee assignments, policy initiatives, and professional background. In researching the public service of Metro councilors, students have been reviewing councilors' professional papers which may include correspondence, speeches, newsletters, calendars, photographs, and information relating to community events, and special engagements/awards.

Another component of the practicum is for students to gain firsthand experience in conducting an oral history interview. Oral history interviewing records a person's recollection of experiences, thoughts and feelings about a specific event or a period of time. It gathers data not available in written records about people, events, decisions, and processes. In essence, oral history is spoken history grounded in memory. It can reveal how individual values and actions shaped the past, and how the past shapes present-day values and actions. With this in mind, students participating in this project have been asked to conduct interviews with Metro councilors to capture their personal reflections and anecdotes regarding their public service; to gather insight about municipal politics; and to further the goal of documenting Metro's history as a public agency.

The **Interview Release Form** provided below documents permissions and guidelines for the use and custody of the information gathered during the interview process.

INTERVIEW RELEASE FORM

I hereby give my permission to Nathaniel Sampson (student interviewer) to use the information gathered in this interview for educational purposes relating to their coursework in *Introduction to Public History* at Portland State University. It is my understanding that this tape recording will permanently reside in the Metro Council Archives, and that the transcript of this interview will become part of the **Metro Councilor Digital Archive**. Upon review, I release all claims and rights to this audiotape and transcript.

Signature of Interviewee: [Signature]

Signature of Interviewer: [Signature]

Date of Agreement: 11/7/06