

PDC

PORTLAND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

DATE: August 27, 2010

TO: Board of Commissioners

FROM: Bruce A. Warner, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Appoint Mr. Dennis McNannay and Mr. Brian Newman to the North Macadam Urban Renewal Advisory Committee

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED

Adopt Resolution No. 6815

ACTION SUMMARY

This action will:

- Appoint Mr. Dennis McNannay to the North Macadam Urban Renewal Advisory Committee (NMURAC) as a Regular Community Partner Member representing the Oregon Bioscience Association (OBA). Mr. McNannay is the new Executive Director of the OBA and has extensive experience in the software, bioscience, and construction industries. He has been nominated by the OBA Board Chair to serve as the organization's representative on the NMURAC.
- Appoint Mr. Brian Newman to the North Macadam Urban Renewal Advisory Committee (NMURAC) as an Alternate Member representing the Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU). Mr. Newman's first term as a NMURAC member came to an end on June 30, 2010, and he has been nominated by the OHSU President to serve as an Alternate Member for a second term ending on June 30, 2013. Mr. Newman is the Director of Campus Planning and Development for OHSU and also served as a Metro Councilor between 2001 and 2007.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

Meaningful public participation helps promote democracy and civic engagement, builds public trust in government and enhances the Commission's credibility within the community.

Effective public participation can improve the quality and effectiveness of Board plans and decisions.

This action will support the following PDC goals:

- Strong Economic Growth and Competitiveness
- Sustainability and Social Equity
- Healthy Neighborhoods
- A Vibrant Central City
- Effective Stewardship over our Resources and Operations, and Employee Investment

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND FEEDBACK

The public is continually advised of the opportunity to serve on a URAC, and encouraged to apply for appointment.

COMPLIANCE WITH ADOPTED PLANS AND POLICIES

This action complies with the URAC Policy as revised by the Board of Commissioners on July 9, 2008 (Resolution No. 6614) that requires the Board to identify and appoint regular Organization members to URACs that the Board has created.

This action complies with and helps implement the Public Participation Policy adopted by the Board on June 22, 2005 (Resolution No. 6266) which established that "public participation is required and will be an integral component of project schedules, budgets, and board decision-making processes for developing and implementing urban renewal area plans and implementing urban renewal projects."

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no significant financial impact as a result of this action.

RISK ASSESSMENT

There are no significant legal, financial or operational risks resulting from this action.

WORK LOAD IMPACT

The major workload associated with the appointment of new URAC members is communicating the decisions to the URAC and providing new members with an orientation session and related material specific to their URACs. These activities are coordinated by Public Participation staff, and included in existing work plans.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS

Per Board established policy, there is no alternative process for creating this position and making this appointment.

CONCURRENCE

Mr. Nathan Gibson, Chairman of the OBA Board, officially nominated Mr. Dennis McNannay to serve as OBA's Regular Community Partner Member on the NMURAC.

Dr. Joseph E. Robertson, Jr., OHSU President, officially nominated Mr. Brian Newman to serve as OHSU's Alternate Member on the NMURAC.

BACKGROUND

On September 14, 2005, the Board adopted Resolution No. 6293 which established a formal policy regarding the composition and operations of URACs. This policy was adopted in response to the Board's desire to ensure consistency in the procedures for creating and operating URACs and to emphasize the agency's commitment to public participation and involvement. This Policy was most recently revised by the Board on July 9, 2008 (Resolution No. 6614).

Pursuant to that Policy, the Board has established the following URACs:

1. Lents Town Center
2. Central Eastside
3. Interstate Corridor
4. Gateway Regional Center
5. Oregon Convention Center
6. North Macadam
7. River District

The Board retains sole authority to establish, recompose or disband a URAC. Among the elements under the discretion of the Board is the identification of URAC organization members and their representatives.

Mr. McNannay replaces Mr. John Tortorici as the OBA representative on the NMURAC. Mr. Newman served as an Alternate Member representing OHSU for a term that ended on June 30, 2010. As per the PDC URAC Policy (Resolution No. 6614), Mr. Newman is eligible to serve a second three-year term as an Alternate NMURAC member.