

**Date:** June 27, 2018

**To:** Board of Directors

**From:** Doug Kelsey 

**Subject:** **RESOLUTION 18-06-47 OF THE TRI-COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT OF OREGON (TRIMET) CONFIRMING TRIMET BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

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**1. Purpose of Item**

The purpose of this item is for the TriMet Board of Directors (Board) to confirm appointments to Board committees, as well as other committees.

**2. Type of Agenda Item**

- Initial Contract
- Contract Modification
- Other: Confirm Committee Appointments

**3. Reason for Board Action**

While the TriMet Code authorizes the Board President to make appointments to committees, the full Board has traditionally confirmed the committee appointments.

**4. Type of Action**

- Resolution
- Ordinance 1<sup>st</sup> Reading
- Ordinance 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**5. Background**

The Board President is authorized to appoint Board members to serve on various committees to help ensure that the Board effectively conducts its policy level oversight of the affairs of the District. Committee appointments were most recently confirmed by the Board in October 2017 via Resolution 17-10-74. With the addition of three new Board members, Board committee appointments must be revised to reflect changes to the Board.

The role of the Board committees and appointed Board liaison members is listed below:

## **Board Committees:**

- **Committee on Accessible Transportation (CAT) – Lori Irish Bauman**

The CAT committee was formed in 1985 to advise the TriMet Board and staff on plans, policies, and programs for seniors and/or people with disabilities. CAT has 15 community members: eight seniors and/or people with disabilities who use TriMet, six representatives of seniors and/or people with disabilities and one local government representative, as well as one member of the TriMet Board. All CAT members are appointed by the General Manager for a two-year term. Together with TriMet staff, CAT develops an annual work plan to identify major issues and prioritize the year's activities.

This appointment is unchanged from the October 2017 committee appointment in Resolution 17-10-74.

- **Finance & Audit Committee – Travis Stovall, Chair; Bruce Warner; Dr. Linda Simmons**

The Finance & Audit Committee assists the Board with oversight of TriMet's financial strategy and objectives, the integrity of TriMet's financial statements, the independent auditor's qualifications and independence, significant financial transactions and TriMet's enterprise risk issues, programs, management practices, and initiatives to ensure that systems and risk management tools are in place and functioning effectively.

## **Other Committees:**

- **Accountability Committee – Lori Irish Bauman**

The Accountability Committee was organized in November 2013 to consider ever-changing informational needs and to ensure that the agency's web page is up to date with the most relevant information with due consideration to current issues. In addition, the Accountability Committee can consider technological advances, as they occur, that can cost effectively further these goals in innovative ways. The Accountability Committee is made up of appropriate staff and one Board member and reports its recommendations to the General Manager.

- **Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU)/TriMet Pension Trust Fund – Keith Edwards**

The TriMet Board President appoints a Board member to serve as a member of the ATU/TriMet Pension Trust Board of Trustees. TriMet's Chief Financial Officer and General Counsel also serve as Trustees. The Board of Trustees meets on a regular basis to accomplish the general objectives of the Trust, including diversification of investments. The appointed Board member updates the Board on any significant issues, as determined by the member.

- **Metropolitan Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC) – Kathy Wai**

Established by the Metro Charter in 1992, MPAC advises the Metro Council on the amendment or adoption of the Regional Framework Plan, which includes issues surrounding regional transportation and management of the urban growth boundary. MPAC is composed of 21 voting members representing cities, counties, special districts, and the public and six non-voting members. A TriMet Board member serves on the Committee.

- **Transit Equity Advisory Committee (TEAC) – Ozzie Gonzales**

The TEAC is an advisory committee representing a diverse cross-section of community leaders charged with providing insights and guidance to the General Manager on transit equity and transit access issues. The TEAC was organized in May 2013 to extend the agency's outreach and involvement to transit dependent riders, as well as serve as a link to community organizations. In 2018, TEAC was expanded beyond its 12 member to include more voices in TriMet's equity efforts. The TEAC provides direction on the agency's transit equity strategy. The committee provides input and guidance on equity issues related to Title VI and Environmental Justice analysis, service planning, operational and capital investments, improving service to transit dependent riders, and disseminating information about transportation services to community-based organizations, social service agencies, and the community at large. Committee members are appointed by the General Manager with one Board member serving as a liaison.

- **TEAC Safety and Security Subcommittee – Dr. Linda Simmons**

The TEAC Safety and Security Subcommittee (SSAC) is a newly created subcommittee of TEAC. The SSAC provides guidance to TriMet on issues related to operational safety and security. The SSAC analyzes and recommends appropriate changes to policies, procedures, and training for enhancing security throughout the TriMet transit network, including deployment of resources for increased security presence; fare and code enforcement for equitable treatment of low income and historically underrepresented groups, youth and other vulnerable populations; oversight of the administrative citation process for certain TriMet Code violations; and monitoring safety and security performance.

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**RESOLUTION OF THE TRI-COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT OF OREGON (TRIMET) CONFIRMING TRIMET BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

WHEREAS, the President of the TriMet Board of Directors (Board) has authority to appoint Board members to various committees to help ensure that the Board effectively conducts its policy level oversight, and to take administrative actions on behalf of and relating to the affairs of TriMet; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to confirm the appointment of Board members to serve on various committees;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TRIMET BOARD CONFIRMS THE APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES AS SET FORTH BELOW:**

**A. Board Committee Appointments**

1. Committee on Accessible Transportation: Lori Irish Bauman
2. Finance & Audit Committee: Chair, Travis Stovall; Bruce Warner; Dr. Linda Simmons

**B. Other Committee Appointments**

1. Accountability Committee: Lori Irish Bauman
2. ATU/TriMet Pension Trust: Keith Edwards
3. Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC): Kathy Wai
4. Transit Equity Advisory Committee (TEAC): Ozzie Gonzales
5. TEAC Safety and Security Sub-Committee: Dr. Linda Simmons

Dated: June 27, 2018

Attest:

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Recording Secretary

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Presiding Officer

Approved as to Legal Sufficiency:

  
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Legal Department