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Commission Vice Chair Janine Gladfelter
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Commissioner Eddy Morales
Commissioner Cathy Keathley
Commissioner Jerry Hinton
Commissioner Sue Piazza

**Gresham Redevelopment Commission
Business Meeting**

**August 18, 2026
3:15 PM**

**Gresham Public Safety and Schools Building
Council Chambers
1333 NW Eastman Parkway, Gresham, Oregon**

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A. Opening – 5 Minutes

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**

B. Open Public Comment – 10 Minutes

1. Instructions to the Public

Written Testimony must be received by 3:00 p.m., on Monday, August 17, 2026, via email to Johntae Ivory, Program Technician, at johntae.ivory@greshamoregon.gov

Oral Testimony: Persons wishing to provide oral testimony must register their request to Johntae Ivory, Program Technician, by calling 503-618-2473 or emailing

johntae.ivory@greshamoregon.gov by on Monday, August 17, 2026, and include their name, email address, phone number, and subject matter of the oral testimony.

Mr. Ivory will send persons who wish to provide oral testimony via Zoom a Zoom link to use to provide the oral testimony.

2. Open Public Testimony

C. Consent Agenda – 5 Minutes

Commission actions are taken in one motion on Consent Agenda items; however, Commission members can remove items from the Consent Agenda to be addressed separately.

1. Gresham Redevelopment Commission Minutes

Move to approve minutes from the Gresham Redevelopment Commission Meeting of June 9, 2026.

Urban Renewal

2. Resolution 61: A Resolution Establishing the Downtown/Civic Advisory Committee

Move to approve Resolution No. 61 establishing the Downtown/Civic Advisory Committee.

Urban Renewal

3. Appointments to the Downtown/Civic Advisory Committee

Move to confirm the appointments of Mark Garber, Claire Lider, Tracy Klinger, Teresa Peterson, Thea Enos, Silvie Andrews, and Antonio Paez to the Downtown/Civic Advisory Committee.

Urban Renewal

4. Appointment to the Rockwood-West Gresham Advisory Committee

Move to confirm the appointment of Steve Garcia to the Rockwood-West Gresham Advisory Committee.

Urban Renewal

D. Public Hearing

E. Commission Business

F. Staff Reports

G. Commission Measures, Proposals and Announcements

H. Adjournment

Total Estimated Time: 20 Minutes



Gresham Redevelopment Commission

AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Consent

Gresham Redevelopment Commission Minutes

Meeting Date: August 18, 2026
Service Area: Urban Renewal

Staff Member: Johntae Ivory
Agenda Item Number: C-1

Requested Council Action and Suggested Motion:

Move to approve minutes from the Gresham Redevelopment Commission Meeting of June 9, 2026.

Reviewed By:

Justin Douglas, GRDC Executive Director

Attachments:

A. GRDC Minutes 6-9-26

A. Opening

1. Call to Order

Chair Travis Stovall called the Gresham Redevelopment Commission (GRDC) meeting to order on Tuesday, June 9, 2026, at 2:34 P.M. in Council Chambers and Zoom, Meeting ID 878 9531 6107 or <https://greshamoregon.zoom.us/j/87895316107>

2. Roll Call

COMMISSION PRESENT: Commission Chair Travis Stovall
Commissioner Kayla Brown
Commissioner Janine Gladfelter (Arrived at 3:10 P.M.)
Commissioner Jerry Hinton
Commissioner Cathy Keathey
Commissioner Sue Piazza

COMMISSION ABSENT: Commissioner Eddy Morales

STAFF PRESENT: Eric Schmidt, Gresham City Manager
Ellen Van Riper, Gresham City Attorney
Elizabeth McCann, Director of Budget and Finance
Justin Douglas, GRDC Executive Director
Michael Gonzales, Urban Renewal Project Coordinator
Johntae Ivory, Recording Secretary

B. Open Public Comment - 10 Minutes

1. Instructions to the Public

Written Testimony must be received by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, June 8, 2026, via email to Johntae Ivory, Program Technician, at johntae.ivory@greshamoregon.gov

Oral Testimony: Persons wishing to provide oral testimony must register their request to Johntae Ivory, Program Technician, by calling 503-618-2473 or emailing johntae.ivory@greshamoregon.gov by 3:00 p.m. on June 8, 2026, and include their name, email address, phone number, and subject matter of the oral testimony. Mr. Ivory will send persons who wish to provide oral testimony via Zoom a Zoom link to use to provide the oral testimony.

2. Open Public Testimony

Chair Travis Stovall read the instructions.

Johntae Ivory, Recording Secretary, reported that no citizens signed up to provide oral testimony or submitted written testimony.

C. Consent Agenda - 5 Minutes

GRDC actions are taken in one motion on Consent Agenda items; however, GRDC members can remove items from the Consent Agenda to be addressed separately.

1. Gresham Redevelopment Commission Meeting Minutes

Move to approve minutes from the Gresham Redevelopment Commission meeting of May 5, 2026.

Chair Stovall asked if there was any discussion on the Consent Agenda items or motion.

Chair Stovall called for a motion on the Consent Agenda item C-1

A motion was made by **Commissioner Hinton** and seconded by **Commissioner Keathley** to APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEM C-1

Chair Stovall called for the vote. The motions passed as follows:

Commission Chair Travis Stovall	YES
Commissioner Kayla Brown	YES
Commissioner Janine Gladfelter	ABSENT
Commissioner Jerry Hinton	YES
Commissioner Cathy Keathley	YES
Commissioner Eddy Morales	ABSENT
Commissioner Sue Piazza	YES

D. 1. Public Hearing – 20 Minutes

Public Hearing & Resolution No. 59: Budget and Appropriations of the Gresham Redevelopment Commission for Fiscal Year 2026/27.

As required by Oregon law, the GRDC will hold a public hearing to allow for written and oral comments from citizens regarding the Fiscal Year 2026/27 Budget for the and approve Resolution No. 59.

Chair Stovall read the Order of Procedure (Order of Procedure attached as Exhibit A.)

Elizabeth McCann, Budget and Finance Director, gave the staff report.

Chair Stovall asked if there were written and public comments about the hearing.

Mr. Ivory reported that no individuals signed up to provide oral testimony or submitted written testimony.

Hearing none, **Chair Stovall** asked if there was consensus to continue or close the hearing.

The consensus was to close the hearing.

Chair Stovall called for a motion.

Motion was made by **Commissioner Brown** and seconded by **Commissioner Keathley TO approve Resolution No. 59 Adopting Budget and Making Appropriations of the Gresham Redevelopment Commission of Gresham, Oregon, for Fiscal Year 2026/27, Including the Declaration of Tax Increment Authorizing the Collection of Tax Increment Revenues. The Budget is Adopted in the Aggregate Amount of \$36,494,000.**

Chair Stovall called for the vote.

The motion passed as follows:

Commission Chair Travis Stovall	YES
Commissioner Janine Gladfelter	ABSENT
Commissioner Cathy Keathley	YES
Commissioner Jerry Hinton	YES
Commissioner Kayla Brown	YES
Commissioner Eddy Morales	ABSENT
Commissioner Sue Piazza	YES

E. Commission Business

1. Resolution No. 60 - A Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Gresham Redevelopment Commission and the City of Gresham for Credit Facility Services

Move to approve Resolution No. 60 a resolution of the Gresham Redevelopment Commission (GRDC), authorizing the GRDC to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement for credit facility services with the City of Gresham.

Ms. McCann presented the staff report.

Chair Stovall called for discussion on the motion.

Motion was made by **Commissioner Keathley** and seconded by **Commissioner Gladfelter**.

Hearing none, **Chair Stovall** called for the vote.

The motion passed as follows:

Commission Chair Travis Stovall	YES
Commissioner Janine Gladfelter	YES
Commissioner Cathy Keathley	YES
Commissioner Jerry Hinton	YES
Commissioner Kayla Brown	YES
Commissioner Eddy Morales	ABSENT
Commissioner Sue Piazza	YES

F. Staff Report

1. Urban Renewal Update

Justin Douglas, GRDC Executive Director, gave the presentation.

Mr. Douglas presented a follow-up to the May 5, 2026, meeting, outlining priorities for the Rockwood-West Gresham Urban Renewal Area over the next several years. He provided updates on redevelopment opportunities for GRDC-owned properties, affordable homeownership initiatives, the Portland Opportunities Investment Center (POIC) campus, Fire Station 74, Yamhill Street improvements, and the Storefront Improvement Grant Program. **Mr. Douglas** also shared an analysis showing the positive impact of urban renewal investments on property values and discussed potential options for amending the Urban Renewal Plan to increase its borrowing capacity before reaching maximum indebtedness, requesting GRDC feedback on whether staff should conduct further analysis.

Commissioner Keathley asked whether Rockwood is now better positioned to attract for-profit development and requested more information about the City's role and potential urban renewal investment in the Multnomah County Vance property before considering any future funding.

Mr. Douglas said Rockwood's market has strengthened since the Plan's adoption, with more private investment now occurring. He also said it's too early to define any urban renewal role in the County's Vance property and that any potential involvement would need further discussion and GRDC direction.

Mr. Schmidt added that staff have had ongoing discussions with Multnomah County about the Vance Vision project and potential partnership opportunities. He emphasized that while the County would retain ownership; urban renewal funding could be one of several tools the GRDC may consider in the future if it chooses to pursue a partnership.

Commissioner Piazza asked whether the affordable homeownership program would still generate property tax revenue. She expressed concern about focusing too heavily on affordability, encouraging a broader mix of housing to help increase overall property values in Rockwood.

Mr. Schmidt clarified that HOME funding requires serving low-to-moderate income households, but the GRDC could also use a mix of funding sources and approaches. He noted there is flexibility to structure the project with different affordability levels and housing types, especially in a potential partnership scenario.

Commissioner Piazza asked whether the former woodshop site near Rockwood Village could be considered for housing or if it needs to remain a commercial/business use.

Mr. Douglas acknowledges the site was previously a business and noted redevelopment for housing is limited due to required street improvements that would reduce buildable area, so they are likely looking for reuse of the existing building rather than full redevelopment.

Commissioner Piazza said she supports the Vance property vision but would only consider expanding urban renewal if the County is willing to transfer control of the site, expressing concern that development timelines are too long otherwise

Mr. Schmidt suggested they can do additional light analysis on Vance-related options if the GRDC is interested in better preparing for future decision-making.

Commissioner Gladfelter supports gathering more information on the Vance property, including potential impacts to property taxes, while noting it is still early and speculative. She also clarified that the HOME down payment assistance is a grant program that does not directly impact property taxes, though it comes with affordability limits.

Commissioner Hinton supports continuing strong investment in Rockwood while also considering diversifying urban renewal efforts in other areas. He asked about the financial health and lessons from Portland's affordable housing program, and how Gresham's funding situation compares.

Mr. Douglas was not sure there are direct lessons for Gresham from Portland's situation, but noted it may reflect broader challenges facing housing providers and is more of a warning signal than a direct comparison.

Commissioner Brown supported involving TriMet in the Burnside/184 property and raised concerns about Hawthorne Woods access and feasibility before issuing an Request for Interest. She also questioned the timing of approving the POIC gym partnership given project uncertainty.

Mr. Douglas said the POIC agreements aren't legally required until closing, but the developer needs "form and substance" of the agreements now to proceed with design review, especially for shared facilities, access, and parking.

Commissioner Brown expressed a preference for Option 1, supporting additional resources while keeping the maximum indebtedness increase at or below 20%. She has concerns about placing additional demands on voters given the upcoming levy and existing urban renewal district. The commissioner supported further discussion and exploring areas such as Vance Park through Option 1.

Commissioner Keathley expressed a preference not to expand the urban renewal area, citing concerns about impacts on General Fund resources, including public safety and infrastructure. The commissioner supported the proposed housing focus but remained concerned about concentrating lower-income families in one area.

Chair Stovall asked about the TriMet parking lot availability.

Mr. Douglas believes the TriMet parking lot is currently closed to public access. The approximately two-acre site includes a utility facility that provides power to the MAX tracks, while the remainder of the property is a largely unused, striped parking lot.

Mr. Schmidt said TriMet has been changing its approach to Park and Ride sites, with a focus on potentially repurposing properties for higher-density development and better uses.

The TriMet Park and Ride site was identified as a potential example of this broader policy shift.

Chair Stovall emphasized that continued maintenance of the TriMet site is important and requested that the City clearly communicate its expectations to TriMet. Concerns were raised that, without a redevelopment timeline, the property could become overgrown or fall into disrepair if maintenance is reduced. He noted that urban renewal investments can generate additional property value over time, with benefits often realized later as redevelopment occurs. He supported carefully considering potential expansion, particularly given opportunities around Vance Park, and requested additional information and data before making a decision.

F. Commission Measures, Proposals and Announcement

Mr. Ivory provided updates on recent and upcoming community events at the Rockwood Market Hall. He highlighted the 11th annual Green and Clean Days of Service held at Vance Park, where more than 150 volunteers participated in park cleanup and beautification efforts led by **Commissioner Hinton**, strengthening community pride and improving public spaces. Looking ahead, he announced a “Schools Out for Summer” event scheduled for Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., featuring free food, youth activities, and resource tables from local organizations. Additionally, he shared plans for a series of soccer watch parties beginning Saturday at the Market Hall, starting with a Brazil vs. Morocco match, along with food vendors, a large public viewing screen, and future watch party events promoted through the Market Hall’s website.

G. Adjournment

Hearing no further business, **Chair Stovall** adjourned the meeting at **3:38 P.M.**

Travis Stovall,
Chair

Prepared by:

Johntae Ivory
City Recorder



Gresham Redevelopment Commission

AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Consent

Resolution 61: A Resolution Establishing the Downtown/Civic Advisory Committee

Meeting Date: August 18, 2026
Service Area: Urban Renewal

Staff Member: Michael Gonzales
Agenda Item Number: C-2

Requested Council Action and Suggested Motion:

Move to approve Resolution No. 61 establishing the Downtown/Civic Advisory Committee.

Public Purpose, Community Outcome, and Strategic Plan Alignment:

The purpose of this action is to establish the Downtown/Civic Advisory Committee ("DCAC"). The role of the DCAC is to serve, assist and provide recommendations to the Gresham Redevelopment Commission ("GRDC") related to the implementation of the Gresham Downtown/Civic Urban Renewal Plan ("Plan").

Background:

The Plan was approved and adopted by the Gresham City Council per Ordinance No. 1859, dated September 2, 2025. Gresham Revised Code Article 2.24.010 (4) authorizes the GRDC to adopt by-laws to govern its procedures. Accordingly, on February 26, 2004, through Resolution No. 2, the GRDC adopted its By-Laws, including Article IV, Section 1, which provides for the establishment of standing, special, and advisory committees to provide recommendations and reports to the GRDC.

Recommendation and Alternatives:

Recommendation:

Staff recommend that the GRDCC move to approve Resolution No. 61, which would establish the Downtown/Civic Advisory Committee.

Budget/Financial Impact:

There are no budget or financial impacts related to this action.

Public Involvement:

N/A

Attachments:

- A. Res 61: Establishing DCAC Bylaws
- B. Res 61: Exhibit A – Approve Downtown Civic Advisory Committee Bylaws

From:

Michael Gonzales, Urban Renewal Project Coordinator

Reviewed Through:

Justin Douglas, GRDC Executive Director
Elizabeth McCann, Budget and Finance Director
Ellen Van Riper, City Attorney
Teresa Carr, City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 61

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE DOWNTOWN/CIVIC
ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

THE GRESHAM REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FINDS:

- A. The Gresham Downtown/Civic Urban Renewal Plan (“Plan”) was approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Gresham per City of Gresham Ordinance No. 1859, dated September 2, 2025.
- B. Gresham Revised Code (“GRC”) Article 2.24 establishes the Gresham Redevelopment Commission (“GRDC”) and GRC section 2.24.010 (4) authorizes the GRDC to adopt by-laws to govern its procedures.
- C. GRDC adopted its By-Laws by Resolution No. 2 at its meeting of February 26, 2004.
- D. GRDC By-Laws Article IV, Section 1 provides for the establishment of standing, special, and advisory committees to provide recommendations and reports to the GRDC.
- E. The Plan envisioned the establishment of a citizens advisory committee to assist and advise the GRDC in its work.

THE GRESHAM REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION RESOLVES:

That it establishes the “Downtown/Civic Advisory Committee” as described in the attached “Exhibit A” which is incorporated into this resolution at this point by reference.

Yes: _____

No: _____

Absent: _____

Abstain: _____

Passed by the Gresham Redevelopment Commission and effective on _____.

Justin Douglas
Executive Director

Travis Stovall
Chair

Ellen Van Riper
Gresham Redevelopment Commission
Legal Counsel

GRDC RESOLUTION NO. 61, EXHIBIT A

DOWNTOWN/CIVIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Section 1. Downtown/Civic Advisory Committee. Established and Membership.

- (1) There is hereby established the Downtown/Civic Advisory Committee (“DCAC”). The DCAC shall consist of a minimum of seven members.
- (2) All members of the DCAC shall be appointed at large. Insofar as possible, candidates who are residents of the Gresham Downtown/Civic Urban Renewal Plan area shall receive preference in appointment.
- (3) In appointing these representatives, every effort will be made to include in the DCAC a spectrum of appointees that form a wide range of backgrounds that reflect the diversity present among Downtown/Civic residents, property and business owners.

Section 2. DCAC Purpose.

The purpose of the DCAC is to advise the Gresham Redevelopment Commission (“GRDC”) on the implementation of the Gresham Downtown/Civic Urban Renewal Plan (“Plan”), including, but not limited to, the following:

- a. The timing, final design, and funding for projects and activities listed in the Plan.
- b. The annual or periodic work plans related to implementation of the Plan.
- c. Minor or major amendments to the Plan.
- d. The sponsoring of public events and other activities to gather input and communicate with the community regarding the Plan.

Section 3. Appointment and Removal of Members, Participation and Attendance, and Residency Requirements.

- (1) All members of the DCAC shall be appointed by the GRDC Chair with the consent of the GRDC. Members of the DCAC serve as volunteers and shall not be monetarily compensated for their participation.
- (2) Members of the DCAC may be removed by a consensus of the GRDC for any reason and at any time during the member’s term of appointment.

(3) Failure of a DCAC member to attend three consecutive meetings of the DCAC will result in termination of the member's appointment, if recommended by the GRDC Chair and staff liaison; provided, however, that the GRDC may waive termination if warranted by individual circumstance.

Section 4. Suspension or Dissolution.

The GRDC may suspend or dissolve the DCAC at any time and for any, or no, reason.

Section 5. Term of Membership, and Vacancies.

(1) The term of appointment to the DCAC shall be for a period of up to three years. Terms shall coincide with the Fiscal Year, July 1 through June 30. Terms shall be adjusted to provide for transition or regular turnover of DCAC members so that, as near as practicable, one-third of the terms end each year. Current members' terms shall be extended to June 30 beyond current term expiration date.

(2) No member may serve on more than two GRDC standing, special, or advisory committees at any one time unless expressly approved by the GRDC.

(3) Vacancies created due to the mid-term resignation or termination of a member shall be filled by appointment by the GRDC Chair with the consent of the GRDC.

Section 6. Officers, Terms of Office, and Vacancies

(1) At the first regular meeting in July of each year the DCAC shall elect a chair and a vice-chair, who shall hold a one-year term of office. The chair and vice-chair initially elected shall serve until the next first regular meeting in July of the following year.

(2) No DCAC member may serve more than two successive years in any one office. Election to a vacant term of office as set forth in subsection 3 of this section shall not be considered in calculating office term limits.

(3) Vacancies in office due to mid-term resignation or removal of the officer shall be filled by election of the membership and shall be for the remainder of the vacant term of office.

Section 7. GRDC and Staff Support.

A member of the GRDC will be appointed and a staff member will be assigned to support and/or work in conjunction with the DCAC and will act as a formal liaison between the

GRDC and the DCAC membership as necessary. GRDC and staff liaisons shall not be eligible to vote.

Section 8. Purpose Limits, Meetings, Quorum, Reporting, and Other Responsibilities.

(1) Any activities of the DCAC must be within the purposes expressed in Section 2 of this resolution. Any activities beyond the expressed purposes in Section 2 must be approved in advance by the GRDC.

(2) DCAC meetings shall be required only as needed to conduct the business of the DCAC or as requested by the GRDC.

(3) Quorum requirements shall comply with Gresham Revised Code GRC 2.18.080(3).

(4) Meetings of the DCAC are subject to the requirements of the Oregon Public Meetings Law and notice shall be provided and minutes shall be kept and maintained for all meetings.

(5) Within the first year of appointment all DCAC members shall participate in a program of law training or otherwise demonstrate knowledge and familiarity with state law governing the conduct of public officials.



Gresham Redevelopment Commission

AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Consent

Appointments to the Downtown/Civic Advisory Committee

Meeting Date: August 18, 2026
Service Area: Urban Renewal

Staff Member: Michael Gonzales
Agenda Item Number: C-3

Requested Council Action and Suggested Motion:

Move to confirm the appointments of Mark Garber, Claire Lider, Tracy Klinger, Teresa Peterson, Thea Enos, Silvie Andrews, and Antonio Paez to the Downtown/Civic Advisory Committee.

Public Purpose, Community Outcome, and Strategic Plan Alignment:

The purpose of the Downtown/Civic Advisory Committee ("DCAC") is to advise the Gresham Redevelopment Commission ("GRDC") on implementation of the Gresham Downtown/Civic Urban Renewal Plan ("Plan"), including, but not limited to, the following: a) The timing, final design, and funding for projects and activities listed in the Plan; b) The annual or periodic work plans related to implementation of the Plan; c) Minor or major amendments to the Plan; and d) The sponsoring of public events and other activities to gather input and communicate with the community regarding the Plan.

Background:

The Gresham City Council adopted the Gresham Downtown/Civic Urban Renewal Plan on September 2, 2025. The Plan, which is administered by the GRDC, envisions the establishment of an advisory committee to assist and advise the GRDC in its work. On February 17, 2026, during a meeting of the GRDC, staff proposed the establishment of a seven-member advisory committee by soliciting nominations through a public process. Following a six-week application period, interviews were conducted on June 25 and 26 by a panel consisting of staff, along with Council Primary Liaison Gladfelter and Council Alternate Liaison Piazza. Concluding the interviews, the panel agreed to advance the following nominees for recommendation by the Chair for appointment, pending GRDC approval:

1. Mark Garber: 3-year term
2. Claire Lider: 3-year term
3. Tracy Klinger: 3-year term
4. Teresa Peterson: 2-year term
5. Thea Enos: 2-year term

6. Silvie Andrews: 1-year term
7. Antonio Paez: 1-year term

These individuals represent a wide range of backgrounds that reflect the diversity present among Downtown/Civic residents, property, and business owners. The initial terms of appointments are for a period of up to three years, coinciding with the fiscal year, July 1 through June 30. Terms have been staggered to provide for transition or regular turnover of members, so that, as near as practicable, one-third of the terms end each year.

Recommendation and Alternatives:

Recommendation: GRDC Chair, Travis Stovall, recommends that the GRDC consent to the appointments of the following seven members for the following terms:

1. Mark Garber: 3-year term
2. Claire Lider: 3-year term
3. Tracy Klinger: 3-year term
4. Teresa Peterson: 2-year term
5. Thea Enos: 2-year term
6. Silvie Andrews: 1-year term
7. Antonio Paez: 1-year term

Budget/Financial Impact:

None

Public Involvement:

Applications for service on the DCAC were solicited through the City's website, social media, newsletters, through networking and word of mouth.

Attachments:

None

FROM

Michael Gonzales, Urban Renewal Project Coordinator

REVIEWED THROUGH

Justin Douglas, GRDC Executive Director
Teresa Carr, City Manager
Ellen Van Riper, City Attorney



Gresham Redevelopment Commission

AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Consent

Appointment to the Rockwood-West Gresham Advisory Committee

Meeting Date: August 18, 2026
Service Area: Urban Renewal

Staff Member: Michael Gonzales
Agenda Item Number: C-4

Requested Council Action and Suggested Motion:

Move to confirm the appointment of Steve Garcia to the Rockwood-West Gresham Advisory Committee.

Public Purpose, Community Outcome, and Strategic Plan Alignment:

The purpose of the Rockwood-West Gresham Advisory Committee (RWGAC) is to advise the Gresham Redevelopment Commission (GRDC) on implementation of the Rockwood-West Gresham Urban Renewal Plan (Plan), including, but not limited to, the following: a) The timing, final design, and funding for projects and activities listed in the Plan; b) The annual or periodic work plans related to implementation of the Plan; c) Minor or major amendments to the Plan; and d) The sponsoring of public events and other activities to gather input and communicate with the community regarding the Plan.

Background:

The RWGAC consists of seven members. All members are appointed at large. The term of appointment is for a period of three years coinciding with the fiscal year, July 1 through June 30. Terms shall be adjusted to provide for transition or regular turnover of members, so that, as near as practicable, one-third of the terms end each year. Vacancies created due to the mid-term resignation or termination of a member shall be filled by appointment by the GRDC Chair with the consent of the GRDC.

Interviews to fill a vacant seat were conducted on March 31, 2026, with a panel consisting of GRDC Acting Chair & Council Liaison Kayla Brown; Council Alternate Liaison Janine Gladfelter; RWGAC Vice Chair, Ibrahim Moustafa; Redevelopment Project Coordinator, Michael Gonzales; and Recording Secretary & Program Tech, Johntae Ivory. Following the interviews, Steve Garcia was identified as a qualified candidate who brings a broad perspective to the role, including professional experience in parks and amenities and is a Rockwood resident.

While the original vacant seat was filled this past April, another vacancy has recently opened and needs to be filled. Staff would like the GRDC to consider Mr. Garcia for

appointment, who the panel also considered a good fit and believe would complement the current RWGAC if appointed. The appointment would be for three years, running through June 30, 2029.

Recommendation and Alternatives:

Recommendation: GRDC Chair, Travis Stovall, recommends that the GRDC consent to the appointment of Steve Garcia to the RWGAC.

Budget/Financial Impact:

None

Public Involvement:

Applications for service on the RWGAC are solicited through the City's website, social media, newsletters, through networking and word of mouth.

Attachments:

None

FROM

Michael Gonzales, Urban Renewal Project Coordinator

REVIEWED THROUGH

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