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ORDINANCE NO.

* Adopt fees associated with Fire regulations (Ordinance; amend Portland Policy Document FIR-12.01)

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

- 1. Portland Fire & Rescue (PF&R) charges fees for permits, code enforcement inspections, fire reports and miscellaneous services, and issues citations for violations of the fire code.
- 2. The Fee Schedule is in Portland Policy Document FIR-12.01.
- 3. The Bureau of Development Services will increase the hourly fee for the Facilities Permit Program (FPP) to \$201 per hour effective July 1, 2011. PF&R partners with the Bureau of Development Services in the FPP program and typically charges the same fee for similar work.
- 4. The use of illegal fireworks in Portland is rampant during the July 4th holiday season. Each year the Fire Marshal's office is inundated with complaints from residents, particularly veterans and pet owners. In recent years PF&R has attempted to increase compliance with the fire code through education, and by partnering with the Portland Police Bureau to cite flagrant code violators. The current citation fee for first, second and third offenses is \$100, \$200 and \$400. The Fire Marshal believes that a significant increase in the citation amounts to \$250, \$500 and \$1000 will more likely encourage voluntary code compliance, increase public safety, and reduce the trauma suffered by vulnerable populations who struggle with the effects of illegal fireworks.
- 5. Certain types of public assemblies (festivals, celebrations, special events) are regulated through a permit process to ensure the safety of the participants. Most public assemblies are limited to building occupancies that are designed for that purpose. Under certain circumstances, PF&R allows public assemblies in non-assembly occupancies, provided they can meet safety requirements. These permits are more complex and time-consuming to process and therefore warrant a higher fee to offset the additional cost.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

A. Fire regulation fee schedule is hereby adopted as shown in Exhibit A and shall be effective July 1, 2011.

Section 2. The Council declares that an emergency exists because the Bureau of Development Services FPP fee increase becomes effective July 1, 2011 and PF&R's

concurrent increase will result in a more efficient and transparent change for FPP customers; therefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Council.

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Passed by the Council:

Commissioner Randy Leonard Prepared by: Carol Ann Boucher Date Prepared: May 10, 2011 LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland By

Deputy

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INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Commissioner Randy Leonard	CLERK USE: DATE FILED MAY 2 0 2011			
COMMISSIONER APPROVAL	LaVonne Griffin-Valade			
Mayor—Finance and Administration - Adams	Auditor of the City of Portland			
Position 1/Utilities - Fritz				
Position 2/Works - Fish	By:			
Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman	Deputy			
Position 4/Safety - Leonard Andy &	ACTION TAKEN:			
BUREAU APPROVAL				
Bureau: Portland Fire & Rescue				
Bureau Head: John Klum, Fire Chief				
Prepared by: Carol Ann Boucher	*			
Date Prepared: May 16, 2011				
Financial Impact Statement				
Completed Amends Budget Not Required				
Portland Policy Decument				
Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragrain states 1/1				
in document. Yes No				
Council Meeting Date March 25, 2011				
City Attorney Approval 🚜				

AGENDA		
TIME CERTAIN Start time:		
Total amount of time needed:(for presentation, testimony and discussion)		
CONSENT 🖂		
REGULAR Total amount of time needed: (for presentation, testimony and discussion)		

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