

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 20-5136 FOR THE PURPOSE OF
APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE SUPPORTIVE HOUSING SERVICES OVERSIGHT
COMMITTEE

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ISSUE STATEMENT

This resolution will appoint members to the Supportive Housing Services Oversight Committee.

ACTION REQUESTED

Council adoption of Resolution No. 20-5136.

IDENTIFIED POLICY OUTCOMES

Council approval will appoint members to the Supportive Housing Oversight Committee as laid out in in Metro Code Section 2.19.

POLICY QUESTION(S)

The purpose of the Regional Oversight Committee is to provide program oversight on behalf of the Metro Council to ensure that investments achieve regional goals and desired outcomes and to ensure transparency and accountability in Supportive Housing Services Program activities and outcomes. In appointing members to meet this charge, Council should consider the broad range of personal and professional experiences and the diversity of the region.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommendations for appointment are attached.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT & FRAMING COUNCIL DISCUSSION

The role of the Supportive Housing Services Oversight Committee is to provide independent and transparent oversight of the Supportive Housing Services Program. It follows Metro's strong tradition of community oversight committees to oversee program implementation for programs put before voters including the Affordable Housing Bond, the Parks and Nature Bonds and a Zoo Bond. These committees help to ensure community involvement and transparency to constituents with large scale voter-approved programs.

Working in close collaboration with our county partners, Metro has conducted a robust and transparent recruitment process for membership to the Supportive Housing Services Oversight Committee. The application was made available for three weeks and Metro staff worked with county and community partners to do broad outreach. Metro received over 120 applications from interested individuals.

BACKGROUND

The Supportive Housing Services Oversight Committee is collectively charged with Metro to oversee program implementation of the Supportive Housing Services Program.

The Committee will be charged specifically with the following duties:

- Evaluate Local Implementation Plans, recommend changes as necessary to achieve program goals and guiding principles, and make recommendations to Metro Council for approval;
- Accept and review annual reports for consistency with approved Local Implementation Plans and regional goals;
- Monitor financial aspects of program administration, including review of program expenditures; and
- Provide annual reports and presentations to Metro Council and Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington County Boards of Commissioners assessing performance, challenges and outcomes.

Membership

The committee will be composed of 15 voting members with 5 members each from Clackamas, Washington and Multnomah counties. Committee members will be appointed by the Metro Council.

The committee's membership will include a broad range of personal and professional experience, including people with lived experience of homelessness or housing instability. The committee will also reflect the diversity of the region. The membership will include people with the following experiences, perspectives and qualities:

- Experience overseeing, providing or delivering supportive housing services;
- Lived experience of homelessness or severe housing instability;
- Experience in the development and implementation of supportive housing and other services;
- Experience in the delivery of culturally specific services;
- Experience in the private for-profit sector;
- Experience in the philanthropic sector;
- Experience in a Continuum of Care organization; and
- People who identify as Black, Indigenous and people of color, people with low incomes, immigrants and refugees, the LGBTQ+ community, people with disabilities and other underserved and/or marginalized communities.

One representative each from the Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington County Boards of Commissioners, Portland City Council and Metro Council will serve on the committee as non-voting delegates.

Stipends, childcare, technical assistance, interpretation, accessibility assistance and other supports for participation will be available.

Committee members will serve two-year terms

All committee meetings and materials will be available and accessible to the public, and appropriate notice will be given to inform all interested parties of the time, place and agenda of each meeting.

Committee members are considered public officials under Oregon law and will be responsible for complying with provisions in Oregon law regarding public records and public meetings, disclosure of conflicts of interest, prohibitions on the use of official positions to obtain financial benefit, and restrictions on political activity.

Metro may conduct a review of the committee's role and effectiveness as appropriate.

ATTACHMENTS

[Identify and submit any attachments related to this legislation or presentation]