

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: Adopt the Livable Streets Strategy which calls for prioritizing people and encouraging community placemaking in the public right-of-way (Resolution)

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

- The Livable Streets Strategy formalizes the Bureau of Transportation's position on encouraging community placemaking in the public right-of-way. The Strategy also identifies action items to implement the four program goals, including the development of implementation and regulatory mechanisms; and the organization of internal and public facing processes to streamline the permitting and implementation of community placemaking projects.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

- No fiscal impact. However, full implementation of the Livable Streets Strategy will require additional staffing for PBOT. The Strategy calls for improving three existing program areas and creating three new program areas. While some of these programs are already staffed, others will require additional resources for implementation.

Community impacts and community involvement:

The Livable Streets Strategy was developed by Portlanders, for Portlanders. The Livable Streets team did extensive outreach with our community partners. The outreach was conducted in many ways, including an online survey, community events, a diverse stakeholder advisory committee and many discussions with community members.

- A 12-member Stakeholder Advisory Committee, comprised of organizations and representatives from community organizations across Portland, business associations, design firms, and community placemaking advocates, oversaw the development of the Livable Streets Strategy.
- A 20-member Technical Advisory Committee, comprised of representatives from across PBOT divisions (modal coordinators, planners, complete streets program, community use permitting, maintenance, and traffic engineers) and partner City Bureaus that all touch some aspect of the community placemaking permitting and implementation process.
- Livable Streets Staff conducted a travelling Block Party demonstration, to share information about the Livable Streets Strategy, and the new opportunities for Block Parties across the city. The following are the events where Livable Streets Strategy attended:

- Four Sunday Parkways events (5/21/2017; 6/25/2017; 7/23/2017; and 8/20/2017)
 - APANO’s Jade Night Market (8/19/2017 and 8/26/2017)
 - The Lent’s Open Streets Greenloop Event (8/6/2017)
 - Willamette Week’s Best of Portland Block Party Event (7/12/2017)
- The Livable Streets Staff conducted an online survey of past permit holders to hear about the existing permit process, their obstacles in obtaining community use permits, and what they would like to see in a Livable Streets Strategy.
 - The Livable Streets Staff, in partnership with the project consultant, conducted a Secret Life of a Permit Worksession. Three community applicants shared their experience of bringing their community placemaking project to life, this worksession highlighted many of the barriers from the applicant side and illustrated the winding road a community applicant must take when implementing a community placemaking project in the City of Portland. The elements highlighted in the worksession created the foundation for how the Livable Streets Strategy would streamline the process and reduce the barriers for community led placemaking projects.
 - In August 2017 PBOT launched the Portland in the Streets Community Grant Program with \$100,000 to support community-based organizations in the City of Portland to implement community placemaking, urban trails, and community safety projects. The Livable Streets Staff attended the three community grant workshops and spoke with people about their community placemaking project ideas.

Implementation of the Livable Streets Strategy will continue to rely heavily on community involvement.

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

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