

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: Nominate Damien Hall to serve a four-year term representing the City of Portland on the Metropolitan Exposition and Recreation Commission beginning January 1, 2019. (Resolution)

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Presenter name: On Consent; Susan Hartnett will be available if moved to regular agenda

Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

The City of Portland is allocated two positions on the Metropolitan Exposition and Recreation Commission (MERC); Damien Hall currently represents the City of Portland on MERC, has served as a member of the commission since August 2015, and has expressed his interest in continuing his service when his term expires this December 2018. Mr. Hall is a partner of the Ball Janik law firm specializing in land use, real estate and municipal law (see attached). He is also a Portland resident, which meets the residency requirements for this position. He has served the interests of the City's travel and tourism interests well over the past three years, and the Mayor recommends the Council approve his nomination. Mr. Hall's nomination is subject to concurrence by the Metro Council President and confirmation by the Metro Council.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

This resolution has no direct financial impact on the City. However, MERC operates the Portland's Centers for the Arts, the facilities of which are owned by the City of Portland, under an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City and Metro. The annual budget and long term financial health of the Portland's is largely controlled by MERC. The Spectator Venues Program in the Office of Management and Finance serves as the City's liaison to MERC and provides support to the City's MERC representatives.

Community impacts and community involvement:

This resolution does not have direct or specific community impacts and no public input was sought in identifying Mr. Hall as the recommended nominee. However, the Portland's facilities are regionally significant in creating cultural identity, support the vitality of performing arts, and produce economic benefits for the community. Mr. Hall has the professional qualifications and experience necessary to assist in overseeing the City's interest in these functions as a voting member of MERC.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet

Does this action change appropriations?

- YES: Please complete the information below.
- NO: Skip this section

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