

ORDINANCE No. 185120

*Appoint James H. Van Dyke as Interim City Attorney effective February 1, 2012. (Ordinance)

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

1. Linda Meng has served as Portland City Attorney since February 2004.
2. City Attorney Linda Meng is retiring from the City effective January 31, 2012.
3. James H. Van Dyke has been practicing law since 1978, was a Senior Assistant Attorney General at the Oregon Department of Justice in the Trial Division and Family Law Sections and has been with the Portland City Attorney's Office since 1994.
4. James H. Van Dyke is highly skilled and experienced, and is well regarded throughout the legal community, the City Attorney's Office, and the City as a whole.
5. Portland's Charter provides that the City Attorney must be a member of the Oregon State Bar; James H. Van Dyke is a member in good standing of the Oregon State Bar.
6. Portland's Charter provides that the City Council appoints the City Attorney.
7. The Mayor has carefully reviewed James H. Van Dyke's qualifications and has conferred with the other members of City Council.
8. The Mayor has nominated James H. Van Dyke to be appointed as Interim City Attorney by the City Council, effective immediately upon the retirement of Linda Meng.
9. The newly elected Mayor and Council, whose terms will begin in 2013, will determine when a permanent City Attorney will be appointed.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

- a. The Council hereby thanks and commends Linda Meng for her 23 years of outstanding service to the City of Portland.
- b. The Council hereby appoints James H. Van Dyke to be Interim City Attorney effective February 1, 2012.

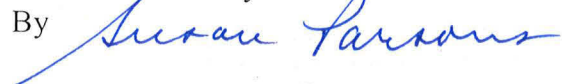
Section 2. The Council declares that an emergency exists to avoid an interim period of time with no permanently appointed City Attorney and so that preparation for the transition be accomplished in time to make the changes; therefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Passed by the Council: **JAN 25 2012**

Mayor Sam Adams
Prepared by: Warren Jimenez
Date Prepared: January 9, 2012

LaVonne Griffin-Valade
Auditor of the City of Portland

By



Deputy

Agenda No.
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<p>INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Mayor Adams</p>	<p>CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>JAN 20 2012</u></p>
<p>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</p> <p>Mayor—Finance and Administration - Adams</p> <p>Position 1/Utilities - Fritz</p> <p>Position 2/Works - Fish</p> <p>Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman</p> <p>Position 4/Safety - Leonard</p>	<p>LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p>By:  _____ Deputy</p>
<p>BUREAU APPROVAL</p> <p>Bureau: Office of the Mayor</p>	<p>ACTION TAKEN:</p>
<p>Prepared by: Jeana Thayer Date Prepared: January 18, 2012</p>	
<p>Financial Impact & Public Involvement Statement</p> <p>Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>Council Meeting Date Wednesday, January 25, 2012</p>	
<p>City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code, easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan</p>	

AGENDA
<p>TIME CERTAIN <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Start time: _____</p> <p>Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>
<p>CONSENT <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>REGULAR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Total amount of time needed: 15 min (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz	✓	
2. Fish	2. Fish	_____	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	✓	
4. Leonard	4. Leonard	✓	
Adams	Adams	✓	