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**PORTLAND, OREGON**

**OFFICIAL  
MINUTES**

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **19TH DAY OF JUNE, 2002** AT 9:30 A.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Katz, Presiding; Commissioners Francesconi, and Saltzman, 3.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Ben Walters, Senior Deputy City Attorney; and Officer Michael Frome, Sergeant at Arms.

<p><b>DUE TO THE ABSENCE OF TWO COUNCIL MEMBERS NO EMERGENCY ORDINANCES WERE CONSIDERED ON JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup>.</b></p> <p><b>ALSO, ITEMS WERE NOT HEARD UNDER A CONSENT AGENDA</b></p> <p><b>COMMUNICATIONS</b></p> <p><b>667</b> Request of Ken Spice to address Council regarding changes in Federal Bureau of Investigation policies and procedures and their relation to Oregon law and promises made by City Council (Communication)</p>	<p><b>Disposition:</b></p> <p><b>PLACED ON FILE</b></p>
<p><b>668</b> Request of Bill White to address Council regarding a prayer of blessings and protection (Communication)</p>	<p><b>PLACED ON FILE</b></p>
<p><b>TIME CERTAINS</b></p> <p><b>669</b> <b>TIME CERTAIN: 9:30 AM</b> – Accept the Stormwater Advisory Committee report on stormwater management recommendations and direct the City to develop an implementation process and workplan (Resolution introduced by Commissioner Saltzman) (Y-3)</p>	<p><b>36077</b></p>
<p><b>670</b> <b>TIME CERTAIN: 10:15 AM</b> – Authorize an agreement with Oregon Arena Corporation for sharing revenue if a National Hockey League franchise plays home games at the Rose Garden (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Katz)</p>	<p><b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 26, 2002 AT 9:30 AM</b></p>
<p><b>REGULAR AGENDA</b></p> <p><b>671</b> Statement of cash and investments May 09 through June 05, 2002 (Report; Treasurer) (Y-3)</p>	<p><b>PLACED ON FILE</b></p>

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<p><b>672</b> Accept bid of S-2 Contractors, Inc., for the Tanner Creek Stream Diversion Project, Phase 4 for the estimated amount of \$4,416,890 (Purchasing Report - Bid No. 101105)  (Y-3)</p>	<p align="center"><b>ACCEPTED PREPARE CONTRACT</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>Mayor Vera Katz</b></p>	
<p><b>673</b> Amend Purchasing Code to conform to State regulations, streamline procurement process, and clarify existing procedures (Ordinance; add Code Sections 5.68.100 through 5.68.120; amend Chapter 5.33)</p>	<p align="center"><b>REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATON</b></p>
<p><b>674</b> Institute legal proceedings against Qwest to enforce contract and statutory violations (Resolution)  (Y-3)</p>	<p align="center"><b>36078</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>Commissioner Dan Saltzman</b></p>	
<p><b>675</b> Authorize an agreement and provide payment for services for Bull Run Conduit Corridor Landslide Assessment and Monitoring Project (Ordinance)</p>	<p align="center"><b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 26, 2002 AT 9:30 AM</b></p>
<p><b>676</b> Amend contract with MWH Energy and Infrastructure, Inc. to authorize additional work for the Bull Run Dam No. 1 Outlet Works Improvements Project (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 33861)</p>	<p align="center"><b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 26, 2002 AT 9:30 AM</b></p>
<p><b>677</b> Amend contract between Bureau of Water Works and Raleigh Water District for the sale of water (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 18458)</p>	<p align="center"><b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 26, 2002 AT 9:30 AM</b></p>
<p><b>678</b> Amend contract between Bureau of Water Works and Palatine Hill Water District for the sale of water (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 18577)</p>	<p align="center"><b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 26, 2002 AT 9:30 AM</b></p>
<p><b>679</b> Amend contract between Bureau of Water Works and Lusted Water District for the sale of water (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 18682)</p>	<p align="center"><b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 26, 2002 AT 9:30 AM</b></p>
<p><b>680</b> Amend contract between Bureau of Water Works and West Slope Water District for the sale of water (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 18684)</p>	<p align="center"><b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 26, 2002 AT 9:30 AM</b></p>
<p><b>681</b> Amend contract between Bureau of Water Works and Valley View Water District for the sale of water (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 19151)</p>	<p align="center"><b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 26, 2002 AT 9:30 AM</b></p>

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<b>682</b> Amend contract between Bureau of Water Works and Lake Grove Water District for the sale of water (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 19289)	<b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 26, 2002 AT 9:30 AM</b>
<b>683</b> Amend contract between Bureau of Water Works and Pleasant Home Water District for the sale of water (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 19313)	<b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 26, 2002 AT 9:30 AM</b>
<b>Commissioner Erik Sten</b>	
<b>684</b> Apply for a \$1,578,699 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice for the Bureau of Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services to purchase communications, decontamination and personal protective equipment (Ordinance)	<b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 26, 2002 AT 9:30 AM</b>
<b>685</b> Allow Port of Portland Airport Fire Department and other public or private agencies to inspect occupancies under Fire Bureau jurisdiction (Ordinance; amend Code Title 31)	<b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 26, 2002 AT 9:30 AM</b>
<b>City Auditor Gary Blackmer</b>	
<b>686</b> Certify abstract of votes cast at Municipal Non-Partisan Primary Election held in the City of Portland, May 21, 2002 (Report)  (Y-3)	<b>PLACED ON FILE</b>

At 11:31 a.m., Council recessed.

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A RECESSED MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **19TH DAY OF JUNE, 2002** AT 6:00 P.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Katz, Presiding; Commissioners Francesconi, and Saltzman, 3.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Kathryn Beaumont, Senior, Deputy City Attorney; and Officer Peter Hurley, Sergeant at Arms.

<b>687</b> <b>TIME CERTAIN: 6:00 PM</b> – Accept report from the Multnomah County/City of Portland Youth Advisory Board (Report introduced by Commissioner Saltzman) (Y-3)	<b>Disposition:</b> <b>ACCEPTED</b>
<b>688</b> <b>TIME CERTAIN: 6:15 PM</b> – Accept and implement the Portsmouth Neighborhood Plan urban design map, voluntary neighborhood design guidelines, and action items (Resolution introduced by Mayor Katz)	<b>CONTINUED TO JUNE 26, 2002 AT 2:00 PM</b>
<b>689</b> Adopt and implement the Portsmouth Neighborhood Plan vision statement, policies and objectives, Comprehensive Plan map and zoning map designations (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Katz)  <b>Motion to amend that action item to add the word relocate:</b> Moved by Commissioner Saltzman and gaveled down by Mayor Katz after no objections.	<b>PASSED TO SECOND READING AS AMENDED JUNE 26, 2002 AT 2:00 PM</b>

At 7:54 p.m., Council recessed.

**JUNE 20, 2002**

A RECESSED MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND,  
OREGON WAS HELD THIS **20TH DAY OF JUNE, 2002** AT 2:00 P.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Katz, Presiding; Commissioners Francesconi,  
Saltzman and Sten (via Teleconference), 4.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Linda  
Meng, Chief Deputy City Attorney; and Officer Peter Hurley, Sergeant at Arms.

Commissioner Sten disconnected at 2:58 p.m.

		<b>Disposition:</b>
<b>*690</b>	<b>TIME CERTAIN: 2:00 PM</b> – Create the Parks Endowment Fund effective June 20, 2002 (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Katz) (Y-4)	<b>176593</b>
<b>*691</b>	Adjust FY 2001-02 Adopted Budget for Spring Budget Adjustments (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Katz) (Y-4)	<b>176594</b>
<b>*692</b>	Adopt the Spring FY 2001-02 Supplemental Budget in the amount of \$8,047,956 and make budget adjustments in various funds (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Katz)  <b>Motion for amendment to Exhibit 6:</b> Moved by Commissioner Saltzman and seconded by Commissioner Francesconi. (Y-4)	<b>176595</b> AS AMENDED
<b>*693</b>	Amend FY 2001-02 budget by transferring appropriation within City funds to prevent over-expenditure in controlled expenditure categories (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Katz)  <b>Motion to accept amendment to Exhibit 1:</b> Moved by Commissioner Saltzman and seconded by Commissioner Francesconi. (Y-4)	<b>176596</b> AS AMENDED
<b>694</b>	<b>TIME CERTAIN: 2:15 PM</b> – Public Hearing to discuss probable uses of State Revenue Sharing (Hearing introduced by Mayor Katz) (Y-4)	<b>PLACED ON FILE</b>
<b>695</b>	Certify that certain services are provided by the City for eligibility of State Shared Revenues (Resolution introduced by Mayor Katz) (Y-4)	<b>36079</b>
<b>*696</b>	Elect to accept funds from the State of Oregon under the State Revenue Sharing Program for FY 2002-03 (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Katz) (Y-4)	<b>176598</b>
<b>*697</b>	Close three funds and create one new fund in FY 2002-03 effective July 1, 2002 (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Katz) (Y-4)	<b>176599</b>
<b>*698</b>	Levy taxes for the City for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2002, and direct the Chief Administrative Officer to submit said tax levy and other certifications to the County Assessors of Multnomah, Clackamas, and Washington Counties (Ordinance) (Y-4)	<b>176600</b>

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<p><b>*699</b> Adopt the annual budget of the City and establish appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2002 (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Katz)</p> <p><b>Motion to adopt the amendments:</b> Moved by Commissioner Saltzman and seconded by Commissioner Francesconi.</p> <p><b>Motion to amend the special lobbying contract to clarify that the money we supply is for specific services and if the agreement with this lobbying firm goes away, the money automatically reverts back to the funding bureaus:</b> Moved by Commissioner Saltzman and gaveled down by Mayor Katz after no objections.</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p><b>176601</b> AS AMENDED</p>
<p><b>700</b> <b>TIME CERTAIN: 2:45 PM</b> – Appeal of Ion and Ioana Miu of Portland Development Commission denial of request for Property Tax Exemption under the Residential Rehabilitation Owner Occupied Program authorized by City Code Chapter 3.102 (Hearing; Report)</p> <p><b>Motion to deny the appeal:</b> Moved by Commissioner Saltzman and seconded by Commissioner Francesconi.</p> <p>(Y-3)</p>	<p><b>APPEAL DENIED</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>REGULAR AGENDA</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Mayor Vera Katz</b></p> <p><b>*701</b> Amend provisions of the Parking Area Management Agreement with the Association for Portland Progress to provide services (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 50923)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	

At 3:10 p.m., Council adjourned.

GARY BLACKMER  
Auditor of the City of Portland

By Karla Moore-Love  
Clerk of the Council

For discussion of agenda items, please consult the following Closed Caption Transcript.

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**Closed Caption Transcript of Portland City Council Meeting**

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Key: \*\*\*\*\* means unidentified speaker.

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**Katz:** Please call the roll.

**Francesconi:** Here. **Saltzman:** Here. **Saltzman:** Here.

**Katz:** Commissioner Sten is on a learning experience. And hopefully, when he comes back, he will teach us.

**Item 667.**

**Ken Spice:** Not to reiterate old points but because there were sweeping changes at the federal level, which legally demand we rethink the relationship between the city and the f.b.i. Attorney general ashcroft has recently changed federal guidelines that govern the f.b.i. This is the attorney general ashcroft who lost his last election to a dead guy. The attorney general ashcroft insists on being annointed with oil any time he's sworn into a public office. Who ordered a statute called justice in the justice office as nudity offended him. But, it gets worse. Somehow, he managed to get jose padilla released from our prison system to military custody. Only the courts are supposed to be able to do that. Not the executive branch. Even the Oregonian took the administration to task about this one, and respect for the constitution. Indeed we fought a revolution to excel this kind of arbitrary autocratic power from our shores. The fbi is one of the ashcroft's agencies. This is an agency with a long history of incompetence alternating with abusive and radical behavior that sparked repeatedly investigations and strict controls on its power. Two signature news items from the last two weeks in both the verdict in the judy barry car bombing trial in which the fbi was convicted of civil rights violations and fined millions of dollars for their incompetent and politically biased handling of her case. And the san francisco chronicles recent release of fbi documents detailing an fbi covert campaign to disrupt the free speech movement and topple then president clark kerr with the help of ronald reagan. The newly released documents are eye-opening and I urge to you take a look at the san francisco chronicle's website. Attorney general ashcroft, with the stroke of a pen undid three decades of reform and has given the fbi the power to investigate anyone they wish for any reason or for no reason at all. Oregon law specifically does not allow such big brother tactics and stand in clear legal opposition to the attorney general guidelines. I want to know if you are going to help the scaffolding or stop it. No law enforcement officers should be permitted to take part in the fbi investigations under these guidelines. I ask you to cancel the Portland police bureau's participation in the Portland joint terrorism task force immediately. If you won't, hopefully the judicial branch will have the needed courage and integrity and will issue an injunction against Oregon officer's participating in this illegal mission. Thank you.

**Katz:** Thank you. All right. 668.

**Item 668.**

**Katz:** He had to cancel. All right, let's get to, well, we don't have the consent agenda. Let's get to time certain, 669.

**Item 669.**

**Katz:** Commissioner Saltzman?

**Saltzman:** Thank you, madam mayor. It's time pleasure to present the stormwater advisory committee's report to the city council. And if you will accept their report, on the stormwater

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management regulations. It was almost two years ago in stormwater first of all, we should say to set the context, to may sound unglamorous but when you consider the stormwater is the single largest source of water pollution, not only in Portland, but in every city in the united states, it's importance becomes more understandable. It does carry pollution to our waterways, to our streams and it's important that we manage it these days as a key cornerstone of clean rivers in our city. Two years ago, we appointed the stormwater advisory committee on behalf of the city council to work with the bureau of environmental services to update the city's stormwater management manual. The committee represents a wide array of stakeholders ranging from watershed council to say large commercial developers. As I said, stormwater management is an evolving science that continue to say create new practices that provide a greater environmental benefit while reducing the financial burden to implement. The task of the committee has been to examine how the techniques are incorporated in new and existing development, redevelopment, and transportation-related development. In committee has spent countless hours grappling with these issues and their recommendations will lead to a more user-friendly management manual. We have a number of the members of the stormwater committee here today to brief the council on their recommendations, and first I would like to recognize dean marriott, the director of the bureau of environmental services.

**Dean Marriott, Director, Bureau of Environmental Services:** Thank you very much. Good morning, mayor Katz, members of the council. I am dean marriott, environmental services director from Portland. And commissioner Saltzman did an excellent job of summarizing why the report from the stormwater advisory committee is so timely and so important. As members of the council know, I have been before you several times to talk about the significance of stormwater pollution, both from a quantity standpoint, as you know, we have a combined sewer overflow system in this city, and the combined sewer overflows are actually caused by too much stormwater entering the system, so we have a, a stormwater quantity problem. Not only does it lead to combined sewer overflows, it also impacts fish habitat and the quality of our urban streams. Stormwater is also a concern for me, from a quality standpoint, carries pollutants to not only the willamette, but to our urban watersheds and it does damage in that regard. So, our staff has been working very closely with the stormwater advisory committee. I can tell you that this committee -- this version of the committee has spent over 2000 hours of their own time contributing that valuable time to, to study and in analyzing the various issues that you have read in the report and you will hear about this morning. And I want to take a moment this morning to commend them for the amount of time and the quality of the time that they have put into this effort. I have worked closely with them. My staff has worked very closely with them. And we look forward to hearing their report and I will be back later to answer any questions you might have of me. Thank you. And now I think I would like to introduce jeff shay and cathy who will present the report to you.

**Jeff Shay, Chair, Stormwater Advisory Committee:** Good morning, mayor, commissioners. My name is jeff shea. My address is 2712 southeast 60th here in Portland. I am the chair of the stormwater advisory committee, and work for rejuvenation incorporated here in town. And we are pleased to be presenting our report to city council finally. It has been a long and arduous journey, and it's not over yet. I will not go over the history of the committee that's been adequately done already, but I would like to reiterate how important it is that the committee is, has been not only multirepresentational, in other words, representing many, many different disciplines and concerns in the city, it also has brought a high level of skill to its task, and i've been tremendously impressed with and pleased to work with the professionals on the committee. We've been very fortunate to have some of the leading experts in, in fact, the world working on this task. It looks like we are waiting for the technology to catch up with us here. My company motto has been, at times, the



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company that's way behind the times, and sometimes, it's easier to just hold up papers, but -- [ laughter ]

**Shay:** I think I will go ahead and get going here. You do have copies of the --

**Katz:** We have got the hard copies. How long is this going to take in are you just boot it go up?

**Shay:** I am just booting it up now.

**Katz:** Okay. Our --

**Shay:** Over overall arching goal as a committee has been to create or create policies that will reduce negative impacts of the stormwater run-off. Across the entire Portland watershed so, that includes all development, both new, redevelopment, and existing development, and in fact, that is going to be the great challenge, as the city moves ahead. And of course, the overall goal is to improve the health of our watersheds. We have a great resource running through the middle of the city, and it's -- it has somewhat fallen on hard times, certainly is not to the bad days of the 60s, but we certainly -- to the bad days of the '60s, but we can certainly do better than we are. Okay. It's getting there. I think -- I am waiting for the perfecting the image part -- the charge of the sack in 2000 was to review the 2002 manual revisions for new and redevelopment and then take on the large chore of addressing existing development, and how we can work with the existing infrastructure, existing development in the city, and the stormwater to reduce the impacts, and that is, that has been our primary output this year. We have also talked some about transportation, or just started on transportation more accurately, and that will be part of the ongoing work of the committee. As we work through this, we try to develop some policies for selection and for implementation, so that we had an overall guide that we could refer to in terms of, of a focus for our efforts. There's a lot of options out there, and we felt that we needed to sort of keep this, keep our goal firmly in sight. Those -- the policies that we selected for choosing recommended actions would be to include all property owners, private and public. Any of our recommended actions should, obviously, link to environmental problems and benefits. They are not just sort of random actions. We felt that we should give priority to problems and locations with the greatest impacts, rather than just random city-wide options. We wanted to try and select actions that were feasible and realistic to implement. And oh, we are watching up. Here we go. Considering cost and cost versus benefits, is obviously a tremendously important thing these days. Clear and certain actions were also important to us. Looking for low-hanging fruit, that's the, the great term in business these days is trying to find low hanging fruit. The easiest, highest -- easiest action find with the highest benefits. And finally, trying to give property owners simple and inexpensive actions that would enhance the values and livability but not be too difficult to implement. As far as implementation, of course that's always where the rubber hits the road, as it were. Again, we tried to develop a set of policies that we could refer to as we thought about various actions. Those included looking at a ten-year time frame. It seems like a long time, but a lot of these things are, are large and diverse through the city, and we felt that that time frame was a reasonable one. You will hear this as a recurring theme but we want to provide for effective intrabureau coordination and cooperation. There is a definite feeling on the part of the committee that we have a lot of the pieces in place, but that we would like to see the city as a whole pulling on the same end of the rope, if you will, rather than diffused efforts.

**Katz:** I am going to let you continue but I want you to come back to that and give us some examples that the committee uncovered because if we know what they are, we can actually overcome them.

**Shay:** For private property owners, we understand particularly in the developed areas of the city, much of the ownership is private, and we are trying to emphasize both voluntary actions. For public property owners, we have a mix of mandatory and voluntary actions. As much as anything, the committee's sense was that the public property owners of the city need to step up and be and

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present an example to the rest of the city. It's very hard to explain to a private property owner why they should be doing something, if they don't see the city leadership doing the same thing. We are looking for a variety of funding mechanisms. City funding, financing fees, this is a sticky one. We want to provide property owners with information and assistance, in other words, make what we are asking for as easy as possible for them to implement. We do, however, feel that an inspection enforcement process is vital to this as we have discovered the hard way over the years. If there is no enforcement, if there's no inspection, oftentimes things slip through the cracks, and we don't have any way to prove or show the overall effectiveness of the efforts. And that leads into monitoring and evaluation. A lot of the things that we are talking about are cutting edge. We have a good inkling that they will work well, but without monitoring and evaluation, we can't optimize results. And finally, we feel that the committee feels that we should allow the city bureaus to prioritize the implementation of these things. We presented in the report a whole series of ideas, but we really believe that the city bureaus are closest to the projects, closest to their concerns, and are going to be in the best position to choose and prioritize the solutions that we have offered. And we are not interested in presenting restrictions on the city creating its best work. So, I am now going to hand this over to Kathy, who will go through pretty much the recommendations of the report and then I will be back in just a moment to sort of wrap up.

**Kathy Futornick, Stormwater Advisory Committee member:** Thank you. We have four overall, basically, overarching issues that carry all areas of development, existing redevelopment as well as new development. And the key recommendations that pertained across the board to all the development. One of them is the maintenance inspection program, which has been a focus of this act since the beginning. The sack believes both the public and private stormwater management facilities needs to be properly maintained and operated. For the past five years, the city has developed a program to evaluate performance of public stormwater management facilities, but the sack also believes that a program, a formal inspection program is also needed for private facilities, as well. One of the other areas in the key program areas that the sack focused on were benchmarks and they looked at benchmarks as a tool to evaluate whether current policy, whether current city policy supports the city's water quality and quantity goals. Determining whether current policies are meeting the goals as achieved through monitoring representative sites, and it's difficult to determine sometimes the next steps that need to be taken without a clear understanding of how the program is, is working. Therefore, the sack, in its report, recommended -- recommends that a benchmark and monitoring program be staff and had funded. One of the other, the third area that the sack looked at and fairly extensively was in facility sharing. Facility sharing is a term that includes situations where public and/or private property owners co-mingle stormwater run-off into a single management facility. It's a means for getting the greatest impact for each dollar spent. Facility sharing is not adequately addressed, especially in situations when include private facilities. There are liability issues and other concerns that were -- that have arisen. The sack together into some of these issues and identify what might work and the consensus from the community appointed a subcommittee to develop recommendations and then evaluate support for facility-sharing program. And last, and the fourth broad-based program issue, and Jeff had mentioned this, is the cooperation and coordination. Much of stormwater management causes many bureau -- crosses many bureau boundaries, and we were very fortunate in that several of the bureaus were present and participated in the sack meetings throughout the process. And it was an excellent indication that other bureaus also believe in coordination cooperation of stormwater management issues. The sack is recommending also that further improvement of interview cooperation be made and a high-level decision-making process be put in place to maximize cooperation and results when needed. My next group of slides -- I will go into more detail in terms of new development and redevelopment. Existing development and transportation. For new development and

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redevelopment, the stormwater management manual on the 2002 stormwater management manual is currently undergoing extensive revisions and dramatic improvements. However, due to time limitations, not all work on the issues concerning water quality and flow control standards were completed. Sack committee was working on these issues, and the sack endorses the subcommittee recommendations which include, with respect to flow control. Keeping run-off on-site by requiring simplified approaches to the maximum extent practicable in flow control areas. Requirements for stormwater events from the two and five--year events. The requirements are that the flow control requirements be removed in response to the land acquisition and endangered species act work, as well. For the two and five-year storm events, retain the flow control, the current flow control requirements. And the, and the sack, because of the broad-based issues is continuing to discuss the instream issues of future meetings. It's an ongoing discussion. In addition the sack is recommending that bes discuss the merits of undertaking a comprehensive watershed study to enable the city to determine areas of highest priority and impact. The analysis would help better to target problem areas, and would target implementation for instream work, as well. Additional internal discussions within bes are needed to set the pollution discharge limits pertaining to water quality and other parameters to address future requirements, and one that's on the horizon that received quite a bit of discussion is the total maximum daily load program that is being undertaken by deq at this time, which will impact water quality standards in the willamette river. With respect to existing development, while the stormwater management manual addresses new development and redevelopment, only about 20% of the city's developable land is available for new construction. Therefore, stormwater run-off from a large part of the city is from existing development. They categorized these problems into four major areas, impaired fisheries, degraded structures, water quality and flooding. The recommendations which were built on the existing programs and are considered both city-wide and watershed approaches. They identified four approaches. On-site measure, planning revisions, retrofits of site and stream and vegetation enhancement. With respect to on-site measures, they recommend the continuation and expansion of the downspout disconnect program which has been an extremely successful program within the city, and further recommends that assistance to schools, church, and other areas with large impervious surfaces, such as parking lots and for government buildings that they receive assistance from the city to decrease their effective run-off area. For priority small tributaries, such as johnson creek and west-side streams, we are recommending that there is an effort to identify impediments for good stormwater management within city code, and with regard to retrofit of sites and facilities, the sack is also highlighting the need to retrofit facilities to include water quality features, such as filtration systems, to remove pollutants. For areas with small stream tributaries, restoration and enhancement of streams is recommended to improve water quality and reduce flooding. And city-wide for the protection of purinaries is recommended through seller purchases and partnerships with volunteer organizations. Transportation-related development, was a fairly large discussion within the sack, and partly because we recognize that development accounts for about two-thirds of the city's total impervious surface, and streets and parking lots are the largest contributes to stormwater run-off. The city has taken several steps to address these problems with the city code, title 33, in retrofit the streets through the water quality friendly streets program. This is a really good start. It identified a facility-sharing pilot project as one approach, which would allow private facilities to build oversized stormwater facilities management to management stormwater run job from a public right-of-way. For public private facilities sharing to occur, the city policies are recognized that might need to be changed to allow for right-of-way run-off to be co-mingled with private water and treated by either public or private owners. The sac also recognized that many of the existing development recommendations, such as planning trees and inventorying sites that are part of existing development also plotted transportation-related development and because the issues are so

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verge and cross interbureau boundaries, the -- we defer the broader issues to subsequent meetings of the sac, and at this point, alternatives.

**Shay:** One of the other things that we discussed a lot is funding. Obviously, that's, that's a key part of any of our recommendations, and great ideas don't go anywhere if they can't be executed. We identified -- we looked at funding from both the standpoint of the citizen, the people who would be asked to do something, asked to change something on their property, as well as -- on their property, as well as from the standpoint of the city, and where the city is going to find the money to put it bluntly. And we looked at possible mechanisms for funding citizen activities that would be stormwater fee discounts, this particular program has, has been up and down and around at times, but again, utilizing that. Riparian tax credits for the landowners in the riparian zones. And also supporting property owners in the area of education and outreach, so that we cannot just say, you need to fix it, to property owners, but here are some ways that you can fix it to make it easier for property owners to not have to go out and reinvent the wheel. From the standpoint of city funding, there is apparently the support staff and bes is talking about grants and possible, possible funding there, particularly for innovative projects. There is a mechanism in place for in lieu of fees. It has not been used particularly but that is a definite possibility for those property owners who, for one reason or another, couldn't utilize on-site stormwater -- stormwater control. There are also -- there is not currently but there is enforcement and the possibility for enforcement funds. These are required programs. They, obviously, the requirement for much of this goes back to the city's and pds permit, and ultimately, it has to be done at some level. So, we feel that, while that is a mechanism, it's not a preferred mechanism but it's also possibly there. Um --

**Katz:** Could you please shut your phone off.

**Shay:** Finally to, sort of summarize, again, the key recommendations. We would like to see maintenance inspection staff position funded. We feel this is very, very important on a number of levels, both to determine the effectiveness of, of, excuse me, of, of current facilities to insure that the current facilities are being used properly, being maintained, and to look at their effectiveness. We would like to ask bes to develop a work plan. The last set of recommendations in the year 2000, many of them have, indeed, been addressed, but the sense of the committee was that it was hard to tell what the plan was to look at the recommendations and determine whether or not they are being acted upon. We would like to see dedicated line items in the appropriate city budgets, addressing the stormwater, specifically. And this is not just in bes. As we said, this crosses many of the boundaries, and we feel that the accountability that that would create and visibility that that would create would elevate stormwater control to the level that we feel it should be at. We also would like to increase the accountability and visibility of stormwater activities via a reporting mechanism to both sac and city council. We've, for about two years, have been working on this, and have sort of gotten updates but we feel that a formal update procedure from bes would be valuable. And again, the interbureau cooperation piece shows up here, and we do feel that, that the river renaissance team is a great resource and is headed in the correct direction, but we would like to see that interbureau cooperation at both the operational and strategic levels, and I think for me, the strategic level is the key one in that a bunch of desperate efforts can be, add up to a large effective effort or be at odds with one another, and coming from my bias as a business person, I am always trying to look at the efficiency of an organization and hoping that in the city's stormwater efforts, we can get to a place where the entire city is pulling together, as I said, on the same end of the rope. The next steps for the stormwater committee, well, we have got this little 900-pound gorilla of transportation sitting in the room with us every, at every meeting so we are going to continue work on that. We are going to continue to work on water quality and flow control issues, and continue to reevaluate the run-off requirements and some of the things that Cathy went through. In conclusion, I hope I am speaking effectively for the committee as a whole in saying that we feel

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that addressing stormwater impacts proactively, is the most cost effective way the city has to meet the next great challenge to the health of our watersheds. And for the city to regain its position as a leader in urban conservation. We believe that the city has already, already has many of the needed tools at its disposal, and that the additional needs are not in the realm of new programs or rules, rather they are in the realm of cooperation and implementation. And we urge the city council to consider a recommendation as one of the essential steps in establishing the health of one of the city's great resources. Thank you.

**Katz:** Questions? Yeah. I thought -- let me go back to the issue. I thought you were recommending another -- we are not going to go there. That's the -- we need to focus on, on some of the issues you identified through the river renaissance team and we will need to talk about how to deal with the strategic policy issues at a higher up level.

**Shay:** Exactly.

**Katz:** That's an issue that we face on a lot of the river issues that come up. We can get on the staff level, we can identify what's being done and we may even be able to get to prioritize but I think on some of the policy issues, it's kind of got to go up a notch higher, and I hope that what's you were recommending.

**Shay:** That's exactly it. I think, I think that, that there is a large amount of frustration expressed. Various efforts of various bureaus, all of them good but with no apparent overarching strategy to accord nate the efforts and create synergy between the various efforts.

**Francesconi:** Maybe I do have one question, mayor, if that's okay. On the -- I think you said we already publicly, we inspect the publicly owned facilities. Have we learned anything from those public inspections? The inspections on the public facilities that would, would add weight to why we want to inspect the private facilities?

**Shay:** We have learned some, certainly, about effectiveness and that kind of thing. The inspection on the private facilities is as much as anything along the lines of, of the kinds of rules that, for instance, rejuvenation deals with in our water discharge permit, you know. These are facilities that are discharging to a waterway. There needs to be at least some assurance that, in fact, they are being maintained and operated properly. I would not advocate heavy-handed kind of program, and in fact, the way that bes deals with the industrial source permits is a good model. It is as much a helping and reviewing process as it is an inspection process. But, the key is to remember all these facilities are, indeed, discharging to the river and there should be some assurances that everybody is playing by the rules, if you will.

**Katz:** Okay.

**Francesconi:** Before --

**Saltzman:** Before we let them go, I want to thank them for their hard work. This is a committee that really takes its charge seriously, and we have several members of the committee here in the audience. I was hoping maybe they could stand and be recognized along with jeff and kathy. So, members of the committee? Here's your 15 seconds here. [ laughter ]

**Saltzman:** We appreciate it.

**Katz:** Why don't you identify yourself and if you work for private concern or a city bureau, or anywhere else, tell us where you work.

**Lori Faha, Audubon Society:** Lori, representing the audubon society.

**Wayne Stewart Walker & Macy:** Wayne Stewart. [ inaudible ]

**Matt Dolan, KPFF Engineering:** [stated name]

**Linda Bauer, citizen:** [stated name]

**Katz:** Thank you all.

**Saltzman:** I just wanted to conclude that they have good solid recommendations. There's a lot of recommendations for innovative concepts of public-private sharing of water pollution facilities and

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always the need as commissioner Francesconi was asking to make sure that we not only put the facilities in place to control stormwater run-off, but that we make sure that they are still working and maintenance is an ongoing issue for the success of any program. So, thanks for your work. They are not afraid to push the bureau, and myself, so we appreciate that. It may not always seem that way at times, but we always appreciate that. So thank you.

**Katz:** Let's open it up to public testimony.

**Katz:** Anybody want to testify? All right. You're it.

**\*\*\*\*\*:** Can you see me?

**Katz:** Drop the mike just a bit.

**Faha:** I am lori, live at 2605, northeast 5th place, and I am representing the Portland -- the audubon society of Portland on these stormwater advisory committee. I want to thank jeff and cathy for their great presentation about their report and to reemphasize the diversity of the committee and the amazing amount of work that went into putting together the report. I just wanted to emphasize a few points from the standpoint of audubon society of Portland. And I certainly, mostly want to encourage you to except the report and to help see that it gets implemented. There are four items that I think require some additional emphasis, so I just wanted to mention those briefly. One was brought up in the presentation and I just want to say it again that the interbureau communication and cooperation is going to be so signature in making sure that these recommendations actually happen. A number of the recommends will require cooperative efforts and some of them may require some code or policy changes, which will go across bureaus, and so there will be a need to encourage the bureaus working together on this. And to working towards cleaner and healthier waterways. The second item I wanted to mention was that the stormwater advisory committee report includes 15 recommended actions related to the impacts on stormwater from existing development, which as was mentioned, that's the largest part of the city is already existing development, and so there needs to be a big emphasis on existing. Have a great stormwater management manual, but that only affects new development and signature redevelopment. And one of the things in this report that I think is very signature is that it does address some new ideas for existing development, which I don't think you find in a lot of other communities around the nation. And I have noted there were some comments, I believe, from some other bureaus and it was mentioned in the report that there are not priorities given to the actions. I just wanted to note that for existing development, for instance, there's 15 recommended actions. That sounds like a lot but we started out with a list of about 100 potential actions, and widdled it down to 15. So, I think you should recognize that from the standpoint of the committee and certainly myself, that those are all priorities, you know. We cut out a lot, so those are all high priorities. So while we are recommending that the bureaus be able to do a little bit of shuffling on the schedule, I think it's very important that they all be considered high priority and all get implemented. Regarding recommendations that the advisory committee made for the stormwater management manual, which is in the process of getting revised, there is a recommendation -- it's a bit technical, but there's a recommendation there be changes made as far as how new development and redevelopment deals with the quantity of stormwater leaving their site, and currently, the manual requires that when there's new development, you should have your stormwater flows leaving your site at the predevelopment level of flow. And there was some discussion about how some of the facilities maybe constructed in a way that they could actually be releasing flows at a rate that's causing further erosion downstream in the streams, which is bad.

**Katz:** We will let you, since you are a member of the task force, we will let you continue.

**Faha:** I am sorry. At any rate, I want to make sure that it's understood that a recommendation of that sort doesn't -- of the sort of backing off from easing up on the flow rates from new development in the facilities does not mean that we are backing off on the requirements of redevelopment. They

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still need to implement as many on-site actions as possible that reflect impervious area reductions and reduction of the impacts of impervious area. And finally, the fourth item I wanted to bring up was that there's an action called, sb-2 in the sac report that recommends that there be an expansion of the program that's going on in johnson creek basin to purchase flood-plain, flood-prone properties and that more of that be done with willing sellers and more conservation easements gathered. That's it great. The audubon society of Portland wants to make sure it's recognized that that isn't meant to replace any of the other requirements, preservations along stream corridors. Those would be a supplement along the corridors to protect the healthy streams. So thank you very much, and I hope you support the sac report.

**Katz:** Thank you. Council have any questions of dean? So, let me see if I understand correctly, commissioner Saltzman and correct me if I am wrong, that we'll accept the report, that you will come back with prioritizing at a time line of what you want to do? And you may -- come on up. You may also want to address how you plan to deal with some of the implementation issues that have been raised.

**\*\*\*\*\*:** I will --

**Saltzman:** I will turn it over to dean. Many of the issues, more enforcement of private facilities, are -- and incentives for stormwater reduction on-site in private properties are straightforward to all the issues. What kind of incentives to we have. Do we have the person-power to do the inspections and enforcement on private facilities. And we have dealt with some of those issues in this great budget that we just pass this had year and unfortunately, we were not able to get some of the inspection enforcement positions funded that the committee advocated. But many of the issues are straightforward issues that have a direct impact on the rates we set. But other than that, I will turn it over to dean.

**Marriott:** Thanks, mayor Katz. I am dean marriott, again, environmental services director. As the commissioner pointed out, the inspection of private facilities is one that I think we all recognize needs to be addressed. I am the one to blame for why it's not in the budget. I don't have to tell you what difficulty we had in budget times this year, so what I have decided to do is we are going to start work this summer with a pilot program of using existing industrial source inspection staff to do double duty and to do some of these inspections, and to determine as commissioner Francesconi asked, just what the nature of the problem is, how pervasive the problem is, if there is one, and we will use the results that far pilot effort to, to factor into our next budget deliberation. I do want to say that we will certainly take seriously the request of the committee to put together a work plan that will respond to the recommendations of the committee, and we will do that. We will share that with this council and with the committee. I think that that's an excellent recommendation. Just a word on interbureau cooperation. I know that that's on everybody's mind. I just want to say that six or seven years ago when I visited with other bureau asks talked to them about stormwater, I got a totally different response than I do today. We have come a long way. We are working with transportation on the water quality friendly streets initiative. They have been very cooperative. They wish, frankly, they had more resources to put at this problem, and so do i. But, it's -- they are interested in cooperating with us. Parks is very interested in managing stormwater better at all our parks' facilities. Again, they wish they had more money to do the, on the ground, work, but there's, there's certainly -- there's no lack of interest there. With the fire bureau, we are working on the, the new fire stations as they become developed to make sure that we do the best possible stormwater management in those facilities. We are working with opdr on erosion control and inspection issues. The planning bureau, and code modifications and improvements, so there's, there's been a dramatic improvement, I think, in the level of interest and expertise around the city government on stormwater. I think that one of the major values of having a stormwater advisory committee is the,

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as the commissioner said, they continue to push us, prod us, encourage us to keep making progress, and I welcome that. Thank you.

**Katz:** Thank you. All right. We'll vote on accepting the report. Roll call.

**Francesconi:** Just a couple of things. One is to thank commissioner Saltzman for leading the education effort along with dean marriott of our bureaus to get us to pay more attention to this. And also to all the volunteers, that spent a lot of time on a tough issue, and we should also thank all the volunteers that have been disconnecting those downspouts for all this time. That's a very effective program. Maybe just a couple thoughts. One is that the benchmarking and -- is really important. The committee talked about that maybe second, in its recommendation. I think maybe in that needs to be first, and then also the best practices based upon what other cities are doing because I think once we have that, that leads towards directing our efforts more effectively. And maybe -- so that would be one thought. That's very important that we continue to do that. The second is the maintenance and operation of private facilities and with an inspection program does make sense to me. The idea of fees on top of our rates is, is probably not a good idea. I mean, as opposed to incorporating them in the rates because we are putting a lot more fees and a lot -- in a lot of different areas. I will remain open to that. But once we have benchmarking, and we can see what the impact is, then having a maintenance operation program coming behind it would make a lot of sense. The third thing, the facility-sharing is really important, and anything we can do, I am going to come to the streets in a minute, but the facilities' sharing makes a lot of sense. The interbureau coordination, the one that -- it is good that -- I need to learn a lot more about transportation, including in this area, so one of my early briefings will be on this issue of stormwater and the role of transportation. I know what parks is doing. I would add the whole urban forestry effort to this, as well. There's a whole group in urban forestry that's trying to ramp up those efforts in terms of street trees and it's seeking additional resources, so if we can incorporate that into this effort, I would think, but all this all relates to the endangered species and the harbor cleanup and the endangered species, the river renaissance, that could be a group that helps with the benchmark asking that's what I think the group is say that go needs to be pulled together as opposed to these different efforts, which also need to be -- so I think that that really means you, dean, and gill kelly working together with the mayor, commissioner Saltzman. This really needs to be integrated into that broader effort that's happening. And finally, the last thing, the whole education campaign, with our own citizens, so that over four or five years, we can accomplish with our own citizens what the bureaus have come to understand, that's throughout your report in different sections but maybe a specific section on an education campaign and what it takes to educate our citizens, that's the only thing I thought maybe should be strengthened a bit in the report. Thank you for all your good work. Aye.

**Saltzman:** Good work, aye.

**Katz:** Thank you. And my hope is that we'll elevate some of the policy and strategic actions to the level of the bureau managers at the river renaissance level because that will help. I just want to flag to the council that this is an area where code revisions probably will be, will be coming in shortly. And in the next week or so, I will give you a list of all of the code revisions that are being worked on by every one of our city bureaus. Let me tell right now, they are extensive and we will have to have a conversation about that since we had previous conversations regarding codes in, in the moratoriums. They came here, oh, probably a year ago and said, when she greets people, she asks, how is the river? Instead of, how's your family and how's your children and how's your mother and father, so how's the river? Well, the river is still suffering a little bit. But this kind of work will certainly improve it, and it's probably the most critical work that we do in improving the quality of the water quality and the health of our rivers, our streams, and our watersheds. Thank you,



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everybody, for your hard work. I hope that you will stay together and prod us a little bit more, but have some patience. Aye.

**Katz:** all right, 10:15 now. 670.

**Item 670.**

**Katz:** Drew, are you here?

**Katz:** All right. Well, everybody is getting settled and drew is up here, let me sort of set the stage for this. And then we will hear testimony for and against and the reasons for it. About the time that I became mayor, we were just finishing signing the agreement on the rose garden and the rose quart, and part of that agreement was that we, as a city, would build the basic infrastructure primarily the garages, which is what we do when we work with a private investors, especially in tax increment areas. And so that was about a \$44 million investment. And we had viewed the arena as a multipurpose arena, and right now, it's primarily used for the blazers at our one team. So, this issue was raised in terms of revenues for the city, and I am not going to explain the arrangement that's before you. I am going to let others do it, and I will close and make some comments at the very end, so drew, why don't you start.

**Drew Mahalic, CEO, Oregon Sports Authority:** Good morning. My name is drew, chief executive officer of the Portland Oregon sports authority. Mayor Katz, commissioner Francesconi, and commissioner Saltzman, prior to the launch of our nhl-to-Portland campaign, there was a major question about the possibility of a Portland nhl team. The question was, will there be sufficient fan support. The results of our campaign categorically documented overwhelming support for a Portland nhl franchise. Over 10,000 individuals officially documented their support for a Portland franchise, and nearly 2000 people made \$50 season ticket deposits. The level of unbridled enthusiasm generated by the campaign gave us unmistakable evidence that Portland desperately yearns for an nhl franchise. Common reactions to our campaign where people are explaining that they never signed up for anything, but would make an exception to bring the nhl to Portland. During our conversations with experts in the sports industry, we have additionally been assured that securing an nhl franchise for Portland will not conflict with our ongoing efforts to bring either major league baseball or the national football league to Portland in the near term. There is a consensus in the sports industry that Portland has room for at least two more major sports franchises. Our nhl-to-Portland campaign illustrated that the nhl is a perfect fit for Portland. As is widely known, Portland is the largest city in the nation with only one major professional sports franchise. We also know that the rose garden arena was specifically built with the nhl in mind, so that when an nhl franchise does arrive, our arena will be among the very best in the world for professional hockey. The beauty of all this is that we don't have to go out and build a new arena. We already have a pristine venue for the nhl to play that makes the proposed ordinance a no-brainer to endorse. Today the city council has the chance to lay the final piece of groundwork needed to make the nhl in Portland a reality in the near term. By approving this ordinance, the city will send a clear message that Portland deserves and is ready to embrace the multiple advantages that come with securing an nhl franchise. I would like to commend the city of Portland for its negotiation of the proposed ordinance. It is a can't-lose agreement for the city. It provides for additional income for the city that it would not realize without the presence of an nhl franchise. There is everything to gain for the city with zero risk. A new nhl franchise in Portland could bring considerable new revenue to the city each year. Other nhl franchises have valued their individual economic impact at over \$75 million per year. From a business point of view, that is definitely the kind of corporation we want to attract to Portland. And it's also why pulva, the Portland organize business association has asked me to convey their endorsement of this, as well. Portland couldn't be better located to secure an nhl franchise. The nearest nhl franchises are in san jose and vancouver, b.c., which means for the first time ever, Portland will be getting a major economic boost from sports fans residing in

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Washington, idaho, and california who will be traveling to Portland to attend nhl games. Our campaign did not specifically target outside of the area of Portland, and yet 15% of all ticket deposits were from outside the state of Oregon. In conclusion, the proposed ordinance is carefully crafted to eliminate any risk to the city and provides every financial advantage to encourage an nhl franchise to locate in Portland. Securing an nhl franchise will transform Portland's culture into a premiere sports destination and inject much-needed dollars into our economy. We are proud that the Portland, Oregon, sports authorities, nhl-to-Portland campaign has led to this promising development. We offer our totally endorsement of the proposed ordinance. Thank you very much.

**Katz:** All right. Thank you, drew. John acer, why don't you come on up now and explain the ordinance. Thanks. Are there any questions of drew? Well, we will wait for the questions until later.

**\*\*\*\*\*:** Okay.

**Katz:** Grab the mike, john.

**\*\*\*\*\*:** Sorry. The --

**Katz:** Identify yourself for the record.

**John Acker, Office of Management and Finance:** I am john acker and work for the city office of management and finance. The agreement is with the Oregon arena corporation, and it is -- it comes into -- it only comes into effect if an nhl franchise relocates to Portland. There are provisions for revenue-sharing sunder certain circumstances with the agreement. I will just kind of quickly go through that. If, of course, if an, an nhl team does not move to Portland, nothing changes. The agreement stays in place. The incentive agreement stays in place for five years, and at the end of five years, we can look at it, reevaluate or it terminates. If an nhl team comes to Portland and is profitable, then nothing changes. The city gets its 100 percent of its additional revenue, the franchise gets all of its revenue, and there's no exchange. If an nhl team relocates to Portland --

**Francesconi:** Has scott thompson been talking to you lately? [ laughter ]

**Acker:** If a team -- well, we will just forego the nhl --

**Katz:** How about saying if a hockey team.

**\*\*\*\*\*:** If a hockey team, okay, thank you. [ laughter ]

**Acker:** If a hockey team comes to town and loses money the city will share up to 50% of its additional revenues with that team.

**Katz:** Let's make it clear, we are talking about parking revenues that -- go ahead.

**Acker:** Right, we -- the city gets revenues from user fee, which is a 6% of ticket prices on tickets to events at the rose garden. And parking fees for parking in the city, the city's garages at the rose quarter, so those are the two sources of revenue. And the revenue, the additional revenue we are talking about, those revenues derived directly from that hockey, the hockey events, so it's only that marginal increase in revenue that we would be sharing. If, I will just continue on. If a future, at a future time the hockey team becomes profitable, then they will share with us on a 50-50 basis their profits up to the amount that we have previously shared with them. So, there's an opportunity during this -- oh, and the revenue-sharing provisions last for ten years. At the end of ten years, at year 11 and beyond, the city will keep 100% of its revenues, regardless of how the hockey team does. And the -- there's an independent reviewer that comes in --

**Katz:** Talk about the sale of the team.

**Acker:** Oh, okay, all right. If at any time the franchise is sold, then we have the opportunity to recover our -- any foregone revenues over that period of time that, during that ten-year period that we have given to the hockey franchise, so if there's -- if there's a sale, a capital gain on the sale 20 years after it plays in Portland, we can still recover that foregone revenue that occurred during years one through ten. And that pretty much covers the basic, the basic principles of the agreement, and

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again, we, we have an independent reviewer coming into verify the losses, the revenues and things like that. So that we are not taking anybody's word for it. We, we checked those out and make sure that they are accurate.

**Katz:** Questions?

**Francesconi:** Let me summarize this to make sure that I understand. So if the hockey team is successful, we make money, taxpayers make money and it could be up to \$2 million, is that right?

**Acker:** That's correct.

**Francesconi:** And if the hockey team is not successful, then we, we don't make as much money?

**Acker:** That's correct, also.

**Francesconi:** But in either circumstance we don't lose any money?

**Acker:** That's correct.

**Francesconi:** So there's only an upside for the taxpayers.

**Acker:** Only an upside.

**Francesconi:** Thank you.

**Katz:** Actually, it's from \$1 up to the millions of dollars, as you described. Okay. All right, stay around, we will probably -- there will be some questions. Thank you. All right. Let's take three and three.

**Moore:** We only have one signup sheet. Come up three at a time. We have john calhoun, rabbi joseph wolf and linn lopez.

**Katz:** Did he sign up? I am sorry before we get to you, jay isaac, why don't you come on up. Why don't you make room for him. Jay, did you not sign up?

**\*\*\*\*\*:** Yes, ma'am, I signed up, but I think these people were --

**Katz:** Yeah, let's hear from jay and then we will open it up.

**Jay Isaac, Sr. VP, Oregon Arena Corporation:** Good morning, mayor, commissioners. I am jay isaac, senior vice president of the Oregon arena corporation. On center court, suite 200, Portland, Oregon. The joint venture between the city and Oregon arena that created the rose quarter has been very successful, and serves as a model for public, private venue development. Through that agreement, the city has provided our citizens with a new state of the art arena, the largest on the west coast, and one of the most active in the country. The city's direct project revenues from user fees and parking have been more than sufficient to cover the city's share of the investment. There's an opportunity to take a positive step to enhance our partnership and increase the city's user fees and parking revenues by creating an incentive for an nhl franchise to relocate to Portland. The agreement before you today provides that incessant -- that incentive, by adopting this agreement the city will be helping to position Portland as an attractive destination for an nhl team, and we will be increasing our chances to recruit major business to downtown Portland with increased arena revenues and economic growth for the city. These financial benefits are substantial and come with no need for additional investment or risk for the city. Other benefits include giving our local hockey fans an opportunity to enjoy the finest hockey in the world and increased recognition and national prominence that adding a second major league franchise would mean for our city and state. Thank you for your consideration, and I will be available for questions at any time.

**Katz:** Questions by the council? All right. Stay around. They will probably -- there will probably be questions. Okay. Let's get to our ecumenical ministry here. Who wants to testify?

**John Calhoun, 4717 SW Dosch, 97201:** Good morning, mayor and commissioners, and thank you for the opportunity this morning to address you about an issue that is extremely important to me. My name is john calhoun. I live in southwest Portland, and I am here today to ask you to defer decision on the measure with the Oregon arena corporation. I represent a group of concerned citizens and organizations that is troubled by the activities of the parent of oac. In addition to owning oac, vulcan's owner, paul allen, owns kxl radio. That radio station is the station that

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broadcasts the blazers' basketball games and will presumably broadcast the hockey games under this agreement of Paul Allen with the hockey team. KXL is the station that broadcasts the Michael Savage show. Michael Savage promotes hatred, bigotry and intolerance. He downgrades Hispanics and other minorities on a regular basis, and he tries to provoke other people to take action against this group. Someone will eventually take him up on his call and murder one of the many groups he slanders. It was here in Portland that a white racist murdered a minority. The court in that case held that Tom Metzger's words and writing incited the murderers to act. Frankly we should not have to wait for violence to occur. What Michael Savage says on his show is an insult to this community. Now, we are not asking the council to take legal action against KXL since the Savage broadcast is protected by our constitution. However, the reason that KXL broadcasts the show is that it makes them money, it makes money for Vulcan, Inc., the owner of OAC. Five-Hit doesn't make money the show will not be broadcast in our community. OAC Vulcan is here today asking for a financial incentive from the citizens of this community to bring NHL hockey to Portland. These are the same citizens it insults every day. There is a connection between the two activities and it is your duty to make them understand the connection. You have the access and the power as our elected representatives to send Paul Allen a message that his behavior as an owner of an Oregon business is unacceptable. We tried several times to contact the management of Vulcan and they have ignored our efforts to discuss our concerns. While it is not Michael Savage in front of you asking for a financial break, it is a representative of Mr. Savage's employer. I urge you to put off a decision today and use your position to open up a dialogue on this issue with Allen's representatives. Let them know the values of the city cannot be bought. The -- this council has a great record of insuring that minorities in the city are not abused or mistreated. We ask you to continue that effort today. And Rabbi Wolf will explain to you what the difference is between hate speech and regular speech.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Rabbi Joseph Wolf, Havurah Shalom:** Mayor Katz, commissioners Francesconi and Saltzman. The biggest concern over hate radio programming is the potential that it has to incite people to violence. Even Savage known for his inflammatory comments against Arabs, Muslims, Hispanics, poor people, immigrants, homosexuals and many others acknowledges that the public air waves can incite people to violence. He mentioned this in the week of May 13th, 2002, on KXL radio. Commenting on the man who attacked a Catholic priest on the grounds of prior sexual abuse, Savage found that it was the media at fault for having sensationalized the sexual scandals surrounding the Catholic church. Why should a rational community be justifiably concerned about the potential for harm being inflicted upon its more vulnerable members as a result of the content in the Savage Nation program? Well, here in Portland we have a very good reason. Not in the distant past the similar hate monger was accused and found guilty in his role as a person of violence that resulted in the murder of a Portland State Ethiopian student. Oregon has had a long and painful history of defending the rights of all of its citizens. Each step of the way, the citizens of Oregon and Portland have claimed victory for equal rights, for African-Americans and Asians to be forbidden from buying property, vote, and be granted the same access to the city after the sun had set as others in the community had. Portland became a cosmopolitan center, particularly as a port city welcomes people from many different parts of the world. All of this is threatened by hate radio. KXL's extreme hate radio disgraces immigrants, minorities and the less advantaged so one of the characteristics of this radio? One calling for the elimination and annihilation and construction of others, two describing others as a discomfort to one's life, family, and home, and this hatred desensitizing the audience to violence in all forms, psychological, verbal and physical. His message and appeal is extreme degradation of certain segments of society and by extension of humanity as a whole. I would like to introduce Reverend Lopez.

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**Rev. Lynne Smouse-Lopez, Ainsworth United Church of Christ:** Yes. I am from northeast Portland, and I wanted to thank you, commissioner Francesconi, and Saltzman and mayor Katz for this opportunity. I am a, first of all mother and a pastor of a church and a concerned citizen. But also, part of the united church of christ who recently passed 8100 -- representing 8100 members, our assembly passed a resolution to, to support the coalition against hate radio. And so we are all concerned in our denomination and in our community about the hate, about hate radio, and especially kxl's programming of michael savage in support of michael savage. So, I would ask you -- in support of michael savage. So I would ask you in your role as city leaders that you use your power and that you call him to the table. Mr. Allen and his associates and say that this is not acceptable, and until it is resolved, we can't do business with hockey. I am a hockey fan. I used to play ice hockey, believe it or not. And but I do not support going forward with this until the issues are cleaned up.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Andrea Cano, Latino/Muslim Encounter 964 NE Winona St.:** My name is andrea econo, and a co-convene the muslim educational trust of the latino, islam encounter. I also live in northeast Portland. Honorable members of the Portland city council, given the information you have just received, we ask that you postpone the authorization for revenue-sharing with the Oregon arena corporation until the city has an opportunity to have further discussions with paul allen. We feel that vulcan industries should review were their social responsibility is toward the citizens of Portland who find hate radio to be a threat to the peace and sense of well being in our city. We need the city to mediate our concerns about bigoted programs with paul allen. We know that sports are important to the culture and lifestyle of many people, but we also know that not all business deals transpire for the common good. And in this case, this transaction might not be good for the growing racial ethnic and cultural diversity for the greater Portland region. We thank you for the time to hear our most urgent concerns and your attentiveness to these issues. And we would be glad to answer any questions that you may have. Thank you.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Lynn Lashbrood, President, Oregon Baseball Campaign:** Mayor Katz and commissioner, lynn, president of the Oregon baseball campaign. On behalf of the Oregon major league baseball, I am pleased to endorse the agreement between the city of Oregon and the arena corporation. As good deal to the city and will make a real difference in a long awaited arrival for an nhl franchise. The Oregon baseball campaign is a statewide grass-roots organization working to bring major league baseball to Portland. Because of Portland's tremendous slack of professional sports franchises and the rose garden's readiness for the nhl, our organization is always operated under the assumption that Portland will eventually have in nhl team. The Oregon baseball campaign is no doubt that our fast-growing region can support the addition of both nhl and maybe based simply on demographics, this is a sound belief. Portland is the 22nd largest city in the nation. With the exception of one, every city among the top 21 u.s. mark as three maybe professional sports franchises. Denver, which is barely larger than Portland, successfully supports all four. Because baseball will be in a different venue in a different season than basketball and hockey, it offers both fans and corporations the only outdoor opportunity to enjoy the highest level of professional sports during the summer months, and make no mistake, there's ample support for major league baseball here. The Portland region recorded a higher cable tv rating last season for seattle mariners games in 18 major league cities had for their own clubs, including the yankees, mets, and cubs. The work of the Portland, Oregon, sports authority has proven the existence of tremendous appetite for nhl hockey in Portland. I am pleased, also, to see the city of Portland taking an important leadership role in attracting an nhl team. Some day in the not to distant future I can envision a totally rejuvenated rose quarter mixing sports and entertainment, housing and office space, park and public transportation. I see

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Oregonians enjoying nba basketball and nhl hockey in the rose garden witnessing an international amateur sports connections, competitions and the renovated memorial coliseum and of course, spending the beautiful summer afternoon at the ballpark as the sun shines brightly on the banks of the willamette valley. I appreciate your -- the opportunity to express that. We do support it.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Bob Gregg, Portland Oregon Sports Authority:** Thank you. I am bob greg. I come in the capacity of chairman of the Portland Oregon sports authority, nhl of Portland campaign, which we launched a year ago in may. And I also come as an avid hockey fan representing hockey fans across the northwest. I am not a transplanted canadian or a hockey nut detroit, I am a born and raised Oregonian. I grew up in southwest Portland. [ laughter ]

**Gregg:** I was with the Portland buckaroos in the 1960s and have been an avid hockey fan for the last 25 years. My schedule has allowed me to visit many nhl arenas and attend many games, and if you have not seen one there is nothing like the speed and excitement of major league hockey. I am here today to both express my support for this initiative and educate the Portland, more than just about any other city in the united states with the possible exception of detroit, has the greatest hockey history in the united states. Most people don't realize it, but the Portland rose buds, one of the first professional hockey teams in the united states to play for the lord stanley cup in 1915. In fact, it's the stanley cup, if the stanley cup were here today, and I wish it was, but if it were you would see the Portland rose buds inscribed on the cup. Portland has had a continuous series of professional pro hockey teams starting with the rose buds, and then the buckaroos in the '30s, the eagles in the '40s, and the penguins that played on 20th and marshal in the '50s and the with the huge success of the Portland buckaroos in the 1960s and '70s, and with the incredible success of one of the most success junior hockey franchises, the Portland winterhawkes for the past 25 years. Portland is overdue for an nhl franchise. We came incredibly close in 1968 when the nhl expanded but the memorial coliseum ice was judged to be too small. With the rose garden, widely recognized as one of the finest venues for hockey in the united states, it would be tragic not to have a major league hockey team here in Portland. When the sports authority set out to document the support for the nhl in Portland we found an overwhelming response as drew gave you the numbers. As chair of the committee, nhl of Portland, was amazed by the corporate support that we attracted, and in less than a month we raised over \$200,000 in corporate support to launch our campaign statewide. People from all over the community as far away from seattle and spokane call us and ask how they can help. On april 26th of this year, a delegation from the Portland Oregon sports authority went back to new york and met with the nhl's commissioner's office, harry beckman's office, specifically met with the person who runs operations and bill daly, the chief advisor. We received an outstanding reception. We outlined him with our campaign which shows our overwhelming support for hockey in Portland and we would like to give a copy of that report to each of you this morning, and we will deliver that. You will see by looking at the report that Portland was larger --

**Katz:** Sir, your time is up. So, why don't you just finish up.

**Gregg:** In conclusion, this is a win-win proposal for the city. The citizens, barring any potential owner of the franchise. Sports franchise increase the city's presence and pride in the community. We have an opportunity to make this happen. Thank you very much.

**Katz:** Thank you. Just want to remind everybody that there is no overtime here. So, there is a little clock on here, it's three minutes, but thank you for being here.

**Katz:** Come on up. Who wants to start? Go ahead.

\*\*\*\*\*: Jersey.

**Gary Johnson, 3620 SW 159<sup>th</sup>, 97236:** Okay. My name is gary johnson. I am just a winterhawk season ticket holder. I support the nhl in Portland. I think it would be a great thing. Thank they

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could bodes survive. We have no -- no nhl teams between seattle and san jose like you heard, and I am just here to support them.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Paul Swangard, Sports Marketing Center, University of Oregon:** Mayor and commissioner, I am paul, the managing director of the sports marketing center inside the lindquist college of business at the university of Oregon. As the first program ever housed in the college of business that studies the business of sport, we were interested in the efforts going on up here in so much as being able to follow the development of the sports marketplace here in Portland. We were asked and commissioned by the Portland sports authority to have some of our nba students basically dive into the marketplace and really decide if there was a sufficient amount of corporate support because ultimately we realize that the business of sport is a business and without sizable corporate support, it makes it very hard for fans to afford to attend the games and potentially make it not a feasible thing for an entity to come into the marketplace with a new team. After doing semesters work of, a semester worth of work, we have in the data in the report that bob gave you. We found an enormous amount of corporate support here in terms of other nhl markets where there are teams. We now see that Portland could rank in terms of number 12 in the number of businesses over a certain million dollars sales figure that would be liking candidates for things like corporate seats or suites and really the engine that drives the modern sports franchise. I am very supportive of other efforts to bring professional sports to Portland, but I believe that baseball currently is in a very difficult situation, is not a growing fan base but a diminishing one. The nhl could do more damage to the -- the nfl could do more damage to the atmosphere that we enjoy in the atmosphere with two teams, one in particular making a sizable investment infrastructure down in eugene. And I believe, and it's the belief of the center that studies this business of sport in the nhl is the most viable current nhl, or pro sports franchise that could come to Portland and make a huge difference with little or no upfront investment from the city of Portland because the infrastructure is there. It's a wonderful building and a wonderful fan base, and I am here to support your efforts and look forward to being a fan here in the years to come. Thank you.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Rob Mawson, Association for Portland Progress:** Good morning. Rob from the association for Portland progress. As drew mentioned, this is a no-brainer. We are talking about a 75 to \$100 million enterprise, or, an enterprise with a \$75 to \$100 million impact in the central city. We are talking about enhanced vitality for the rose quarter. It has enhanced national prominence to the city. No risk and really no downside. It's a no-brainer. The association for Portland progress fully endorses this proposal, and we think that it's time to send a message to pro hockey that Portland is ready. Thank you very much.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Don McClane, President, Chamber of Commerce:** I am don mcclane, president of the chamber. I am going to resist the temptation to simply say ditto to the previous testimony you have heard. I think that commissioner Francesconi summarized the benefits of the financial benefits of the transaction. Mayor Katz, thank you for sponsoring and introducing this bill. It's, it's an excellent opportunity for the city, and the benefits of, of a, a second sports franchise at this time, especially given where we are economically and the need to improve our visibility nationally and move forward, I think it's a tremendous opportunity for the city and we should embrace it enthusiastically.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Francesconi:** I hope this is the last -- if this is the last time you testify in front of us, thanks.

**Katz:** I am sure he will be here. [ laughter ]

**Katz:** On other issues. [ laughter ]

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**Greg Goodman, City Center Parking and Association for Portland Progress:** Mayor, city council members, my name is greg. I am with city center parking and also a board member of the association for Portland progress. You know, you consider a rink at the square and then this kind of piggy backs on top of it, so I applaud you for, for your vision on the rink at the square. In all seriousness, if we can get one little exhibition deal at the rink that would be fabulous. I hope that they will commit to that.

**Katz:** You never stop, do you?

**Goodman:** I am always working it. I still have 2 minutes and 51 seconds. [ laughter ]

**Goodman:** First of all, you know, in all seriousness, thanks to the mayor for bringing this ordinance forward. I think it's fabulous. I happen to be a huge blazer fan but I have taken the opportunity over the course of years to see quite a few nhl hockey games in different cities, and I can tell you as much as I am a blazer fan, there is absolutely nothing like nhl hockey. It is the true blue collar sport, and there's people, people take -- you go to an nhl game and there is nothing like it. That aside, in my opinion, it's exactly -- this is the exact type of building block our community needs. It helps define the character of the, of our community. It fuels the great sense of pride we have as Portlanders. Portlanders love to appreciate what they have, and they love to doubt what they have, and this would be another great opportunity, and it also goes a long ways in selling our city and quite frankly, our state to people to, to get them to move here, so it's great and as a result, it increases our tax base. On, on a, a personal level, I think that, you know, drew talked earlier about the tourism aspect of it, and I know that jeff is going to talk a little about that, too. But, I think that if you look at it, seattle doesn't have nhl hockey, and I go up to seattle for a lot of sporting events, as I know other people do, and it will be great to be able to pull from seattle our sister city up north, and have people up there coming down. It will do a lot to help our economy and our sense of pride. So, because I think as a community, we can compete with anybody, and it's a good way to show our ware, so finally I would like to applaud council for being proactive on this and encourage their support for what I consider to be a real good ordinance for everybody. Thank you.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Clayton Herring, Association for Portland Progress:** Hello, mayor and distinguished commissioner, I am clayton herring. I am a member of app. I am a member of the Portland sports authority. I am a member of northwest business for culture in the arts. I am a board member for the Oregon symphony. I am a taxpayer, I am a caring citizen, and I think we all win. I commend you for being proactive. I see this as an economic opportunity to boost vitality in this great city of ours. It gives the city of Portland further exposure. It creates a signature payroll, which will generate taxes into the state coffers. It creates gross receipt tax, which is new revenue to the city, even under the sharing proposal, which I feel is entirely appropriate. And I commend you for the proposal. And it creates increased tourism, which leads the hotel-motel tax, which feeds the arts community, which is badly needed right now, as we look at increased user fees being proposed because of declining hotel-motel tax. In conclusion, I think that this wins all the way around. We are arguing about nothing. We are all seeing an opportunity and promoting something that's good for all of us. I commend you for it. I hope that we can go forth and thank you.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Kevin Kelly, President, Portland Oregon Sports Authority:** Mayor Katz, commissioner Francesconi, commissioner Saltzman, my name is kevin kelly and I am here today representing -- I am the president of the Portland Oregon sports authority. Just a very brief addition to all of the other positive testimonies on this. We are approximately a ten-year-old organization that was created to bringing amateur and professional sports to the city of Portland, primarily for development reasons, but also quality of life and a variety of other issues that, that surround bringing economic activity of sports to the city. This is a perfect example of why the Portland,



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Oregon, sports authority was founded, and it's a continuation of a long line of amateur and professional sports that have been brought to the city by the organization. I just want to add, though, my, my comments, that is my economic background, I am an economist by training, is always skeptical of these events and I have to give you a amount of credit for the way this has been crafted because I do believe that this is going to be looked at in other cities, as a model of how you can support an entity and support the addition of economic development to an area without impacting the taxpayer, except in a very positive way and bringing additional revenues into the state. But, showing your support in a very strong way to all the people involved in the sport. So, I'm here for no other reason than to add my voice to it, and answer any questions, but to encourage you very strong the in the motion, and thank you for your efforts.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Randy Miller, Sports Authority Chair:** I am randy miller, and I chair the sports authority, and I also chair the ambassador program for economic development and business recruitment, as you know. The comments that have already been established here, I think, are all very supportive and I agree with all of them. Just a couple points I would like to make -- that is that when the sports authority first formed, there was really no other organization to bring a lot of the events that we have over the years so there was really no, no kind of empirical level to determine how much support there really has been or would be for any kind of sports activities that we have, that could have been brought to Portland. Since we started bringing many elements of sports, both amateur and professional, we have been overwhelmed by the response of the community, so I think that our history has shown that the community here has overwhelmingly adopted the opportunities we brought to them and the enormous support, of course, this, as well, in a professional capacity. Also, I wanted to indicate that it was already mentioned about denver, and that is a very good parallel to us because when they were able to attract all four image league sports, they had a metropolitan population of about 1.6 million, we in the Portland, salem, vancouver corridor are about 2.3 million.

We have plenty of population, demographics and community wealth to be really support a team in hockey and not really interfere with some of the other sports initiatives that we are currently carrying. The last point I wanted to make was in terms of economic development. For 20 years, I have chaired this program for business recruitment, and I basically see this as another phenomenal opportunity to bring community wealth to Portland, where we could bring as many high paying jobs to Portland to be able to continue to contribute to the community. And with the adoption of the repeal of the unitary tax and the strategic investment plan, you three have seen what impact policy, public policy can have on job creation and bringing economic activity to the community. So, I -- I endorse it from that point of view, an opportunity to bring tremendous opportunity impact to this community.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**David Zielke, Chair, Governor's Commission on Tourism:** Hi, I am david, and I am the district sales manager for delta airlines and I am also the chair on the governor's commission on tourism. And tourism is one of the top five industries in the state. It generates \$6.1 billion in annual spend, generates over \$ -- over 200,000 jobs in the state of Oregon. One of the things that research has told us recently is that we are losing market share to neighboring states because of a lack of world class attractions. An example, 15% of the fan base for the mariners and the seahawks comes from the state of Oregon, so as we try to market, selling Oregon to Oregonians, we realize that we are losing market share to neighboring states. Research also tells us that if we are able to add world class attractions, such as the nhl hockey, it will not only bring additional visitors into the gateway, which is Portland, but also push visitor spendout to the rest of the state in terms of lodging, restaurants and other attractions. So on behalf of the governor's commission, I strongly endorse your consideration in this proposal. Thank you.

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**Katz:** You might want to add enterprise zones. They have also.

**Miller:** Absolutely, right. City, another public policy example.

**Katz:** Absolutely.

**\*\*\*\*\*:** Can we all go now in.

**Katz:** This was one with the state and the city, so -- yes.

**Jeff Blosser, Oregon Convention Center:** Good morning, mayor Katz. Jeff, convention center. You have heard a lot about sudden economic impact and I want to reiterate that as well for the support of this proposal. A couple other areas there, I think that the hockey could definitely have a development for new business and activities in and around the lloyd district, which again, is very important, I think, to what people see as the convention center as Portland's living room and a first time into Portland. A professional team does, as you heard before, help promote nationally what Portland is all about, and it comes from the national office or the national league office to, to support and the hockey team here in Portland. A professional team solidifies Portland as a major tee, a major professional city as seen by some folks and how we market to individuals and to a different, to different tourists and attract events here to Portland. I think it's good for the hospitality community, as you heard before in terms of other potential spin-off events, there are activities that go with hockey, could be an all-star game or other activities that generate hotel rooms and use of other facilities in the Portland area, as well as in the lloyd district. And there's room nights, just from the team, itself, you are talking about an annual room night like a medium-sized convention of two or three thousand people just from the keep, itself, with no other activities, so I would like to, again, thank you for your foresight here and your, your futuristic look at what might help extend tourism and I thank for you that and support this proposal.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**\*\*\*\*\*:** Mayor Katz, commissioners, first off the topic --

**Katz:** Identify yourself.

**Steve Kanter, Lewis and Clark Law School:** Yes, I will. I am steve canter, a law professor at lewis & clark law school. I am here, also, as president of the Portland baseball group and the Oregon baseball coalition. Off the topic for just one moment every time I am in this building I have to compliment the mayor and the council for the wonderful job you have done here in the three minutes that I worked here in the early '70s. It was a very different Portland and a good credit to Portland.

**Katz:** And we did it, let me add, I will give you an extra, we did it without asking the taxpayers for any additional funds. [ laughter ]

**Kanter:** Right. Indeed. I am, unlike mark here, neither to praise nor to bury hockey. I want to compliment the hockey folks, I think it's a marvelous effort that they have put forward, a great deal of community support, obviously, you have heard a lot of impressive folks who were in favor of it, and I really want to indulge you for just a moment to speak about a tangential issue, which is just the relationship to baseball only because there have been a few comments made, and I want to be clear about where we are with that. As you know, i've been leading the statewide effort to bring major league baseball to Portland for the last two years. Many other good people have been involved, including the mayor, in that effort, and for many, many years of the I am a relative newcomer to the effort, but I have been leading the effort for the last two years for people that don't know, we came razor-close in the legislature, very few people realize how close at the end of the day, we had 42 and 60 house members, 20 of the 30 senators who actually signed a letter. The governor, the treasurer, legislative revenue, department of revenue, bond counsel, virtually everybody, except for two very important people in the process who were opposed, and that's, that's their entitlement, and it was a good debate. I am convinced that we have an extraordinarily good opportunity in the 2003 session to continue to move forward toward baseball. The only things that I

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wanted to say because there were some other comments here, and I know that we are talking about hockey today, and this is, this is a well-crafted measure. But, I do want to say that it's critically important that we understand with respect to baseball that we must remain site-neutral at this point.

There was one comment about a potential site, there are a number of excellent sites in Portland, and until we have an owner at the table sitting down with the city and figuring out all the pluses and minuses, we do need to remain site-neutral, and as you know, we are working with the city and others on that. But, the second thing is, the only issue that I think is before you at all here is strictly a matter of priority. I think this is a very well crafted proposal, and you know, you can take your own council on it, the one thing to think about is merely the question of corporate support that, that the warsaw school raised. I think that we have the corporate support, also. We certainly have the population base. But, one does have to understand that we can't be all things to all people. And we, we -- unlike denver, I do not believe that we can support four sports simultaneously at this time. Whether we can support three or not, maybe a question. I don't have the answer to that. We certainly can support two. It's one of the elements in the case for baseball. It's one of the elements in the case for hockey, but I do think that, that, you know, you may want to think about that question of corporate support. The fan base is certainly there for all, and it's an important issue. The one other thing that I do --

**Katz:** I will ask the council to give him an extra 30 seconds since I took a little bit of your time.

**Kanter:** Thank you. The last thing that I wanted to comment on is, and this is a little bit reigning on the other parade, but the reason that I support -- raining on the other parade, but the reason I support major league baseball is because it is a potentially building asset. For those that want light rail to vancouver, we may get it anyway but it will be hard to persuade the vancouverites to vote for it strictly for commuting. A baseball stadium at the end of that makes that campaign a little easier. Dave was up here, and I know he might disagree with me, but to bring any morrow baseball, it will be a little easier to get that, and a few things like that. So in any event, I appreciate your attention and look forward to the future when we are talking about yet another sport.

**Katz:** Thank you. In fact mr. Zelke owes us a couple of flights, not just one, a couple of them. [ laughter ]

**Katz:** Anybody else wants to testify? Am I seeing people moving around? Okay. Come on.

**Thomas Nelson, Attorney:** Mayor and commissioners, my name is thomas nelson, and I am, I am an attorney over at the lloyd center, and I am here today both as a representative of the educational trust and as a member of the coalition against hate radio. I very briefly wanted to talk about the nexus between the proposal for hockey and frankly I am in favor of the hockey and I enjoy hockey, but the sponsorship of it, involving kxl and paul allen. I don't think that anybody has spoken yet about what it is that michael savage says that causes a concern. I do have a number of clients, including muslim immigrant clients and they are affected by many of the things he does say. I have a sheet here that I can make available to you at the end of it that has many other things, but I wanted to read some of michael's comments taken from april and march of this year. The first one addresses immigrants and he said, as follows, quoting "i hate geese. They are out of control. Each goose produces a pound or more of dung every day, and they attack you if you go near them. I would force the homeless to each geese until they are gay, geese, until they are gay. These geese are like immigrants. You open up the door to them, the next thing you know, they are defecating on your country and breeding out of control and if you touch them, the liberals go crazy." created april 5, 2002. Larson interviewed michael about these statements on april 24th, and lars was quoted as said, quote "they say you refer to immigrants as geese. Who once they get in, they defecate all over the country. ." michael responded, I am the son of an immigrant and I guess they think I am referring to myself because I never said that, as well. We have both remarks on tape. About welfare recipients, not immigrants. Michael said "why should they vote in why should someone

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living on welfare vote even in our country? That's why we are losing america. Anyone who goes on welfare should lose their right to vote. They are parasites." on atheists, and we have a panel of ecumenical folk you have here, which is interesting "only an outright war against the atheists can save this country. They must be "eliminated." that's from march 7, 2002. The point is that there is some very vial stuff going out and I think that the question is not whether hockey is a good thing. I think that, that -- my business is in the lloyd center, I support hockey. But, the question is, how do we get to there? And I think that the issue ought to be raised, with paul allen and kxl radio, and that's why we are here today.

**Katz:** Thank you. All right. Is jay here? Come on up. Do you want to bring somebody else up with you, jay? Or do you feel comfortable? Do you want to address the issue of the nexus between the ownership of a radio station and a rather -- I won't even describe the kind of radio that mr. Savage addresses, but, and this issue? With regard to the ownership in.

**Isaac:** Yes, your honor. First of all, I very much appreciate the concerns that have been expressed today and by the hate radio coalition representatives. I have previously spoken with mona good and lou boston of that group, and just had a brief conversation with john calhoun, and previously I had referred them to the appropriate executive at the radio station, the general manager, and asked them to speak with him about the -- because he is the one that is, that is responsible for the programming decisions at the radio station. I frankly have not heard what the, the outcome of those conversations, if they had those conversations, were. What I can tell you today is that I will be happy to facilitate a meeting with the group, whoever they wish to have in attention, and the appropriate executives who make these programming decisions.

**Katz:** All right.

**Saltzman:** You want to send a letter to each one of us on the outcome of the meetings?

**Isaac:** Absolutely.

**Katz:** Commissioner Francesconi.

**Francesconi:** I don't understand exactly the corporate structures and I understand the separate corporations, and I also understand that you have limited authority, but I guess on a personal request, I think that it would be good for, or maybe it's presumptuous of me but I think it would be good for the organization is if you could also make some requests, do what you can to set up a meeting with vulcan and this group. I know that you may not have the power to deliver on that, but I guess a personal request of mine would be to, is if you could try to arrange a meeting with vulcan, as well. You don't need to respond, but it's a request. If you want to respond, you can.

**Isaac:** I think the, the appropriate action is to start with the executives at the radio station and see if we make progress and go from there.

**Francesconi:** Thank you.

**Katz:** Okay. Thank you. Thank you, jay. All right. I forgot to mention this to people here, there's only three of us, and according to city code, we cannot act on any ordinance, emergency ordinances. This is not an emergency ordinance, consequently it, passes onto second and we have to wait until one of the commissioners, commissioner Sten, comes back from his educational month in massachusetts. We do occasionally let people say things while people are in the audience, so you know where we stand on these issues. So, if anybody wants to say anything or you want to wait until next week? All right.

**Francesconi:** Well, I guess I want to say a couple things. One is mayor, I want to thank you for this opportunity to let us speak. You know, most communities across the country pay millions of dollars in public funds to attract sports teams. In Portland, we managed at least so far to do things differently. Infrastructure money, we spend to help attract aaa baseball and to keep the blazers. We get back through this principle of revenue-sharing. This ordinance today doesn't deviate from our Portland way of doing business. We are trying to help attract a national hockey league team to

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Portland, not with subsidies, but with a partnership that will help us accomplish quite a bit. It will help us generate general fund revenue that helps us pay for police, fire, and parks. It will help us attract a major employer and the mayor is to be credited for this, as was referenced here today. It will help us activate, you know, a portion of our city that needs frankly some more active, activation when the blazers are not playing, and it will help us, you know, provide a working class sport to some people in our city who deserve to be able to go to a sporting event that doesn't cost an arm and a leg, and so these are all terrific additions here that this agreement will allow us to accomplish, and we can do this in a way that benefits the taxpayers. Again, on a personal note, I do, also, appreciate the testimony that we had here today regarding Michael Savage. I helped organize an event at St. Andrews in the wake of September 11 when this issue arose. These are good citizens, and they want the same thing that Paul Allen and the Blazers want. They want this to be a vital community where we care for one another. So, although I have absolutely no reservations with proceeding with this hockey agreement, in fact, I want to say go even further that we need Paul Allen to invest more in our city, not less, but having said that, I think that this would be an opportunity for some citizens of the community who mean a lot to our community to have a dialogue and perhaps I see no reason why we, we cannot have both, that being hockey and be a city that doesn't have this kind of hate. It's a constitutional right as was recognized, but I am hoping we can be a little better place than that.

**Katz:** Commissioner Saltzman?

**Saltzman:** I want to thank you for bringing this proposal before you. I do think we need to do all we can to secure NHL franchise. It's an exciting opportunity although, I don't count myself as necessarily an NHL fan, I think back to 1969, I said the same thing about professional basketball, and sat through many years wondering what this is all about. But today I count myself a fan. This is an important opportunity for Portland at this time, at this moment, and we need to seize the moment, and frankly, I view this agreement as really nothing more than a symbolic gesture. Much like asking us if we want to win the lottery. The price of admission is, perhaps, foregoing \$1 million a year of revenue for ten years, but in return, we gain, perhaps, at least a million dollars of revenue for ten years and we have a secondary effect of a \$75 million to \$100 million secondary benefit to our economy. I mean, who wouldn't want to buy that ticket? I would. And I think that we should purchase what we need to be a player in this game, and this is a symbolic gesture towards being that player. With respect to the issues about hate radio, I have certainly appreciated the perspectives you have raised and the views you have raised, and I will admit first off I am somewhat uncomfortable any time we are indirectly approaching issues related to the first amendment because I could easily see people before us on the other side of an issue talking about a talk show's promotion of abortion rights or reproductive choice and having people coming in here and asking us to take similar positions about the owners of those stations. So, it's an area that I am uncomfortable engaging in as a city council but nevertheless I think the points raised about Mr. Savage are on target, and I really think the best remedy for people like Mr. Savage is economic security, employment, and jobs. Because it's when we have a sound economy, when people have jobs, it's when they become more magnanimous about others, they don't hate others, and Michael Savage appeals in times of economic duress, about the instincts of people, and that is to hate other people and think they are responsible for your own economic situation. So, I think we need to take that into consideration. But once we have an economy that's robust again, Michael Savage will become simply more than a footnote in history, I believe. So, this is a good thing for the city, for its citizens, and for our economy. I am pleased to vote -- well, I will vote aye next week.

**Katz:** I will save my comments. It's late in the morning, I will save my comments for next week. I also will address both of the issues that were identified. Thank you, everybody. This passes onto second. All right. Let's move through our regular agenda. 671.

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**Item 671.**

**Katz:** Roll call.

**Francesconi:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

**Katz:** Mayor votes aye. 672.

**Item 672.**

**Katz:** Is anybody here to testify on this item? All right. Roll call.

**Francesconi:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

**Katz:** Mayor votes aye. 673.

**Item 673.**

**Katz:** I would like to have this item returned to my office. We need to make some changes and I will bring it back. Is that all right? Any objections? Hearing none, so ordered. 674.

**Item 674.**

**Katz:** We are not going to rush this one. Go ahead.

**Ben Walters, City Attorney's Office:** Mayor, commissioners, I am ben walters with the Portland city attorney's office and I will transition from being counsel staff attorney to -- I am just here to answer any questions --

**Katz:** Why don't you explain to the public what this is about.

**Walters:** Well, the city has, in a process and in an attempt to try and drive down it's operating costs, some of which include telecommunications, services for the transmission of data and voice between and among city bureaus, the city developed what's, what's known as the erni, the integrated regional network enterprise for the provision of telecommunications services among city facilities, and once that was set up, we realized that that might not only be beneficial to city agencies, but we could extend those benefits out to other local governments, including public schools and the county, et cetera. The, the erne applied for and obtained the certificate of authority from the Oregon public utility commission, and that went about trying to develop both the infrastructure and the, the necessary agreements with qwest to provide services, and in december of last year, the city finalized an agreement with qwest for the provision of services to make erne operational, and in january of this year, the Oregon public utility commission approved that interconnection agreement. In april of this year, qwest representatives contacted erne and told them that their lawyers had advised them to stop processing the service requests from erne, which ground things to a halt in terms of getting the system up and running. And so we're in an arbitration proceeding with, with, between erne and qwest to try and resolve those differences, but there's also a statutory process which the opuc oversees in which there are questions as to whether qwest is complying with its statutory requirements to deal with the city in good faith and process our orders. And this ordinance, this resolution is, authorizes the city to proceed with that statutory proceeding in front of the puc.

**Katz:** Okay. Thank you. Questions? Let me -- there is a new ceo of qwest right now?

**Walters:** That's correct. That happened over the weekend.

**Katz:** Do you think anything will change in terms of their public relations with the communities?

**Walters:** I am anxious to see if there is a positive change.

**Katz:** Okay. I know you probably are not the person that can respond to it, but you may have some information that we don't --

**Walters:** I don't know if there's been any outreach at this point in time from qwest's local representatives to -- along those lines or not. You know, all I know is what I read in the papers and from what I read in the papers there was some conflicting signals on the one hand, the new ceo was saying, you know, all things will change. I am going to get this company back up and on the positive flow. And on the other hand there was some signals that things might not change at all.

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**Katz:** Well, we invite him to come out here in Portland and have a conversation with all the parties that have been involved with legal actions against his company, and hopefully he will see that this is not the way to conduct business.

**Walters:** I think it would go without saying that we would welcome a change in the relationship at this point in time.

**Katz:** Thank you. Anybody else want to testify on this item? If not, roll call.

**Francesconi:** Well, since it's the only access to the public network, qwest is a monopoly, and by them prohibiting us from doing this, it means that we have to pay 75% more, our ratepayers, and if we are able to make this connection. So, qwest, you know, I have tried to not say things publicly, but you are going too far here, and the mayor is absolutely correct because you are hurting our citizens. Aye.

**Saltzman:** Aye.

**Katz:** Mayor votes aye. Thank you. 675.

**Item 675.**

**Katz:** Anybody want to testify on this? Roll call -- I am sorry, it goes to second. 676.

**Item 676.**

**Katz:** Does anybody want to testify on this item? Goes to second. 677.

**Item 676.**

**Katz:** Anybody want to testify on this? 677?

**Item 677**

Goes to second. 678.

**Item 678.**

**Katz:** Anybody want to testify on this item? Moves to second.

**Item 679.**

**Katz:** Anybody want to testify on this item? Moves to second.

**Item 680.**

**Katz:** Anybody want to testify on this item? It moves to second.

**Item 681.**

**Katz:** Anybody want to testify on this? Goes to second.

**Item 682.**

**Katz:** Anybody want to testify? Moves to second. Thank you. 683.

**Item 683.**

**Katz:** Anybody want to testify on this item? If not, moves to second. 684.

**Item 684.**

**Katz:** Okay. Go ahead and talk to us about this.

**Steve Muir, Office of Emergency Management:** Steve muir, office of Portland development emergency management. We have an opportunity to apply for a \$1.5 million grant from the department of justice. We believe that the funds will, once approved, and once we receive these will help us with the identified needs from the Portland emergency preparedness council. We had approximately 13.2 million of needs that we have identified in communications equipment, ppe, and decontamination equipment. So, in applying -- so we have before us an opportunity to apply for a department of justice grant. This is, this is for fiscal year 2000 and 2001, in which they are providing approximately, I forget the amount, approximately 1.8 million for the state. Any questions?

**Katz:** Good luck. All right.

**Muir:** It's a good opportunity, so --

**Katz:** All right.

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**Francesconi:** They went through, really, an extensive regional process by which I happen to to have been at the one of the meetings where they identified the priorities and then widdled them down so it wasn't just a wish list but to come up with top priorities for our regional partners, so you did a terrific job.

**Katz:** Thank you. Anybody else want to testify? If not, it goes to second. 685.

**Item 685.**

**Katz:** Anybody want to testify on this? If not, it goes to second.

**Item 686.**

**Katz:** Okay. You have this interesting information before you.

**Francesconi:** Interesting and painful. 47.87 turnout.

**Katz:** Well, the other painful -- well -- anybody want to testify on this item? If not, roll call.

**Francesconi:** Along with the mayor, I am still looking to see if we can do anything to overturn this. The parks levy to defeat this on the grounds of the double majority. It is a long shot, it appears to be but we will still looking into it. Aye.

**Saltzman:** Aye.

**Katz:** Mayor votes aye. And we stand adjourned until 6:00 tonight where we will be acting on the port smith neighborhood plan, and accept the report from the Multnomah county city of Portland, youth advisory board.

At 11:31 a.m., Council recessed.



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**Katz:** Karla, there is nothing on the screen. Okay. It's on now. Good evening, everybody. The council will come to order. Karla, please call the roll.

**Francesconi:** Here. **Saltzman:** Here.

**Katz:** Present. Commissioner Sten is on an educational mission. I finally think I got it right. And he will be coming back from harvard and hopefully educating us, as well, since we can't all leave for a month to do that all at the same time. All right, let's take the first item, 687.

**Item 687.**

**Katz:** Commissioner Saltzman.

**Saltzman:** Thank you, madam mayor. In november of 1999 the city passed a resolution designating the Multnomah county youth advisory board as the Multnomah county of Portland youth advisory board, and that board meets pretty diligently every other sunday in the lovejoy room, sunday afternoons, I think that shows their diligence to this issue, and they are a great board.

Probably anywhere from 20 to 30 youth throughout Multnomah county more or less high school age. And they have performed a lot of different roles over the years, and they are always looking for more ways to serve us more as a city, provide youth perspective into the many issues that we deal with here in the city. One of the things we've done before, we've asked the board, the youth advisory board to update us on their activities. We did that about a year ago, and they are here tonight to do the same thing. And we have here tonight four members of the youth advisory board, one former member and three current members of the youth advisory board, and I would like to ask them to come up and present --

**Katz:** Pull up a chair, grab a chair. We only have three up there.

**Saltzman:** Tell us what they have been up to.

**Katz:** When you introduce yourself, let us know what school you are going to, if you are graduating, what your plans are for the few.

**Saltzman:** Why don't you introduce yourselves, first.

**Stephanie McClenahen:** Okay. My name is stephanie, and I am a junior at gresham high school.

**Antonia Maurer:** My name is antonio and I go to franklin high school.

**Brian Lewis:** Brian, and I am going to be -- I am going to be a junior at cleveland high school.

**Leela Yellesetty:** And I will be a sophomore in the fall, I graduated from franklin high school.

**Saltzman:** I should point out brian was a spirit of Portland award winner last year.

**Katz:** Yes, he looked familiar.

**Yellesetty:** I would like to thank you mayor and commissioners for letting us use the room over there, and we just would like to thank you for letting us come here and speak to you today. I will first off give a background about the youth advisory board. The youth advisory board is a group of youth between the ages of 14 to 19. The youth either live, work, or go to school at Multnomah county. They provide a voice for youth in decision-making processes of community organizations and local government. In the past, the Multnomah county youth advisory board has advised the Oregonian youth opportunity center and work system's, inc., as well as several other organizations. The youth advisory board is supported by the commission on childrens, families, and communities. In 1999, the youth advisory board formed a partnership with the city of Portland. The youth advisory board is currently working on three goals. And they are working toward becoming more of a policy board. The board was, would also like to build a stronger relationship with the city of Portland.

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**Mauer:** Again, my name is antonio mauer. I will be talking a little bit about -- we've been working with some youth and some other people from hampton, virginia. They have a youth council this, and the city there is very involved with their youth. I'm going to be talking a little bit about the things that they have been doing, which will lead into what we would like to do with you. So, in hampton, they have a youth commission, and they also have youth on a lot of different -- they have a lot different youth in many different places. They have youth planners that work with the, the planning department of the city. They have people with the parks. They have youth working everywhere in the city. They also have their youth council, which meets with the city council members. They have a public meeting and these are some of the things that we would really like to do with you, with the city council, have meetings together, stuff like that. So, they -- the hampton, virginia, youth council works a lot on policy, and they have four different goals every year that they work on. It ranges from transportation issues to youth employment issues and they work with city bureaus to make these goals happen. So, we would like to do that with you. And we, we would like to, to be able to have more input into the things that you do. So -- I understand that right after us, you guys are going to be talking about the portsmouth neighborhood and the plan for that, and that would just be an example of a great place to have, you know, just a youth, like a pool from the youth on what they think of that. And I understand that there are some youth here to talk about that, but that would be a really great place. So.

\*\*\*\*\*: Again, brian lewis, and I will be --

**Katz:** Pull the mike closer to you.

**lewis:** Again, brian lewis, and I will be talking about the relationship between gab and yourselves.

At the june 27th, 1999 meeting of the youth advisory board, Portland commissioner, dan Saltzman presented a recommendation that the Multnomah county youth advisory board be merged with the Portland city council, the yab approved the recommendation recognize that go our board members have commitment and interests in a wide range of issues facing the city council. We felt we could contribute insight youth perspective to decisions make -- the decision making, in addition the commission on children with families and communities which we are communities strongly supported expanding the connection between the commission. And the city government consistent with the newly enacted legislative requirements of senate bill 555. At the time of the vote, there was not a specific proposal of what a merger would entail. There was a common vision of expanding the voice, however, of the people in decision making. The board's co-chair presented the following proposal to the Portland city council for approval based on the common interests. One the youth advisory board shall serve in advisory capacity to the Portland city council and to the city bureaus on policy, programs, and procedures. To the city officials will seek yab input through the board's established processes presenting issues for consideration at the yab's bimonthly meetings. The youth advisory board may be available to serve on city committees and playing teams all request for yab participation shall be directed to the staff coordinated by the ccsc who would facilitate the nominations for participation. City staff will be responsible for providing staff support to youth who participate in city processes in a manner that is consistent with support provided for other participants, committees, and planning teams seeking youth involvement will conserve the unique situations of young people's lives and influence their ability to be involved, including transportation, work schedules, and parental supervision. For the youth advisory board shall consist -- may, will consult monthly with a member of the city council to identify upcoming issues. They may benefit from yab input. Commissioner dan Saltzman currently serves this role and we would, we would welcome his continued involvement. The city of Portland and the youth advisory board have a history of partnership examples or, or schools in the neighborhoods,

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Portland parks and recreation, the bureau of environmental services and others. This proposal was given in october of 1999 to the ccsc and Portland city council, and was approved sometime thereafter. An example of our collaborative -- i'm sorry?

\*\*\*\*\*: We just passed out that --

**Lewis:** Which we just passed out. An example of our collaborative involvement since the proposal includes a discussion in january of 2001 with police, with Portland police chief, mark kroeker who, met with yab to hear our thoughts on the 2002 and 2000 community policing strategic plan. Yab members will provide packets of the plan prior to the meeting for review to better address any comments and questions. Yab members approve the plan and after discussing its contents with chief kroeker. In the future we look forward to expanding our relationship further and offering youth a voice to the city of Portland's government. Our hope is that both city council and the commission on children with families and communities in Multnomah county have benefited from this partnership. It's obvious from past efforts in tonight's exchange there is a great interest in this partnership continuing and becoming stronger.

**Meng Zhou(?):** Try to get close enough to the mike. So, I guess just to wrap up the board right now is in a transition period. We are about to bring on new members for next year's board and start figuring out what we are going to be doing for the next year, so this is a really great time to, you know, bring the city into this because people are very willing to become more, more of a player within our city partnership. And depending on what your feedback is, we can really restructure ourselves in a way that that will work better. One of the things that we really want to see happen is some concrete steps so that we can start being able to have a tangible partnership with the city. One of the things that we brought up, that was brought up was the idea of having monthly meetings with the council member, with someone just to check in and so that each party knows what, what we are working on and maybe some months they will be, there will be something that we can really work together and some months that there won't be but that we will have more of a consistent communication rather than just yearly. And the other idea that we matt might be really good to pursue would be to work with a specific bureau which might have an interest in having more youth input and have like kind of more of a long-term relationship with that bureau. We worked in the past with Portland parks, with the environmental services bureau, a little bit with the police department, and office of neighborhood involvement, we thought would be a good place to be involved, as well, because obviously, youth are a part of every neighborhood. So, I guess yeah, we just look forward to hearing your thoughts on, on how we can better partner and become more of a, I guess like the board is moving towards being more of a policy board rather than just having people come talk to us for one meeting so, we would really like to have more of an interactive relationship.

**Katz:** Thank you. Let me just -- let me just share with you, when you mentioned the police bureau, they do have youth advisory councils. There's one out at the east precinct and there's a new one out in northeast precinct. And they are open for, for young people to join. They also can use your help in continually reworking the pamphlets that they have produced for young people and what to do if you are stopped bay police officer, what your rights are, and that would be important for, for not only the council, but also for the dissemination of that material to young people who are, in fact, might be stopped and who don't know what their rights are. So, those are the kinds of things that I think would be, would be very useful, and, of course, if any of you ever would like to become police officers and members of the Portland police bureau, we have a, a youth corps where your college education will be paid for, if you apply and you are accepted. So, that's -- from a police bureau perspective.

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**Saltzman:** And we will certainly work with you, my office to continue to further your goals of having better relationships, more meaningful relationships with the various city bureaus. I have explained to them many times how the city works a little differently than the county given our portfolio government and some bureaus will probably have more interest to the youth advisory board than other bureaus, and many bureau directors have appeared from them and have had good discussions and as they are saying today, we want to be become less of a checkoff point where somebody has to go to get youth input and they can say I went to the youth advisory board and presented my plan. Because I know when they first started everybody was beating down the door to say, to use them as a checkoff point, and I think they are saying they want a more meaningful role, and I personally welcome that. I think all of us up here welcome that, and we will work to make that happen.

**Francesconi:** Part of it is, what do you want to do, not just what we want you to do. So, you know, we need to have that dialogue. You mentioned two bureaus. One that I have had for a while. The other that I just recently inherited from commissioner Saltzman. But we created, since you were here last, a parks board so I have asked lisa turpel, who I think met with you, I think it was lisa, to talk about how to involve youth in the parks board. So, you know, whether we create a separate group or have a liaison with you, that's something we should follow up on. And you can do the things, if you are interested, that the mayor suggests, which would be very beneficial, or you can help us find locations for skateboard parks, or in the community centers, I am making a shameless pit here, that assumes we pass the park's levy in november, which we need your help with. But, the other is, through the neighborhood office, it is true that we need more youth involvement in our neighborhood association structure. I am just learning how to get up to speed on some recent issues there. So, the two suggestions that I would have, and you have to decide among yourselves, is one is to talk with lisa more about, more of a relationship with the parks board. The other is to talk with david lane about how we would advance talking with the district coalitions probably, so you need to decide, you know, you have had three offers up here, what interests your group. So rather than you decide, if you would take it back to your group, have a conversation, and then decide, but thanks for your work.

**Katz:** Let me just offer, we have a lot of interns from high school and college that are working in the office. You don't get paid but you get all the wonderful perks that we have. [ laughter ]

**Katz:** Which aren't very many. But, we would love for you to consider that, as well, for anyone on the council who would be interested in spending some time probably in any one of our offices. But, we do make a very strong attempt in getting young people into the office. We give you a project that could be the council's project, if you so choose to do that, that you can work on and we will provide you with as much of the research and our talents as you may want to accept.

**Francesconi:** If I could presume for just a brief second, to speak on behalf of commissioner Sten or for commissioner Sten, there's a lot of housing issues involving young people, and the mobility or moving around factors, the importance of housing, so I am sure that bob, who may be here, or, or howard shapiro in terms of the housing authority, who is here, that could be something else your group could talk about, and if you really want a good public safety bureau, the fire bureau, I am sure, has a role for you, as well. Not that the police bureau is not good. The police bureau is very good but we have this thing between police and fire.

**Katz:** So --

**Saltzman:** And planning. We don't want to leave out the planning bureau. I see some hands raising here from our staff.

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**Katz:** I am sorry. I have the planning bureau, too. I didn't note. So, talk, talk among yourselves and feel free to get back to each one of us. We will make some time on our calendars to sit down with one of you or a group of you and begin to explore, but you need, as commissioner Francesconi says, he's absolutely right, you need to decide with this huge menu that we have, what it is that you want to do and for how long.

**Francesconi:** And having monthly meetings, not knowing that, is not what you want to do or what we want to do. You need to have some focus first.

**Katz:** Okay.

**Francesconi:** My two cents.

**Saltzman:** Thanks for your continued service. We appreciate it.

**Katz:** Anybody else want to testify on this report? If not, the vote will be to accept the report. Roll call.

**Francesconi:** Thank you for initiating this, commissioner Saltzman, and thank you for all your work. Providing more youth more opportunity helps us all. Aye.

**Saltzman:** Yeah. I just want to thank the members who were here tonight and also the members who aren't here tonight, but it's a good group and we will make sure we get you more involved in the city. Aye.

**Katz:** Mayor votes aye. Thank you. All right. Let's read 688 and 689.

**Items 688 and 689.**

**Katz:** And because we have a nonemergency ordinance and a resolution I will move both those items over for second reading in the case week. I don't think you want to adopt the resolution without the ordinance. Okay. All right. Let me start by --. [ laughter ]

**Katz:** Commissioner Francesconi was assisting me in explaining that, and he's right. We have emergency ordinances and nonemergency ordinances. Emergency ordinances we vote on it right now. We take any amendments and vote on it immediately. We can't do that because you have to have four people on the council by code to vote on emergency ordinances. Resolutions you can only -- you only need three people, but you need three people all voting aye. That's not a problem, but since we don't have four people to vote on the ordinance, we are going to set it all over until next week, and then we will be able to vote on it. Okay.

**Katz:** Let me start by saying that the city started working with the portsmouth community and stakeholders last year and I wanted to commend everybody for their participation and for doing an incredible job on this project. Neighborhood plans are not easy. They require outreach into the community. They require patience on the part of staff and commitment on the part of neighbors to stick it out with all of us to be creative, to find solutions, and to work as a team to present this plan.

Now, I want to thank the bureau of planning and bhcd for funding the peninsula community development corporation to supplement the outreach efforts on this plan. Without outreach to the community, we really don't have a neighborhood plan. So I want to thank them. You are going to hear some testimony tonight. They won't all be supportive testimony, and that's okay, as well. We will have to sort these issues out and ask some questions, and that's what we are here tonight to do.

I would like the representatives -- first, we are going to have the planning bureau make -- give us a presentation of the plan, then I would like to call on the representatives from the community association of portsmouth, the official neighborhood association to come up, following them, the housing authority of Portland. They are the largest property owner in the area, and then anybody else that wants to testify and whether you are a neighborhood or whether you are the housing authority, you all get three minutes. We have learned that you can tell us everything you want to tell us in three minutes, and if we don't understand it, we can ask you some questions and then you

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can go on and answer those questions for five minutes. So, you know, you may be able to get a little bit more time. Okay. So, let's start with the bureau of planning.

**Julia Gisler, Bureau of Planning:** Hi, my name is julia with the bureau of planning and with me is susie law with the prince law community development corporation. She is the community planning coordinator, and together we are the staff of the portsmouth neighborhood plan. We have prepared for you a power-point presentation that we would like to share and I also would like to note that the complete record is, is there if you need to consult it.

**Katz:** All right, now because of my accent --

\*\*\*\*\*: Yes?

**Katz:** It's portsmouth. Portsmouth.

\*\*\*\*\*: I would like to defer that to the neighborhood because I am not clear, myself. [ laughter ]

\*\*\*\*\*: We say portsmouth, and --

**Katz:** Will somebody help us? I don't want --

\*\*\*\*\*: Is there --

**Katz:** Mouth? Anybody disagree? Portsmouth? Okay.

**Gisler:** Yeah. Sort of like you are in Oregon not Oregon, but this way it doesn't matter.

**Katz:** Okay.

**Gisler:** Here's the cover. This is the cover of the portsmouth neighborhood, and it's composed of images from the portsmouth vision 20-20 banner project, and the theme of this project is walking together, and that's the neighborhood would like to see that become the neighborhood theme. Children from area schools created images that express the theme of walking together, and those images were composed into street banners and each banner translates the theme "walking together," into one of the many languages that are spoken in the portsmouth neighborhood. In october, last october, there was a big community celebration, and the banners were hung along lombard street from smith to portsmouth. This is the boundary of the community association of portsmouth, t-cap, which is the official neighborhood association -- the neighborhood is bounded by lombard, columbia boulevard, and the railroad cut and chautauqua. Well, you can also see on the map where columbia villa is and the tamarack participants, in the northern section. That's all own and had operated by the housing authority of Portland, and next to that is the university of park community center owned by the city. There's a lot going on in this area right now, and I am going to give you a summary of the key related planning projects that affect the portsmouth neighborhood. This neighborhood is included in the interstate corridor urban renewal area and residents of the -- and residents of the portsmouth neighborhood were active in the steering committee and various working groups. This neighbor plan supports continued neighborhood involvement with these groups to insure that when possible, projects that further the neighborhood's priorities can be funded using urban renewal dollars. The northern side of lombard from columbia park west to the railroad cut is included in the st. John's lombard plan. The policies of the neighborhood plan regarding lombard street will be considered in the st. Johns lombard plan, and there are a number of people participating in both planning efforts. Last year, the housing authority of Portland submitted and received a hope 6 grant from the u.s. Department of housing and redevelopment to redevelopment columbia villa and the portsmouth plan supports the goal of the hope 6 project that will replace approximately 430 residential units with approximately 850 unions that will be a more compact pedestrian friendly mixed income neighborhood that will be better integrated into the rest of portsmouth. Now suzy will talk about the community outreach.

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**Susan Law, Planning Bureau, Planning Coordinator:** Hi. Julia introduced me, I am Susan Law, the planning coordinator for the Portsmouth neighborhood plan. I replaced Renee Johnson who worked on the plan until the end of March. Due to time constraints I am going to just focus on some of the highlights of the extensive research, or outreach that was done in the last 14 months. Throughout the course of this project, a great deal of traditional outreach was extended to the community. To begin the process, we have a kickoff event, which generated contact information of interested parties to whom we sent letters and updates on the meetings. And general information as the plan progressed. The sign-up sheet was taken to community meetings and events, and increasing the amount of people who received letters and e-mail. The mailings were only to be sent to the property owners and we also distributed to 800 vendors and some businesses. Stacks of our flyers were hand delivered to businesses, religious organizations, schools, and neighborhood groups to insure that information on the plan was accessible to all. Recently, we delivered flyers to Portsmouth and Columbia Villa Tamarack. Around 500 flyers were taken to each area. A similar distribution was also done before the planning commission hearing. After the word was spread, topic area work sessions were held. At the session, neighbors discussed particular topics that are now policies in the plan. A few of the policies are safety, human development, and parks and open spaces, and recreational trails. Anyone who wished was allowed to attend these forums and contribute their ideas. A planning committee composed of anyone who lived, owned property or worked in Portsmouth was created to draft a plan for public review. Some community members from nearby neighborhoods also participated. After three public review sessions in which residents were invited to discuss and modify the plan, it was endorsed by the planning commission. This type of traditional outreach was an effective and important part of the process, one of the aspects of this plan that made it innovative and unique was the outreach that targeted populations often overlooked in community gatherings. Authored to target these groups, we provided free child care at every community meeting and transportation to the events, to the planned commission hearing, as well as tonight to accommodate for those who might have difficulties in participating otherwise. We also sought the participation of young people by partnering with Portsmouth middle school 6th grade teachers and students. The students discussed relevant characteristics they believed were important aspects of community. They suggested improvements and voiced their opinions on issues pertaining to the neighborhood. The teachers incorporated the plan into curriculum, focused on public involvement and government process. Recently we also began partnering with Roosevelt high school and Clarendon elementary. They will all be valuable in implementing the program in the future. We thought it was important to incorporate those who do not speak English and those who do not own property. In order to reach every household in Portsmouth we brought articles for each printing of the press in multiple languages, specifically Russian, English, Spanish, and previously Vietnamese. The press was sent to every address in Portsmouth and tax were given to religious and community organizations, as well as businesses. Bimonthly, more than 3000 addresses received the press and in the past 14 months, all seven issues contained articles inviting participation and updating on the progress of the plan. The survey conducted right now in Portsmouth, 56% have responded and state that had they read the press so we know that information got out there. We also hosted a Spanish language forum in which five interpreters were enlisted to facilitate discussion in Spanish about the plan, and help people become involved. A Spanish translator of the policies, goals, the Spanish translations of the policies, goals, and objectives were also provided. As far as we know, ours is the only neighborhood planning to translated into Spanish.

**Francesconi:** Do you know how many people showed up?

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\*\*\*\*\*: To the forum?

**Law:** About 35.

**Francesconi:** Okay.

**Law:** A great deal of effort went into the outreach for the portsmouth neighborhood plan. Ideas and concerns of residents from various backgrounds have given the plan a broad scope of focus and this wide variety of contributing voices make it more valid for ports mouth. A diverse group of people will be the benefactors of the improvements the plan recommends. Those involved in creating the plan have played the groundwork to provide direction for the civic minded people who live here to initiate projects in strengthening and improving the neighborhood for everyone. And as a fairly new resident of portsmouth, of north Portland, I wanted to say that I am very, very impressed with, with the community involvement here, and, and really the sincere desire of these people to improve their community.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Gisler:** I am going to keep going. The highlights of the, of the neighborhood plan, number one is a sense of community. Portsmouth is a neighborhood that takes pride in getting things done and taking care of each other, and for that reason, the community association of portsmouth was recognized by the city of Portland as the neighborhood of the year 20 -- 2001. The neighborhood plan calls for strengthening the neighborhood's sense of community. The walking together theme reflects many important community values. It encourages walking, provides a neighborhood identity and multilingual banner to celebrate the diversity, and here are some images from those banners. -- here are some images from those banners. We are going to insure that this is a neighborhood of people of different cultural traditions, economic resources and family structures. As the matrix shows the neighborhood has a high proportion of children and youth under age 18. 32% compared to the city-wide 21%. And the neighborhood plan addresses the needs and issues of youth. Portsmouth is one of the most culturally diverse neighborhoods in Portland, which is I will separated by the numbers in the -- which is illustrated by the matrix in the image. The reason why we did this workshop is the hispanic population has rose 12% since 1990. In order to maintain the neighborhood's diversity, it is essential to preserve affordable housing. As property values rise in the portsmouth neighborhood, low income households would not be involuntarily displaced. The last ten years, owner-occupied housing units in portsmouth increased 9% from 42% in 1990 to 51%, and during the same period, renter-occupied units have decreased 5%. The medium value of owner-occupied units has jumped 120% from 1990 to 1996. Because one of the major goals of the neighborhood plan is to integrate columbia villa with the rest of the neighborhood, the plan does not include a columbia villa policy, but rather, issues that affect columbia villa are included throughout the neighborhood plan in different policy areas. Neighborhood plan in general supports the hope 6 plan and some of the specific elements of the hope 6 plan that are deflected in the neighborhood plan include eliminating the rigid boundary by continuing the street grid of the surrounding neighborhood into columbia villa, creating a mixed income community in columbia villa that includes market-level housing opportunities and creating the village square with retail and community services that could serve the entire -- that can serve as a neighborhood civic note for the entire neighborhood. It is also important to note that as columbia villas are redeveloped, there are concerns, as well, that are addressed in the neighborhood plan. The public open space in columbia villa should be accessible to the surrounding communities, and as many as possible of the mature trees in columbia village should be preserved, or relocated. Lombard street neighborhood plan calls for a pedestrian-oriented commercial mixed use between portsmouth avenue. The top two slides show this area, and it has the highest concentration of storm-front commercial buildings.



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Other portions along lombard, are much more auto oriented. The neighborhood plan celebrates ports mouth's unique location between two major rivers by protecting and enhancing the neighborhood's views and access to the nearby natural areas. Columbia park, there's a picture of columbia park, which is a wonderful north Portland asset. And we also added a recreational trail to the open space policy because portsmouth has a wealth of recreational areas. The crossing trail along the railroad connects the neighborhood to the 40-mile loop, and there's also what I have always called the big pipe trail along columbia boulevard. And the organization of the planner's history and existing conditions, urban design concepts, a vision statement, policies, objectives, and action charts and a columbia villa zone change. As part of the neighborhood plan, the portsmouth people have started compiling a neighborhood history, which they hope is actually an open-ended research project that they can add onto in following years. This slide shows how very old the development in portsmouth is, in 1890, the steam engine connected the city of albina to portsmouth, that explains the old farmhouses scattered throughout the peninsula. There's some pictures illustrating what the area might have looked like at the summer of the century, and -- at the turn of the century, there's a portsmouth train station. This is a map of the zoning and land use. You can see the yellow is single family so, it's a predominantly single family neighborhood. The light blue is the r-2, multifamily, and tamarack, and a little bit along the railroad cut, and along lombard there is a combination of cg zoning and r-1 higher density residential and the green is the open space and the gray to the north is the industrial area north of columbia boulevard. Portsmouth neighborhood plan includes urban design map that identifies existing urban design elements, and the neighborhood wants to protect, as well as design urban design elements that may be created in the future. The neighborhood plan also includes voluntary neighborhood design guidelines that describe desired characteristics they would like to see in the design of new buildings in their neighborhood. Neighborhood understands these guidelines are advisory, but they see them as a tool, as a valuable tool to enable them to talk to developers about design issues. The guidelines are based on the building blocks with the revisions to make them better fitting into the portsmouth neighborhood. The vision state describes what the neighborhood will be like in the year 2025 if the neighborhood plans, policies and objectives and action charts are implemented. And there are eight policies. The parks and recreation trails, public safety, neighborhood livability, human development, business growth and development, transportation, housing, and portsmouth identity. And each policy has an overall statement, a set of objectives to provide specifics about how the policies are to be understood and implemented, and action charts with action items that will implement the policies and objectives. The portsmouth neighborhood plan also includes a zone change for columbia villa. The zone change will implement goals and objectives of the portsmouth neighborhood plan by allowing by right the retail and community services called for in the hope 6 plan. The zone change would change approximately 5.5 acres in the southeast corner of columbia villa from residential to commercial. A village square in the villa addresses many neighborhood issues. It creates a community center that will integrate columbia villa within the rest of the portsmouth neighborhood. This village square has the potential of being a dynamic area that brings the portsmouth neighbors together. It will allow by right the community services essential to the well being of columbia villa residents. Currently the community service of and columbia villa are allowed in the r-2 zone only through a conditional use review and approval. This goes an expensive and time consuming burden for services integral to columbia villa and having zoning that would allow them by right, acknowledges that they are essential to the residents of columbia villa. And we will also provide opportunities for limited retail that has been identified in neighborhood surveys. The portsmouth neighborhood plan and the hope 6 plan call for specific

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retail services in the village square that have been identified in neighborhood surveys and they are a laundry map, a small banking facility, and a small neighborhood serving grocery store in approximately 4,000 square feet. The current zoning of r-2 prohibits retail uses. The planning commission supported the goals of the hope 6 plan. However, there were several factors that complicated the issue of the zone change. The first was the timing. Hap has refined its original site plan that was submitted with the hope 6 application. In a perfect world, this would already be completed and be able to tell exactly where they want the commercial zoning. However, they do know that they need approximately 3.5 acres of commercial zoning and it should be located near the university park community center. And the process, the planning commission examined other zoning designations and other possible land use processes to allow the uses called for in the village square. They concluded that zoning was the right tool and that the cs, store-front commercial zone with its pedestrian oriented development standards was the right zone. There was also discussion about how the new cs zone would affect nearby commercial areas. The matrix below shows the small size of the commercial zoning compared with st. Johns, kinton and lombard. It is not the intent of the recommended cs zoning in the columbia villa to compete with other nearby commercial areas, but rather, provide needed services to a population that has difficulty getting to them. Currently, the nearest commercial zone to columbia villa residents is lombard street located over half a mile from columbia villa's southern-most boundary. Even in this section of lombard, even if this section provided the needed retail described above, which it currently does not. It would not be convenient for many columbia villa residents who do not have ready access to cars. The planning commission's final motion was to allow enough cs zoning to accommodate 3.5 net acres of development somewhere within the 8.3-acre area identified as the village square in the initial hope 6 site plan. This would give flexibility as they refine the plan. However, the planning commission also recognized that a zoning designation that is not tied to its specific location will be difficult to implement, and they directed the bureau of planning to investigate the best way to accomplish the intent of their motion. We did that, and in consultation with the office of planning and development review, and the city attorney's office, recommend that the city not pursue the idea of a floating zone because there is no premonition to implement it. A zoning designation needs to be identified on the zoning maps. The area of the recommended zone change before you is based on the location of the village square on the original site plan on likely future site alignments, or future street alignments and the proximity to the university park community center. It is 5.5 acres, which includes two acres that pdot representatives recommend that we allot for public rights-of-way. The columbia villa zone change accomplishes the following. It supports policies and objectives of the neighborhood plan. It designates enough cs zoning to allow 3.5 net acres of the development. It gives half the flexibility to move the cs zoning through a quazi-judicial process. This process would insure that there's adequate review from the city and the neighborhood if it moves, and it removes the burden of having to replace the lost housing potential of the r-2 area that is done quazi-judicially. In this legislative process, the legal requirement of the no-net housing criteria was met by balancing the housing policies and providing additional housing on the site. And the site just -- this site plan just shows where the zone change is, in relationship to the initial site plan that was submitted. So, in closing, the planning commission recommendations are that you adopt the portsmouth neighborhood plan. And amend Portland's comprehensive plan to include the plans -- the plan's vision statement, policies and objectives, and adopt by resolution the plan's action charts, urban design map and voluntary neighborhood design guidelines, and amend Portland's comprehensive plan maps to reflect the recommended zone change for columbia villa.

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**Katz:** Thank you. Put on the lights. Questions by the council? All right. Let's start with the testimony, and I am sure that there will be questions at the end. And please, keep track of the issues because you will come back and then respond to them. All right, let's start with the community association of portsmouth.

**Katz:** So each of you has three minutes.

**Katz:** This is a little bit more than three minutes, so --

**\*\*\*\*\*:** I know.

**Elizabeth Humphrey, Community Association of Portsmouth:** My name is elizabeth humphrey and I am here to represent the community association of portsmouth. Sitting next to me is the current chair, susan landauer. We are sitting here in support of the adoption of this plan. As I was reading through the final draft of the plan, I was engaged by a particular passage. On page 6 7 of the neighborhood plan, under title "columbia villa and the portsmouth neighborhood plan," the passage begins "one of the major goals of the portsmouth neighborhood plan is to see columbia villa be an integrated part of the neighborhood. The vision statements, policies and objectives support this goal for the hope 6 plan which strive to say make columbia villa a compact, pedestrian friendly neighborhood for low and moderate income households integrated into the large area surrounding the residential area. It is this vision of an integrated unified neighborhood that drives so much of the community activity and involvement in the portsmouth area today. It is the activity through inclusiveness, not exclusiveness that is successfully working to integrate and unify our neighborhood. This vision has manifested deeply in the portsmouth neighborhood plan. Tcap prides itself in working to obtain unionfication and community within our neighborhood. Tree plantings and cleanups are held annually to bring residents, business, gardeners, and students together for common goals. We participate annually in the st. Johns parade in may and the columbia villa national night out in august and we provide financial support when we can. In the spring of 2000, we built the columbia park, which funds were used raised from several local groups. The project was -- excuse me, the project was a partnership with three other community organizations, friends of columbia park, peninsula community development corporation and portsmouth vision 2020. We work with students in the local classrooms to determine the structure, what the structure would look like. Who better to ask than a 9-year-old. What color should the playground about be? Do you like swings or boiny things. On the day of construction we have volunteers from local businesses, local schools, and many residents to assemble the playground. The project success overwhelms us even today. Not once have we passed by an empty playground. And as co-sponsors of the local newspaper, the portsmouth press, there was volunteered time and funding to keep the community engaged in upcoming events. We have articles written on businesses and individuals in the community to highlight accomplishments and introduce new faces. We have participated through working groups, throughout the north Portland area. We hole seats on various different committees. Some of us have participated in the hope 6 design working group where we shared ideas with residences from all over the neighborhood am we listened to their concerns on those ideas, and those ideas from those who would most likely be affected by the revitalization and we incorporated these concerns into our discussions outside the working group. Through these meetings, it was clear that the working group had a common goal of a unified neighborhood and it was clear that hope 6 could physically integrate this into the surrounding neighborhood.

**Katz:** Your time is up.

**Humphrey:** Working together is the theme adopted by the neighborhood and is proudly displayed

**Katz:** Let me ask the council if they want to give you some extra time. All right.

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**Humphrey:** Thank you. And is proudly displayed in five languages on telephone poles as you walk along lombard. This theme illustrates the vision of unity through diversity. The neighborhood was the recipient of the 2001 spirit of Portland award in recognition of our accomplishments. This recognition encourages us to continue to strive for our vision. A vision described by genie in the portsmouth neighborhood plan as she writes, in 2025, diversity, stability, and affordability still form the foundation of our neighborhood. A place where people can live, a place on a human scale. She continues, a strong sense of community identity grounded in an appreciation for the history of the neighborhood and a creative spirit fed by neighborhood diversity continues to be hallmarks of the portsmouth neighborhood. These visions and activities I have just described are embodied in the neighborhood plan as objectives and action items identified for the purpose of obtaining a common vision. A unified and integrated neighborhood community. These visions and activities are manifested deeply in the body of the portsmouth neighborhood plan and it's these activities through inclusiveness, not exclusiveness that integrates and unifies our neighborhood. It is for this reason that tcap recommends council adoption of the portsmouth plan, a plan that will immortalize safety, livability, and diversity in portsmouth. Thank you.

**Katz:** Thank you. Three minutes.

\*\*\*\*\*: I just came in case elizabeth couldn't have --

**Katz:** Oh, I see. Well, then that would have been fine. Did you want to add anything?

**Susan Landauer, Community Association of Portsmouth:** Elizabeth did a beautiful job. And we are just very proud of our neighborhood and our, our plan.

**Katz:** Thank you. All right. All right, let's have the housing authority of Portland. I assume all three of you want to say something so you each have three minutes. You don't need to use it all.

**Howard Shapiro, Chair, Housing Authority Board:** Good evening. I am howard shapiro, I live at 2621 northwest cornell road, and I currently chair the housing authority board. With me tonight are two other commissioners I want to recognize. One particularly because he was born either in or near columbia villa. Commissioner candace brewer is sitting over my shoulder to my right, and commissioner lee moore, who either lives in or near the villa is to my left. And as a parenthetical thought, mr. Moore is the deputy director of the lotteries, so you may want to get together with him after this testimony. [ laughter ]

**Shapiro:** As you know, the housing authority is governed by commission that represents the citizens who live in the jurisdiction haps serve, the cities of Portland, gresham, and other communities in Multnomah county. And we thank for you this opportunity to express our support of the portsmouth neighborhood plan. I have a letter to present to the file and I will highlight its key points in my testimony tonight. Steve to my left is the housing authority's executive director and ed to my right is hope 6 project director, and they are joining me in speaking in support of the neighborhood plan. Our columbia villa public housing development is an important part of the portsmouth neighborhood. Columbia villa residents and hap staff have been involved in the development of the portsmouth neighborhood plan, just as involved in the development of our successful hope 6 proposal for the redevelopment of columbia villa. Both of the hope 6 project and the neighborhood plan you have before you for approval share a common community vision that's bound by the values of diversity, stability, and affordability. The housing authority of Portland has been working closely with the community it serves for 60 years. Our mission is a vital one, to provide safe, decent, and affordable housing for those who face barriers due to income or disability. We now provide housing or rent assistance for some 14,000 households, more than 30,000 residents in the county, which is really a collection of neighborhoods. It's very important to us that we work closely with neighborhood associations and other groups to make sure that we do

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what is best for the neighborhood. And as an example, I would point out the turning point project in southwest Portland, which after four contentious years proves to be one of the great additions to that community, and thank you, commissioner Saltzman, for your continued support on that. In seeking the hope 6 grant, we held 78 group meetings, formed seven working groups, four advisory committees and held three general public meetings with the community. In addition, hap staff attended numerous meetings in north Portland. Likewise we enthusiastically accepted the invitation to participate in the development of the portsmouth neighborhood plan. In addition, I am pleased to report that two columbia villa residents were recently elected to the board of the community association of portsmouth. The neighborhood plan recognizes the importance of a revitalized columbia villa in the community. The somewhat isolated public housing development of today will be replaced by a mixed income community that is connected with the surrounding neighborhood. Community services will stabilize lives, promote self-sufficiency, and link people to recreational and educational opportunities.

**Katz:** Your time is up.

**\*\*\*\*\*:** It is?

**Katz:** Why don't you just give your final thought.

**Shapiro:** Well, we recognize there's going to be a zone change required. We recognize that that's a vital part of the community's plan, and we enthusiastically support it. The dialogue between hap and the neighborhood will continue. So I urge you to support the neighborhood plan as it is submitted by the neighborhood. Thank you.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Francesconi:** Maybe this was going to be addressed later but you didn't get a chance to get around to it, but the zone change was actually recommended by the planning bureau, is that right?

**Shapiro:** Yes.

**Francesconi:** And then you underwent a pretty extensive public involvement process after that?

**Shapiro:** That's correct.

**Francesconi:** And then the association of portsmouth after that public involvement unanimously voted to keep the zone change component in the neighborhood plan?

**Shapiro:** Correct. Those are all correct statements.

**Katz:** Go ahead.

**Steve Rudman, Housing Authority of Portland:** Good evening, mayor, city commissioners. Steed rudman, housing authority of Portland, 135 southwest ash. I just wanted to, on a personal note, congratulate and compliment the citizens that are involved in the portsmouth, when I worked with the bureau of housing and community development five years ago, the city worked in partnership through the 20-20 vision project and it really -- this is a culmination of that effort, and the organization has worked closely with the planning bureau, and I think it really shows in terms of the document, but also the outreach process to really reach out and try different techniques to really get this cultural diverse neighborhood to come together. The housing authority of Portland is excited about the neighborhood plan that resulted from this process. We believe strongly in the values that it embraces, and also believe the entire community will be stronger in many ways if the plan is adopted and realized. The community's vision built on the values of diversity, stability, and affordability dovetails with the goals of the hope 6 redevelopment effort. Our shared vision is of a redeveloped columbia villa that's integrated physically and socially with the surrounding neighborhood of creating a mixed income vibrant community that values people from different cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds. As howard was going to mention, we are going to be forming a community advisory committee to help guide the revitalization effort of columbia villa.

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We are looking at a wide range of interests, up to 25 people representing our residents of the columbia villa, neighbors, community association members, representatives from businesses, faith-based organization, service providers, schools, local government, environmental interests and community members at large. This community partnership process will be built on the framework of the portsmouth neighborhood plan as well as our columbia -- our hope 6 grant proposal. In transforming columbia villa, we want to enhance the quality of life for returning and new residents, but just as importantly the housing authority in Portland looks forward to becoming a key partner make the portsmouth neighborhood and the greater north Portland community even a better place to live, work, and raise families. Thank you.

**Ed McNamara, Housing Authority of Portland:** Ed, 135, southwest ash street. I just wanted to add a few details about the plan for the village square you heard about. There are two major components to the redevelopment of columbia villa, the physical redevelopment of the site and then the investment -- the villa of the physical redevelopment site. The quick recap of the physical plan, I think you have heard about, some third, 462 housing units in columbia villa today. We are proposing to replace that with up to 850 housing units a mix of public housing, affordably and market rate housing and homeownership units. That construction work that will accomplish that will invest more than \$100 million in the neighborhood creating opportunities for local contractors, builders and other real estate businesses to benefit from that investment, and when we are done we will have up to 3 to 400 new households in that neighborhood supporting local businesses, stores, restaurants, and services in the neighborhood, so we think it will be a huge investment. The role the village square in this is to provide an array of resources and services to serve both the new residents and the existing and returning residents of columbia villa. This square is intending a civic hub for all the residents of portsmouth and surrounding neighborhoods. It's a four-block area. It's located in southeast. It's about three quarters of a mile north of lombard on the number four busline and located adjacent to the university park community center. According to tri-met's data, this corner already appears to be the hub the neighborhood with 200 people or more getting off and on the bus there. The village square plans include about 55,000 square feet of space for the services, community spaces, leasing offices and some retail uses. Those services and community spaces will be about 70 to 75% of that space in the village square. Some of the service we have planned are a head-start program, early childhood development and day care center. Computer learning centers for kids and adults, workforce training programs. Ged programs offered in numerous languages and apprenticeship programs and many others. The proposed retail and support will only take about 20 to 25% of the space there, and as you heard they include a grocery store, a bank, possibly laundromat. So, taken together these are the services that will help us attract middle income residents to the revised columbia villa, enrich the lives of the current residents in the larger community, and most importantly, they will help the public residents who return there to greater sufficiency.

**Katz:** Thank you. Questions?

**Francesconi:** Maybe, it's not so much a question, maybe, steve, as a comment. I mean, the vision statement is a beautiful statement about, you know, diversity, really, it's maybe not a statement about portsmouth neighborhood, but the city of Portland and kind of where we are going. But, with those -- that dramatic increase in hispanic from 5% in 1990 to 17%, the neighborhood association really went out of their way to do extra effort to include the latino community. So this seems like a great opportunity and I am sure you are thinking about this with the next steps and the 25 people that the latino community be really kind of extra special efforts be made. Can you say a bit about what your thoughts are to include the latino community in the next phase?

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**Rudman:** That's very good point, commissioner. Not just the latino community, though. There has been a large increase, but the communities from all different nationalities, as well. We were doing outreach right now with organizations that are working or living or representing people to live in the surrounding neighborhood, as well as advertising the community planning process and in local and cultural media.

**Shapiro:** I would like to add, the community meetings I attended there was a real effort and a real straightforward intention to translate everything we were talking about into three or four different languages, representative of the community, so it wasn't just spanish that, that was translated into, but some asian languages, as well. I think that they were five. So, we made a real effort to make sure that as many people who were interested were given as much information as they needed to, to be up to speed on what we were trying to do. -- on what we were trying to do.

**Katz:** Thank you. Karla? Let's call three at a time.

**Katz:** Richard?

**Richard Ellmyer:** Mayor Katz, members of the Portland city council, my name is richard, I have lived for 27 years at 9124 north mckenna, which is in the portsmouth neighborhood. If the Portland planning commission hadn't shown a concern for approving undefined zoning changes, you would be voting on a ten-acre commercial storefront zone tonight. If the Portland planning commission hadn't shown a concern for approving in defensible zoning changes you would be voting on a seven-acre storefront zone tonight. If the Portland planning commission wasn't careless in reading its briefing materials and arbitrary in its judgment, you would not be voting on a floating 3.5-acre commercial storefront zone tonight. On may 9th, 2001, I asked many people if they would support a zone in the columbia villa that included an interpreter center and a store that sold dry goods and beverages. They each answered yes. On may 10th, 2001, I wrote an mail that was sent to several dozen people, including all of your offices and staff, the press, hap staff, members of the Portland planning commission and many other interested parties. Here is excerpt, quote "i am pleased to announce that hap is headed in the right direction after extensive conversations with denny west, hap executive director ron johnson, the coordinator, julie livington, architect and william hart, principal of the architecture firm who represented mallom architects. I was persuaded all the major players, both staff and contractors of the housing authority of Portland supported the fundamental principles required to make this project a success for hap and my neighborhood. If this project is done so well that it becomes a national model then hap gates gold star in the quality of life and the image of north Portland is a good place to live, and is demonstrably enhanced. If it hails, north Portland's livabilty and image are diminished. Like the columbia boulevard wastewater treatment plan, Portland international raceway, metro's expo storm trackers the new correctional institution and other government institutions that make up the neighborhood in north Portland the housing authority in Portland appear to say understand that it, too, is just another neighbor that must incorporate the concept of belonging and being a good neighbor as part of its institutional consciousness." I am here tonight to defend the interests of stakeholders in the north Portland community will include north Portland homeowner, north Portland business owners, households that send their children to school in north Portland and voters who cast a ballot in the may 2002 election in north Portland. These constituencies were not invited by city hall, invited to city hall this evening and have not been fully informed of the consequences of a zone change before you tonight, or the fact that this zone change is intrinsically connected to the -- intrinsically connected to the massive remodel project. The city of Portland is about to embark on 150 million adventure in social architecture in north Portland. Portland's city council has the opportunity tonight to make sure that this journey gets started on the right foot. I

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urge you to take that step by rejecting the proposed commercial storefront zone in the southeast corner of Columbia Villa or seek an acceptable alternative. Thank you.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Jerry Rust:** Good evening mayor and commissioners. First I want to say that the, I think that the scope and the vision of --

**Katz:** Why don't you identify yourself for the record.

**Rust:** Jerry Rust, 3417. I want to say first that I think that the scope and the vision of the plan are commendable. I just want to offer a few suggestions for tweak it go just a bit. I did testify before the planning commission when a ten-acre zone change was on the table. Then it went down to 7. It's now at 3.5. I am not exactly sure what the right size is, but I do prefer that we have a plan first and then identify the tact slots that need to implement that plan, and rezone them tax lot by tax lot and if that means coming back for another process, then I think that that, that would be a better way to go. The second point that I raised in that earlier hearing was about the trees at Columbia Villa. I've been a practicing forester in Oregon for 10 years or more, and I believe this is the large -- for 30 years or more, and I believe this is the largest collection of trees in the state of Oregon so I think that they are signature. I think that they merit some recognition and possible protection. On page 55 the planning staff and the planning commission did put an action item in there. I would like to recommend it just be changed just a bit. I saw in China, in northeast China these trees, none as big as this but quite large. They were dug out of the ground with heavy equipment and then the job finished by hand and they were relocating these trees so, they apparently transplant quite easily. So, I can envision utilizing these trees, if they -- if they are taken out during the realignment of streets and roads. I can envision these trees being relocated as part of a new design. North Portland is impoverished in a number of ways. One of them is a lack of street trees, and I would urge you to adopt some language that, that recognizes these trees and tries to preserve, again, what is probably the largest collection in the state. So, on page 55, there is a, a number five on the proposals for action, that's in the neighborhood livability. I would like to insert the words "and/or relocate," after the word "preserve," on nl.5. And then I would like to urge you to, to ask pdot to be one of the implementors because of the obvious need to work in the right-of-way with those trees. Is that clear enough? Thank you very much.

**Katz:** Okay.

**Peter Teneau:** Madam mayor and council, my name is Peter, and I live at 2715 North Terry Street in the Kenton neighborhood. I followed the application for approval of the project since attending the first planning commission hearing. The goals of the project are laudable and new housing at Columbia Villa is needed. I support both I was more and more perplexed over just what was being approved. Although there seem to be an objective put forth by Hap there was no plan for the villa and here it was before the Manning Commission. I became really concerned when approval was requested for ten acres to, to rezone from residential to commercial. Within the context of the overall objectives, some reasons were given justifying one acre for the purposes mentioned but where was the plan supporting it? Supporting CS designation? The new commercial zoning has been reduced to 3.5 acres. That is still excessive according to the stated needs. What is the additional 2.5 acres to be used for? Still no detailing or plan top rezoning might append. Frankly I don't know why the issue is passed onto the city council at this stage of underdevelopment. -- of underdevelopment. What I am asking for is due process, and by that, I mean inclusion of North Portland residents, schools, and businesses, and a true planning process to take into account the experience and the needs of North Portland outside of the villa, and Portsmouth. This project can realize its positive goals and be an asset to North Portland only if it is integrated within its



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enveloping area, integration rather than isolation. If that's a prime objective, I don't know what would be. Hogan has been hired to do community outreach in, my opinion, this is the way to go. Let them talk to the people, the schools and the businesses of north Portland. Let them -- let this be an essential part of the planning process. I have never worked on a challenging issue or a master plan in which this process, both messy and complex, has not produced an optimal result and I have worked on a few. For larger community involvement into wisdom and wisdom into the plan and determine just what specific requirements for commercial rezoning would be, then let's go for approval. I don't consider the outreach adequate. It should have been larger and it should have been done with, with targeted parts of the Portland community, and I don't know -- I have not heard what's been done on this, and I don't believe that enough has been done.

**Katz:** Thank you. Questions?

**Francesconi:** Just one. Who wrote -- we were handed something when you got up here to testify. Arguments opposing -- who wrote this? Did you write all this far?

**Ellmyer:** Yes, I did.

**Francesconi:** Including the part about hap and the record regarding the law?

**Ellmyer:** I wrote it, whatever is on there. I wrote it.

**Francesconi:** Thanks.

**Katz:** Okay. Thank you.

**Lisa Horn:** I am lisa horn. My mailing address is 9025 north dana avenue. I am actually here tonight because someone who couldn't be here tonight asked me to submit their testimony, so I will be reading that and I gave it to the clerk. Think of me as jocelyn baker then. I am writing regarding the portsmouth plan, which is being submitted for your approval. I am a resident of the north Portland and strongly support this plan. I was part of the large and diverse group of people involved during the development of this plan and am proud of the fine work that was produced this document does a great job of representing portsmouth as the strong and vibrant community that it is. The adoption and support of this plan will bring about continued growth and positive change for the future of portsmouth. The portsmouth plan is a tool that brings together key people and programs and provides direction for addressing important issues such as neighborhood identity, livability, human development, and housing. In addition to living in north Portland, i, jocelyn, have the good fortune to work in the portsmouth neighborhood. As a coordinator for the columbia villa tamarack resource center I rely on the portsmouth plan to provide a clear vision for future program development and service delivery. I am concerned about the negative attention that has been focused on the portsmouth plan. The section of the plan that has attracted the negative attention has to do with proposed zoning change for the property located within columbia ville o I support this zoning change completely. This change will allow for improvements to service delivery, as it exists now in columbia villa and as it will become through the hope 6 project. The services provided are important and valuable in support of the most vulnerable north Portland neighbors, who live in columbia villa and throughout the peninsula. I have been offended by people who stand up in public, in front of children who live in north Portland and refer to columbia villa as a ghetto and make disparaging comments about those people. The portsmouth plan is a positive, strong tool that will enhance and expand all the good things that make portsmouth one of Portland's best neighborhoods to live in. I hope you will support this plan, as well, thank for you your consideration to this matter, jocelyn baker on north commercial.

**Mark Walhood, Office of Planning and Development Review:** I am mark, with the process of planning and review. I am here just very briefly to make a couple of points iterated the report. But, just emphasize the floating zone concept as recommended by planning commission is really

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not something that we can implement. Zoning needs to land on a piece of land, and that's, that's as it is proposed in the plan. The secondly -- secondly there were some concerns raised about conditional and nonconforming uses in potential violations of Columbia Villa. I was the housing authority specialist in the permit center for two years. I am also the planner assigned to an inactive Columbia Villa land use review put on hold because we have basically told them that it cannot be approved without signature revisions. And here to state that, that it's OPDR policy that when a body, whether it's a property owner or a public agency is pursuing a correction of a, of a zoning problem through a land use review, a legislative process or prime minister, whatever it may be, we don't pursue the violation, we defer any action until the correction is made so, in this case, if there are potential violations in Columbia Villa and they are potentially corrected by the zone change, which they are, we will not pursue the action until the zone change is complete. That's pretty much all I wanted to point out. I am here if you have questions. I do have some more detailed information and plans on the existing and proposed uses if you would like. That's t thank you.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**John Weigant:** My name is John, I am a resident of North Portland, 429 North Bridgeton Road. I have appeared before you regarding the controlled process for land use. I have prepared a presentation but I think it's going to exceed the three-minute limit so let me skip through it. I, too, was involved in a neighborhood plan a few years ago. I think it's improved our community and I believe that the Portsmouth plan is going to do the same. The concern that I have is about the process, and in particular, I think that if business were to apply for an application like this, the planning commission would be much more critical. We have the public involvement process works differently with different kinds of governments. With city government, it's founded on public involvement starting with the voters and with a board sort of government where the commissioners are appointed, there is a distancing from the public involvement process. I am concerned that this process is going to have some problems, in particular, related to the zoning. So, I think that you would do well to unbundle the zoning issues, the comprehensive plan change from the rest of the Portland, or from the Portsmouth neighborhood plan, which appears to me to be a very good plan in connection with how it serves the neighborhood. I think that we do have some issues about the ballots of housing throughout our community. The North Portland area, according to a 1999 handout I have, lists five housing units, or five projects in North Portland for almost 450 housing units, and this project is not listed so this will be another 800 North Portland -- I think housing is generally accepted to be both effective when it's widely dispersed throughout the community. So, I think that there's some concern about how well these issues are being, are fairing throughout our, our entire city. Thank you.

**Katz:** Thank you. Questions? Okay.

**Zenona Coronel:** I live in 9610. I also work there. I try to provide for the community and work with the Hispanics but eventually I will help other populations. I think that we need more services in the villa. So, I definitely think that it wouldn't hurt to have more businesses around. I am not too happy about having too many houses, but we have to grow up and understand the changes sometimes can be good. So, the things that we did, we did an excellent outreach. We have spent a lot of hours, you know, just trying to get everybody involved. We have like 22 languages just in Columbia Villa, so it's kind of hard to reach everybody, but we did our best. And there's nothing else that I can say, except that I am proud of being living in Columbia Villa.

**Katz:** Thank you did you two want to testify? Did you want to say something?

**Ramon Rojas:** My name is Romon, and I live at 96 North Avenue. I came to say I think my community is a good community but we don't have many resources for the kids. Even though we

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don't have many resources, we have some good resource, like the university park community center, and also the columbia villa tamarack's community learning center.

**Katz:** Thank you. It's your turn.

**Perla Rojas:** I would -- I came here to say that I think we need better parks because, um, they are not safe because children go and um, vandalize the parks --.

**Katz:** Thank you both. Thank you. Very good. All right. Any questions? Thank you. It's okay. It's okay. We feel like this a lot of the time. [ laughter ]

**Katz:** Go ahead.

**Maria Lopez:** Hi. Good evening. My name is maria lopez and I live in 9546 north wilson avenue, which is columbia villa, and which I am also here to say I am really proud to live at in this community and this neighborhood, portsmouth. And I am here to give my support for the portsmouth neighborhood plan. I think it's a great plan, and I am looking forward to all the, the projects that might be done from that plan, and also to give support for, I think it's a great neighborhood, and I am looking forward for, for any future projects that happen.

**Cornelius Swart:** Hello. My name is cornelius schwartz and I am the grant director for portsmouth vision 2020, the target area, the city target area program in the portsmouth neighborhood. And I have two basic points to make, and I am hoping I can use some of her time if I go over. [ laughter ]

. [ speaking in another language ]

**Swart:** Now, if you can't understand that, you can begin to appreciate the growing divide that is happening in the portsmouth neighborhood and north Portland. The 2000 census indicates that portsmouth is the most diverse community in the state of Oregon. But 17% latino population, is 5% after can person, 20% asian and 11% as other, 15% as african-american. And when you factor in the census historical problem with enumerating latinos, I suspect when our survey is done and the census is complete in september you will find that portsmouth is one of only thee Portland neighborhoods with a white minority population. The activists and political institutions are literally unable to speak. With the diverse population of this area. And while we celebrate diversity, in all its many benefits, we must also recognize the reality that we face. A rapidly diversifying population has the potential to fragment society, estrange government, overwhelm social services and disenfranchise population. And this is a very serious issue we face not only in north Portland but in the east county and other areas of the metropolitan area. The portsmouth neighborhood plan and the planning process, itself, represents a unique step in trying to address how we communicate with and involve an ethnically and linguistically diverse population. The multilingual modifications, workshops and translated draft documents should be considered a starting point for all public processes undertaken in north Portland. And in this particular case, the outreach work done for the plan has had a profound and lasting impact on future projects and the plan, itself. As a result of the outreach done, the portsmouth neighborhood plan, in the portsmouth neighborhood plan, peninsula cdc and portsmouth vision 2020 will launch the north Portland press this summer. It dates first multilingual newspaper. The paper will have articles in four languages. A committee representing various immigrant and refugee and neighborhood groups in north Portland will generate the content. The paper aims to create a greater level of participation in civic process by immigrant and refugee populations in north Portland. And we believe it represents a revolution in outreach and community building. And this was an outgrowth of the portsmouth neighborhood plan and the outreach work we did. The plan states that the newspaper is a goal, the plan states multilingualism is a priority for the community and portsmouth vision 2020 is very

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proud of its work that it has done and represents a commitment to our neighborhoods diversity and a prelude of good things to come.

**Swartz:** And one other little point, which is we are doing a survey of the neighborhood, a door-to-door survey which we did one three years ago and overwhelmingly people in the neighborhood wanted a grocery store. Overwhelmingly, and now we are doing another survey, and so far, 50% of the respondents, 50% say they want a grocery store. A neighborhood store. A convenience store. A corner store.

**Katz:** Let me ask you the question within your time, so explain to me why there is a segment of the population that doesn't want a zone change for commercial purposes to have a grocery store.

**Swartz:** Well, my first impression was that, was that people believed with such a large zone change proposed that there was going to be a fred meyers dropped in the middle of the neighborhood, and they were alarmed by that possibility, and they wanted the potential of a fred meyers to be removed. And I think that that's, you know, a rational reaction. And I don't think that it was ever the intention to do that. At this point, it's probably just politics.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Susan Franks:** My name is susan franks. And I live at 4249 north alaska. I am one of the few residents that live in the tamaracks, 120 apartments. I have been a resident of the villa and the tamaracks moving back and forth for the past 1 years. During this time I have continually served as president of the columbia villa tamarack residence association. I was involved in the, the board and the revamping of the new tcap when it was first brought in and am now am a current member of the board and spent numerous years serving with other communities throughout portsmouth. I feel the portsmouth plan is well written. My only concern is the scare that our new zoning won't go through, and I think that it's so desperately needed. The village square would go great and would only serve the columbia villa tamarack and serve the entire portsmouth neighborhood. Now, the tamarack community is not involved in the relocation and the problems that's going to be in the villa of being remodeled but the services that are provided there are also available to us and are used quite widely. And the services that are there, are such a demanding thing that it's not only for the adults that we talked about jobs, careers and such, but I think it's important that it be a home for three head-start programs that have been in the villa, plus a child care center. Without quality child care, we cannot expect our adults to partake in training, school, or work. And one other thing at that I would like to say, and I don't mean to be snide but the gentleman up here earlier talked about how many projects there were in north Portland, and discussed our project. And I would like, excuse me, the council to know that I do not live in a project. I live in a community, and I live in a community of pride, and we have probably furthered our lives and done more to improve our lives than any other community in the city of Portland. Thank you.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Katz:** How many more do we have?

**\*\*\*\*\*:** One more after those three.

**Katz:** Okay. Thank you. Go ahead.

**Bonnie Meltzer:** I am bonnie, and live at 9184 north mckenna, and I have -- I want to address the zoning, and I think that this is the cart before the horse, so to speak. And I am going to ask you a rhetorical question. If I came to the council, or the planning commission, and wanted a zone change, I think you would make me do a very specific accounting of what I would do. Would it be a fred meyer? Would it be -- let's say I am rich, would it be a fred meyer? Would it be a department store? Would it be a little corner food store? Would it be a 7-11. You know, I think it would make me be very specific, and I think in the, in the name of fairness and in democracy, that hap should

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also be more planning-minded and should be very specific. And three acres seems like a lot for a, a laundromat and a very small grocery store. That's 8.5 blocks, and if this is supposed to be a walking store, you don't need a big parking lot. So, I think in the name of fairness, we really need to, to have them submit a real plan and go through the planning process the way it would be for everybody else. I am also a little distressed that the woman thought that "ghetto," is a bad word -- that it was disparaging about the people who lived in the villa. That is not what ghetto means. It means that it is isolated. And it is isolated, and putting a town square, not for the services but for some of the other things, if it gets to be 8.5 acres, would further ghettoize that area. And I am a little concerned about that. And the other rhetorical question I wanted to ask is -- have you been on lombard from kenten to st. Johns and seen the empty stores, the bars, the girls, girls, girls store, and all the other -- it is a commercial street in -- that's coming a little bit around but it's definitely in trouble. So, I don't know what this other commercial zone would do to -- end trouble.

**Katz:** Okay, you have been very candid, and I appreciate it. So let me try to interpret what you are saying. Your concern is that you are not sure what, what commercial projects will be located in the zone change area?

**Meltzer:** It's a process, it's part of the process, too.

**Katz:** Small versus big?

**Meltzer:** Or just short -- the process is being short circuited.

**Katz:** We will get to that later on, and the other concern is, is a concern for businesses on lombard that a, are not doing well. Or b, are not open. Is that, is that --

**Meltzer:** And that people aren't -- because I talked to people in other parts of the city, and say, why don't you open a place on lombard. There is people who would really need that. You know, since I have lived on the peninsula, we have lost ten grocery stores. Ten grocery stores we have lost. We are down to a safeway and two fred meyers.

**Katz:** Okay.

**Meltzer:** There is really -- and we are not talking about great stores that are on the peninsula.

**Katz:** Thank you. All right. Do you want to go next? Grab the mike.

**Gloria Rentre:** My name is gloria rentre, and I would like to thank john for inviting me here to share my experience with the goalpost, and the goalpost is located on north woosley in the villa. And I live on north -- actually, live around the Portland area and I traveled from north winchel, the interstate area to north woosley for the services and opportunities provided to me. We all have hopes and dreams and goals, and for a long time, I was unable to pursue my own. When I heard about the goalpost in the program, which is the evening trades apprenticeship program for entry into the trades, career, I saw it as my window of opportunity to begin the process of becoming a career trades-woman. I came with willingness, resolve, and a desire to rebuild my life. The goalpost and the e-tap program gave me the support I needed to withstand the many hurdles I would come up against, and to pursue to change my life. They offered me resources and information so I could obtain training and certificates and scaffold using, clean room construction, first aid, cpr, fork-lift training, flagging and hands-on classes in the carpentry trades. However, the biggest challenges faced me and my personal and financial life. How can I concentrate on building a new outside foundation when my inside foundation was barely held together. The goalposts and e-tap program had a plan for that, too. I was offered options in various solutions in dealing with life on life's terms. Classes like financial fitness, conflict resolution, cleaning up my credit and money management, gave me the hope and belief that my situation was not hopeless. It was just a process. As an added bonus, relationship, family, and addictions counseling was available to me and still is. Without the goal-post and the e-tap program I might be waiting for the window to open. When

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hope 6 builds the village square, there will be even more training and classes and resources for people like myself and others in the community. Thank you.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Sylvia Franks:** My name is sylvia franks, and I am the building manager for the goalpost located in columbia villa. And also a former resident of columbia villa for eight years, and I have seen a few of your faces out there in our neighborhood. I just wanted to speak to you on the single woman. Here I go, I always get emotional. She was speaking about the stores on lombard, and if you can ever imagine, there's no bus. You have to take the number four all the way to interstate, and the reason I get so emotional is I remember bus rides in the rain, packing my babies to get wic vouchers filled, or offering a neighbor a gallon of milk off the voucher so that they would give me a ride to the store. You couldn't just walk up to lombard and have anything done. There are no stores located there. There is one community market but they didn't accept food stamps at that time, they didn't accept wic, to my knowledge, right now, they do take Oregon trail, but it's, it's a three quarters of a mile walk, and you can imagine doing this with your babies in a stroller. If you have a stroller. I have seen mothers do it with wagons and whatever they can to get there. And grocery carts before they put the locks on them. I think being able to bring that, I was able to, you know, to progress and get myself out, but I see so many young mothers frustrated and they are not making it. They don't have the support that I was lucky enough to have with the rest of my family.

And they are falling behind and they are getting lost in the cracks because they just throw their hands up and say, I can't do this any more. And I think that being able to bring those services in to support them and not just about a grocery store, you know. It's great that she can come and she can get training from us and we have english classes and we have survival english. It's just not, you know, can you tell me where the bathroom is, or what time is it. We are able to provide services to the community so that they can gain good employment. We have a group right now that comes in the morning, and then in the afternoon through pcc. They are able to do on-site training in the communities for pharmaceutical needs, laboratories, good professions that's going to get them up and off of housing, going to make they will totally self-sufficient, and as you know a lot of us right now, we are not zoned for it. You have been nice enough to give us conditional, you know, use of the land to do this, and it's -- it needs to be a permanent part of that community. It needs to be there so that more families can succeed and get up and off of housing and that's more important than anything. There are people who are going to continually need it for the rest of their life, and there are people who need it for a couple of years until they can get their life sort and had back out.

And I am asking you to give that to our neighborhood. There are lots of people who come in from outside of columbia villa, and utilize the programs that we have there right now.

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Katz:** Anybody else want to testify that, that did not sign up?

**Larry Mills:** Honorable mayor and fellow commissioners, good evening. I have to apologize, my understanding of this issue is somewhat sketchy. I've been kind of reoccupied with the light rail system going through my neighborhood. But, what I do know is that there were several questions that have surfaced from the very beginning when I heard about this, the size of the project, 150 million, and maybe wonder how much outreach was attempted, peninsula-wide, to inform citizens of the impact of this very ambitious plan. This project will have far-reaching impacts for decades throughout the peninsula. Other questions are how might certain zoning changes impact surrounding neighborhoods, of particular interest is a 3.5-acre commercial zone that everyone has talked about this evening. Where is that zoning located what kind of, of planning for commercial uses has been researched most importantly, how will the zoning change impacts surrounding

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commercial districts, if a smaller commercial district had been previously proposed, where is that issue in the process? All of you know my dedication to the revitalization of the business district. Been up here several times. That, the result -- that result in the downtown plan adopted by city council focuses our efforts. This revitalization process is low at best. It would be prudent to really understand the impact of additional commercial zoning on this somewhat fragile surrounding business nodes. Simply put, there are some questions and concerns that need to be resolved with a broader audience. Thanks.

**Katz:** Thank you. Anybody else? All right. Staff and the housing authority, whoever wants to speak for the, for hap.

**Katz:** Let's talk a little bit about the zone change. It is not a floating zone change any more, correct? It's landed.

\*\*\*\*\*: Yes.

**Katz:** All right.

\*\*\*\*\*: Well --

**Katz:** You heard the testimony. All of you heard the testimony and the concerns about the, the concern about conflicting use with existing businesses or the size of the, the commercial opportunities. Talk a little bit about that.

**Gisler:** Well, one thing I wanted to point out at the beginning is that hap needs a zone change to do what they want to do -- in order to do that, they have two choices. They can do it legislatively, like we are doing it now, or they can do it quasi-judicially. If they do it quasi-judicially, we have much less opportunities for citizen involvement. We only have -- they would only have to, have to notify within 400 feet of the zone change, property owners, and then they would also have to, have to notify within 1,000 feet, recognized businesses. So, when you look at all of the, the outreach that we have done as part of the portsmouth neighborhood plan, and you compare it to what we would require for a quasi-judicial, it, it -- it is, it's just -- we have done a lot with the legislative process.

**Katz:** There was -- I hope everybody understands the difference between the quasi-judicial and the legislative process. The -- there was a question with regard to the outreach during this -- the legislative process.

**Gisler:** Well, I think that, you know, we heard that the staff presentation about all the outreach that they did, the community outreach, so I mean, it went far beyond what we usually do in the neighborhood plan.

**Katz:** And what did -- how far beyond --

**Gisler:** Well, far beyond in the sense that we had the portsmouth press so that, that the articles went to every household in the portsmouth neighborhood and I think beyond in the north Portland area. And there was also the latino outreach that they did and the work in the schools. There's just -- but, well --

**Katz:** Go ahead, but?

**Gisler:** I am just saying but, this, this process that would bring all of north Portland together, I don't know what that process is. It's not something that is, is -- that's in the books.

**Katz:** Okay. Fair enough. All right. Let's talk a little bit about the use of the zone in terms of the planning and the further planning of the project. Somebody from hap address that.

\*\*\*\*\*: The use of the zone is --

**Katz:** Identify because several of you.

**McNamarah:** Ed mcnamarah, the housing authority of Portland. I want to add a couple of things about the questions about the outreach. Hap's planning process, as howard shapiro mentioned

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earlier is extensive, over a ten-month period, included numbers of meetings, public notices. We also mailed out three issues of a newsletter to 3000 households in the area. All those talked about the village square, there was a lot of that. Since the planning commission hearings inner february and some, some concerns, some of the same concerns came up, we went back and talked to the neighborhood, so we were to tcap three different times to talk about this, including in early may, as commissioner Francesconi mentioned, when we sent out a mailing to 300 households to say, you know, here are the issues about the zone change, and the neighborhood voted resoundingly to keep that the plan so we really paid a lot of attention to those concerns that came up. The uses of the zone -- so, we paid a lot of attention to those concerns that came up. The bank, the grocery store, the laundromat will serve columbia villa residents and the neighborhood, and the services that are really -- you know, economic, self-sufficiency oriented services, education, family support, workforce training, services that are scattered around the site now that will be having more impact by being co-located, so if you are a single parent wanting to take the apprenticeship training program you can put your kid in the child care while you do that. It's located adjacent to the community center at the university park, which has a lot of community services so, people will be able to come to one location in that neighborhood and access all those. The services, the retail that we have is about 10 to 13,000 square feet identified, a fairly small amount. The service portion is about 29 or 30,000 feet of that. Our manager's offices will be located in that facility, so there will be that kind of vitality and vibrancy in that one location there. That takes up about 55,000 feet, and that's about half of the coverage. There will be space for parking and landscaping setbacks. And by being four blocks of low rise it will match the existing architecture. It will create a, a commercial note that's a very typical form on Portland's east side, about every ten blocks you find a commercial neighborhood artery. You might not have commercial along the whole street but 15th and fremont and 88rd -- all along those, there's corners that have commercial in every corner. And there was -- it seems unlikely that a 4,000-foot grocery store, 15 blocks north of lombard would affect businesses in kenton and st. Johns. If that was the case of course we wouldn't find a retail tenant to go there but we have the letter of interest from a grocery store, letters of interest from the bank, we have letters of interest from most of the service providers who want to locate there so, we believe that it's viable, and we don't believe that it will impact other neighborhoods. And then not only do we have the existing neighborhood, the population there, but again, we will be bringing new moderate, middle income families to buy homes that will be gnome supporting these businesses but the business throughout north Portland so we think it will be a net gain for the neighborhood.

**Rudman:** One other important thing is that this is not the proposed village square is not in the middle of the current columbia villa redevelopment. It's on the southeast corner. It's actually central to the neighborhood as a whole. So in addition to having the roads connect so the isolation isn't there, by having the community center next to the community park to have both services and the modest amount of retail, it really does try to convey in a very visible way the idea of integrating the columbia villa with the rest of the neighborhood as a village square.

**Katz:** Let me ask one more question, and then I will leave it to the, to commissioner Saltzman and Francesconi to pursue any other questions. The issue of the trees. I assume when you say preserve, you mean either keep or move or relocate?

**Gisler:** Well, I think what mr. Russ wanted to add was the word relocate so that it wasn't just if you can't preserve them you have to get rid of them. And I don't think that the neighborhood would have any --



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**Katz:** Problem with that. All right. Commissioner Francesconi and Saltzman, any questions? You have a problem in terms of, of amending it for -- to add the word "and relocate?"

**Saltzman:** That's fine. There's another amendment similar to that.

**Katz:** Commissioner Francesconi?

**Francesconi:** There are some trees that are hard to relocate, they just don't make it. The urban forester would say, that, he's not here, but he would say that.

**\*\*\*\*\*:** It's an action item that would be part of the resolution, and it talks about working with hap to relocate.

**Katz:** Let's amend that action item. All right. Did you have another one?

**Saltzman:** No.

**Katz:** Further questions?

**Francesconi:** No. I do want to make, for -- I will not make any statement, mayor but I just think that you have done a terrific project and I am so impressed with the neighborhood how they moved this forward. I think this is a terrific thing not only for north Portland but for the whole city. And maybe I am consistently being shameless here but I am, you know, university park, we had 4.5 million set aside for the renovation of university park, and so we need your help to add this to your project to make sure this thing happens.

**Katz:** Good. I have one more, the next phase for hope 6, there was some concern about incorporating the community and further work on that.

**Rudman:** I was mentioning the community planning process, we are very serious, mayor, to, to continue both our grant proposal planning process and the neighborhood plan, planning process by having a community advisory committee to help us guide and actually refine the proposal so that now with -- and basically go ahead with the development. So the next 1 to 18 months is when all the real decisions are going to be made about the total number of units, you know, what exactly is going to be in the village square, et cetera, and we would like to do that in a very inclusive community process.

**Katz:** Okay. Thank you. I made an error earlier this evening. I said passes onto second next week. We won't have four people here next week. So, as soon as we have four people, we will vote on the ordinances.

**Kathryn Beaumont, City Attorney's Office:** It's not an emergency. It's not an emergency ordinance.

**Moore:** You can pass it to second reading next week.

**Katz:** All right. Okay. Fine. We stand adjourned.

At 7:54 p.m., Council recessed.

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[ roll call ]

**Francesconi:** Here. **Saltzman:** Here. **Sten:** Here by phone.

**Katz:** Present.

**Francesconi:** You sound better there than you do when you're here.

**Saltzman:** --

**Sten:** Maybe i'll keep going this way.

**Katz:** We have a long agenda today, but I hope it will go pretty quickly.

**Francesconi:** Aren't we going to get a report from commissioner Sten first?

**Katz:** When he comes back he's -- do you have anything to tell us now?

**Sten:** It's going very well. It's a terrific program. I'm at the kennedy school of government, and learning a lot. We'll try and share as much as I can when I get back.

**Katz:** We're saying that -- i'm telling everybody that you're on an educational mission.

**Sten:** That's exactly what i'm doing.

**Katz:** And you will come back and educate all of us.

**Sten:** Just telling the mayor that the only -- they work you very hard, that's the only fault of the program.

**Katz:** Okay. We have an item -- actually we have a time certain at 2:45, but an item on regular agenda, 701 that i'd like to move up. Is there anybody to address 701? We need you around, commissioner Sten, for 701.

**Sten:** Okay.

**Katz:** This is the parking area management agreement. I'll hold off on it a little bit, maybe somebody will show up. We need to extend the agreement. Let's get on the agenda, then. Item 690.

**Item 690.**

**Mark Murray, Bureau of Financial Planning:** A quick introduction. Mark murray from the financial planning bureau. These are three actions tied with the spring bump in major supplemental. The first one was the create new fund.

**Jordan Epstein, Bureau of Financial Planning:** Jordan epstein, financial planning. The new fund is the parks endowment fund. There was an fl beach curbside rose award trust fund which was established in 1975. The fund was used to make awards for roses. And because of new governmental accounting standards boards regulations, gasb 34, this particular type of fund has to be established as its own fund. It used to be part of the Portland parks memorial trust. It has about \$29,000 in it to give awards for roses. It's a very small fund.

**Katz:** Questions by the council? Anybody want to testify on this item? If not, roll call.

**Francesconi:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye. **Sten:** Aye.

**Katz:** Mayor votes aye. [ gavel pounded ] 691.

**Item 691.**

**Larry Nelson, Bureau of Financial Planning:** For the record, my name is larry nelson with the bureau of financial planning. The spring budget monitoring report is primarily used for city bureaus to object revenues and expenditures to your end and request appropriate adjustments. During this time, the bureau may also request a carryover appropriation for projects continuing into the next fiscal year and request distribution of any -- set-aside. The compensation society-aside is distributed to bureaus -- however, in many cases saving personal services due to delayed hirings, vacancies or under filled positions preclude the need for adjustments. In this spring bump, the bureau of financial planning has recommended 2.8 million in compensation to various bureaus. With the majority of the appropriation 2.6 million going to the police bureau. Next major request is for general fund carryover. This request is totally -- totally -- carryover requests are included in the

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proposed technical adjustments to budgets as increases to general fund continues. If the projected year end balance is realized, carry-over requests will be carried over. Carryover requests include the bureau of planning, auditors and attorneys offices. Lastly there's a handful of new requests contained in the spring bump. Resources are being reduced by a total of \$9.6 million this. Is due to the reduction of 10 million in principal payment. This appropriation being are you -- because the general fund did not need to order notes for cash flow purposes and fiscal -- in fiscal year 2001-2002.

**Katz:** Questions of larry? Anybody want to testify? Roll call.

**Francesconi:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye. **Sten:** Aye.

**Katz:** Mayor votes aye. [ gavel pounded ] 692.

**Item 692.**

**Katz:** I need a motion for amendment to exhibit 6.

**Saltzman:** So moved.

**Francesconi:** Second.

**Katz:** Any objections? Hearing none, so ordered. [ gavel pounded ] go ahead.

**Epstein:** This budget, the appropriations just mentioned, a little over 8 million is about among ten different funds. The largest increases are in the emergency communications fund, where they're appropriating a little over 2.3 million in the beginning balance, as the c.a.d. System reserved is being did I solved and the balance will be transferred to the public safety fund. The parks construction fund also is -- large increase 1.6 million, line of credit proceeds which we'll use to make land acquisitions through the parks sdz program. It's also increasing the budget using metro funding which will be used to complete the omsi spring water trail project. The property management license fund is in the supplemental. It's recognizing and budgeting 650,000 greater revenues from the business improvement districts because of fee increases and that money will be passed through to the districts. The general funds in here and the transportation fund because they're providing services to some of the other funds so they have to be included to keep it all on all bans -- balance. The river district, urban renewal fund has higher tax receipts of property tax receipts of about a million which will budget and use for additional debt payments. And the last, parks endowment fund, the pir fund is increasing by 400,000. It's got higher track revenues, it's getting a loan from the Portland parks memorial trust fund of 150,000, it's going to use the loan to buy some replacement track equipment, timing devices for drag racing and some lights, the p.i.r. Fund could not forward it at this time, it will pay the loan back next year. The Portland parks memorial trust fund is moving almost about 900,000 out of contingency, it's going to use some of the money to make 241,000 to make an advance to cm2, the organization that's operating the children's museum, it's going to use 100,000 for improvements at whitaker school track, and 80,000 is being paid to Portland public schools to fulfill a commitment for improvements at forest heights park. And the rest of the appropriation will be used for funding of several small and mid-sized projects, including the memory garden and completion of the waterfront park master plan.

**Katz:** By the way, that memory garden is wonderful. Go see it. All right. Anybody want to testify? Roll call.

**Francesconi:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye. **Sten:** Aye.

**Katz:** Mayor votes aye. [ gavel pounded ] 693.

**Item 693.**

**Katz:** I need a motion to accept amendment to exhibit 1.

**Saltzman:** So moved.

**Francesconi:** Second.

**Katz:** Hearing no objections, go ahead.

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**Murray:** Mark murray, financial planning. Under local budget law the city's not allowed to overspend any major category. These major object categories are personal services, external materials and services, internal materials and services, and capital outlay. During the month of june, we monitor expenditures very closely in concert with the operating bureaus to identify possible instances of overexpenditure. This ordinance is the last official action to move fund between the major object category under council's direction. The major action for 2002-2003 is addressing the overexpenditure of the police bureau and their general fund discretionary, driven largely by their overtime commitments. This ordinance moves approximately 1.7 million for materials and services to personal services to cover those costs. This is in addition to the adjustments made in the spring bump that also helped address that issue. All other adjustments are what I would consider noncontroversial but still necessary. They include adjustments to cover the retro pay as a result of the lay per agreement recently passed by council, and a true up of interagency agreements as well.

**Katz:** All right. Anybody want to testify? If not, roll call.

**Francesconi:** I just -- i'm going to vote aye, but I want to make a brief comment. There is a significant issue regarding the police and the overtime issue, but the mayor and ofa and the police bureau have all crafted a budget note to address this issue. So we don't get back in this situation again. This is something we need to watch closely, but I appreciate that budget note that's upcoming. Aye.

**Saltzman:** Aye. **Sten:** Aye.

**Katz:** Let me just -- commissioner is right. We're watching that very closely for this coming fiscal year, but I will be reporting to you on a regular basis. Expenditures of overtime totally unanticipated. We have a visit by the vice-president, we will have a visit by the president, we will have a visit by the ex-president, and I understand we're a state that looks like it could be a winner on the republican side for the next presidential election, consequently we'll probably have more visits. And we have the responsibility to keep these -- our elected officials safe and we have the responsibility to provide that kind of security coverage. Having said all of that, that's money that isn't collected by us from any party reserves. They've never given us money for that, and consequently we have to absorb it. As the years go by, those numbers add up. I needed to share that with you. But we will be watching as we begin now to fill vacancies in the police bureau, carefully watching the expenditures. Aye. [ gavel pounded ] all right. We have ron bergman here, so let's read 701.

**Item 701.**

**Ron Bergman:** Mayor and council, this is an extension to the current agreement that we have with the association of Portland progress for a six-month period for the management of the garages. We were ready to do an rfp for the replacement of this contract when some additional ideas were suggested for ways of operating that may have some benefit for the city that we wanted to investigate, so while that is going on, we needed to extend the current contract for a six-month period.

**Katz:** Okay. Questions? Anybody want --

**Saltzman:** Six-month period from july 1st?

**Bergman:** From july 1st.

**Katz:** That will give us a little bit of time to see if any ideas --

**Bergman:** See if this pans out to a good operation, and go back out to bid for the final contract.

**Katz:** Okay. Anybody want to testify? Roll call.

**Francesconi:** Thank you for your thankless work on this. Aye.

**Saltzman:** Aye. **Sten:** Aye.

**Katz:** Mayor votes aye. It is thankless. [ gavel pounded ] all right. 694.

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**Item 694.**

**Katz:** This hearing is being held by the city council of Portland, Oregon, in compliance with the provisions of the state revenue sharing regulations that I should never have voted for when I was in the legislature. It is to allow citizens to come in on the probable use of these funds in conjunction with the annual budget process and for the last 9 1/2 years, there wasn't one citizen that commented on it. As proposed for council adoption, the fiscal year 2002-03 budget anticipates receipts totalling \$3.6 million from state revenue sharing, as been the case in prior years it's proposed this revenue be allocated in equal parts to support fire prevention and police patrol services. Is there anyone in the audience wanting to testify on this item? There is nobody present. Roll call.

**Francesconi:** Aye.

**Saltzman:** We're going to have to surprise you next year. Aye.

**Sten:** Aye.

**Katz:** Mayor votes aye. [ gavel pounded ] all right. 695.

**Item 695.**

**Murray:** Mark murray, financial planning. This action is required under ors 221770, and it requires municipality certify certain services are provided in order to be eligible to receive state shared revenues. The services are police protection, fire protection, street construction, maintenance and lighting. Sanitary sewers, storm sewers, planning and zoning, and water.

**Katz:** Anybody want to testify? If not, roll call.

**Francesconi:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye. **Sten:** Aye.

**Katz:** Mayor votes aye. [ gavel pounded ] 696.

**Item 696.**

**Murray:** This action is required under the same ors and it directs that municipalities must document an ordinance stating the municipality's intent to receive shared revenues for the upcoming fiscal year. And next year i'll introduce and -- try and shrink these into one action.

**Katz:** I've asked mark to try to put all of these three in one resolution ordinance. Roll call.

**Francesconi:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye. **Sten:** Aye.

**Katz:** Mayor votes aye. [ gavel pounded ] 697.

**Item 697.**

**Murray:** This action will close three bond redemption funds for the parking garages, morrison park east and west, and the old town parking. The financial activity tied to these funds will be consolidated under the parking fund. From july 1 forward. The ordinance will also establish a new debt redemption fund for the gateway urban renewal area.

**Katz:** Anybody want to testify? Roll call.

**Francesconi:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye. **Sten:** Aye.

**Katz:** Mayor votes aye. [ gavel pounded ] 698.

**Item 698.**

**Murray:** This action includes the levy amounts for property taxes occurring to the general fund with a rate of 4.577 dollars per thousand of assessed valuation. 74.6 million for the fpd & r 11 and I 6.9 million for bonded indebtedness. It includes amounts for the urban renewal areas.

**Katz:** All right. Anybody want to testify? If not, roll call.

**Francesconi:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye. **Sten:** Aye.

**Katz:** Mayor votes aye. [ gavel pounded ] all right. This is it. 699.

**Item 699.**

**Katz:** Let me just flag that the budget notes are incorporated in this measure as an attachment. Correct?

**Murray:** That's correct.

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**Katz:** So we'll take, if there are any amendments to that. But since commissioner Sten is on the phone, i'm going to try to make this very brief. I want to share again my appreciation for everybody here. We haven't heard a lot on this budget because we work collaboratively together with the commissioners and the bureaus to work out some of the major problem areas. It's been a tough budget. There's been almost a \$19 million gap. This is on top of reductions in the past years, and it's been impacted by the economy and environmental mandate that we had to cover, and certainly the aftermath of september 11th. We jointly with the citizens of this community, made major decisions about minimizing the impacts of reductions on police, fire, and boec services, especially after the aftermath of september 11th. This budget also moves us ahead with critical environmental issues like the clean-up of the harbor or the restoration of the river, its banks and protecting the endangered species, and its budget as well as other activity will improve the city's ability to retain businesses and attract new businesses, and it will continue our commitment to housing and job programs. As I said earlier when we reviewed this budget, it was one that had several issues to deal with. First, the financial revenues been reduced dramatically. Second of all, the customer information system problems that have had impact on the water and the bureau of environmental services, and then the major shortfalls in transportation due to the repeated failure to increase the gas tax and finally, Portland development commission's need to react to the shilo inn court decisions. All of that together has had a major impact on this budget. I want to thank the council because they were still prudent to keep the reserves intact and restore some financial stability and service stability by rethinking how they do business in their bureaus. We maintained the reductions to the police and fire bureau at less than 3% reductions, 2.85% cuts. Other bureaus took 7%. The office of financial management had given up a \$10 million cut -- given up a \$10 million cut the last year, and again, it's making another major reduction of \$5 million, so they have made some major restructuring of their organization as well as finding the savings to help us with their other budget problems. The parks budget was reduced by \$2.2 million. We hear from commissioner Francesconi constantly reminding us, rightfully so, about the closures of summer programs and two pools and layoff of personnel. My hope is voters will go back to the polls in november and give us the ability to reopen those pools and provide additional services. We have maintained our commitment on -- in housing with slightly over \$69 million budget for housing, most from federal funds and from tax increment financing. In conclusion -- let me add something else. In reviewing the transportation budget, I found it unacceptable to discontinue cleaning of the transit mall and found it unacceptable to eliminate leaf removal and so we'll continue to fund the transit mall and leaf removal for the next year, and we're going to continue looking at new ways of funding those services and doing it so that leaf removal will be a service that will be provided citywide. I can't tell you yet how and what and where. Let me come back before I conclude, let me come back to two other areas I promised to review for you. You indicated at one of the hearings that you wanted to continue the women's strength programs, and we worked through this with the police bureau, and have identified with the people who have worked with this program that we in fact can have a three-quarter time, 30-hour workweek program. We will -- that totals a budget of about \$62,000 for next year. The fees, 25% of that will be fees, will generate about \$11,500. The Portland police bureau will put in about \$28,000, and the remainder, about 34,000, with the general fund. So I think we did the best we could to keep this program operational, and with the three funding splits, we ought to have an ongoing program, slightly different from before, but it was either that or eliminate it completely. In the area of the arts, commissioner Saltzman had a recommendation that we accepted to give rac the ability to make some of these decisions rather than us having to make all of these decisions ourselves. And what we found out in the last day or two, and mark, police correct me if i'm wrong, the opera had paid back a loan from rac -- to rac of about \$115,000. So with all the money that we have placed on the table, we have enough now to cover the commitments to the

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opera, to the ballet, of \$187,000, which is minus the 7% reductions that everybody has taken, plus, and I don't know if that's the same amount for center stage. But all of the organizations that you all concerned about will be covered, and that decision on how, when and where will be made by rac, not by the council. We are getting out of that business, period, end of story. We will continue hopefully to fund the remaining commitments that we have, but those decisions on how, when and where will be made by mr. Hudson. Okay? So. In conclusion, we closed over a 25 million total citywide dollar gap, financial gap. That will result in service impacts. You will be having citizen that's will be calling or e-mailing you, why haven't you done this, and how come this is happening, and in all honesty, it's because of the reductions we will have lost 99 full-time employee positions. Some of them are vacant. Many of them are full. And we will do the best we can despite all of these challenges to maintain a financial stability, our triple -- our trip bond rating and services to the citizens of this city and to the economy turns and we begin to see a positive impact on our revenues. That's it. Did you want to add anything, mark?

**Murray:** If I may, with your indulgence, i'd like to walk through some of the notable technical adjustments to make sure council is aware and understands those. In the general fund in particular, we did move \$258,000 in funding to ensure that the schools sports fields could get mowed for one more year. Parks operation and maintenance was increased by \$272,000, that's tied to acquisition of parks properties. This is in accordance with previous council agreement by which o & m is increased when a new property is acquired or developed. So those funds are from a set-aside previously established by council. No cost, but a realignment of management services emergency operations and prevention within the fire bureau as a result of an organizational review. Reclassification of three fire inspectors to fire -- to firefighter positions in response to the reductions to fire bureau -- the fire bureau was taking this fiscal year. And an add back of a bureau administrative manager position in i.t. That was intended to be included in the proposed and approved budgets, and the off-set for that position will be a reduction in external m & s, which was the original intent of i.t.

**Katz:** Are these the amendments I have on 699? So we have to move those amendments as well.

**Murray:** Actually we do, yes. Please.

**Katz:** Okay.

**Murray:** Other notable general fund technical adjustments includes the equalization of the budgets for the commissioner office and at -- a one-time shift of some of the funds from commissioner Hales's office to planning. An increase in the allocation to the contract with our outside auditors, an increase of \$102,000. That was taken from contingency. The establishment of a professional development fund for copea. A direct result of the labor agreement a couple weeks ago. That's \$125,000 per year for two years. And larry mentioned earlier the carryover requests, those have been incorporated as well, and again, those will be put in contingency temporarily and in the fall we'll come back to you and report on the health of contingency and the city finances in general, the recommendation to fully fund those or not. A few notable adjustments in some of the other funds. Housing investment fund has increased by 1.6 million, mechanizing carry over of unspent funds, and the movement of 1, from contingency up to external materials and services to support housing and homeless-related programs. Environmental services, increase there's beginning their balance by were \$12 million due to the auditor's adjustments regarding the cis billings and how to handle receivables. The sewer construction fund reduces balance by 9.2 million, reflecting higher than anticipated expenditures in this fiscal year, primarily for the west side cso projects. In the cable office, also increases there beginning their balance by \$400,000. One other important provision included in the ordinance. Paragraph g under the now therefore section, rescinds resolution 33526, directing annual increase to the capital set-aside. Responding to council direction, financial

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planning will return to council with an updated resolution by the end of July or early August. But we wanted to make sure we had full council --

**Katz:** Thank you.

**Murray:** The budget note also includes -- excuse me, the budget ordinance also includes the budget notes, and I have learned there was a miscommunication concerning the office of neighborhood involvement budget note addressing neighborhood mediation. I have suggested language changes to share with you, but will need a motion and a vote by council to correct this budget note.

**Katz:** We'll get to that in a minute.

**Murray:** Okay. The budget note in your packet is general in nature, the note was intended to be more prescriptive with clear direction and time lines. The language I suggest with council -- for council does cover that.

**Katz:** Okay. Before we get to the budget notes, let me take a motion, get a motion on the amendments to item 699.

**Saltzman:** I would move adoption of the amendments.

**Francesconi:** Second.

**Katz:** Any objections? Hearing none, so ordered. [ gavel pounded ] all right. The budget notes. Before I get to the mediation one, and I know commissioner Saltzman has one, commissioner Francesconi had some budget notes related to opdr. What you will be getting I think it's next week we're going to be filing it today, is a resolution for your adoption. That incorporates many of the ideas that were in those budget notes as part of the work plan that we're going to take on in the mayor's office, or at least begin taking on in the mayor's office, as well as some other items. So you'll see that next week.

**Francesconi:** And it's much more appropriate proceeding that way, so I'd like to -- if you need it, withdraw the budget notes that I offered.

**Katz:** We'll withdraw them. They're actually not in the ordinance, but I wanted to make sure that you were comfortable with that. All right. Let's take the neighborhood mediation. It reads now, neighborhood mediation will be budgeted in for 2002-03, delivery of services will be subjected to a request for proposal purchasing process, a report on the alternative delivery modeling, including implementation date will be presented to council by September 1, 2002.

**Francesconi:** And I talked in the past with commissioner Saltzman, and I think we both think this is the right approach. Is that --

**Saltzman:** Yes. Correct.

**Katz:** Commissioner Sten, are you okay with that?

**Sten:** Yes, that's fine.

**Katz:** So am I, so it will be documented unanimously. Commissioner Saltzman, you have another one.

**Saltzman:** Yes. This budget note I just passed out to you, it relates to the government relations office. We had a situation during the budget discussions where it came to my attention that the water bureau, environmental services, and transportation have a special lobbying contract run through government relations in Washington, D.C., and what was proposed during the budget was essentially to terminate that special contract, yet keep the money we gave them and use that as the 7% cut. To me that's clearly wrong. This note clarifies that the money we supply them is for specific services and if the agreement with this lobbying firm goes away, the money automatically reverts back to the funding bureaus. I think this is important for a couple reasons. I think legally it would be not appropriate with the charter, we're -- ratepayer dollars for sewer and water to be providing general funds for government relations. That's one reason. But again, this contract, this



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agreement was set up to specifically fund enhanced lobbying services in dc, so it should be tied to the tinning -- continuation of those services.

**Katz:** It clarifies that is the intent. All right.

**Saltzman:** I move adoption, I guess.

**Katz:** Okay. Commissioner Sten, are you okay?

**Sten:** Yes.

**Katz:** Commissioner Francesconi?

**Francesconi:** Yes.

**Katz:** Then we will adopt that budget note. Now, public hearing?

**Moore:** We have herbert crane.

**Katz:** Mr. Crane, you did understand what --

**Herbert Crane, 7905 SW Webber, #209, Portland OR 97202:** Yes, I did. The only reason I came forth is to thank you, each of you on behalf of Portland opera. We had no idea until your enunciation where we stood, and -- on behalf of the board and robert bailey, we thank you.

**Katz:** The information never did disseminate the way it was supposed to.

**Crane:** It never does.

**Katz:** I know. When we found out that you didn't know, everybody got to work and made sure that this -- between commissioner Saltzman, our office, and others, to make sure that this worked.

**Crane:** We're in close contact with commissioner Saltzman's office commissioner Francesconi's office, and even commissioner Sten.

**Katz:** Good. I'm very happy.

**Crane:** We thank you.

**Katz:** You're welcome. All right. Anybody else want to testify? Roll call.

**Francesconi:** I'm going to vote aye. It's going to be brief, but I want to say a couple things. Mayor, you were successful, it was a difficult challenge in reducing expenditures while protecting the basic services of the city and the core mission of the city, and also the investments we've made on the public behalf. Having said that, it cuts it very, very close on some of the basic services, and some of those important investments we've previously made. On the public safety side, we did, and I want to thank all the council, and I know the fire bureau is in very good hands now with commissioner Sten, but I want to pay a special thanks to the fire -- to the council on behalf of the men and women of Portland fire bureau who have historically been cut even in good times. So I actually think that some of that cut was one hitch time, so the recognition on the council's part that maybe we've reached the bottom in terms of the fire bureau has been very much appreciated. Some of that's being lost now in the controversy surrounding the contract negotiations, but the truth is, the fire bureau was the best taken care of of all the bureaus during this cuts. And I want to thank the council for that. Regarding parks, I also want to thank the council for holding to the 2.2, and with the idea that that's the way it's going to be. We have our work still cut out to make sure the will of the majority of the voters is carried out in this november election. So it's been painful for the parks employee that's we've had to let go. I think it's almost 40 of those that total are parks positions and about 20 to 25 are actual layoffs being implemented. So the service cuts are going to happen, in addition, once the mayor mentioned, we're also going to stop maintaining the parks at the level we maintain them. And the public is going to know it in terms of grass that's going to turn brown as we're not fertilizing grass that's not being cut, we're not going to be the good neighbors to some of our property owners, and that's going to start happening. On the transportation side, and I want to thank commissioner Hales for all the work he's done in transportation, we're going to be okay for a year. The bottom is going to fall out next year if we're not able to come up with a new revenue source for transportation. We're going to survive for this sneaks year -- next year. The mayor should be thank and she should be thanked from many in the downtown business area in her efforts

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for keeping the transit area clean. On the economic side, we did not take the cuts which were appropriate we not cut so we try to stimulate the economy. I'm particularly pleased with the assignment by the mayor on the small business side. We're going to be coming back to the council with some specific recommendations regarding small business. Most of those recommendations won't come until after the mayor's economic development strategy is complete. Then our charge will be how to do -- do we specifically connect small business to the larger economic development strategies. I want to thank Gary Blackmer and the council for the small business survey that we're now going to be doing of the business community to see how we're doing. The neighborhood surveys that with citizens is a benchmark that we regularly check ourselves. We're now going to be doing that with the business community in good times and bad economic times, and I think in the long run that will be a very good tool. I won't go through the budget notes. I appreciate the mayor's leadership on the OPDR questions. She has incorporated in a resolution -- in a draft resolution all and more of some of the issues that I thought needed to be addressed. I guess the last thing, the major -- my major concern here is regarding protecting some of our basic infrastructure. Not just in transportation, but parks. I think we've had some discussions about that CIP is that the capital budget, I'm not comfortable, but I've become convinced that there's no alternatives with a capital budget of \$4.8 million. Given the general fund capital requirements in police, fire, and especially parks. So we do need to build that up as soon as the economy improves and revenue shows up. So I'm going to be -- that's the major thing, issue that frankly I'm concerned about in this budget. Water and sewer have some very significant capital needs as well. They have a revenue source which may become threatened in the future, so our capital and how we take care of this capital is actually of all the issues, the one that's most troubling to me. But this is one that's -- you've dealt -- done a terrific job in shepherding us. I think in -- I guess in conclusion, that's one -- there's one other group to thank, and that is the city employees. The firefighters, the parks employees, the neighborhood representatives, the transportation employees I'll thank them on behalf of Commissioner Hales, or ex-commissioner Hales. You're doing more with less. You take some abuse, you don't get the credit that we get, but it's you who really represent the city, it's you that's going to continue to give us the credibility we need with the public and it's you who are delivering these important services. Aye.

**Saltzman:** I just want to commend the mayor and the office of management finance, and all the bureaus and city employees who have worked hard to produce a balanced budget, and it's produced some tough choices but it's also when you make tough choices it's produces thought-provoking discussion and the ability to look at how you might do things differently, some of which we've elected to do, some we haven't. I think those discussions are some of the most provocative and the things I think our public expects us to do, is look at how to do things differently and for better or worse, those situations usually don't get addressed when things are good and everything keeps escalating upwards in terms of cost and budget. So if there's any silver lining to tough times, it is that you have to look at how to do things differently, and sometimes you do things differently. Overall it's been a good effort. I want to thank the mayor for producing this balanced budget before us. Aye.

**Sten:** It's been a tough year, and I won't be long on the phone, but I want to thank everybody who's been involved, particularly the mayor and the staff and the city employees and the citizens. I think we've achieved two things with this budget. The first, we've made cuts and some cuts that won't be restored and will make things more efficient, and also cuts that I think we can bounce back from. Think we've been able to find ways to get through this budget crisis and look forward for when things do get better. I actually am pleased to say I think sometimes the best process and the best work comes during the hardest times and I think everybody has stepped forward this year and tried to make the best decisions we can. It's not my favorite budget, but I'm proud to vote aye.

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**Katz:** They stop being my favorite budget as well. Thank you, commissioners, and thank you for your work again, and thank you for taking on extra work now that we're only four, actually we're only three today, but we'll get commissioner Sten back in short order. But you've taken on additional responsibilities, and I appreciate -- greatly appreciate it. This budget could not have happened without the help of a lot of the people that are sitting out in the audience, led by mark murray. And so would all the analysts please stand up, except darren? [ laughter ] thank you. Thank you very much. Thank you for working both siding of the aisle, darren, you can stand up yourself. Darren's been working too hard and he's leaving us, unfortunately. And I need to share with all of you what talent I saw in this man, and what he offered to us as he crafted the budget for the police bureau so we could all understand what's actually happening internally. So I want to thank you very much. You were wonderful to work with, i'm going to miss you, and go ahead to clark county, we don't care. We're losing him to clark county. Commissioner Francesconi is right, there are some spots in this budget that are very painful. We did treat the fire bureau exceptionally well. Not only last year, but this year. To the police bureau, I can't tell you whether they'll be able to manage everything they have to do within their budget the way it's been crafted with the amount in it right now. We are -- we thought darren was going to do it, but somebody else will have to do it. We will have to do a thorough analysis probably from the bottom up to see whether this size of an organization that we want and need to support community policing can be funded with the amount of money that's in the budget today. My hope is that the answer is yes. If we find out that the answer is no, we will then not be able to identify some areas that will be under fund and we'll have to figure out what to do. I can't tell you right now. The chief did promise that he will have systems in place on the overtime. I'm watching that very carefully, since we now have what, over 40 vacancies in the bureau today, which means that that overtime will have to be suspended through savings and personnel costs. We have to make sure that we still have enough money as we begin hiring up for new officers, and that's been where the problem has occurred. I'm not looking forward to next year's budget if we have to continually make these reductions, but we can't go and ask the taxpayer for more money at this time. They don't have it either. And we just have to live with within our means. Aye. Thank you, everybody. We have a 2:45 time certain, and it is 2:58.

**Sten:** Thanks, mayor, I think i'm bowing out.

**Katz:** Bye. Thanks a lot.

**Sten:** I'll see you all next week. Bye.

**Item 700.**

**Sarah Stephens, Portland Development Commission:** Sarah stephens with the Portland development commission. This is an appeal of a request for denial of the rehabilitation owner occupied limited tax abatement program. This is actually the second appeal for the appellants on the same property. The first appeal was heard february 18th, 1998, where pdc staff decision was upheld. The city's rehabilitation owner occupied limited tax abatement program allows a ten-year property tax exemption for homeowners who rehabilitate their property. It's different from the new construction limited tax abatement program in that first we're taking their assessed value of their home at the beginning of the rehabilitation, and then we're taking the assessed value after the completion of the rehabilitation, according to Multnomah county. And they received that ten-year tax exemption on that increase of the value. So before they begin it's 100,000, when they've completed the rehabilitation it's 175,000, they received the tax abatement on that 75,000 dollars. For the ten years. The second difference is that according to city code, the property must fail to be in substantial compliance, and substantial compliance has been defined to mean title 29 housing violations. So when an applicant applies, a pdc inspector goes out and writes up a list of the housing violations. Then before they receive final approval, those violations need to be met. The appellants did complete their improvements before their first application, therefore they failed to

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meet all the requirements of the program. And prior to the second application, they were informed that they would be based on the same criteria. They went ahead and applied and they were again denied. So staff believes if by providing the exemption to the appellants that it would provide unfairness to the administration of the program. So we're just recommending that the city council uphold the denial by the Portland development commission staff.

**Katz:** Did -- did they not understand what the issue was?

**Stephens:** No, I believe that they understand. They acknowledged though had completed the rehabilitation before they made their first --

**Katz:** Okay.

**Saltzman:** I guess I -- the basis of denial was that they --

**Stephens:** They had completed the rehabilitation work before an application was submitted.

**Katz:** Okay.

**Stephens:** In the new construction, you're allowed to do that. You have up to two years. But in a rehabilitation, they need -- we need to know what housing violations there were before they started their rehabilitation work.

**Saltzman:** Even if it's documented by some other source than a pdc --

**Stephens:** I think if it was -- if a property has been red-tagged, obviously there's been violation codes established. So we would take that under consideration in that case, yes.

**Saltzman:** Okay.

**Katz:** Okay. Let's hear from the appellants.

**Ion Miu:** This is my father, i'm translating for him. I'm daniel and john. Regarding the -- what sarah mentioned, there are no violations. It was an addition. Brand-new construction. We didn't know about the program because it was not made known to anyone. Last time when we came up with the case, we mentioned that the program was kept secret, and nowadays if you go to the building permit, you find the program available. So at that point nobody knew anything about the program, only they -- if they had connection was pdc. So we don't think -- we know for sure we have no fault. We had no violations, so everything was new construction.

**Katz:** So you are saying that the second one was just -- was new construction?

**Miu:** Right. It was brand-new construction.

**Katz:** Do you want to come up and clarify that? Identify yourself for the record again.

**Stephens:** Sarah stevens at Portland development commission. I think what they're referring to is that the home was built in 1912, and that the rehabilitation -- what we would consider rehabilitation was just a major addition to the home. It almost -- I think it doubled the square footage of the home. But I believe there is a preexisting structure. What we would consider new construction is that they would have to have the new -- a permit from opdr for new construction.

**Katz:** So a remodel or add-on to an existing home is not considered a new construction.

**Stephens:** No.

**Katz:** By the rules and the criteria that you have.

**Stephens:** Right.

**Miu:** You cannot consider it a violation either, because there are no violations.

**Stephens:** Well, but what we would have done if the inspector would have gone out, on the existing part of the home would have needed to be brought up to code as well along with that addition.

**Katz:** Okay. Questions by the council?

**Saltzman:** Well --

**Miu:** That was done before. It was remodeled before too. We didn't add anything to the house. We just remodeled it and it was brought up to code. So there was no way to have violations.

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**Stephens:** Right, but before -- before the remodeling needed to be done, though, pdc needed to note that there -- that there were violations that you had fixed.

**Miu:** So we have no issue with the first remodel, we have issue with the second remodel.

**Katz:** Let's not -- you went through that appeal. If I understand correctly, on the first -- the first was a remodel. Pdc was not notified because you weren't aware of that program. And consequently, did not know what codes were violated to justify an exemption. On the second you made a major remodel to the house. You had an add-on. You call it new construction, they call it a remodel.

**Saltzman:** I just want to clarify -- So the major remodel doesn't apply under our new construction tax abatement.

**Saltzman:** Nor does it apply under the rehab under this situation, because it's new.

**Stephens:** No, if someone -- if someone wanted to add a second floor to a structure, we would have them apply under the rehabilitation program. Because they're going to greatly affect that assessed value of their home. We would not consider it new construction.

**Katz:** And what did they add on on the second go-around?

**Stephens:** I believe it was four bedrooms.

**Miu:** Three bedrooms, two bathrooms and living.

**Katz:** And you would not consider that new construction?

**Stephens:** Under the way that we interpret the city code, no. We don't. We've had several homes go under that have done major additions and we do it under the rehabilitation program. Because they're adding on to an existing structure.

**Katz:** Okay. All right. Thank you.

**Miu:** The issue is the fact that they claim that we were supposed to -- pdc claimed we were supposed to apply within a certain time limit, and with -- if we applied for that within the certain time limit, if the program would have been made public. It was not made public. Nobody knew anything about this program. Except a few -- we learned about this program from some builders in the neighborhood, so after that, okay, so we build -- we finish the building in '96, and then all of a sudden next year jump to about 2,000 extra dollars. So we were kind of -- we have some friends in reed college area, and even they were paying less taxes than we were paying. So at that point we were trying to find out what was wrong, and we called the builders, and that's how we found out about the program. Because it wasn't made public. So that's the issue.

**Katz:** Yes. Respond and then we'll put an end to this.

**Stephens:** From the beginning of the program it's always been a word of mouth program. Bureau of buildings who administered the program before pdc, there's never been any advertising. The only advertising is by the builders and realtors and developers. And they include 90 their promotional materials. But it has just always been a word of mouth program. And anyone who contacts pdc will receive the same information.

**\*\*\*\*\*:** Right now you make it public.

**Katz:** Let's not have a cross-conversation.

**\*\*\*\*\*:** Sorry.

**Katz:** We probably ought to figure out a way of making a program like this known to the public.

**Stephens:** The other consideration is that the Ita program does sustain itself in application fees, so there is a limited budget. So if that's the prerogative of the council, we can definitely take a look at it.

**Katz:** Okay. Well, let's -- have it put on the agenda for discussion when I have my regular meeting with pdc.

**\*\*\*\*\*:** Okay.

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**Saltzman:** Seems to me there has to be more of an affirmative obligation to notify people about programs we have that benefit homeownership remodeling, other than word of mouth. It just doesn't sound appropriate in this day and age for word of mouth to be the only way. Particularly when you're dealing with multilingual communities.

**Katz:** We don't have to raise the fees, but we have neighborhood association and neighborhood papers and we ought to figure out a way. So let's -- i've got it -- put it on the agenda, tell your boss to put it on the agenda. Good. I need a motion.

**Saltzman:** I would move to deny the appeal.

**Francesconi:** Second.

**Katz:** All right. Roll call.

**Francesconi:** Aye.

**Saltzman:** I appreciate your concerns, but it does seem to me that -- and I apologize that this program isn't better publicized. I think you brought it to our attention a valid point about lack of notification and lack of information about this program, and we need to take care of that. But I do apologize for this situation. Aye.

**Katz:** In your particular case, the first appeal was, you didn't know and you brought that to our attention, and so unfortunately you won't benefit, but maybe somebody else will. On the next -- your second appeal didn't meet the criteria. I'll take a look at those criteria as well and poke with it, but for right now we have to based on the criteria we have now we have to deny the appeal. Aye. [ gavel pounded ] all right, everybody, we stand adjourned.

At 3:10 p.m., Council adjourned