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TO: Clackamas County Board of County Commissioners (BCC)
FROM: Dan Johnson, Transportation and Development Director
RE: **Board Nomination to Metro Regional Waste Advisory Committee**
DATE: September 3, 2025

REQUEST: Board decision on Regional Waste Advisory Committee nomination.

BACKGROUND: A seat reserved for local government on the Metro Regional Waste Advisory Committee (RWAC) is open for nominations. The Metro Council created the RWAC in 2024 to:

- Implement key regional garbage and recycling plans, including the 2030 Regional Waste Plan and the Regional System Facilities Plan (which includes planned investments in a new transfer station to replace the Metro South facility in Oregon City).
- Oversee Metro's Waste Prevention and Environmental Services budget.
 - This includes review of annual adjustments to regional solid waste fees.
- Take on other planning responsibilities for the regional garbage and recycling system as required by state law or assigned by Metro Council.

Currently, two RWAC members represent portions of Clackamas County: Oregon City Mayor Denyse McGriff and Metro Councilor Christine Lewis. Full RWAC membership is listed in Attachment A. The group meets monthly from 2-4pm on the fourth Thursday.

Although the Board may nominate a representative, Metro makes the final decision for appointments to the RWAC. The Board previously nominated former Commissioner Mark Shull to be considered for membership, but Metro did not appoint him.

The deadline for submitting a nomination for this two-year term position is Friday, September 5, 2025.

The Board has two options: take no action (the County would continue to be represented on RWAC by Mayor McGriff and Councilor Lewis) or identify a member of the Board to nominate for the position.

RECOMMENDATION: None.

ATTACHMENTS: #A: Regional Waste Advisory Committee 2025 Membership

Regional Waste Advisory Committee (RWAC)

Update: May 2025

2025 Membership

Position	Committee Member	Affiliation	Term Expiration
Community of Color	Teresa Gaddy		September 2025
Community of Color	Daisha Tate		December 2026
Community of Color	Chieko Yoshihara		December 2026
Environmental and Health Advocate	Fiona Conneely		December 2026
Individual garbage and recycling system user	Laura Tokarski		December 2026
Garbage and Recycling Transfer Station	Kristin Lechner	Pride Disposal	December 2026
Material Recovery Facility	AJ Simpson	City of Roses Disposal	December 2026
Local Government	Mayor Lacey Beaty	City of Beaverton	December 2026
Local Government	Councilor Angelita Morillo	City of Portland	December 2026
Local Government	Mayor Denyse McGriff	City of Oregon City	December 2026
Local Government	Commissioner Pam Treece	Washington County	September 2025
Local Government	Vacant	City of Troutdale	September 2025
Oregon Department of Environmental Quality	Audrey O'Brien	Oregon Department of Environmental Quality	
Committee Chair	Councilor Mary Nolan	Metro Council	
Committee Vice-Chair	Councilor Christine Lewis	Metro Council	
Garbage and Recycling Collection Company	Beth Vargas Duncan	Oregon Refuse and Recycling Association	September 2025
Non-profit reuse organization	Jackie Kirouac-Fram	Rebuilding Center	September 2025

Terms: The city and county local government members will serve for a term of two years. A member may be reappointed for additional terms of one to two years through the appointment process set forth in Metro Code. The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality member will serve until a replacement is nominated by the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality executive. The remaining members will serve for a term of two (2) years.