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Minutes

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11:00 AM

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Council meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Deputy Council President Simpson called the Metro Council Meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Present: 4 - Councilor Mary Nolan, Councilor Gerritt Rosenthal, Councilor Ashton Simpson, and Duncan Hwang

Excused: 3 - Council President Lynn Peterson, Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez, and Councilor Christine Lewis

2. Public Communication

There was none.

3. Consent Agenda

3.1 **Resolution No. 25-5493** For the Purpose of Adding of Canceling Two Projects to the 2024-27 MTIP to Meet Federal Project Delivery Requirements

3.2 Consideration of the May 15, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes

3.3 Consideration of the May 22, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes

No Discussion.

A motion was made by Councilor Rosenthal, seconded by Councilor Nolan, that the Consent Agenda be approved. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

4. Other Business

4.1 **Consideration of Councilor Amendments and Notes for the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget**

Chief Financial Officer Brian Kennedy reviewed the departmental amendments to the approved FY 2025-26 budget.

Councilor Hwang asked Chief Operating Officer Marissa Madrigal to clarify the increased budget for her office and suggested clear communications about this increase for public awareness. COO Madrigal confirmed that the change was designed to centralize administrative staff, as smaller

teams in the agency could no longer financially support individual positions. Councilor Nolan further clarified with COO Madrigal that this change was projected to increase collaboration.

CFO Kennedy confirmed for Councilor Rosenthal that certain funds were set aside for an employee engagement survey conducted by a third-party contractor and that fleet software would be used to manage vehicles, not operate them.

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

Aye: 4 - Councilor Hwang, Councilor Nolan, Councilor Rosenthal, and Councilor Simpson

Excused: 3 - Council President Peterson, Councilor Gonzalez, and Councilor Lewis

5. Chief Operating Officer Communication

COO Madrigal thanked Metro's Pride Employee Resource Group for hosting a gathering, and she commemorated the history of violence against the LGBTQ2IA+ community throughout history.

6. Councilor Communication

Councilor Hwang reported the presentation and discussion at MPAC about the 82nd Avenue and Montgomery Park Streetcar Extension locally preferred alternatives. He also thanked COO Madrigal and CFO Kennedy for a smooth budget season.

Councilor Rosenthal shared a positive outlook for Metro venues, as discussed at MERC. He also noted that discussions continue about the Portland's 5 Centers for the Arts intergovernmental agreements. Last, he reminded the Council that the transportation package in the state legislature would be coming forward soon.

Deputy Council President Simpson described a new TriMet bus line serving East Multnomah County, and he acknowledged that the Oregon Convention Center would be lit orange to honor National Gun Violence Awareness Day.

7. Adjourn

There being no further business, Deputy Council President Simpson adjourned the Metro Council Meeting at 11:28 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Anne Buzzini".

Anne Buzzini, Council Legislative Advisor