

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF SHAYNA SNYNDER TO
THE METRO CENTRAL STATION COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE
(MCSCEC)

Date: April 25, 2022
Department: Waste Prevention and
Environmental Services
Meeting Date: May 19, 2022

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Length: Consent

ISSUE STATEMENT

A vacancy has occurred in the Metro Central Station Community Enhancement Committee (hereinafter referred to as MCSCEC) membership. The vacancy in the MCSCEC membership currently exists due to reaching maximum term length for a member representing the environmental community.

ACTION REQUESTED

Lynn Peterson, Council President, and Councilor Mary Nolan, chair of the MCSCEC recommend adoption of this resolution to confirm the appointment of Shayna Snyder to serve on the MCSCEC.

IDENTIFIED POLICY OUTCOMES

With adoption of this resolution, Shayna Snyder will be appointed to one, two-year term on the MCSCEC with the option to serve a second, two-year term.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends adoption of this resolution to appoint Shayna Snyder to the MCSCEC. Snyder's interest form articulates their passion for community enhancement and their life-long connectedness to the community she lives in and the natural environment. In addition, Snyder is recommended by current MCSCEC members for their active antiracism work.

Snyder also serves as a volunteer crew leader with Friends of Trees by actively engaging in neighborhood plantings. Additionally, Snyder professional work is centered on building trusting and caring relationship through collaboration with diverse stakeholder groups. Snyder's connectivity to the natural environment, active volunteering and ability to create collaborative relationship make them an especially well-positioned candidate for the MCSCEC.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT & FRAMING COUNCIL DISCUSSION

- How does this advance Metro's racial equity goals?
The inclusion of a committee member representing environmental interests and the environment's impact on communities reflects our commitment to advancing environmental justice through Metro Central grants.
- How does this advance Metro's climate action goals?
Snyder is actively engaged in improving the health of our natural environment through volunteering and feedback groups. Along with their residency in the Northwest District Association Neighborhood this makes them uniquely suited to address the diverse geography of the Enhancement Grant boundary and promote community-based solutions to the environmental issues of communities in the grant target boundary area.
- Known Opposition/Support/Community Feedback
There is no known opposition to appointment of Shayna Snyder to the MCSCEC.
- Explicit list of stakeholder groups and individuals who have been involved in policy development.
Mary Nolan, Metro Councilor District 5
Noelle Dobson, Metro Community Enhancement Grant Manager
Eric Crandall, Metro Central Community Enhancement Grants Program Coordinator
- Legal Antecedents
Chapter 2.19 of the Metro Code Relating to Advisory Committees; Section 2.19.120 provides for a Metro Central Station Community Enhancement Committee and sets forth guidelines for representation.
- Anticipated Effects
Adoption of this resolution would confirm the appointment of Susan Andrews to the MCSCEC.

BACKGROUND

The MCSCEC is charged with helping develop plans to administer grant funds, solicit and review grant applications, and select for funding improvement projects that benefit the area directly affected by the Metro Central transfer station, including portions of Northwest and North Portland.

Mary Nolan, Councilor of Metro district 5, chairs the seven-member committee. Members are required to reside within the boundaries of their respective neighborhood associations. The business and environmental representatives have no residency requirement but must maintain interest in the enhancement boundary. This requirement does not apply to the Metro Councilor appointed to the committee.

A recruitment to fill the positions began in January of 2022, seeking replacement to represent Environmental Community on the MCSCEC. Metro staff broadly engaged current MCSCEC members, current and past grantees whose work is focused on the natural environment, and community partners, who service historically marginalized communities within the enhancement boundary in attempt to recruit a member. Metro staff ended up with two referrals and solicited feedback from current MCSCEC members. Staff recommends Shayna Snyder for the environmental community MCSEC seat.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – Shayna Snyder MCSCEC interest form