ORDINANCE No. 185347

* Amend grant agreement with Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization for \$55,000 to administer 2012-13 Graffiti Abatement Youth Walking Crews. (Ordinance, amend Contract No. 32000585)

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

- 1. The Graffiti Abatement Program manages graffiti removal in the City of Portland through a variety of means, including contracting for services, training volunteers, and partnering with public and private agencies that remove graffiti from their own property.
- 2. The City coordinates graffiti removal from certain private properties after obtaining signed permission forms from the owner or other responsible party as well as on the public right of way. The program also places a strong commitment on employing disadvantaged youth as part of the prevention, education, and removal strategy of addressing graffiti in Portland.
- 3. The Office of Neighborhood Involvement (ONI) issued a request for proposals, proposals were rated by panel, and the Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization (IRCO) was ranked the top candidate of the six applications that were submitted. ONI entered grant agreement C32000585 in July 2011 for Graffiti Abatement Youth Walking Crews.
- 4. IRCO has coordinated youth walking crews throughout 2011 and 2012, with substantial cleanup activity happening in Summer 2011, spring break 2012 and other times when weather was most permitting, when taggers were more likely to be active and when youth had free time needing to be filled with productive activity Youth walking crews have removed over 6,100 graffiti tags from Summer 2011 through Spring 2012, primarily in the public right-of-way in multiple targeted areas of the city. Most youth participating are rising 11th or 12th graders.
- 5. IRCO has aligned this program with the Summer Youth Connect (SYC) continuum. The SYC strategy aims to increase the high-school graduation rate by providing a series of academic and career-readiness supports to academic-priority youth. Youth will accrue one year of program participation credit applicable towards the Future Connect Scholarship. Program activities, in addition to graffiti cleanup, have included work readiness training; as such the program has been designed to meet the SummerWorks program guidelines which are part of SYC.
- 6. IRCO has provided consistent services and has exceeded many of the requirements of their grant agreement. The Office of Neighborhood Involvement wishes to extend the grant agreement to continue services in summer 2012 and into Fiscal Year 2012-13.
- 7. Funding of \$55,000 of City General Fund was included in the Office of Neighborhood Involvement's Fiscal Year 2011-12 budget for this program.

8. Grant funds may be allocated to IRCO in future years without the need for an additional ordinance authorizing this expenditure, provided funds for this purpose are allocated in a City budget adopted by City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

- a. The Director of the Office of Neighborhood Involvement and City Auditor are authorized and directed to enter into a grant amendment substantially in conformance to the amendment attached as Exhibit A.
- b. The Office of Neighborhood Involvement is authorized to issue a grant to Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization for graffiti abatement youth walking crews in the City of Portland in the amount of \$55,000 in Fiscal Year 2011-12 for services continuing into FY2012-13, with future year funding based on the adopted budget for that year.
- c. Grant agreement is amended to increase funds to \$55,000; all other conditions are to remain the same.
- d. The Commissioner in Charge and City Auditor are hereby authorized to draw and deliver warrants in accordance with the executed agreement.

Section 2. The Council declares an emergency exists because a delay in approving this grant would result in a delay in providing funds for the youth walking crews to continue work during the summer months when youth are available for work and graffiti cleanup is most appropriate; 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 Amanda Fritz Prepared by: Amy Archer Date Prepared: May 7, 2012

LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland By Gayla Jeunings

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