ORDINANCE No. 184837

* Authorize an agreement and memorandum of understanding with the Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation to allow for reimbursement of City expenses (Ordinance)

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

- 1. The Police Bureau has for the last several years been an active member of the Oregon and Southwest Washington Financial Crimes Task Force, which is managed by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).
- 2. The mission of the task force is to develop criminal investigations and forfeit assets with ties to illegal activities in Oregon and Southwest Washington.
- 3. The task force has been very successful in pursuing cases through the federal system by working closely with local agencies, the IRS and the U S Attorney's Office.
- 4. These cases, which directly impact members of the community, would not have been investigated had Portland Police not been an active member of the task force due to the limited resources available to the IRS.
- 5. The agreement will allow the IRS to reimburse the City for Police Bureau overtime, equipment and training expenses committed towards the task force.
- 6. Equitable sharing with participating agencies of assets seized and forfeited during the course of task force investigations is within the discretionary authority of the Department of the Treasury, as provided by 18 U.S.C. 981 (e)(2), and the Secretary of the Treasury's Guidelines on Seized and Forfeited Property.
- 7. The task force memorandum of understanding shall remain in effect for as long as Portland Police Bureau is a member of the task force.
- 8. The agreement for reimbursement of expenses shall be effective from October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011 and must be renewed for the following federal fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

a. The Mayor and Auditor are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement and a memorandum of understanding substantially in accordance with the attached Exhibit A.

Section 2. The Council declares that an emergency exists because a delay would deprive the City and the Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation of the benefits of the agreement and the memorandum of understanding. Therefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Council.

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AUG 2:4 2011 Passed by the Council:

Mayor Sam Adams Prepared by: Bob Del Gizzi Date Prepared: August 10, 2011

LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland By Suran Janxon

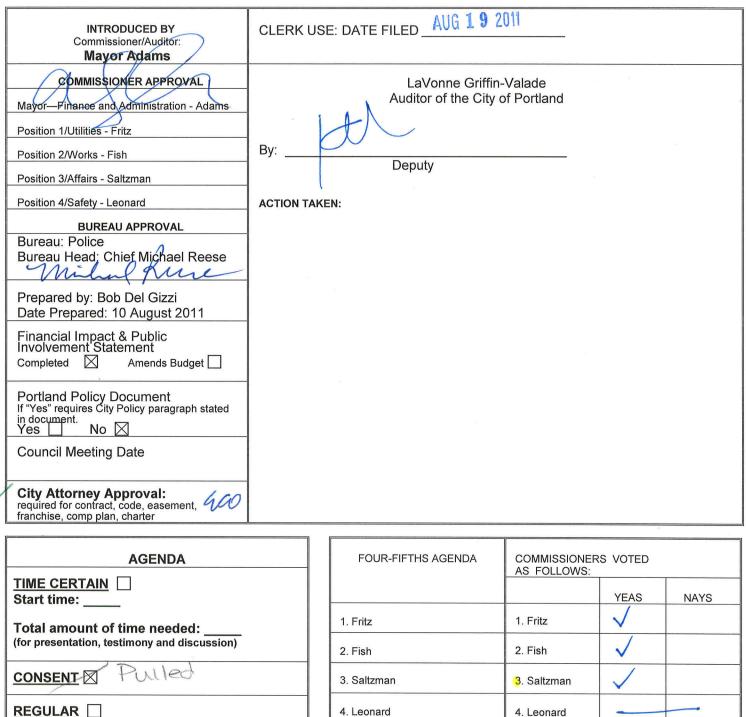
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