

## STAFF REPORT

### IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 17-4794 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO THE METRO PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE.

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## BACKGROUND

Metro's Public Engagement Review Committee (PERC) convenes three times a year and consists of at-large community members, representatives from three community organizations, and public involvement staff from Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties.

## ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

The PERC serves as a key component of Metro's ongoing efforts to develop and implement successful public engagement processes. Members are appointed to three-year terms on a rotating schedule.

One representative from a community organization and three at-large community representatives' terms have expired.

Staff opened an application process and engaged community stakeholders, local agencies and jurisdictions to recruit committee applicants with public involvement experience, strong community connections, and a diverse geographic and demographic representation.

Staff received applications and selected four that meet the following criteria:

- A commitment to community engagement
- Demonstrated skills, knowledge or experience that apply to principles of citizen involvement adopted by Metro
- Experience working with underrepresented communities.

After consulting with councilors, the communications director, and staff, the Metro Council President has appointed the following individuals to PERC for three-year terms: Libra Forde, Sprinavasa Brown, Begona Rodriguez Liern and Fiona Yau-Luu.

## ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

1. **Known Opposition** None
2. **Legal Antecedents** Resolution No. 97-2433 establishing Metro's Principles of Citizen Involvement: Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030; and Ordinance No. 12-1294 amending Metro Code Chapter 2.19.030.
3. **Anticipated Effects** The appointments to the PERC will allow Metro to more successfully engage communities with Metro's initiatives, improve public engagement best practices, and prioritize projects for public outreach.

4. **Budget Impacts** No budget impacts. Program needs are accounted for in existing staff resources and accessing Communications M&S included in the COO proposed budget for FY 2017-2018.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Confirm appointing three at-large community representatives to the PERC for three-year terms: Libra Forde, Sprinavasa Brown, and Fiona Yau-Luu.

Confirm appointing one community organization representative to the PERC for a three-year term: Begona Rodriguez Liern, Program Manager – Washington County, United Way of the Columbia Willamette.