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## Minutes

Thursday, March 16, 2023

10:30 AM

Metro Regional Center, Council chamber,  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gXJuIMLca5c>  
<https://zoom.us/j/615079992>, or 877-853-5257 (toll free) (Webinar

**Council meeting**  
ID: 615079992)

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

Deputy Council President Lewis called the Metro Council Meeting to order at 10:30am

The following Councilors were present: Deputy Councilor President Lewis, Councilor Rosenthal, Councilor Simpson, Councilor Hwang, Councilor Gonzalez.

**Present:** 3 - Councilor Christine Lewis, Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez, and Councilor Gerritt Rosenthal

**Excused:** 2 - Council President Lynn Peterson, and Councilor Mary Nolan

**2. Public Communication****3. Consent Agenda**

**A motion was made by Councilor Rosenthal, seconded by Council President Peterson, to adopt items on the consent agenda. The motion passed by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5- Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, Councilor Rosenthal, Councilor Hwang, Councilor Simpson.

**Excused:** 2 - Council President Peterson, and Councilor Nolan

Attachments: [062322c Minutes](#)

Attachments: [063022 Minutes](#)

Attachments: [071922c Minutes](#)

Consideration of the July 19, 2022 Minutes

Attachments: [072122c Minutes](#)

Attachments: [080422c Minutes](#)

Attachments: [091522c Minutes](#)

Attachments: [101322c Minutes](#)

**4. Resolutions****4.1**

Attachments: [Resolution No. 23-5311](#)  
[Staff Report](#)  
[Exhibit A to Resolution No. 23-5311](#)  
[Exhibit B to Resolution No. 23-5311](#)  
[Attachment 1 to Staff Report](#)  
[Attachment 2 to Staff Report](#)  
[Attachment 3 to Staff Report](#)  
[Attachment 4 to Staff Report](#)  
[Attachment 5 to Staff Report](#)  
[Attachment 6 to Staff Report](#)

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

**Aye:** 3 - Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, and Councilor Rosenthal

**Excused:** 2 - Council President Peterson, and Councilor Nolan

4.2 Resolution No., 23-5306 For the Purpose of Endorsing the Preferred Alternative for the Earthquake Ready Burnside Bridge Project

Attachments: [RES NO. 23-5306 Earthquake Ready Burnside Bridge PA Council](#)  
[Exhibit A](#)  
[Exhibit B](#)  
[Staff report](#)

Deputy Council President Lewis called on Alex Oreschak, Metro, Megan Neil, Multnomah County, Taylor Steenblock, Multnomah County to present to Council.

Staff pulled up the Earthquake Ready Burnside Bridge Project to present to Council.

Summary of the presentation: The bridge is an important route for emergency responders to take in case of a

disaster, & for people to take in case of emergency. The Burnside Bridge is chosen for that reason and since there is no other resilient bridge in the region that serves as an emergency route. The bridge is also 100 years old, so the bridge is needing funding to rebuild the structure & to add bike lanes plus more lanes.

*Council Discussion:*

*Councilor Rosenthal asked if the bridge is seismically resilient, are the bicycle lanes can be converted into emergency lane responses?*

*Taylor Steenblock answered the bridge is seismically resilient however to achieve access to the bridge after a disaster there must be a rebuilding of the area that may take a month. & that the bike paths designs are still not implemented so she cannot provide an answer.*

*Councilor Hwang asked if the funding was a federal grant*

*Taylor Steenblock said that there was a few funds the federal government renewed.*

*Councilor Simpson asked if there is any talks about continuity with DTOT and if the community is involved.*

*Taylor Steenblock explained that they are in conversation with DTOT*

*Megan Neil answered that they have been working with a group within the community that involves the paths on the bridge and getting feedback on the designs of the use and safety, and the color of the bridge.*

*Councilor Deputy President Lewis asked when the bridge will be shown again to council*

*Margi Bradway answered that it will be soon once all necessary steps are taken.*

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

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

**Aye:** 3 - Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, and Councilor Rosenthal

**Excused:** 2 - Council President Peterson, and Councilor Nolan

**5. Ordinance (second reading and vote)**

**Present:** 3 - Councilor Christine Lewis, Councilor Juan Carlos Gonzalez, and Councilor Gerritt Rosenthal

- 5.1 Ordinance No. 23-1490 For the Purpose of Annexing to the Metro District Boundary Approximately 6.58 Acres Located in Hillsboro to the West Side of SE 67th Ave North of SE Genrosa St.

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 23-1490](#)  
[Exhibit A](#)  
[Staff Report](#)  
[Attachment 1](#)

**ORD No. 23-1490**

**First: Simpson Second: Gonzalez**

Deputy Council President Lewis called on Glen Hamburg to present to Council.

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**A motion was made by Councilor Lewis, seconded by Councilor Gonzalez, that this Ordinance was adopted.. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 3 - Councilor Lewis, Councilor Gonzalez, and Councilor Rosenthal

**Excused:** 2 - Council President Peterson, and Councilor Nolan

**6. Chief Operating Officer Communication**

Marissa Madrigal provided an update on the following events or items:

- Community planting bridge
- Free parking at Expo blue lake beach

**7. Councilor Communication**

Councilors provided updates on the following meetings and events:

- Councilor Rosenthal spoke about the regional league of cities meeting & the changes. A lot of the smaller cities have trouble with DEI training
- Councilor Gonzales gave updates on the TV highway project & JPACT discussion
- Councilor Simpson gave updates on Fuller Station
- Councilor Deputy President Lewis gave updates on her meeting in DC.

**8. Adjourn**

There being no further business, Deputy Council President Lewis adjourned the Metro Council Meeting at 11:39am

Respectfully submitted,

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Sermad Mohamad, Legislative Assistant