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Minutes

Thursday, June 25, 2026

10:00 AM

This Council meeting will adjourn to an Executive Session.

**Metro Regional Center, Council chamber;
<https://zoom.us/j/615079992> (Webinar ID: 615079992) or
253-205-0468 (toll free), [https://www.youtube.com/watch?
v=hXBi9V96e7Q](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hXBi9V96e7Q)**

Council meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President González called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

Present: 4 - Councilor Duncan Hwang, Councilor Mary Nolan, Councilor Gerritt Rosenthal, and Council President Juan Carlos Gonzalez

Excused: 2 - Councilor Christine Lewis, and Councilor Ashton Simpson

2. Pride Month Remarks and Invited Speakers

President González welcomed Michael Lee, Co-Chair of Metro's Pride Employee Resource Group, to open the session with remarks about Pride Month.

Co-Chair Lee highlighted key contributions of LGBTQIA+ innovators and artists. They introduced three guest speakers, who each shared personal remarks. Cayla McGrail, Board President of the Oregon Queer History Collective, spoke to the history of drag in the region, activism, and liberation. Dr. Kelly Chacón, Arthur F. Scott Professor of Chemistry at Reed College, described the importance of access to education and mentorship. Alicia Burmes, Beaverton Pride Board of Directors, shared the ways community can create safe spaces.

Councilor Nolan thanked the speakers for their heartfelt remarks. Councilor Rosenthal spoke to his experiences in the Midwest, where the LGBTQIA+ community fostered local culture for everyone. President González called for a brief recess to acknowledge the guests.

3. Public Communication

Sharon Nasset advocated for a tax on alcohol to fund transportation. She also spoke about single-person households and the history communal living. She submitted additional written testimony.

4. Consent Agenda

4.1 Resolution No. 26-5621 For the Purpose of Authorizing Metro to Apply for

a Local Government Grant from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department

Attachments: [Resolution No. 26-5621](#)
[Staff Report](#)
[Attachment 1 - Blue Lake Regional Park Plan](#)

4.2 Consideration of the June 11, 2026 Council Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [June 11, 2026 Council Meeting Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Councilor Nolan, seconded by Councilor Rosenthal, to adopt items on the consent agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Presentations

5.1 Presentation of Financial Condition of Metro 2015-16 to 2024-2025

Presenter(s): Brian Evans (he/him), Metro Auditor

Attachments: [Financial Condition of Metro: 2015-16 to 2024-25](#)

Auditor Evans presented an overview of Metro's financial condition, noting that expenditures and revenues have both risen over time, but that expenditures have risen faster. Overall, he described Metro's financial condition as healthy. Caleb Ford, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, noted that some trends described as less favorable are the result of intentional policy decisions, like voter-approved bonds.

Auditor Evans confirmed for Councilor Rosenthal that increased costs for employees is a steady trend, largely affected by costs outside Metro's control, such as rising health insurance.

Deputy CFO Ford and Chief Operating Officer Marissa Madrigal clarified for Deputy President Hwang that revenues from Metro's enterprise funds are restricted by nature.

6. Resolutions

6.1 Resolution No. 25-5591 For the Purpose of Amending the FY 2025-26

**Budget and Appropriations Schedule and FY 2025-26 Through FY 2029-30
Capital Improvement Plan to Provide Changes in Operations**

Presenter(s): Cinnamon Williams (She/Her), Budget Director
Amanda Akers (She/Her), Budget Manager

Attachments: [Resolution No. 26-5591](#)
[Exhibit A](#)
[Exhibit B](#)
[Exhibit C](#)
[Staff Report](#)
[Attachment 1](#)

Staff presented a supplemental budget amendment to align spending with the current fiscal year budget. The amendment presented no notable policy changes, no new positions, and no increase to the budget.

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

Aye: 4 - Councilor Hwang, Councilor Nolan, Councilor Rosenthal, and Council President Gonzalez

Excused: 2 - Councilor Lewis, and Councilor Simpson

6.1.1 Public Hearing on Resolution No. 26-5591

No public comment received.

6.2 Resolution No. 26-5605 For the Purpose of Approving Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Funding for Grants Funded with the Construction Excise Tax

Presenter(s): Serah Breakstone, 2040 Grants Manager
Hau Hagedorn, Community Investments Manager

Attachments: [Resolution No. 26-5605](#)
[Exhibit A](#)
[Staff Report](#)

Staff reviewed the process for soliciting grant applicants and providing technical assistance. They described the four applications and the screening criteria applied to draft the

recommendation.

Councilor Rosenthal expressed his support for each of the four grants. Councilor Hwang asked about funding for the 2040 grant program for the full year, and staff noted that although the current quarter funding level is high, it is on par with year-to-date figures from past cycles.

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

Aye: 4 - Councilor Hwang, Councilor Nolan, Councilor Rosenthal, and Council President Gonzalez

Excused: 2 - Councilor Lewis, and Councilor Simpson

7. Ordinances (First Reading and Public Hearing)

7.1 Ordinance No. 26-1547 For the Purpose of Amending Metro Code Section 2.19.280 to Add One Member to the Supportive Housing Services Regional Policy and Oversight Committee

Presenter(s): Liam Frost (he/him), Housing Director

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 26-1547](#)
[Exhibit A](#)
[Staff Report](#)

Staff reviewed the ordinance to add a position to the committee.

Councilor Hwang hoped that staff would be able to move forward in engaging Tribal and indigenous partners despite the fact that the ordinance would not be effective for 90 days. Staff confirmed that initial steps and outreach may move forward during the 90 day period.

President González announced that the second reading and vote would take place July 2.

7.1.1 Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 26-1547

No public comment received.

8. Ordinances (Second Reading and vote)

- 8.1 **Ordinance No. 26-1545** For the Purpose of Annexing to the Metro District Approximately 29 Acres in Hillsboro Along Northeast Evergreen Road and Northwest 273rd Avenue

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

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 26-1545](#)
[Exhibit A](#)
[Staff Report](#)
[Attachment 1](#)

No discussion.

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

Aye: 4 - Councilor Hwang, Councilor Nolan, Councilor Rosenthal, and Council President Gonzalez

Excused: 2 - Councilor Lewis, and Councilor Simpson

- 8.2 **Ordinance No. 26-1546** For the Purpose of Annexing to the Metro District Approximately Half an Acre Along the Northwest Springville Road in Washington County

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

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 26-1546](#)
[Exhibit A](#)
[Staff Report](#)
[Attachment 1](#)

No discussion.

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

Aye: 4 - Councilor Hwang, Councilor Nolan, Councilor Rosenthal, and Council President Gonzalez

Excused: 2 - Councilor Lewis, and Councilor Simpson

9. Chief Operating Officer Communication

COO Madrigal noted that staff are monitoring changes to federal requirements and that Metro is participating in Climate Week.

9.1 MPAC Update (Malu Wilkinson, Planning, Development and Research Deputy Director)

Members of the Metropolitan Policy Advisory Committee appreciated Metro for taking on more economic development work and sharing information with local jurisdictions. At their most recent meeting, members also discussed the Future Vision project and the intersection between housing and land supply.

Deputy President Hwang expressed some consternation over remarks during the meeting that residents advocating for certain outcomes, like public health, are presenting bias. Staff noted that engagement survey results typically track the values and beliefs seen in statistically valid surveys rather closely.

9.2 CORE Update (Sebrina Owens-Wilson, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Director)

Committee on Racial Equity Members received a project background on Future Vision and the Lone Fir Memorial project.

10. Councilor Communication

No updates.

11. Adjourn to Executive Session

President González adjourned the meeting at 11:52 a.m. and announced that Council would meet in executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(i).



Anne Buzzini, Council Legislative Advisor

July 3, 2026