

Meeting Minutes

Oregon Public Records Advisory Council

June 17, 2020

2:00 PM

Virtual

Council Members present:

Adam Crawford, Tony Hernandez, Rob Bovett, Steve Suo, Emily Harris, Stephanie Clark, Mark Landauer, Michael Kron, Senator Thatcher, Les Zaitz

Not present: Scott Winkels, Shirin Khosravi, Representative Power

Minutes

Tony Hernandez asked to add an open discussion to the end of the agenda. Agenda for June 17th meeting was approved without objection.

The council reviewed modifications suggested by Todd Albert. There was in-depth discussion regarding 5 specific changes: Intro sentence regarding the independence; exemption from ORS Chapter 240; language to clarify agency director role of Advocate and clarifies succession order; removal of language in order to require office to procure own furnishings, office space, and administrative support; and addition of language to clarify funding model. The council majority voted to adopt all changes suggested by Todd except the first intro sentence modification. The council voted to change the language to read: "The Public Records Advocate shall be separate and independent from any other state agency."

The council debated whether to attempt to advocate for a possible bill to be passed in the next special session later this summer. The council voted on this matter; votes were as follows:

Clark – Abstain; Harris – Yes; Suo – Yes; Zaitz – Yes; Bovett – Yes; Landauer – Yes; Hernandez – Yes; Kron – No; Crawford – Abstain

The council debated whether to request review and approval by the People of Color (POC) Caucus before advancing any request for legislation to Legislative leadership.

Todd Albert and Stephanie Clark were directed by the council to float this concept to the POC Caucus.

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.