

# ORDINANCE No. 185571

\* Release \$25,000 in grant funds to VOZ: Workers' Rights Education to operate and maintain their day labor hire site in Portland as approved by Council. (Ordinance)

## **The City of Portland ordains:**

### Section 1. The Council Finds:

1. The Day Laborers Project began in 1996 as a project of the Worker's Organizing Committee (WOC).
2. As day laborers began to organize themselves, the need for leadership development and a greater local and national connection emerged. Workers and community members founded VOZ Workers' Rights Education Project in June 2000 to organize around day labor and immigrant rights in the Portland metropolitan area.
3. In 2001, VOZ joined 11 other community-based organizations and worker centers to create the National Day Labor Organizing Network (NDLON). NDLON works to unify and strengthen its member organizations to be more strategic and effective in their efforts to develop leadership, mobilize, and organize day laborers in order to protect and expand their civil, labor and human rights.
4. VOZ opened The Portland Day Labor Hire Site on June 16, 2008. It has been an important community institution that it offers a safe and healthy space for workers while they wait for work. The Day Labor Hire Site also provides accountability to employers and protects workers from exploitation.
5. On September 5<sup>th</sup> 2008, VOZ Workers' Rights Education Project became a 501 (c) (3) tax exempt status organization.
6. VOZ has continued to mobilize its membership to secure and promote their rights through organizing, leadership development, and community education.
7. In accordance with the City Council's Special Appropriations for FY 2012-13 Adopted Budget, the City now desires to make a grant to VOZ in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

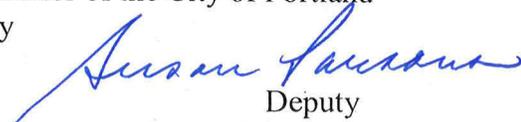
- a. The Commissioner of Public Safety is hereby authorized to execute a grant agreement \$25,000 in one-time fund to VOZ: Workers' Rights Education to continue with managing and operating their day labor hire site in the City of Portland in conformance with the agreement attached as Exhibit A to this Ordinance.

- b. The Mayor and Auditor are hereby authorized to draw and deliver warrants chargeable to Special Projects fund when demand is presented and approved by proper authority.

Section 2. The council declares that an emergency exists because a delay in authorizing the grant funds could cause a delay in the operations of the day labor hire site. It will be beneficial to the neighborhoods, businesses, the City and day laborers to have the hire site fully maintained and operational; therefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Council.

Passed by the Council: **AUG 29 2012**  
Commissioner Randy Leonard  
Prepared by: Stu Oishi  
Date Prepared: July 25, 2012

**LaVonne Griffin-Valade**  
Auditor of the City of Portland  
By

  
Deputy

Agenda No. **ORDINANCE NO.**

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<b>INTRODUCED BY</b> Commissioner/Auditor: <b>Leonard</b>	CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>AUG 24 2012</u>
<b>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</b>	LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland  By:  Deputy  <b>ACTION TAKEN:</b>
Mayor—Finance and Administration - Adams	
Position 1/Utilities - Fritz	
Position 2/Works - Fish	
Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman	
Position 4/Safety - Leonard	
<b>BUREAU APPROVAL</b>	
Bureau: Bureau Head:	
Prepared by: Stu Oishi Date Prepared: August 22, 2012	
Financial Impact & Public Involvement Statement Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/>	
Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Council Meeting Date <b>August 29, 2012</b>	
<b>City Attorney Approval</b>	

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

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	_____	