ORDINANCE No. 188780

*Authorize a grant agreement with College Possible not to exceed \$50,000 to provide intensive college access and success programming for low-income Portland students (Ordinance)

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

- College Possible is a non-profit corporation whose primary goal is to increase college graduation rates for low-income students by identifying low-income students interested in improving their chance of college completion and working with them to: increase their academic preparation and ACT/SAT scores, increase their understanding of the college admissions and financial aid processes, assist them in applying to college, assist and guide them in entering college, and supporting them as they work toward college degree completion.
- 2. College Possible's intensive college access and success programming for lowincome Portland students program provides a core high school program, in which students participate in two-hour after-school sessions twice weekly. College Possible assigns each student an AmeriCorps member who acts as a coach. High school coaches are located full time at partner high schools Mondays through Thursdays. They are available for one-on-one guidance sessions during the school day and then lead group sessions for 10-15 students at a time after school. During the sessions, coaches lead students through copyrighted curriculum focused on key milestones on the path to college. After graduating from high school, students transition to College Possible's college program which provides mentorship and support to help students reach degree completion. Each student will be assigned a college coach that will use a combination of technology and campus-based support that targets key areas of preventable drop-out causes.
- College Possible submitted a grant application for the FY2017-18 competitive special appropriation grants process and was selected as one of the seventeen to be awarded funding.
- 4. College Possible's mission is consistent with Council's desire for equity and inclusion, educated youth, prosperous households, growing business, job growth and healthier people.
- 5. The FY2017-18 Budget includes funding in the General Fund Special Appropriations for the above grant. The City now desires to make a grant to College Possible in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.

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NOW THEREFORE, The Council directs:

- a. The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement, as outlined in a form substantially in accordance with the agreement attached as Exhibit A, at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00.
- b. The Mayor and Auditor are hereby authorized to draw and deliver payment chargeable to the Fiscal Year 2017-18 Budget.

Section 2. The Council declares that an emergency exists because a delay would unnecessarily delay College Possible's ability to perform the activities authorized by the grant. Therefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Council.

Passed by the Council: JAN 2 4 2018

Mary Hull Caballero

Commissioner Prepared by: Date Prepared:

Ted Wheeler Craig Haynes January 10, 2018 Auditor of the City of Portland By Deputy Deputy

Agenda No. ORDINANCE NO. 188780

Title

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AGENDA	FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
TIME CERTAIN Start time:			YEAS	NAYS
Total amount of time needed: (for presentation, testimony and discussion)	1. Fritz	1. Fritz	L	
	2. Fish	2. Fish	5	
CONSENT	3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	2	
REGULAR	4. Eudaly	4. Eudaly	-	
Total amount of time needed: (for presentation, testimony and discussion)	Wheeler	Wheeler		