RESOLUTION No. 36746

Establish the Mayor's Portland Plan Advisory Group to assist the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability in the development of the Portland Plan. (Resolution)

WHEREAS, the Mayor is leading a strategic initiative called the Portland Plan;

WHEREAS, the Portland Plan is designed to bring information and ideas forward to the City Council to help make smart and strategic decisions — with emphasis on actions to address the difficult challenges we face;

WHEREAS, some of our most pressing challenges include addressing an increasing equity gap, responding to economic changes, managing and maintaining aging infrastructure, mitigating and responding to climate change, coping with higher energy costs, and addressing threats to environmental quality;

WHEREAS, as described in the Portland 2030 (VisionPDX) report, Portlanders value a civic culture that emphasizes equity and access, environmental, economic and social sustainability, and community connectedness and distinctiveness;

WHEREAS, A Community Involvement Committee has been formed to ensure robust and inclusive public participation in the Portland Plan process and implementation;

WHEREAS, the Mayor, City Council, City Planning Commission, the Community Involvement Committee and the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability are seeking the broadest possible community participation and expert opinion in the development of the Portland Plan;

WHEREAS, the Portland community is home to a wealth of civic-minded experts in various fields and prominent community members from a range of Portland’s communities who are willing to give of their time and expertise toward the development of a smart and strategic Portland Plan;

WHEREAS, this panel will focus on reviewing the facts and strategy underlying the plan and subsequent policy choices, while the Community Involvement Committee is focused on oversight of public involvement process;

WHEREAS, this panel is to receive administrative support from the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability; and that, although not public hearings, all meetings of the panel are open to the public and subject to Oregon public meetings and records laws;

WHEREAS, nothing in this resolution is intended to displace the role of City Planning Commission to advise the City Council pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes, Chapter 227, City Planning and Zoning, or the role of the Community Involvement Committee to advise the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability, the Planning Commission, or City Council in matters related to Statewide Planning Goal 1, Citizen Participation.
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that there is hereby established for approximately 18 months a special advisory panel called the "Mayor's Portland Plan Advisory Group" to review background materials, draft reports, and offer advice to the Director of the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability on the Portland Plan, and by extension to the Planning Commission; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the list of individual panel members will be acknowledged through adoption of a Report from the Mayor by City Council.

Adopted by the Council: OCT 28 2009
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