

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

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| FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTING A    | ) RESOLUTION NO. 22-5248                   |
| PROJECT WORK PLAN TO DEVELOP THE | )  |
| GARBAGE AND RECYCLING SYSTEM     | ) Introduced by Chief Operating Officer    |
| FACILITIES PLAN                  | ) Marissa Madrigal with the concurrence of |
|                                  | ) Council President Lynn Peterson          |

WHEREAS, Metro is responsible for planning and overseeing the garbage and recycling system in the greater Portland area and that system is composed of a network of public, private and non-profit owned facilities that provide disposal, waste transfer, recycling and reuse services to over 1.6 million people in the greater Portland region; and

WHEREAS, the 2030 Regional Waste Plan adopted by Metro Council Ordinance No. 19-1431 in March 2019 is the long-range blueprint for managing toward a healthier, more resilient and more equitable garbage and recycling system; and

WHEREAS, the 2030 Regional Waste Plan sets goals and policies for the region to reduce the amount of waste it generates, promote greater reuse and recycling of items, and manage the waste that is leftover in a manner that protects the environment and public health, gets the best value for the public's money, and advances racial equity, diversity and inclusion in the region; and

WHEREAS, to support implementation of the 2030 Regional Waste Plan, Metro Council is directing the Waste Prevention and Environmental Services Department to develop a Garbage and Recycling System Facilities Plan that will be guided by the same Values, Principles and Vision of the Regional Waste Plan and outline future infrastructure investments and services needed to fulfill Regional Waste Plan goals over the next 20 years; and

WHEREAS, the process outlined in Exhibit A to develop the Garbage and Recycling Facilities Plan will assess the region's current public, private and non-profit garbage, recycling and reuse infrastructure, identify service gaps and infrastructure needs, and present potential approaches and a plan for future system investments; and

WHEREAS, the Garbage and Recycling System Facilities Plan is proposed to include a summary of Metro Council's direction on policy and values for developing the plan; an overview of the facility-based garbage, recycling and reuse services necessary for achieving the goals of the 2030 Regional Waste Plan; a description of the current and anticipated gaps in those services; alternative scenarios for the public, private and non-profit sectors to fill the gaps or mitigate the need to fill them over the next 20 years; and an implementation plan and financing options for Metro's role in advancing the plan and building new facilities; and

WHEREAS, the scenarios developed for the Garbage and Recycling System Facilities Plan will consider projects such as the construction of new facilities, incorporation of new services in existing facilities, and non-facility based alternatives, if practical, and the scenarios will consider costs and ratepayer impacts and will elevate the needs of communities of color and other groups historically underserved or impacted by the solid waste system; and

WHEREAS, the Garbage and Recycling Facilities Plan project will not develop detailed financial pro forma statements for filling each identified service gap; detailed estimates of the costs of

implementing non-facility based actions in the 2030 Regional Waste Plan; or itemized lists of the services, staffing, equipment and specific site locations of future facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Garbage and Recycling Facilities Plan development process is proposed to be conducted in five phases between February 2022 and summer 2023 and will seek input at key decision points from Metro Council, the Metro Policy Advisory Committee, the Regional Solid Waste Advisory Committee and the Committee on Racial Equity, concluding with Metro Council considering adoption of the plan during the final phase; and

WHEREAS, the engagement efforts conducted during the Garbage and Recycling System Facilities Plan development process will seek participation of all potentially affected and interested individuals, communities and organizations, as well as local governments, businesses, reuse organizations and advocacy organizations, and while those engagement efforts will conduct outreach to the general public through a variety of means, particular emphasis will be placed on engaging communities of color, urban indigenous peoples and tribal nations and other communities who may be more directly impacted by the decisions that affect the garbage and recycling system, but may have fewer opportunities to influence and shape that system; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council:

1. Approves the Garbage and Recycling System Facilities Plan project work plan, attached as Exhibit A.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 3rd day of March 2022.

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Lynn Peterson, Council President

Approved as to Form:

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Carrie MacLaren, Metro Attorney

**Exhibit “A” to Resolution No. 22-5248**