

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: Accept the Report on the City of Portland 2017 Federal Legislative Agenda

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

The purpose of the 2017 Federal Legislative Agenda is to advance the City's legislative priorities to the 115th United States Congress. The Office of Government Relations opened the federal legislative agenda building process in September 2016. One work session was held with Council, on December 6, 2016. This report will provide guidance for lobbying efforts during the 115th United States Congress.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

Several items in the 2017 Federal Legislative Agenda could have a positive direct or indirect impact on City finances.

Community impacts and community involvement:

The City's 2017 Federal Legislative Agenda is focused on advocating for affordable housing and homeless services programs, preventing loss of federal funding to essential programs, investment urban infrastructure, disaster preparedness, and protecting municipal finance tools, among other items. Successful implementation of the 2017 Federal Legislative Agenda will impact Portland residents by protecting or maintaining levels of funding for current services and initiatives, and advocating for the City's position on issues. The Office of Government Relations, in partnership with the Office of Neighborhood Involvement, hosted a community event called "Advocacy 101" on December 1, 2016. The purpose of the event is to help community members become effective advocates at both the state and federal levels. The event featured a panel of state legislators, advocates, and gubernatorial staff, Portland City Commissioner Amanda Fritz, Portland City Commissioner-Elect Chloe Eudaly, and was attended by more than 70 members of the public. The Office of Neighborhood Involvement conducted broad outreach to a diverse set of community groups and all neighborhood associations in advance of the event.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet

Does this action change appropriations?

☐ **YES:** Please complete the information below.

☒ **NO:** Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount