

**37343**

**RESOLUTION No.**

Refer renewal of Portland Children's Levy to City voters as a local option levy for five years commencing in FY 2019-20 (Resolution)

WHEREAS, in 2002 City voters approved the creation of the Portland Children's Levy through a five-year tax levy to improve the lives of Portland children; and

WHEREAS, in 2008 City voters approved the renewal of the Portland Children's Levy; and

WHEREAS, in 2013 City voters approved the renewal of the Portland Children's Levy for the second time; and

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy on average has annually supported programs for more than 14,000 Portland children, and hunger relief services to more than 15,000 children who might otherwise grow up without a healthy start and the positive influences that lead to success in school and beyond; and

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy supports 74 different early childhood, after school and mentoring programs, child abuse prevention and intervention, foster care and hunger relief programs throughout Portland; and

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy has kept its commitment to voters by funding only programs that are cost-effective and have a proven record of success; and

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy has kept its commitment to voters by limiting its administrative costs to less than 5%; and

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy has supported early childhood programs that have prepared children to enter kindergarten ready to succeed; and

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy has supported after school and mentoring programs have helped students stay engaged in school and safe after school; and

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy has supported child abuse prevention and intervention programs to ensure the families who are most at risk receive the support and intervention services they need; and

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy has invested in programs that have supported the well-being and development of children and youth in foster care; and

WHEREAS, the Portland Children's Levy has invested in programs that have supported child hunger prevention and relief efforts; and

WHEREAS, the residents of the City of Portland should be allowed to vote to continue the Portland Children's Levy, renewing the local option tax at \$0.4026 per thousand dollars of assessed value, which will raise approximately \$118.4 million for the five-year period of the levy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Council submits an Act, attached hereto as Exhibit A, entitled: "A Measure to renew the Portland Children's Levy by directing a five-year local option ad valorem tax levy within the City of Portland at a rate of \$0.4026 per thousand dollars of assessed value, outside certain constitutional limitations, commencing in fiscal year 2019-20." The Act is hereby submitted to the legal voters of the City of Portland, Oregon, for their adoption or rejection at the general election in the City of Portland, Multnomah County, Clackamas County and Washington County to be held on May 15, 2018. Each voter who votes upon the Act shall vote "yes" or "no" in the space indicated for such vote on the City ballot at said election.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council submits the ballot title for the May 15, 2018 election ballot, as shown in the attached Exhibit B; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council directs the City Auditor to publish the ballot title as shown in Exhibit B in accordance with City Code; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the funds collected from the Portland Children's Levy shall continue to be used to make targeted investments in proven and cost-effective early childhood programs; programs for children in foster care; child abuse prevention and intervention; after school, summer and mentoring programs for children; and to prevent child hunger. The Portland Children's Levy will extend for a period of five years and the estimated amount to be collected and spent for those programs over the five-year period of the levy is \$118.4 million; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sponsoring elected official may submit an explanatory statement to the City Auditor for the publication in the voters' pamphlet; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Auditor is directed to forward to the county Elections Office all material necessary to place this measure on the May 15, 2018 election ballot.

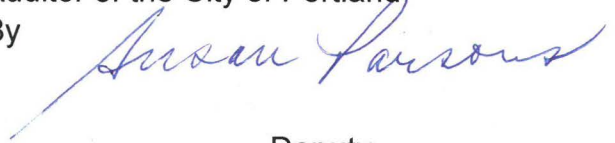
Adopted by the Council, FEB 07 2018

Commissioner Dan Saltzman  
Prepared by: Maja Haium and Brendan Finn  
Date Prepared: January 23, 2018

**Mary Hull Caballero**

Auditor of the City of Portland

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>INTRODUCED BY</b>          Commissioner/Auditor:  <b>Commissioner Dan Saltzman</b></p>	<p>CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>JAN 30 2018</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</b></p> <p>Mayor—Finance &amp; Administration – Wheeler</p> <p>Position 1/Utilities - Fritz</p> <p>Position 2/Works - Fish</p> <p>Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman <i>Dan Saltzman</i></p> <p>Position 4/Safety - Eudaly</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Mary Hull Caballero          Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p>By: <u><i>Suzanne Parsons</i></u>          Deputy</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>BUREAU APPROVAL</b></p> <p>Bureau: <b>Portland Children's Levy</b>          Bureau Head: <b>Lisa Pellegrino</b></p>	<p><b>ACTION TAKEN:</b></p>
<p>Prepared by: Maja Haium and Brendan Finn          Date Prepared: 11/21/2018</p>	
<p>Impact Statement          Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>Portland Policy Document          If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document.          Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p><b>City Auditor Office Approval:</b>          required for Code Ordinances</p>	
<p><b>City Attorney Approval:</b>          required for contract, code, easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan <i>Maja K. K...</i></p>	
<p>Council Meeting Date:          February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018</p>	

**AGENDA**

**TIME CERTAIN**   
**Start time: 9:45 AM**

**Total amount of time needed: 30 minutes**  
 (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

**CONSENT**

**REGULAR**   
**Total amount of time needed:**  
 (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz	✓	
2. Fish	2. Fish	✓	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	✓	
4. Eudaly	4. Eudaly	✓	
Wheeler	Wheeler	✓	