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Minutes

Tuesday, January 11, 2022

10:30 AM

District 6 Appointment Interviews, Hearing and Vote

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Council Meeting

1. Call to Order, Introductions, and Meeting Overview

Council President Peterson explained the District 6 Appointment Process.

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

2. Metro District 6 Applicant Testimony and Council Questions

Council President Hughes called on the applicants to provide their statements:

- Duncan Hwang
- Jeff Merrick
- Terri Preeg Riggsby
- Thao Tu
- Byron Christopher Vaughn
- Adam Weiner

After each statement, the Metro Council asked each applicant the following questions:

- Why are diversity, equity, and inclusion important for any government agency and for Metro specifically?
- Metro's role in the areas of Affordable Housing and Supportive Housing Services is relatively new. How do you see us continuing in this work and why is Metro's involvement in this work important?
- If appointed, how do you intend to approach communicating with the people your district?

Councilor Nolan asked Duncan about Metro's reputation in the region. Councilor Lewis asked Duncan about takeaways on his experiences with working at a roundtable to craft policy. Councilor Rosenthal asked Duncan about the importance for Councilors to have broad experiences within the fields that are within Metro's purview.

Councilor Rosenthal asked Jeff about the importance for Councilors to have broad experiences within the fields that are within Metro's purview.

Councilor Nolan asked Terri about the role for elected officials and policy setters with respect to deploying audits. Councilor Lewis asked Terri about major takeaways on making policy with MPAC.

Councilor Rosenthal asked Thao about the importance for Councilors to have broad experiences within the fields that are within Metro's purview. Councilor Gonzalez asked Thao about issues that Metro deals with that are important to him.

Councilor Nolan asked Byron about community members' knowledge and approval rating of Metro. Councilor Gonzalez asked Byron about Metro policy areas that interest him. Councilor Rosenthal asked Byron if a broad levels of experiences are important for councilors to have.

Councilor Gonzalez asked Adam what areas of Metro policy are of interest to him.

3. Public Hearing

Commissioner JoAnn Hardesty testified in support of Duncan Hwang, noting his investment to equity and experience within the East Portland community.

Will Miller testified on behalf of the NAYA Action Fund in support of Duncan Hwang, citing his work on racial equity.

Representative Khanh Pham spoke in support of Duncan Hwang, crediting his work advancing affordable housing, green spaces, and transportation safety and equity in his

community.

Vivian Satterfield testified on behalf of Duncan Hwang, speaking on his experience within housing and transportation.

Marcus Mundy from Building Power for Communities of Color endorsed Duncan, citing his keen listening and communication abilities and experience within housing, sustainability and equity.

Nick Sauvie from Rose Community Development voiced support for Duncan Hwang. Nick highlighted Duncan's experience working on policy issues around affordable housing, transportation, and environmental justice.

Michael Sonnleitner voiced their support for Duncan Hwang citing his experience as a community builder.

Ashton Simpson endorsed Duncan Hwang. Ashton explained that he has successfully worked with Duncan on a number of transportation issues.

Mohamed Salim Bahamadi endorsed Terri Preeg Riggsby noting Terri's support for immigrant and refugee communities.

Eric Fruits voiced support for Jeff Merrick because Jeff will ask Metro difficult questions.

Representative Dacia Grayber voiced support for Terri Preeg Riggsby, describing Terri as a leader and consensus builder.

4. Council Comments & Process Check

There was none.

5. Council Nomination and Voting

Council President Peterson explained the council nomination and voting process.

Councilor Gonzalez nominated Duncan Hwang; seconded by Councilor Craddick.

Councilor Rosenthal nominated Terri Preeg Riggsby; seconded by Councilor Lewis.

Council President Peterson then called on Jaye Cromwell, Metro staff, to distribute ballots and announce the results. The results were as follows:

- Five votes for Duncan Hwong: Councilor Craddick, Councilor Lewis, Council President Peterson, Councilor Gonzalez, and Councilor Nolan
- One vote for Terri Preeg Riggsby: Councilor Rosenthal

Council President Peterson announced that following a majority vote, the Metro Council had appointed Duncan Hwang to the position of Councilor for district six.

6. Resolutions

6.1 Resolution No. 22-5239, For the Purpose of Appointing a Councilor to Fill the Office of Metro Councilor for Council District No. 6

Council Discussion

There was none.

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

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

7. Adjourn

There being no further business, Council President Peterson adjourned the Metro Council Meeting at 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Council meeting action update

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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JANUARY 11, 2022

ITEM	DOCUMENT TYPE	DOC DATE	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DOCUMENT NO.
1.0	Testimony	1/11/22	Written Testimony	011122c-01
2.0	Testimony	1/11/22	Duncan Hwang Community Endorsements	011122c -02