

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADOPTING A ) ORDINANCE NO. 17-1401  
LANDFILL CAPACITY POLICY AND )  
AMENDING METRO CODE CHAPTERS 5.00 ) Introduced by Councilor Bob Stacey  
AND 5.05 )

WHEREAS, Metro regulates solid waste disposal generated within the Metro region through issuance of non-system licenses and designated facility agreements, pursuant to Metro’s constitutional, statutory, and charter authority as set forth in Metro Code Chapter 5.05; and

WHEREAS, the capacity of existing permitted landfills available for the disposal of waste generated within the Metro region, without expanding existing landfills or constructing new landfills, can serve the needs of the region at current rates of disposal for at least 100 years; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council has considered, as part of the Solid Waste Roadmap, a policy that would prohibit the use of new or expanded landfills beyond the current disposal supply available to the region; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council finds that a landfill capacity policy that prohibits disposal of waste generated in the Metro region at a new or limited capacity landfill will conserve limited land and resources in and around the Metro region and encourage waste reduction; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council finds that implementation of the landfill capacity policy should be consistent with the timeline for the Solid Waste Roadmap, including the procurement process to plan for the January 1, 2020 expiration of Metro’s 30 year disposal contract; now therefore,

THE METRO COUNCIL ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. A landfill capacity policy that prohibits disposal of waste generated in the Metro region at a new or limited capacity landfill is hereby adopted.
- 2. Metro Code Chapter 5.00 is hereby amended to add the language in Exhibit A to Metro Code Section 5.00.010.
- 3. Metro Code Chapter 5.05 is hereby amended to add Section 5.05.055 as set forth in Exhibit B.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 25th day of May 2017.

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Tom Hughes, Council President

Attest:

Approved as to Form:

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Nellie Papsdorf, Recording Secretary

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Alison R. Kean, Metro Attorney