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# **Minutes**

Tuesday, December 7, 2021 10:30 AM

This Council Meeting will adjourn into a Council Work Session

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**Council meeting** 

#### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Council President Peterson called the Metro Council Meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Present: 6 - Council President Lynn Peterson, Councilor Shirley Craddick,
Councilor Christine Lewis, Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez,
Councilor Mary Nolan, and Councilor Gerritt Rosenthal

#### 2. Public Communication

There was none.

#### 3. Resolutions

3.1 Resolution No. 21-5221, For the Purpose of Metro Council's Acceptance of the Results of the Independent Audit for Financial Activity During Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021

Council President Peterson introduced Metro Auditor Brian Evans (he/him), Chief Financial Officer Brian Kennedy (he/him), and Ashley Osten (she/her) of Moss Adams to present on the item.

Staff raised the *Resolution No. 21-5221 Powerpoint Presentation*.

Staff reviewed standards and protocol for audit conduction. Staff reviewed control and compliance findings, Oregon minimum standards and bond expenditures for the programs that were reviewed. No issues of noncompliance were cited.

Staff reported on required communications between the governing body and the Audit Committee in November. Two uncorrected audit adjustments were cited. No difficulties in performing the audit, disagreements with management, or corrected audit adjustments were cited.

Regarding deficiencies in internal control, no material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and non-compliance were cited. Some current year best practice recommendations were cited regarding timecards within the Planning Department. Additionally, some IT recommendations were cited, including: user access reviews, administrative permissions, and password configurations. An update on the resolution to prior year items (capital assets) was reviewed.

New standards were reviewed and staff made themselves available for questions.

Staff recommended a user access review for Waymaster. A project is currently underway to replace Waymaster.

Council President Peterson introduced Metro Chief Financial Officer Brian Kennedy to present the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Brian Kennedy thanked Brian Evans, the auditing team, Ashley Osten and the rest of the Moss Adams team for their work and agreed with their findings. He further cited that the report recognizes Metro's receipt of the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 2020.

Brian Kennedy cited a decrease in the business-type activities (primarily due to the visitor venues) as a result of the pandemic. Total government proceeds decreased by 5.3% due to the dispersing of bond funds. Bonded debt outstanding rests at approx. 1 billion; 89% of this is backed by property tax assessments.

Brian Kennedy encouraged individuals to familiarize

themselves with the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and suggested they begin with the "Management's Discussion and Analysis" section for a comprehensive overview and analysis for the last year. He then made himself available for questions.

In response to a question posed by Councilor Craddick, Brian Kennedy described how staff addressed and will continually seek to resolve recommendations made by the auditor's report.

**Council Discussion** 

There was none.

A motion was made by Councilor Rosenthal, seconded by Councilor Nolan, that this Resolution was adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Council President Peterson, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, Councilor Nolan, and Councilor Rosenthal

### 4. Ordinances (Second Reading)

4.1 Ordinance No. 21-1472, For the Purpose of Adopting a Metro Council District Reapportionment Plan and Declaring an Emergency

Council President Peterson called on Policy Advisor, Anne Buzzini (she/her), Council Office Program Director, Ina Zucker (she/her), and Senior GIS Specialist, Clint Chiavarini (he/him), to present on the item.

Staff presented on amendments to Exhibit A to consolidate Beaverton to two districts (Exhibit A-1) rather than three following public comment. A boundary shift from the freeway line to the middle of the river was also proposed to better serve unhoused individuals who would otherwise be divided into different districts.

Staff presented Ordinance No. 21-1472 Exhibit A-2.

Clint Chiavarini provided a high-level overview of the changes to the map, primarily affecting Beaverton.

Councilor Gonzalez introduced a friendly amendment and moved to amend Ordinance No. 21-1472 as introduced to substitute the reapportionment plan Exhibit A with the map staff just presented, Exhibit A-2. The motion was seconded by Councilor Rosenthal.

Council Discussion:

There was none.

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

Aye: 6 - Council President Peterson, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, Councilor Nolan, and Councilor Rosenthal

Council President Peterson announced that further consideration of Ordinance No. 21-1472 as amended would carry over to the Council Meeting on December 14, 2021.

Seeing no further discussion on the topic, Council President Peterson moved on to the next agenda item.

## 5. Adjourn to Work Session

There being no further business, Council President Peterson adjourned the Metro Council Meeting at 11:12 p.m.

This Council Meeting adjourned into a Council Work Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Shay Starling

Shay Starling, Legislative Assistant



# **Council meeting action update**

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## 3. Resolutions

3.1 Resolution No. 21-5221, For the Purpose of Metro Council's Acceptance of the Results of the Independent Audit for Financial Activity During Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021

A motion was made by Councilor Rosenthal, seconded by Councilor Nolan, that this Resolution was adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Council President Peterson, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, Councilor Nolan, and Councilor Rosenthal

## 4. Ordinances (Second Reading)

4.1 Ordinance No. 21-1472, For the Purpose of Adopting a Metro Council District Reapportionment Plan and Declaring an Emergency

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

**Yes:** 6 - Council President Peterson, Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, Councilor Nolan, and Councilor Rosenthal [**Note**: Continued to 12/14/2021 Council meeting]

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# ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 07, 2021

Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
1.0	Testimony	12/07/2021	Letter from Mayor Beaty and Chair Harrington	120721c-01
2.0	Powerpoint	12/07/2021	Resolution No. 21-5221 Presentation Powerpoint	120721c-02
3.0	Powerpoint Slide	12/07/2021	Ordinance No. 21-1472 Exhibit A-1	120721c-03
4.0	Powerpoint Slide	12/07/2021	Ordinance No. 21-1472 Exhibit A-2	120721c-04