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PORTLAND, OREGON

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A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **31ST DAY OF MAY, 2017** AT 9:30 A.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Wheeler, Presiding; Commissioners Eudaly, Fish and Fritz, 4.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Ben Walters, Chief Deputy City Attorney; and Elia Saolele and Roger Hediger, Sergeants at Arms.

Item No. 584 was pulled for discussion and on a Y-4 roll call, the balance of the Consent Agenda was adopted.

The meeting recessed at 10:13 a.m. and reconvened at 10:28 a.m.
The meeting recessed at 10:30 a.m. and reconvened at 10:35 a.m.

		Disposition:
COMMUNICATIONS		
565	Request of Michael Withey to address Council regarding microhousing opportunities for affordable housing stock (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
566	Request of Craig Rogers to address Council regarding First Amendment (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
567	Request of Donna Cohen to address Council regarding density and East Moreland Neighborhood Association's request for Historic status (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
568	Request of David Murphy to address Council regarding right vs. privilege to travel and protesters (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
569	Request of Mary Ann Schwab to address Council regarding Washington High School Southeast Community Center (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
TIMES CERTAIN		
570	TIME CERTAIN: 9:45 AM – Proclaim May 31, 2017 to be Day of Celebration for Crow's Shadow Institute of the Arts' 25 th Anniversary (Proclamation introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Fish) 20 minutes requested	PLACED ON FILE

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571	<p>TIME CERTAIN: 10:20 AM – Appeal of TMT Development Company, Inc. against the Portland Design Commission’s Design Review decision of Approval with conditions, in the West End sub area of the Downtown Subdistrict of Central City Plan District at 901-919 SW Taylor St (Previous Agenda 480; Introduced by Mayor Wheeler; Findings; LU 16-265061 DZM) 5 minutes requested</p> <p>Motion to suspend the rules and hear item 571 prior to the designated time: Moved by Fish and seconded by Fritz. (Y-4)</p> <p>Motion to grant the appeal with stated conditions and adopt the findings: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Fish. (Y-3. N-1 Fritz)</p>	<p>FINDINGS ADOPTED</p>
*572	<p>TIME CERTAIN: 10:25 AM – Approve the Mt. Hood Cable Regulatory Commission’s FY 2017-18 budget (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler) 20 minutes requested (Y-4)</p>	<p>188421</p>
<p>CONSENT AGENDA – NO DISCUSSION</p>		
573	<p>Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with Rockwood Water People’s Utility District in the amount of \$305,000 to supply water meter reads for billing sewer and stormwater services (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Fish) (Y-4)</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 7, 2017 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>Mayor Ted Wheeler</p>		
574	<p>Appoint Rhodes Perry, Sumaya Elmi, and Adam Murray to the Human Rights Commission for terms to expire May 30, 2020 (Report) (Y-4)</p>	<p>CONFIRMED</p>
575	<p>Reappoint Leif Hansen to the Mt. Hood Cable Regulatory Commission for term to expire June 30, 2020 (Report) (Y-4)</p>	<p>CONFIRMED</p>
<p>Bureau of Planning & Sustainability</p>		
*576	<p>Authorize grant agreement with Earth Advantage in the amount of \$21,000 to implement Portland’s Home Energy Score program (Ordinance) (Y-4)</p>	<p>188402</p>
<p>Bureau of Transportation</p>		
*577	<p>Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement for right of way services with Oregon Department of Transportation to define roles and responsibilities regarding the use of real property for construction of public improvements related to the Downtown I-405 Pedestrian Safety & Operational Improvements Project (Ordinance) (Y-4)</p>	<p>188403</p>

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*578	Authorize a Temporary Site Access Agreement with Portland Public Schools, as part of the NE 82nd Ave: NE Davis St to NE Everett St Project (Ordinance) (Y-4)	188404
Office of Management and Finance		
*579	Pay claim of GSKR, LLC dba La Quinta Inn & Suites in the sum of \$20,000 involving the Bureau of Environmental Services (Ordinance) (Y-4)	188405
*580	Amend Price Agreement with Bretthauer Oil Co. to provide for payment to furnish fuel for City of Portland vehicles for \$6,500,000 and extend the term through June 25, 2018 (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 31000340) (Y-4)	188406
*581	Authorize a contract with Dell Marketing L.P. to purchase Microsoft Office 365 licenses and Microsoft software as a service for a not to exceed amount of \$7,000,000 for a five year period (Ordinance) (Y-4)	188407
*582	Extend term of agreement with Portland Community Media for public, educational and governmental access resources, and provide community media and digital literacy services on a city-wide basis (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 32000840) (Y-4)	188408
*583	Amend loan agreement with Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority for the Levee Ready Columbia effort to extend project completion deadline (Ordinance) (Y-4)	188409
*584	Amend Intergovernmental Agreement for Cost-Sharing of Levee Ready Columbia Expenses Not Covered by IFA Loans to extend program, provide additional funding, broaden allowable expenses, and amend parties to agreement (Ordinance) (Y-4)	188414
*585	Amend Intergovernmental Agreement for Levee Analysis Cost-Sharing to amend loan agreement and parties to the agreement (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 300004151) (Y-4)	188410
*586	Amend Intergovernmental Agreement for Levee Analysis Cost-Sharing Phase II--Multnomah Co. Drainage District No. 1 and Sandy Drainage Improvement Company--to amend loan agreement and parties to the agreement (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30005824) (Y-4)	188411
Office of Neighborhood Involvement		
*587	Authorize \$79,130 total in grant agreements for the Office of Neighborhood Involvement East Portland Action Plan 2017 General Grant agreements (Ordinance) (Y-4)	188412
Portland Housing Bureau		

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*588	Accept one federal grant in the amount of \$245,666 from the Department of Housing and Urban Development Continuum of Care program for the administration of the regional Homeless Management Information System (Ordinance) (Y-4)	188413
REGULAR AGENDA		
589	Proclaim June 4-10, 2017 to be Portland Timbers, Thorns FC, and T2 Stand Together Week (Proclamation introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Fish) 15 minutes requested	PLACED ON FILE
590	Require short-term rental platforms to collect an additional \$2 per room-night for housing and homelessness initiatives, and expand the Tourism Improvement District to include short-term rental platforms (Resolution introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioners Eudaly and Fish) 10 minutes requested (Y-4)	37288
591	Amend fee schedules for tree permits (Second Reading Agenda 547; Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Fritz) (Y-4)	188415
592	Authorize a contract with Carollo Engineers, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$291,852 for design and construction support services for the Conduit 2 Trestle Upgrades Project (Second Reading 549; Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Fish) (Y-4)	188416
593	Authorize a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for construction of the Council Crest Roof Replacement Project at an estimated cost of \$550,000 (Second Reading 550; Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Fish) (Y-4)	188417
*594	Authorize an agreement with Clackamas County in the amount of \$210,425 to acquire a 30-acre conservation and access easement (Second Reading 551; Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Fish) Vote #1. Ordinance passed. (Y-4) Vote #2. Motion to reconsider: Moved by Fish and seconded by Wheeler. (Y-3; Eudaly absent.) Vote #3. Motion to add emergency clause because the public interest would be harmed by any delay in acquiring the authorized conservation easement: Moved by Fish and seconded by Fritz. (Y-4) Vote #4. Ordinance as amended. Passed. (Y-4)	188420 AS AMENDED
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Bureau of Development Services		

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595	Amend fee schedules for Land Use Services and Code Enforcement (Ordinance) 10 minutes requested	PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 7, 2017 AT 9:30 AM
Bureau of Police		
*596	Amend an Intergovernmental Agreement with Multnomah County to restructure the Domestic Violence Victim Advocates for the Domestic Violence Reduction Unit (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30004753) 10 minutes requested (Y-4)	188422
Bureau of Transportation		
*597	Authorize contract with CH2M Hill to provide planning and project development services for the Central City Multimodal project not to exceed \$590,696 (Ordinance) 10 minutes requested Rescheduled to May 31, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. (Y-4)	188424
598	Authorize \$100,000 for the establishment of the Portland in the Streets Community Grant Program to award grants through a competitive process for the period of July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2019 (Second Reading Agenda 557) (Y-4)	188418
Office of Management and Finance		
599	Accept bid of Biohabitats, Inc. for the Sandy River Engineered Log Jams project for \$1,348,176 (Procurement Report - Bid No. 00000550) Motion to accept report: Moved by Fish and seconded by Fritz. Rescheduled to May 31, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. (Y-4)	ACCEPTED PREPARE CONTRACT
600	Accept bid of Titan Utilities, LLC for the SW Vista Ave Water Main Improvements Project for \$630,365 (Procurement Report - Bid No. 00000563) 10 minutes requested Motion to accept report: Moved by Fish and seconded by Fritz. Rescheduled to May 31, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. (Y-4)	ACCEPTED PREPARE CONTRACT
601	Accept bid of Moore Excavation, Inc. for the Woodlawn-King Streets Sewer Rehabilitation project for \$5,726,410 (Procurement Report - Bid No. 00000566) Motion to accept report: Moved by Fish and seconded by Eudaly. Rescheduled to May 31, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. (Y-4)	ACCEPTED PREPARE CONTRACT
602	Accept bid of Raimore Construction, LLC for the Whitaker Ponds Entry Improvements for \$600,432 (Procurement Report - Bid No. 00000572) Motion to accept report: Moved by Eudaly and seconded by Fish. Rescheduled to May 31, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. (Y-4)	ACCEPTED PREPARE CONTRACT

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*603	<p>Authorize a borrowing of not more than \$44,312,000 in anticipation of the Fire and Police Disability and Retirement Fund levy for fiscal year 2017-18 (Ordinance) Rescheduled to May 31, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. (Y-4)</p>	188425
*604	<p>Authorize \$220,922,137 of general obligation bonds for affordable housing projects (Ordinance) 15 minutes requested Rescheduled to May 31, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. (Y-4)</p>	188426
605	<p>Approve FY 2017-18 cost of living adjustments to pay rates for nonrepresented classifications and Elected Officials, specify the effect upon employees in the classifications involved, and provide for payment (Second Reading Agenda 560) (Y-4)</p>	188419
Portland Housing Bureau		
*606	<p>Authorize conveyance of city-owned property located at 1620 NW 14th Ave to Innovative Housing Inc. and funding in an amount not to exceed \$11,434,111 to Innovative Housing Inc. and its affiliate Raleigh Housing Limited Partnership for the construction of a new 93-unit affordable housing development (Ordinance) 15 minutes requested Rescheduled to May 31, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. (Y-4)</p>	188423
607	<p>Approve Rental Rehabilitation Conditional Grant Product Guidelines (Second Reading Agenda 562; amend Code Section 30.01.090)</p>	CONTINUED TO JUNE 7, 2017 AT 9:30 AM
608	<p>Amend relocation assistance regulations in Affordable Housing Preservation and Portland Renter Protections (Second Reading Agenda 564; amend Code Section 30.01.085)</p>	CONTINUED TO JUNE 14, 2017 AT 9:30 AM

At 12:20 p.m., Council recessed.

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A RECESSED MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **31ST DAY OF MAY, 2017** AT 2:00 P.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Wheeler, Presiding; Commissioners Eudaly, Fish and Fritz, 4.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Heidi Brown, Deputy City Attorney; and John Paolazzi and Elia Saolele, Sergeants at Arms.

Morning items 597, 599-604, 606 were carried over to the 2:00 PM session.

At 3:36 p.m., Council recessed.

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A RECESSED MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND,
OREGON WAS HELD THIS **1ST DAY OF JUNE, 2017** AT 3:00 P.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Wheeler, Presiding; Commissioners Eudaly,
Fish and Saltzman, 5.

Commissioner Saltzman arrived at 3:38 p.m.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Ben
Walters, Chief Deputy City Attorney and Lauren King, Senior Deputy City
Attorney; Roger Hediger and Jim Wood, Sergeants at Arms.

	Disposition
<p>S-609 TIME CERTAIN: 3:00 PM - Establish a goal to meet 100 percent of community-wide energy needs with renewable energy by 2050 (Resolution introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioners Eudaly and Saltzman) 2 hours requested</p> <p>1. Motion to accept substitute resolution: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Fish. Amendments to the substitute were taken in motions 2-9.</p> <p>2. Motion to adopt Wheeler amendments regarding Paris Climate Agreement: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Eudaly. (Y-3; Saltzman absent)</p> <p>3. Motion to adopt the Youth Climate Action Council whereas and resolved clauses: Moved by Fish and seconded by Eudaly. (Y-4)</p> <p>4. Motion to revise language from biomass whereas clause to read “biomass feedstocks sourced from state and federal lands”: Moved by Eudaly and seconded by Fish. (Y-3; Saltzman absent)</p> <p>5. Motion to add whereas clause regarding affordability programs and corresponding resolved clause for City to “partner with energy utilities and community-based organizations to adopt policies that reduce the cost-burden for low-income customers, and make incentives available to foster equality in energy burdens as a percent of household incomes”: Moved by Fish and seconded by Eudaly. (Y-3; Saltzman absent)</p> <p>6. Motion to strike “transportation, food waste management, industrial processing, hearing and electricity investments” from resolved clause regarding community-based development: Moved by Eudaly and seconded by Fish. (Y-4)</p> <p>7. Motion to add resolved clause to require all City impact statements accompanying a resolution or ordinance to discuss how they contribute to the 100 percent renewable energy goal: Moved by Saltzman and seconded by Fish. (Y-4)</p> <p>8. Motion to add “hydrogen” to the renewable energy inclusion whereas clause and add “hydrogen produced from fossil fuels” to the renewable energy exclusion whereas clause: Moved by Saltzman and seconded by Wheeler. (Y-3. N-1 Fish.)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SUBSTITUTE 37289 AS AMENDED</p>

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9. Motion to add resolved clause regarding high-quality and family-wage jobs that meet city workforce inclusion: Moved by Fish and seconded by Eudaly. (Y-4)

Council voted on substitute resolution as amended: Y-4.

At 6:20 p.m., Council adjourned.

MARY HULL CABALLERO
Auditor of the City of Portland



By Karla Moore-Love
Clerk of the Council

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Wheeler: This is the Wednesday May 31st meeting of the Portland city council. I would like to -- I'm sorry, call the roll, please.

Fish: Here **Saltzman:** **Eudaly:** Here **Fritz:** Here **Wheeler:** Here

Wheeler: Obviously, our community has been subjected to a horrific crime this last week, I think it would be appropriate if we could start today's city council meeting with a moment of silence to recognize those who were impacted by this horrific situation. Rick, Taliesin and Micah in particular, the two young women who were subjected to hateful and bigoted language, who were terrorized on a max train in our community last Friday. I want to acknowledge the two of the three individuals Rick and Taliesin. They stood up for the right thing and paid with their lives. And Micah who is -- we are so thankful now out of the hospital and he's healing. The two young women who are really struggling and need the support and the love of this community. To their families for giving us such incredible people that we in future generations of people in this great community can look back on and be inspired by their principled stand and the courage and the bravery that they demonstrated. And to our whole community, which is working so hard to come together and struggling to come to grips with this situation. There are definitely better days ahead for all of us. I would like to take, if I could, a moment of silence so we could all reflect on this situation. **[moment of silence]** thank you. And I just want to add, I know that there are a number of employees, the bureau of development services who are watching this. Rick Best, one of the victims of Friday night's event, was a highly-valued member of the Portland community. He was an employee of the bureau of development services, and I know that there are people in that bureau who are struggling, and commissioner Eudaly I want to thank you for spending time with them and helping them during this healing process, so thank you all. First item please. Oh, I'm sorry I have to read this. You know can I not read this today? Do we all know what this says? Thank you. First item please.

Item 565.

Wheeler: Is Michael here today? We'll check him later. Next item please.

Item 566.

Wheeler: Mister Rogers? Good morning. A pleasure to be here.

Wheeler: Thank you sir.

Craig Rogers: I am Craig Rogers. I have a concern with regards to communication, first amendment. Let's go to where the street fee, which had no vote, no recite, no sunset, you could raise it any time, gone forever. Outside of chambers at one time commissioner Steve Novick on TV said the same people saying the same thing over and over again. Well you know if you perceive an injustice and you want to try and say something about it, you put a lot of skin in the game, and that's what we were doing, and eventually we defeated that. And you said something here, you said spending every meeting hearing from the same five middle aged white guys, Wheeler said in an interview on Wednesday. That sounds really similar to what Steve said about the same people, saying the same thing over and over again. And you got to respect and understand that there is going to be people that perceive an injustice and want to communicate to you about something that might be

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different than what you think, but I have heard it said that if you want to succeed, listen. Hearing is a step towards vision, and in last Sunday's "New York times" the research shows that people hear only between 30 to 35% of what is said to them, and from my experience down here, it's less than that. The Portland city council. I believe it's a culture of dismiss and denial down here and hide and seek. I've been involved enough to say that. With experience. I can point right to the examples, but with three minutes I don't have the time. And our former mayor said that Portland could be one of the greatest cities in the world, and I had said, and I will say it again, how about one of the safest. It's more appropriate right now than ever before. One of the safest. Where did the money go? It's like a magic show down here. It disappears. And an example that I saw was Karen lee batts she dies in a parking structure from hypothermia in January. And then a couple of months down the road, two department heads are shown the door but you throw 300,000 at them when Karen batts, there was no safety net set up for her for her 350 rent that she couldn't make, but then there it goes. Those are all public response. There is an injustice there. So, people are having a hard time getting through to communicate with the staff, and it's obviously why because they don't want to get caught.

Wheeler: Thank you. Next item please.

Item 567.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Dona Cohen: Good morning everybody. I am Dona Cohen. Thank you for allowing me to be here, and thank you for opening the meeting the way that you did, mayor.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Cohen: In a country where more and more people are separated by socioeconomic status, I would like to see Portland welcoming to everyone and providing housing to all income groups in all parts of the city. We know for example that lower income kids do better in mixed income schools. That's a really important aspect of this. I grew up in Boston, and I appreciate historic architecture, but it should not override the essential need for housing. I believe that sometimes the use of historic designation is consciously or not a method to eliminate some neighborhoods from sharing in the solutions for affordable housing. Earlier this month npr had a segment called section 8 vouchers help the poor but only if housing is available. I realize section 8 is not the same as affordable housing structures or units but the principle is the same. The voucher in the 1970s was -- I am quoting from an article I gave to you -- to be a ticket out of poverty allowing families to use it wherever they want with a portable voucher families can move to places with jobs, good schools and low crime. Yet in Dallas, Texas, 60% of the people with vouchers are unable to use them and part of the problem is this, "developer terry Anderson says she ran into problems when trying to build an apartment complex with 13 units set aside specifically for voucher holders. The city called a public hearing for our property in 250 angry residents showed up. Nicolle Humphrey who lives a couple of miles away from Anderson's development says that she is opposed to the project. In this neighborhood, most of us are stay at home moms with young kids, the lifestyle that goes with section 8 is usually working single moms of people who are struggling to keep their heads above water. I feel so bad saying that. It's just not people who are the same class as us. When asked if others who did not have the same opportunities as her could live in her neighborhood, she said the problem with that is I hear a lot of oh, we have not been given this or that. We have not been afforded things that you have been afforded, and in almost the same breath this woman denies opportunities to some people and then turns around and says it annoys her when people complaining about not having the same opportunities as her. The highest hypocrisy. It's incumbent upon Portland to develop affordable housing in every part of the city. I don't know what part of the solution -- maybe we need a p.r. program literally ads or something

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that gets this message across to the city that everybody can live everywhere and that every neighborhood should have affordable housing. I am not sure how we go about that, but anyhow, and I hope it's ok they added some personal p.r. to the back of my package but that's what I want to say.

Fish: Thank you for your testimony today and thank you for making such an eloquent statement about locating affordable housing in every neighborhood. We are criticized regularly for putting affordable housing in what's called a high opportunity neighborhood because it's more expensive. The dirt is more expensive. The housing is more expensive. And so some say that we should just look to the lowest cost housing which means building in places that don't have the same opportunity. And what we understand is that when we build affordable housing say in southwest Portland, next to a high achieving school the kids have a better chance, and so I completely, I think we embrace what you said, and we thank you for making such an eloquent statement for everyone participating and solving the affordable housing crisis so thank you.

Cohen: Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you, next item please.

Item 568.

Wheeler: Mr. Murphy are you here? Did Michael withey show up? Next item please.

Item 569.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Mary Ann Schwab: Good morning. I am in the land of oz trying to find the answers here. Let me get this here. That's my yellow brick road. I didn't have the ruby slippers. I have got my jacket. For the record, I am Mary Ann Schwab. I am here to support 100,000 households that live within 20 southeast Douglas coalition neighborhood association. Good morning. In your letter to the buckman neighborhood you asserted the site was appraised for \$12 million. And what's identified is the primary reason the city could not pursue the city's options. Surely Amanda Fritz referring to the \$12 million it was not intentionally disingenuous in that letter. We have done our research that land is \$168 a square foot which is \$7.5 million. I am here to ask you, I am begging you to stop the clock. This is what I feel needs to be done, exercise your right of first refusal today there are no unencumbered in memorandum of understanding. Our understanding is the city's expired on Memorial Day, and the developers doesn't take effect until June 1, to trick-or-treat 2019. We can start all over. Unbeknownst to the ppr, legal counsel, they let a second memorandum of understanding go based on that \$12 million. That's his problem. And so I am saying that on May 11th, Courtney in the operations officer informed the buckman neighborhood that pps was willing to sell the property on contract. The city will have 60 days to obtain an appraisal as will Portland public schools. On May 30, the newly hired operations officer jerry Vincent confirmed that the city can secure the property on a contract by alerting his office today no later than 4:00. And ted wheeler, that is exercising, you have got to tell them you want to exercise your governmental right of first refusal on this land. Looking not just at the mayor but also at the city commissioners. They need to open the space for our children. We were in dire need of open space with the ballooning conduit going up in and around 12th and Morrison and 12th and stark. Is there anyone on city council who can say we don't need green space? Mayor wheeler, our children have no voice. But yours and mine, and this land is their land well over a century and must be kept in perpetuity, on their behalf begging you to alert jerry Vincent. The city is exercising your governmental right of first refusal to purchase the 1.31-acre open field of parks as open space. Just as you please I am begging you make the phone call today. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Schwab: Stop the clock.

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Fritz: We did go back after we were alerted to the fact that the previous option had gone away and the other one doesn't start until tomorrow. Whether it's \$7.5 million or \$12 million we don't have that money. It's very expensive for less than two acres of parkland.

Schwab: I challenge that. We have done our research. We have not -- no one in parks has really tried for available funding to do this. We have had no champion. I can rattle off all of the community, or the parks commissioner's names, no one in this room has supported the construction of this unit, and when we in the committee, the advisory committee members more than one said that we really want that land, that 1.31 acres, it was not the governance, not in the master plan in their notes. We want that land. It belongs to the children. And it needs to be kept open space. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Next item please.

Moore-Love: Consent agenda.

Wheeler: I'm sorry. Michael withey, did he show up? Very good. Have any items been pulled from the consent agenda?

Moore-Love: We have had a request for 584.

Wheeler: Just 584? So, my understanding is that the individual who would be speaking on 584 would be ken rust. He is not available so we will have to move it to next week and I hope that that is acceptable to whoever pulled that item.

Moore-Love: Mr. Lightning pulled it.

Wheeler: Can you be here next week so that --

Lightning: Why can't I do it right now.

Wheeler: You can do it right now. Pull the item. Good morning.

Lightning: Good morning. I am lightning and I represent lightning super watchdog x. This is another reason why we have to be very careful when things are put on the consent agenda. And the presenters are not here. Again, they should be here. They don't know if the items are going to be pulled or not. Now moving on the situation here where on the iga, the state and metro are going to join the iga on the cost-sharing of the levee. Now when we did loan one and loan two, there were certain expenses that would be covered within the Oregon infrastructure finance authority. Now at this point there is a lot of additional expenses. They are asking for another one-year time frame extension. There is going to be a lot of more engineering analysis. There is going to be a tremendous amount of cost here. Again, from my position the levee will not be certified or accredited. And I state my position is that we currently have a breach of the current levee. We currently have two travel lanes on top of the levee which is marine drive. That is a breach of the levee. You will not meet New Orleans standards. My position is that we need to focus on the location of the airport. We need to look at getting financing, infrastructure financing to rebuild the levee in that location. We need to understand in the past that the river itself on the water side of the levee has reached the crown. That is very dangerous. We have noticed that in the past. That is the history. We cannot take a chance any more with losing our air travel. Losing the whole airport. Losing all of the businesses surrounding the airport. And yes, loss of life if we do not evacuate in a reasonable time frame. So again, my position is we need to quit looking at this from a nickel and dime type of analysis, understand New Orleans levy standards, and rebuild the levee and go for the federal Funding to do it. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Is there any further public testimony on this item? I will do my level best to explain this in the absence of the staff member who actually administers these contracts. It's my understanding that the city entered into an agreement, a multi-jurisdictional agreement including the -- it takes place in the levy-ready Columbia table. The contract is reimbursable. There was an understanding around that table that there would be administrative and other expenses that could not be calculated in advance. They

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left this opportunity open for us to allocate those additional administrative costs to the various jurisdictions involved in the levee-ready Columbia. Our share of an extra million dollars in costs is about \$211,000. This authorizes us to be able to spend that \$211,000 that will be reimbursable through, I believe, it is a federal contract or through a federal program. Yes, I am sorry, if a loans under the intergovernmental agreement. The policy question that you raised I think is a really good, legitimate question, which is to what standards are we building the levees and what not, so, you know, I would be happy to entertain that policy conversation. I think that it's a good one, and at this point I have only had the privilege of attending one of the levee-ready Columbia board meetings but I think it's a good and fair question and one that I will continue to take up. I believe commissioner Eudaly you sit on -- you sit on the levee-ready -- ok. I am making that up but your presence is with me there apparently.

Eudaly: Yes.

Wheeler: So, it's a good policy question, but as far as this contract I think it's ready to roll. Please call the roll.

Fish: Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Please call the roll on the remainder of the consent agenda.

Fish: Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye.

Wheeler: Here. The consent agenda is adopted. And my understanding is the first item on the -- never mind go back to time certain. 945. So 570, please.

Item 570.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish.

Fish: Thank you mayor. So, we're going to invite two honored guests forward. Carl Davis the executive director of crow shadow institute of the arts and Charles frolick, board president and a local gallery owner. Today we're celebrating the 25th anniversary of crow's shadow institute of the arts. An icon in Oregon arts and culture. Crow's shadow is a center of artistic and educational opportunities for native Americans. Located in the confederated tribes of the Umatilla Indian reservation. They have an international reputation for outstanding print-making perhaps most importantly they host workshops to teach native arts like weaving and beadwork and sharing the knowledge, culture and heritage with the future generations. We're honored to have Carl and Charles with us, a number of board members, and friends of crow shadow, who they will introduce but we're going to pause for a moment and the mayor is going to issue a proclamation. Mayor?

Wheeler: Thank you. Whereas for 25 years' crow's shadow institute of the arts has provided a creative hub for artistic, educational, and social, and economic opportunities for native American people. Whereas James lavadour, Walla Walla, one of Oregon's most celebrated artists founded crow's shadow on the confederated tribes of the Umatilla Indian reservation which has the only master printer in the united states located on a reservation. And whereas the artist and residents' program at crow's shadow is internationally recognized for print-making and has hosted 50 artists including many from Portland. Whereas crow's shadow also hosts creative indigenous arts workshops to continue the rich tradition of weaving, basketry, bead-work and other native arts that reflect the history and culture of our region. And whereas prints by crow's shadows artists have been showcased in museums throughout the northwest and the nation. Whereas Portland-based artist Marie watt described her career as being shaped by a web of connections, friendships and associations in which crow's shadow institute is the up center. And whereas crow's shadow is an established Oregon cultural organization and serves as a resource for creative people in northeastern Oregon and southeastern Washington. Whereas crow's shadow uses the creative arts as a tool for positive transformation by

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teaching local tribal youth and helping to build and sustain artistic careers. And whereas Oregon is richer for the many creative partnerships that exist between its urban centers and its communities throughout the state, and whereas Portland is proud of its many ties to crow's shadow. Now therefore I, ted wheeler, mayor of the city of Portland, the city of roses, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, may 31st, 2017 to be the day of celebration for crow's shadow institute of the arts 25th anniversary in Portland, and encourage all residents to observe this week. Thank you. [applause]

Carl Davis: Thank you mayor wheeler and Portland city council, and thank you to the wonderful people of the city of Portland, my hometown. My name is carl Davis and I am the executive director of crow Shadow institute of the arts, and it is my honor to be here today to represent the amazing independent nonprofit art center located on the confederated tribes of the Umatilla Indian reservation near Pendleton, Oregon. 2017 marks the 25 years of providing a creative conduit to hundreds of local regional and national contemporary native American artists. Although we are located on the other side of the state, crow's shadow worked with many Portland-based artists over the years including Marie watt, pat boas, Victor Maldonado, Wendy Redstar, Strom Thart, Sharad Yonker and Lillian pitt. We have a strong relationship with Portland's institutions such as the pacific northwest college of art, the Portland art museum, the Oregon college of art and craft, and the regional arts and culture council, and many other local art galleries, and the city hall, the walls – sorry crow shadow adorns the walls of city hall here so thank you. Our mission has been made possible by the generous support of numerous Oregon and Portland area foundations, such as the James f. and Marion L. miller foundation, the ford family foundation, native arts and culture foundation and the Oregon community foundation to name just a few. I would like to thank my board of directors, the staff and volunteers of crow shadow and all the unwavering support from individual art collectors and donors over the years. I would also like to personally thank commissioner Nick Fish to taking the time to visit crow Shadow and for the continuing support and advocacy on behalf of crow shadow. It is an honor and pleasure to be here today and to have crow shadow recognized in this manner. We are humbled by the occasion, and look forward to working with the city of Portland for the next 25 years and beyond. Thank you.

Wheeler: Before we hear from the next speaker we have four or five board members, and since they are not speaking but they are here could we ask them to stand and just be recognized to the board members that are here?

Davis: And staff members, too.

Wheeler: And staff, let's give them a round of applause. [applause] charles welcome.

Charles Frolick: Commissioner Fish, mayor wheeler, thank you very much. My comments are brief. It's an honor to volunteer at crow's shadow, and I feel like being a part of crow's shadow makes me so proud to be an Oregonian. The communication between the confederated tribes of the Umatilla Indians and the nation, the region, the nation, we don't live in a vacuum, and crow's shadow is a magnet for people to come here and a beacon for the artists of the state to be found and seen across the country. So, I feel like crow's shadow has done such a service not just to the northwest, northeast, part of the state, but to the whole region. And I am honored and I sincerely appreciate your recognition.

Fish: Just a couple of questions. Carl last summer when my family was in Europe, we took a road trip at eastern Oregon, and we spent some time at crow's shadow, and we had a chance to visit with James Lavadour and visit his studio. So, my question is for people in Portland that want to come out and visit crow's shadow what do you recommend?

Davis: I recommend coming out to visit. We're open on Monday through Friday 9:00 to 5:00 to the public and we have a gallery that shows work on a regular basis, and our

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master printer is usually working in the studio with either an artist or working on prints that he's currently pushing.

Fish: One of the things that I would suggest is sometimes, sometimes we have official delegates to go to Pendleton around the roundup or other events and Crow Shadow is close to Pendleton so you can go to the roundup and also go see incredible art while you are in that part of the state.

Davis: And the Pendleton woolen mills, too.

Frolick: A calendar date to note is September 22 at the Halle Ford Museum of Art in Salem. They will be presenting your 25th anniversary exhibition and launching the book that presents our history, and throughout the year there are galleries across the city, PDX Contemporary, Elizabeth Leach, my gallery, Frolick and Upform will be presenting artists that have presented at Crow Shadow among other galleries. And tonight, I open a show at my gallery but if you go to any of these galleries throughout the year, you will find this work.

Fish: Tonight is a big night and I hope that some of us can join you at that event, and Charles while we have you, the regional arts and culture council has put together quite a collection of art, and we have some pieces of outstanding art, who are some of the artists that we celebrate in the collection?

Frolick: Wendy Redstar, Marie Watt, Jim Labrador, Joe Federson, Sharad Yonker. Help. It's a long list.

Davis: Wendy Menthorn. James Luna.

Fish: That's wonderful. And I think that at some point our hope is actually to get all of the works by the Native American artists and do a special show at City Hall so that the public can take in the art that we have invested in. Mayor we have our proclamation and can we get a picture with our honored guests?

Wheeler: Sure.

Fish: If we can have everyone come forward to the front of the room.

Fish: If our friends from Crow Shadow have other events we will not be offended if you leave but thank you for joining us.

Wheeler: So, colleagues, we have our next time certain is not until 10:20 so we cannot start on that. The first regular agenda item 589 we won't have our individual here to speak on this until 10:30, and question Commissioner Fish, do you have the people present that you need for 590?

Fish: I think so. Let me double-check. 590, no.

Wheeler: Let's go to the second reading, call 591 please.

Item 591.

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

Fish: Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye.

Fritz: As noted last week we'll be looking at getting full cost recovery on treatment in the next year around. Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Please call 592.

Item 592.

Wheeler: Any further conversation? Seeing none call the roll.

Fish: Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance was adopted and please call 593.

Item 593.

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

Fish: Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. Ordinance is adopted. And just so people -- these are second readings so we have had the deliberation testimony on this in case people are wondering why we're just flying through these. Next item 594 please.

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Item 594.

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

Wheeler: Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. We don't have 598. Yes. Call 598 please.

Item 598.

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

Fish: Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye.

Fritz: The money for this is coming from the gas tax and it's really a wonderful innovation that bureau of transportation is trying to get more of it into the community.

Wheeler: Aye, the ordinance is adopted. 607 and 608. Just to clarify item 607, getting a bit ahead of myself for the moment, and 608, both going to be held over for one week.

Fish: So, 605.

Wheeler: 605, call the roll or read the item and call the roll.

Item 605.

Wheeler: Call the roll please.

Fish: Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted.

Fish: Mayor can I make a proposal? 571 has a 10:20 time but it's not -- there is no testimony to be taken. It is simply to adopt the findings, and I move to suspend the rules and take it up now. Since there is no testimony and nothing for the public to add. It is simply a ministerial action of having the court, the lawyers present this.

Wheeler: I would agree with that unless legal counsel has any problems.

Ben Walters, Deputy City Attorney: If the council were to take a vote to suspend the rules the Council could proceed with this.

Wheeler: Is there a second to the motion.

Fritz: Second.

Wheeler: Any further discussion? Call the roll.

Fish: Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye.

Fritz: Aye -- no, sorry. Respectfully no.

Wheeler: Aye. The rules are.

Fritz: I am sorry, motion to suspend the rules, sorry. I am good with that.

Wheeler: She's good with that, yes, aye. The rules are suspended please call 571.

Moore-Love: We need a motion.

Wheeler: You have to read the item first.

Moore-Love: Sorry.

Item 571.

Wheeler: We had extensive testimony and presentations on this item previously. So, at this point I move that the council grant the appeal approving the application with conditions and adopt the findings.

Fish: Second.

Wheeler: There is a motion and second by commissioner Fish, and please call the roll.

Fish: We did have an extensive hearing on this, and for me this was a close call, but I think that we got it right, and I appreciated the testimony, and I also appreciated the staff report and the guidance that they gave us as we work through this issue. Aye.

Eudaly: Aye.

Fritz: I also thought it was a close call so I opted to go to the design commission, no.

Wheeler: Aye. The appeal is approved with state conditions. Commissioner Fish.

Fish: Can we take a five-minute break.

Wheeler: We will have to take a ten-minute break because the next time certain isn't until 10:25 so we are in recess until 10:25.

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At 10:13 a.m. council recessed.

At 10:28 a.m. council reconvened.

Wheeler: Thank you everybody for your patience, we have commissioner Fish would like to revisit item 594. Commissioner Fish.

Fish: I move to reconsider item 594.

Wheeler: Second. Karla. I'm sorry, could you call the vote on 594, please.

Moore-Love: For reconsideration.

Wheeler: Excuse me. Excuse me. This is a disruption and violation of the council rules. This is a violation of council rules. If you continue to disrupt you will be asked to leave. We would rather not have you leave, we would rather you stay and have the opportunity to hear. Folks why don't we take another five-minute recess.

At 10:30 a.m. council recessed.

At 10:35 a.m. council reconvened.

Fish: We are voting on the motion to reconsider.

Wheeler: Call the roll, please.

Fritz: We can't go on the next one until we have commissioner Eudaly.

Wheeler: Speak slowly until commissioner Eudaly gets Here.

Moore-Love: This is a motion to reconsider?

Wheeler: Yes. **Fish:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye.

Wheeler: Aye.

Fish: I make the following motion, I will read this as slowly as possible so it's clear, that we move to amend 594 to add an emergency clause for the following reasons "the council declares an emergency exist because the public interest would be harmed by any delay in acquiring the authorized conservation easement, therefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by council".

Fritz: I will second that motion after thinking about it very carefully.

Wheeler: We have a motion on the table by commissioner Fish.

Fish: Commissioner Fritz your staff was wonderful in helping to craft this language and working it through the building and I thank you for your leadership.

Fritz: I expect nothing less, commissioner.

Fish: So, I move the amendment.

Wheeler: Very good. And commissioner Fish, would you explain for commissioner Eudaly what amendment you just made?

Fish: I moved to put an emergency clause on 594.

Wheeler: Very good. I could not have filled that space any longer. Please call the roll.

Fish: Aye.

Eudaly: On 594? We already voted on that.

Fritz: We reconsidered it.

Eudaly: Aye. **Fish:** Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted as amended.

Fish: No, amended now mayor I move the ordinance.

Wheeler: Thank you commissioner Fish you are right. You move the ordinance?

Fish: As amended.

Wheeler: Is there a second?

Fritz: Second. Call the roll.

Fish: Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinances is adopted.

Fish: By way of housekeeping, and it's obviously your decision, we have a time certain at 10:25 with the mount hood regulatory commission and we also our friends from the

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Portland timbers that are here. Those are the next two items, and in whichever sequence you choose.

Wheeler: Let's take them in order, 571 please. And Karla while we're at it, you want to start with 572?

Fish: That's the one you meant.

Wheeler: You want the cable one first? I don't care. So either one.

Fish: The proclamation with the timbers is 589. So, it's your call whether we do the timbers first.

Wheeler: You are right. I am sorry. Let's do the timbers first since there are many of them here. Let's help them get back to their day.

Moore-Love589?

Wheeler: 589.

Item 589.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish.

Fish: I would like to invite up our honored guest, captain jack Jewsbury stand together ambassador, Jordan Farwell, communication relations manager and timber joey, America's most famous team mascot. Would the thee of you come forward? The mayor is about to read a proclamation. If I could just say as an introduction we are honored to have you here. All of you. Especially captain jack Jewsbury who had a wonderful career until he retired in 2016 and now serves as a great ambassador for the team. Colleagues this is the sixth annual timbers stand together week, a week of service in our community. The timbers, thorns and t2 will support local mission driven nonprofits like irco, the Oregon food bank, Sal's Zenger Farms and many others. We are proud of the timbers of what the timbers and thorns do in our community. And today the mayor is going to issue a proclamation.

Wheeler: Thank you for being here. Whereas the city of Portland is proud to be home to the professional soccer team, the Portland timbers, and the Portland thorns fc, and timbers 2, and the timbers, thorns and t2 are committed to giving back to our community and in promoting civic engagement through their community platforms stand together. And whereas the city is proud to partner with the timbers, thorns and t2 in organizing the sixth anniversary of stand together week, a week of community service from June 4-10, 2017. And whereas approximately 1,000 stand together volunteers including timbers, thorns, and t2 players, the timber's army, the rose city riveters, coaches, staff, sponsors and community members will come together for a week of service, and whereas volunteers will participate in 30 community events and projects throughout Portland including building homes, removing ivy and other invasive species from local parks, restoring children's books, creating healing gardens, and leading soccer clinics, and whereas stand to go will support local mission driven nonprofits including active children Portland, children's book bank, immigrant and refugee community organizations, the Oregon food bank, play works, solve, Virginia Garcia memorial health center and Zenger farm, and whereas stand together week is a call to action by the city, the Portland timbers, Portland thorn, fc and timbers 2 and our community partners to inspire people to give back through community service. Now therefore I, ted wheeler, mayor of the city of Portland, Oregon, the city of roses do hereby proclaim June 4-10, 2017 to be the Portland timbers, thorns fc and t2 stand together week in Portland and encourage all residents to observe this week. Thank you.

Fish: Welcome. [applause]

Fish: We are going to turn first to jack who had a distinguished career with the timbers and as we know in 2011 was named to the mls all-star team. It's an honored to have you captain jack if you could take it away.

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Jack Jewsbury: Thank you very much, I appreciate you having us. As a player this was a huge week for us to get out into the community and thank a community and thank our community that gives so much to us week in and week out in the stadium, so now to be on the other side of it, on the front office it's a big, important week for us, where everybody gets out and contributes in different ways and to get out into Portland with the players, with the front office, and with our fans, timbers army comes out and drives and supports this so for you guys to recognize that we appreciate it. We are excited about it and there are a lot of opportunities, I think, timbers.com/standtogether there is opportunities for people to sign up and volunteer to be a part of these projects in the city.

Fish: Thank you very much, we go to timber joey.

Timber Joey: Thank you again for having us, it's good to see you again Mr. Wheeler. Been about 80 miles since the last time I saw you and good to be here in front of you again today. We really appreciate the proclamation, and we really encourage everybody in the city of Portland to not only get out for this stand-together week but volunteer in the community and make the community a better place as we are trying to do. Thank you.

Fish: Jordan would you like to say a few words?

Jordan: Just to reiterate thank you for having us today. It's really exciting to have it officially proclaimed. We're excited to get started next week. We're going to have our athletes on all three teams at 30 projects throughout the seven days, so we invite anybody that would like to join. There is a lot of volunteer opportunities available at timbers.com/standtogether.

Fish: Would you like to say a few words?

*****: I want to echo what everybody else said, we are happy to be here and have you acknowledge the work that we are doing and getting everybody involved in the community and we hope that everyone can join us.

Fish: Thank you very much. Timber joey let me give you this proclamation that the mayor has signed. Can you tell us where we can find the information on the website?

Jordan: If you go to timbers.com/standtogether there is a dash I believe between the stand and together, and there is a list of all of the available projects, and it will take you to hands on Portland. For you to kind of peruse the projects available and the calendar and see what's available.

*****: Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you all for being here.

*****: Could we get a picture?

Wheeler: Love to. Please.

Wheeler: While we were teeing up, 572, Karla, I overlooked one item, since we are holding over item 607 and 608, those still need to be read into the record and I neglected that, could you read those items please?

Item 607.

Wheeler: Without objection that has been held over to next week.

Item 608.

Wheeler: Without objection, that's also been rolled over to next week. And so, the next item will be 572.

Item 572.

Wheeler: I will turn this over to the office of community technology and the wizards therein. Good morning.

Leif Hansen: Good morning mayor and commissioners, I am Leif Hansen. I am a citizen appointee by you to the mount hood cable regulatory commission. I am joined by Julie Omelchuck she's our program manager here to help answer the questions. I am here to highlight a couple of the many mhcr activities over the past year, and to seek your

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approval of the fiscal year 2017-2018 fund budget. I believe that you have both the budget, or the mhcr activity report, the annual report and the proposed budget in front of you. As a reminder, the mount hood cable regulatory commission is an intergovernmental partnership among Gresham, Fairview, Portland, Troutdale, wood village and Multnomah county. Each of these jurisdictions Appoints citizen representatives to the commission. The mhcr has oversight enforcement and public benefit responsibilities for the cable services franchises with the city's and the counties. Portland has two cable service franchises with Comcast and CenturyLink, as it points out in the annual report the mhcr deals with ever changing technology to support the community needs. For local authority over public rights of way and compensation, a consumer watchdog platform for community voices, affordable broadband networks for schools, libraries, and local governments, and local solutions for addressing digital equity. The we have provided many services to our communities and residents. The mhcr continued the work with the public-school districts under the tech smart initiative for student success Reynolds, David Douglas, Portland public, Parkrose, and Gresham Barlow have active grants, we are in the process with centennial school, district for the first tech smart grant. Thus, far the mhcr has 9 million in the longer-term investment of 19 million. 185 classroom teachers are now supported by resources provided under the tech smart initiative. The community technology competitive grant round funded seven grants with community organizations. These grants leveraged \$1.6 million in matching resources. Many are focused on assisting residents and youth in acquiring the technology skills important for employment in the economy. For example, the mhcr community grants is supporting access to opportunity at the Rockwood library, friends of the children, east county, wisdom of the elders, and the north, northeast business association, and the open school east. Affordable broadband has become more critical to our local public institutions. The mhcr is leading a long-term network planning effort in partnership with the 18 public agencies within Multnomah county. This partnership for the current institutional network provides high-speed, affordable broadband connectivity to 321 schools, and libraries and public agencies throughout the county. The mhcr provided funding and franchise enforcement support to open signal. This past year open signal produced 7,000 hours of original local programming they also trained 800 residents in digital media and literacy skills. And the mhcr addressed issues broadly and with individual subscribers. For example, the mhcr worked with the cable companies on issues related to clear information on subscriber's bills, service line extensions, and phone answering standards, and service fees. And we assisted in the resolution of 357 complaints from local cable tv subscribers. Now to move onto the money. I am happy to report the mhcr received a clean audit for fiscal year 2015-2016, the full audit document is available on the mhcr website. Also, wanted to note a couple of trends year seeing in cable revenues. On page 9 of the report you will see two graphs that show these trends. The number of subscribers grew consistently between the years of 2006 to 2012. However, since then subscriber numbers were declining. Despite this decline in subscriber's cable company's revenues from cable services have increased showing a flattening only in the past two years in the east Multnomah county areas. This is due to the raising of rates and offering more services and program packages. The mhcr is watching the trends as they have possible future implications for franchise fee revenues for local governments and for revenues in that support the mhcr community grants and other programs. Coming up in fiscal year 2017-2018 the mhcr is engaged in a future focus planning, considering rapidly evolving technology and public policy and our community's increasing reliance on availability of broadband the mhcr is turning its sights onto the future. We intend to work with you and your city staff and our communities to identify the needs and opportunities for our broadband future. The budget includes funds to assist the

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mhcrc in this endeavor. The mhcrc proposed 2017-2018 fund budget is included in the meeting packet. And annual allocations from each member jurisdiction collectively funds about half of the mhcrc's total operating budget. Another way to view it is the mhcrc member jurisdictions spent 5% of the collected cable franchise fees on regulation and program related administration. Portland's annual allocation for fiscal year 2017-2018 is \$295,827. The east county cities and Multnomah counties' allocation is \$151,327. The remaining portion of the mhcrc budget is funded by other resources, mostly to administer the dedicated capital fee revenues and related programs. Such as the mhcrc community grants, the I-net and open signal. And before closing I want to thank the mayor and council for supporting this partnership among the jurisdictions since 1993. With this support the mhcrc has been very successful at convening community members and public agencies to steward and creatively leverage the resources and regulatory authority to amplify the benefit for all. Over the coming year, we are excited to work with you to explore and discover our success as we adapt to the needs of the cities and communities, and in addition I wanted to thank the council for the unanimous support of the office for community technology, budget note requesting a review for a better fit within the city's bureau systems. And to conclude I respectfully request that the Portland council approve the fiscal year 2017-2018 proposed mhcrc fund budget.

Wheeler: Thank you. We appreciate the presentation. Commissioners?

Fish: I have a question. In addition to the budget note that talks about where this fits within our form of government, there is, I think, at least one or two other questions that came up through our budget process that I would like to solicit your thoughts about and one is what is the future of open signal and what's in the future is the appropriate relationship between the commission and open signal? I make that question as open-ended as possible because I would like to begin a conversation and get your thoughts on that.

Hansen: We have an agreement with open signal, and really it is to provide grant funds to them. The operation funds come directly from the city. It's clearly important. There is a strong relationship between the technology that the cable companies provide and the open access to their infrastructure that the open signal also requires. Perhaps Julie you want to comment on this or we also have an open signal representative here.

Fish: So according to page 8 of your annual report by the way, this is an excellent document, very clear. It lists the cable franchise fee disbursement so it says about 865,000 flows through you to open signal, is that correct?

Hansen: That's correct.

Fish: Open signal operates as a free standing 501c3 nonprofit.

Hansen: That's correct.

Fish: What -- other than providing the operating support from franchise fees, beyond that what is the role you play overseeing the open signal?

Hansen: So I would have to, I think, defer that question and to the iga that we have between us and the city and the contract between us and open signal. I am not as familiar with the details of that.

Fish: I am not suggesting this is the time and place to negotiate any terms of the iga but a question that the council will be taking up is what is the future of open signal and where are they going to be in five or ten years? And our interests based on what we heard is we want them to be a strong and thriving organization but the question is to what -- how much independence do they have and what is their current status and what might be the future status? I don't have an answer to the question. But because this is our chance annually to hear from you I want to put the marker on the table mayor, and the mayor's office budget he restored the 5% cut otherwise open signal was going to take and I think that that was in part response to the strong community support for their work, so as we support them with

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the franchise fees and with our dollars and with the community what does that look like in the next five to ten years and I would invite us to open that conversation up as part of your core mission and what should we be doing and how can we open the open signal continue to grow and prosper?

Hansen: We did encourage the conversation. We have had a lot of it at the commission. And as well, and as we know technology plays a big part. There is a lot of changing patterns in the use of the video that I think has a relationship with the -- as part of the future of open signal, and we also know that open signal's current budget is highly dependent on the city and the commission for its sustainability and I know that they have made strides to become more independent so I think that we encourage that and I think that that's an important conversation to have.

Fish: Thank you.

Wheeler: Any other comments? Very good. Please call the roll. I'm sorry, is there public testimony on this item?

Moore-Love: Charles bridge crane Johnson signed up.

Wheeler: Ok, thank you. Sorry about that. Thank you for a great presentation, that was very thorough.

Charles Bridge Crane Johnson: Good morning, my green light isn't on -- there we go. I am Charles bridge crane Johnson. So, the attention that commissioner Fish raised the question he did, and of course this is Asian American month, and we talk about two awesome women, Evelyn Lui, I am assuming I have got the pronunciation correct she's with the Asian Pacific American Chamber of Commerce. It's been one or two weeks since we've had Apano here for Asian Pacific Islander month and Carol Studenmund why wouldn't we say Carol Studenmund here, she's only the chair of the Mount Hood Cable Regulatory Commission. How do we know this is because when we go to opensignalpdx.org whoop there it is so, there obviously is some cross pollination here between mhcr and open signal and I think it's odd in a presentation that we have so much overlapping on the board that it isn't right there on the table for people who are watching in public access. I'm not saying it's good or bad either way, it makes sense that with the---we didn't hear a particular number or percentage that comes out of the cable regulatory fees or anything that comes through either general revenues or other special programs out of the city's budget. So, I have full confidence in all the commissioners and their staff especially commissioner Eudaly's and I'm sure those issues are being dealt with, but I think the way for these places to thrive and what they say their mission is, is for community involvement. And the more you know, the more you can do. And that would include going over to mlk, walking right into what used to be Portland Community Media, now open signal, when you say why is Comcast actually got more money with less subscribers, a tiny, tiny part of that is that there's awesome equipment to make awesome videos. MLK, just north of the Nike store, it's totally open. I think we have open signal on the agenda coming up as an agenda item. So, one thing maybe we need to have more concern about is as was covered on page 9 of the report in the oral presentation, we don't know consumer sentiment about cable bills. We know consumer sentiment about subscribership. It's going down but the people who do like it are willing to pay more. Hopefully since this is for the cable regulatory -- there maybe should be some outside study but national media groups are presenting the information so we don't need to spend money to get answers on what to expect revenue wise.

Wheeler: Thank you. Commissioner? Please call the roll.

Fish: I want to thank commissioner Hansen for joining us today and for an outstanding presentation. The written report lists all the grant making and it's very impressive. We ask a lot of these citizen volunteers and that includes administering a grant program and

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making sure the money gets to people who need it and we appreciate this report. I know in prior years' council asked for more information about your financial stewardship. That's reflected in pages 8 and 9 of the report. I appreciate the transparency. I'm honored to vote aye and accept this report.

Eudaly: Aye.

Fritz: Very much appreciate the work on the mount hood cable regulatory commission. Thank you, commissioner Leif Hansen, for being here today. The presentation was that obviously had a lot of time went into it. We approved your reappointment in the consent agenda. Thank you for the time you and other volunteers have put into this. Aye.

Wheeler: Thank you Leif and Julia again. I always appreciate it when we have folks who are willing to step up and serve long hours on these commissions and often it can be very technical. I'm particularly appreciative of the intentional efforts that you've made around broadband access and digital equity. I think those are areas where we need to continue to push hard in the future and you're in the right place on the right commission to be able to help us accomplish that important goal. Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Next item please?

Item 590.

Wheeler: Commissioner Eudaly. Am I turning this over to you?

Eudaly: I commissioner Fish.

Fish: My staff told me to turn it over to you. Maybe we should just say we're delighted to bring this forward to walk us through the resolution.

Thomas Lannom, Director, Revenue Division: Good morning, mayor, council. Thomas Lannom, director of the city's revenue division. Short term rental platforms have been having an impact on housing availability in Portland. The housing bureau has estimated up to 1,000 housing units that would otherwise be available for long term lease or purchase are effectively removed by the short-term rental platforms. In 2016 Airbnb published a report stating the impact was much less than that and while opinions vary as to the magnitude clearly there is some impact. In recognition of that impact, the resolution before you today directs the revenue division of the city attorney's office to draft an ordinance requiring short term rental platforms to collect an additional \$2 per booking night to dedicate to housing and homeless initiatives and to help mitigate the impact that short term rentals have on the housing market generally. There are at least two other cities in the u.s. that implemented similar per-night type fees. Portland tourism improvement district to include the short-term rental platforms. When the district was created by the city council in 2012, the intent was that all large transient lodging establishments defined as hotels with 50 or more rooms should remit an additional license fee calculated at 2% of taxable rents. The short-term rental platforms were in their infancy in 2012, but have grown to the point where they rival and over shadow the very largest traditional hotels and as a matter of fairness should also contribute to the district. District revenues are remitted to travel Portland to promote the city as a tourism destination and therefore should provide a multiplying effect on the local economy and lodging demand generally. It is noteworthy that the tourism improvement district license fee is typically passed on to the guest and we anticipate short term rental platforms may elect to do the same. These code changes are not expected to have a material impact on tourism demands in Portland. It's been five years since the tourism improvement district was implemented and in those five years Portland's hotel-motel tax receipts has continued to break year over year records. Compared to similar cities, the overall hotel tax and fee environment remains reasonable in Portland. If council passes the resolution today the revenue division will provide a draft of the implementing ordinance in interested short term rental platforms to provide for feedback and ensure that signing and the framework is workable for them. I'm happy to answer any questions you may have.

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Fish: Mayor, can I -- into context? First I thank Thomas Lannom for being this forward and a number of the components are ideas that came out of the revenue division. Second one of the things we sometimes hear from our critics is that the actions we're taking around the so-called sharing economy somehow express our antipathy toward some of the emerging technologies. I want to be very clear what the guiding principles have been in a number of actions the council has taken. They are tax fairness and public safety those are two corner values that the city needs to stand behind. To put this resolution in the context of other council actions, council authorized 26194 to be placed on the ballot. Voters overwhelmingly adopted 26194 giving us a new tool in defining "operator of these establishments" broadly enough to cover internet operators. Second this council has adopted by resolution and has adopted a resolution and directed an ordinance be brought forward giving the revenue bureau subpoena power to obtain the name and addresses of hosts from a number of these internet companies. With that information, it's our intent to make sure they are paying their fair share of taxes and that the units are safe for people that actually occupy them. Third, the city is about to sit down and undertake negotiations with home away for the purpose of attempting to bring them into full compliance with our laws including to collect arrears from taxes that they have not paid in the past. Finally, today, this measure recognizing that there is an adverse impact on the housing crisis by taking these units offline proposes that we add a \$2 per night fee and an ordinance come back to us for that purpose. In totality, the actions we have taken recognized that with changes in technology people are increasingly going to be booking units using the internet, their computer or phone, and technology provides convenient ways of doing so. Our interest is making sure that everybody who provides a room for rent in our community plays by the same set of rules and no consumer is put in harm's way. That's what the totality of these measures seek to achieve.

Wheeler: Thanks, commissioner. Any public testimony?

Moore-Love: I did not have a signup sheet.

Wheeler: I'll just say first -- come on up. While you're coming up I want to thank commissioner Fish and the rest of the council for focusing on short term rentals and promoting Portland as a destination. I think this is a solid resolution. I think it will help from the development of the tourism industry here taking a step back, though, I think that we can do much better working with this industry to develop appropriate guidelines and regulations and like commissioner Fish I think we need to get ahead of that rather than react to things that have already happened. I have directed my staff to work with bps over the next year on the short-term rental code to determine what's working well, what isn't working well, and how we need to resolve these issues. So, I want to thank everybody for working on this and supporting it and I hope resolving some of the conflicts that currently exist around short term rentals. Commissioner Fish, I want to thank you in particular for your hard work on this issue. Mary, do you want to start?

Mary Sipe: Sure. Mary Sipe. Nice to see you all again. I would like to echo what mayor wheeler just said about this. Also, kind of bring to light something that is happening that I'm really makes me happy to see this. Just recently I found out I think most of us think about these rentals as people renting their home or their spare bedroom through Airbnb and that it's impacting perhaps private homeowners. The building across the street from where I live, block 17, which is owned by partially by Hoyt street properties, and wood partners, they had a real mass exodus of renters and they are considered a luxury apartment building as a result of pile driving at block 20. And their way to respond to that was they began renting out on Airbnb. Their units that they couldn't rent, rather than perhaps bringing the rents to a reasonable amount or some other things. So, to me, this is kind of a red flag if the large apartment buildings are going to start leasing out on Airbnb and other

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through other vehicles and removing these units from the housing market, I do think that they need to be contributing their fair share. They are also in direct competition now with the Marriott residence inn down the street so, that's taking some tax dollars away. So, I'm really happy to see that you're doing this and I just want to say keep up the good work. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Eudaly: If I could just say my understanding is it's illegal to rent apartments and condo buildings on Airbnb.

Sipe: We thought so too. So, did the residents of block 17.

Eudaly: That was among the original rules. I would have to double check to see if that's still in place. I believe it is.

Sipe: I believe some of the residents, renters, are challenging this. So, it will be interesting to see. Yeah.

Fritz: If I had wanted to get an Airbnb I would be very angry if I got woken up by pile driving at 6:00 a.m., so hopefully that will get out. Thank you again.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Charles Johnson: Good morning, commissioners. Charles bridge crane Johnson. It's unfortunate that given the crisis, the only number we have ready heard here are numbers, \$2, and 1,000 units' impact. We haven't talked about at least it's not in the documents that are easily available on the city council website an estimated total revenue for this package and the appropriate expenditures. Also, if it's of any type of carrot-stick-club thing that could motivate Airbnb and similar providers to get involved in offering emergency shelter to all kinds of people, particularly as we're talking about later, people in distress because of domestic violence. So, in addition to some revenue here unsummarized unaggregated amount that we don't know exactly what we're going to do with, we also -- you know, in light of the recent tragedy we're trying to think about being the best citizens we can, we need to extend it to people in corporate leadership renting out offices instead of condos, make sure they are fully engaged in quality of life issues here in Portland. If you could speak to an estimated amount I don't know if we even have good intel about how many units would be on the market for those services.

Fish: That's a great question, Charles. We did get a report during the budget season of all the revenue that is reported from short term rentals because by council ordinance that revenue goes into the housing investment fund and is used to build and preserve affordable housing, so we did make a conscious decision to take the revenue stream for short term rentals and use it to mitigate the impact on affordable housing. We have quantified the amount of the existing revenue. The challenge here is that there are so many units that are under the radar because the platforms have failed and refused to give us the name and addresses of their hosts. We suspect one reason is many of the hosts would not otherwise qualify, would not be legal understand Portland law meaning they don't have a valid smoke detector alarm, they can't pass a basic fire safety life test, and the owner has not obtained a business license. So, it's hard for us to speculate but we'll be as transparent about this data as we have been with the revenue that going to the housing investment fund.

Fritz: This is just a resolution saying bring something back. When it comes back to council that's when you'll have the financial impact statement.

Johnson: And I dissed the so-called sharing economy here before and we're currently as a city litigating against sharing company uber. I would hope to be in conversation with the city attorney office if there's any legal avenues to leverage better disclosure if there's any technology, shenanigans going on inside the algorithms so we don't have to rely on Mary's excellent report as to what's going on.

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Wheeler: Thank you.

Lighting: I'm lightning. I represent lightning super watchdog x. Again, I think the city is being completely unreasonable. Overregulation, overtaxing. Again, these Airbnb home away is bringing more money into this city but it's not going into their pockets. It's going into the businesses in the local communities because they are bringing people in who want to spend money throughout the local economy. Now you want to come back and start squeezing them. They are already paying lodging tax, their already putting money into the housing investment fund. You want to hit this \$2 per book night then come back and do this tourism improvement district, try to hit on top of their gross rental receipts. Again, the city is being the bully just like the city is being the bully with uber, and again, I hope they challenge you in court on this and run you up a couple billion dollars and I hope you lose it. You're being completely unreasonable to the people, the businesses such as Airbnb, home away, uber, lyft, have increased the tourism dollar in this city in the last three to five years more than anyone else has ever done. You ought to be giving them an award thanking them for coming into this city. Because if you look at the dollars they brought into this city, and then you analyze how well these businesses have done and look at the business tax that has increased at a rapid pace and you benefited from that but you're not giving them any accolades. No. You want to come back as the big bully regulator. Well, guess what. You're not the big bullies any more. Know what? These billion dollar corporations over shadow you. I hope they buy your transportation infrastructure out from under you. I hope they come in and basically put their money where they want to put their money and you quit trying to regulate them out of this city. Again, they should be getting accolades. You shouldn't be stopping the true innovators of this city. You're nothing but regulators standing there thinking you can squeeze every penny out of them. Guess what. The true entrepreneurs are these companies making more jobs, creating more opportunities in this city and guess what, you're going to lose in court. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. If you have any further public testimony on this particular item --

Moore-Love: I didn't have a signup sheet.

Wheeler: Very good. This is a nonemergency first reading. It moves to second reading. I'm sorry, it's a resolution. Please call the roll.

Fish: Well, I want to thank Thomas Iannom for bringing this forward. I think it's an innovative idea to leverage the benefits of the short-term rental market and to generate additional monies to deal with the impact on our housing crisis. There was some testimony earlier about to the extent that the effect that we're overregulating. I want to be very clear. What we're talking about here are out of state companies largely based in Silicon Valley that are among the most well capitalized companies in the world that have gone into city after city and bullied regulators and consumers. I'm agnostic about the sharing economy. As a matter of principle, I will not get into an uber car because I don't want to support their corporate culture. These are out of state companies with a business model that says we run over consumers and regulators and they have been highly effective. What Portland needs to do is make sure that the public is safe and that everyone plays by the rules. The reason 26194 passed overwhelmingly is Portlanders found it offensive that a mom and pop bed and breakfast in st. John's pays lodging tax and out of state companies don't. That's offensive. That means that our people are put at a competitive disadvantage so we're leveling the playing field. The reason we're seeking to get the names and addresses of the units is because today if you ask me where is a Hilton, where is a motel 6, I can tell you and we can go look at the units. Why do we want to look at the units? We want to make sure there's a working smoke detector, and god forbid there's a fire there's a way to get out of the room. Currently companies like home away have refused to identify their hosts which means people are coming to our city, we welcome them. They are spending money.

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We're grateful, but as a city we can't tell them they are safe in their unit. It is only through the grace of god that we have not had a fire or tragedy where someone has come to our city and because one of these companies has been negligent in ensuring the units are safe someone has died. Our obligation is to make sure everybody pays the same tax, out of state companies and the mom and pop bed and breakfasts, and to make sure the units are safe. That's what these resolutions and ordinance are designed to do. We still have a long way to go but I have to say under this, mayor, I have seen more action to actually address these consumer and safety issues than I have in the last for years. For that I'm grateful. Thank you. Aye.

Wheeler: Thank you, commissioner.

Eudaly: I want to thank commissioner Fish for his passion on this issue and for his commentary. There's no question that short term rentals are contributing to a global housing crisis. As well as our own local housing crisis. And serving as an accelerant to growing wealth inequality. Portland was the first city in the u.s. to legalize short term rentals, which means we were also the first to set rules and regulations, and I'm proud to say that we are not backing off of them so far. We were actually asserting them further. Aye.

Fritz: Aye.

Wheeler: So, I'm not going to get sucked into the conversation about the regulation versus the free market except to say this. I believe in tax fairness and tax equity and I want to thank commissioner Fish for his leadership to make sure we have that in the community. I think it's a basic principle of taxation. And second of all, while I do support private sector innovation, I also support paying for the services that help them to be economically successful in our community. For those of you who are regulars here who just sat through weeks and weeks of tough budget decisions around basic services, and the cost of providing those basic services whether it's safety, whether it's roads, whether it's fire and safety inspections, whether it's making sure that we have regulations in place that allow people with disabilities and older adults to participate in the sharing economy, there's a balance here. It's not about government trying to get their piece or their pound of flesh off of the private sector. This is about making sure that we continue to have a viable community. And so, I believe there's plenty of room for the sharing economy in this community to be highly successful and economically highly successful and have our basic needs as a community also addressed. So, I think this is a balancing act. It will be people say we went too far, people who say we didn't go far enough. That's why we have a government and elected officials to help resolve some of those conflicts. I think this is a pretty good threading of the needle and it certainly keeps the door open for further discussions and refinements. I think it's great frankly, a really good first step. I support it. Aye. Resolution is adopted. Next item, please.

Item 595.

Wheeler: I don't know who we have -- here we are. Right here. Thank you.

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Wheeler: Come on up. Thanks.

Deborah Sievert-Morris, Bureau of Development Services: Good morning.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Sievert-Morris: I'm Deborah Sievert-Morris, I'm the bureau of development services senior operations manager, I'm joined by Elshad Hajiyev who is our finance manager. So, we are here to talk about this year's fee schedule and fee schedule changes. As you know, we provide a wide range of services at bds including permit issuance, plan and land use reviews, inspection services, customer service and also outreach. We have a goal of having most of our programs be self-supporting and 97% of our bureau's operating funds

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actually come from permit and related fees. We do come to council every year to talk about adjustments to our fee schedule. This year due to the ongoing strong economy, we are not proposing any fee increases, however, we do want to make some changes, some language clarification changes to our land use services fee schedule and also our code enforcement fee schedule. So, related to land use services, we are wanting to be proactive in making a language change and changing what is now referred to as our environmental review fee to environmental and river review fee. That's in anticipation of changes that will be coming forward related to the central city 2035 plan. We also want to have our fee schedule reflect the changes that were adopted by council in march relating to zoning code, the recap 8 changes having to do with demolition delay and changing that from demolition delay to 120-day day delay. The area in code enforcement that we're wanting to change also is language. We want to incorporate the current short term rental citation fees that exist in administrative rules and actually incorporate those into our actual fee schedule itself so there's one place for people to go to see that information. We have as always, any kind of change whether it's a language change or a fee change, we do outreach with all of our customers. We know it's very important for our customers to know of any changes that occur in the area of fees. So, we have been working with the development review advisory committee. We have published this information in our electronic newsletter, the plans examiner. We have reached out to members of the community posted this on our website. And essentially those are the changes for this coming year. We have an effective date of July 7th. We're available to answer any questions that you might have.

Wheeler: Very good. Commissioners? I want to thank you. Again, somewhat germane to the conversation we were having a few minutes ago, thank you for keeping the fees in alignment. I think these are very reasonable policy changes that you have proposed and we frequently get asked where can I see the fee information, the fee schedule, and where it's all being published. I want to reiterate something you said, that this is already available on the bureau website for those who are super nerds in other words on this issue, the plans examiner newsletter is also the centralized and authoritative source on these kinds of fee issues. Thank you for that as well. Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: So as one of those nerds I do actually want to highlight the fact that accessory short term rental the first offense is \$1,000 fine. Second offense 3,000. Third offense 5,000. So, this is serious action and we do expect all of the homes to be permitted before they go into operation. Thank you for that.

Wheeler: Is there any public testimony on this issue?

Moore-Love: No one signed up.

Wheeler: This time I'm sure this is a nonemergency first reading of an ordinance that moves to second reading. Thank you both for being here. We appreciate it. Next item, please.

Item 596.

Ron Mason, Portland Police Bureau: Good morning, mayor, commissioners. I'm Ron mason, sergeant with the Portland police domestic violence reduction unit and enhanced response team. With me today I have rose bach from the domestic violence coordination office from Multnomah county and Vanessa palacios, divert advocate to give you information as well.

Wheeler: Thank you for being here. We appreciate it.

Mason: This ordinance amendment is to 30004753 for amending the iga with Multnomah county. We have had domestic violence advocates for more than 25 years with the police bureau housed in the same facility. The last few years we have had difficulty in maintaining permanent staff with the advocates that work in the office. There's a lot of training that goes into each of these folks. We ask them coming into it that they would be highly

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proficient in what they do with at least two years of experience. They have bachelor's degrees. They are some of the best of the best coming to work in these high stress and high volatility situations. What we have learned from talking with advocates that have left and went on to other places is that significant amount of the reason they are leaving is the pay. They are making between 14 and \$16 an hour being highly skilled professionals. We tried to address that with the nonprofit agencies that we have worked with, they understandably have a schedule of pay for all of their advocates that work for their agencies and have been unable to raise the level of pay to something that would be significant enough to be able to stop the massive turnover that we receive. Usually about every ten months we're experiencing turnover in these advocate positions. Which leads to a difficulty in being able to do this work.

Wheeler: Could you clarify the exact role the advocates play?

Mason: Yes. We're talking about two different positions. There's three positions in this iga. Two of them are domestic violence response advocates. They work in the afternoon shift to respond to scenes of domestic violence that an officer has requested and the victim wants to have an advocate come out to them. They are able to help the victim negotiate community resources, the law enforcement and criminal justice system navigation and be able to not make decisions for the victims but to educate them on their options and choices. The other position is a domestic violence response advocate that works day shift with the dvru officers and coordinates cases with them doing a similar work but not in the moment crisis that the afternoon response advocates work.

Wheeler: Thank you. For that we're paying \$14 to \$16 an hour. Just wanted to underscore that point.

Mason: Yes.

Wheeler: Can you also clarify what training is required?

Mason: The training period is about six months long. People come to us already having experience in domestic violence community. Being advocates and they also have a bachelor's degree in social work and often we have people with master's degrees coming to work with us on this. So, the training program is about six months to able to get fully up and running to be on their own, then typically about four months later we're having to hire somebody else after about a three to six-month gap that there's not anyone in those positions.

Wheeler: Thank you for those clarifications. I appreciate it.

Mason: Welcome. I brought Vanessa with me. She has a personal story that can express the benefit of this.

Vanessa Palacios: Thank you for having us here. Good morning.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Palacios: I'm here to talk about my experience as both a survivor and an advocate for domestic violence cases. More importantly to support the amendment for the ordinance in its entirety. About ten years ago, I had the misfortune to be involved in a domestic violence situation. I found myself and three children on the street with no money only with a diaper bag. I was told that I needed to of course find shelter to file a restraining order, to find an attorney, to apply for services to call immigration, all of which were really good things I needed to get done however I did not know how to do it, where to go, who to call. I had no idea what to do. So, the advocates position is so fundamental to assist people in these situations. With my experience as an advocate and looking back I can tell you that this could be situations of life and death and an advocate can completely make the difference in those situations. Survivors need a person they can trust and talk to in order to help them identify their needs. Oftentimes we have to navigate several systems, criminal justice system, immigration system, welfare system. So, that's just the tip of the iceberg. Because

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oftentimes these cases are extremely complicated and convoluted long term advocacy is fundamental. This is why I support the amendment in its entirety and am hoping and praying you will do so. As I said, advocates can make the difference between a life and death situation.

Wheeler: Thank you. We appreciate that.

Mason: This does not have any fiscal impact. There's money reallocated within the police bureau's budget so there's nothing additional we're asking from the city. This will give us approximately 50% more hours of advocacy a year. A study was done in the last couple of years how much the vacancies have impacted us and we'll be able to have more than 5,000 additional advocate hours by having long term permanent employees in this position. It will also allow us to get out of the routine of being always in the training cycle and have people that have been up to speed that know the job that know the resources, the community, the relationships with police officers and being able to more effectively help the folks that they serve in the community. It will also increase our flexibility. We're looking at being able to expand the hours of operation so being able to instead of having the advocates go off shift at midnight being able to expand to 1:00 or 2:00 a.m. Plus when there are other advocates that are on vacation or sick we don't have to have no advocates on duty. We'll be able to have additional staffing that provides seven day a week coverage. The last at least two years we have significantly had many times that because somebody is sick or on vacation or training and there's no advocates available or because of the vacancies there are no advocates available to the police officers who have gotten used to being able to work with them and they turn to that resource and it's just not there. This amendment would fix that.

Wheeler: Thank you. Great. Is there any public testimony on this item?

Moore-Love: We have ten people signed up.

Wheeler: Very good. Thank you.

Moore-Love: The first three please come on up.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Mimi German: I have a lot to say about is this a bill or an ordinance.

Wheeler: Is the green light on?

German: No, it's not.

Eudaly: It's an ordinance.

German: I have a lot to say. I'm Mimi German. I have to start out by reading a poem. This is not in honor of Micah, but because Micah is a poet and we still have his voice I want to honor poetry to express -- my heart. This is called rowing the river. It's about hate. I want to bend the middle rod but the rod is too thick to bend, to press the rod together end to end back and forth and back and forth, creating a kink in the metal at its weakest point, back, trying to bend this unmalleable rod until it breaks and the flames so hot made a rod too solid forth I try to bend the bars of hate to crack the point of breakage and shards of metal pierce my skin, pleading me back to rafting this longevity river, a metal rod as oar, the depth and current, magnitude, no boat launch and no mooring. whitewater's impossible to navigate so easy to drown. I don't normally shake up here. It's a hard day. So, this is about domestic violence. I want you to add or consider adding to this. Domestic terrorism. That we need people who are a part of somewhere in this city who can go out to the families of Donna and Venus when the police kill their kids and there's no one to talk to them, that they need to find out on Facebook what happened to their kids. I want somebody to go out to the family of Terrell Johnson, who we still know so little about when our cops feel the need to kill somebody for maybe seeing a boxcutter. We need somebody for domestic terrorism to come to us, to the people, to explain to us how a whole community of cops allowed a murderer who just killed two people, slashing their necks and Micah's to drink a

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beer, go into a bag that was on the sidewalk, none of those cops had their guns pulled out. Micah got away. Not Micah, the murderer got away with yelling at these cops, standing there for over two minutes, and he gets arrested. No bullets fired. No guns drawn.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good morning.

Tiffany Kraft: Good morning. Mayor wheeler, commissioners, I'm tiffany Kraft, I'm a former adjunct professor, currently works a faculty organizer with faculty forward network. I'm also a domestic violence survivor. December 19, 2013, my almost ex-husband high on drug and drink entered our home and tried to snatch our joint five-month-old child out of his crib. My daughter, who is an adult, 18 at that time, blocked him. He beat her up, threw her against the wall, grabbed my car keys, went out, started my car, backed up, hit a utility truck parked behind us then I was on the phone with his father at that time who was on his way to the scene but he pulled the car and nearly hit me. I then called 911, police came, long story short, there was probable cause, he fled the scene. The police said they were going to collect him, get him even with three adults witnesses my mother was there as well. They never picked him up. I don't have a lot of faith in the police even with the restraining order he would still do things like come in my backyard, call the cops, nothing. I was a nuisance in this case. The things that now frighten me, and one of the things that actually helped me with the PTSD was not just physiotherapy. It was community activism. In particular, now when I'm on the streets if one of those big trucks swerves and refs in a particularly it usually does around people of color, PTSD is triggered, right? These angry white males are in our city and I know you know that. So, I would be upset with the meeting with Jerry Gibson, patriot prayer. He is one of those angry, bigoted males that scare me. That empowered him. You took that power you had that was protecting your citizens on the front line which are single mothers like me that will be there Sunday and gave it to him. And I can't tell you that how bad that hurts. I have been in the faces of these guys. They are oppressors. They are using misappropriated Christian ethics purposely, intentionally to hurt women and minorities. That's what they are designing to do. That's going to happen on Sunday. I'll be there. I hope you don't show up and shake anyone's hands. I appreciate you, mayor, I want to see you do what's right for the city. These guys are not neutral. Nor are the cops. I know a lot about cops because my father is a retired officer. I will be there and I want to be safe. My children won't be there, of course, but they are going to be worried about me. I would just really like to say that there's a power over that they are exerting and I don't appreciate it.

Wheeler: If I could just take one moment to comment. I appreciate your statement. I do feel like I need to comment. I have been getting lots of questions about why did I meet with the organizer of the protest that's planned. We have actually reached out to the organizers of that protest and the organizers of the counter protest. In the conversation was basically I had two purposes. Number one, to ask them if they would voluntarily withdraw. And number 2, if they would not do that, we wanted to make sure that we established some parameters for public safety and ask as you can imagine it's a very volatile situation. I didn't just meet with one side. I met with -- there's not just two sides, there's multiple sides in this issue that's coming up on Saturday. The point wasn't to empower them or help them or anything else. It was to appeal for calm and for common sense. You can disagree with whether it was the right strategy or not. I'm not claiming any monopoly on the truth. But as you know, my first request was to pull the permit.

Kraft: Right.

Wheeler: I stood alone in that request except for commissioner Eudaly. I believe she was the only other elected official to stand with me.

Kraft: I was with you on that.

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Wheeler: I appreciate it but we lost that one. Now the question is how do we deescalate the conversation.

Kraft: Don't negotiate with terrorists Jeremy Christian.

Wheeler: I'm not negotiating. What I'm doing is I'm trying to get everybody just -- this is we're still mourning as a community and the anger is rising. Now my objective as mayor is to do everything I can to maintain the peace. If that means I have to talk to people to appeal to them to help me do it that was a decision I made. You can say it was the right decision or the wrong decision. I want you to know why I made that decision.

Kraft: Can I please say two more things? I would beg you not to cower to his demand to offer a statement that Jeremy Christian is not part of his gang. He was.

Wheeler: I offered no such thing nor will I.

Kraft: That's what he's saying on his little video.

Wheeler: You know, Facebook, YouTube, twitter, you can say anything. It doesn't make it true.

Kraft: One last thing, mayor, can I please offer you this book called light rage by professor carol Anderson, a professor at mru university. We could have a like rather exchange going.

Wheeler: Maybe just give it to Karla on your way out I would be delighted. I'm very appreciative. Good morning.

Johnson: Good morning. Charles bridge crane Johnson. Although our community has suffered two tragic high profile deaths right now I think that that should influence our conversation that even though you sometimes can get caught up in nuts and bolts of municipal legislation, not just Amanda and Chloe but everybody up there, when a domestic violence item is on the agenda, your briefing should tell us how many dead people we're talking about. How many -- that is really -- that's happening. You know, at the end of this year there will be crime statistics and it will tell us that Ricky and tilician are dead from a crime of violence but they sure as heck are not going to be alone. I highly doubt the statistics will say nobody died from domestic violence. Of course, overwhelmingly, those victims are women, victims of violent men, white men. And so when we have even a nuts and bolts thing like this about domestic violence, it is important for us to remember not just to do the work to prevent future victims, but to have an informed conversation about how badly did we fail during the previous physical year or calendar year. What women lost their lives and any other victims of domestic violence lost their lives because we have imperfect structures, restraining orders, domestic violence protection orders. We need to constantly be thinking about tweaking those, vision zero is a buzz faze that got attached to traffic deaths but it applies to all deaths by violence. You know, I haven't heard a woman who has died from abuse this year. The way men are I suspect there's already been one but we really need to look at having a vision zero year as soon as possible for that. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Cameron Stark: I'm Cameron stark. I believe that black lives matter. I kind of want to mirror what Mimi said when she said that we need to put something in this ordinance to expand the definition of domestic violence because there are a lot of instances of police violence. Domestic means here at home. We are facing a whole lot of violence from the police. I'm sure that Quanice Hayes and Terrell Johnson are not considered under the current scope of domestic violence, but if you look in a broader spectrum they were hurt by those who were scheduled to protect them. You just can't look at domestic violence without looking at what's going on with the Portland police. Chief mike marshman is the police chief and we know what happened with his stepson. I'm not trying to get too off topic about that, but when you have a police force that's run by, you know, domestic violence perpetrators then it's really hard to trust the police when it comes to that. I know you

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understand that. I have also known many women who are victims of domestic violence here in Portland and when they call the police they sometimes in turn get arrested themselves when they didn't start the altercation and they definitely weren't the ones most left damaged. I have seen that as a pattern, an issue. I think that needs to be addressed. There's a brand-new women's prison being built and it's just going to fill more bodies in there. It's a system that's broken. I don't have a whole lot more to say on it, but you need to expand the scope of what you look at as domestic violence I think.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good morning.

Kris Ramsay: Good morning. I'm Kris Ramsay. I just want to acknowledge that 14 to \$16 an hour for a domestic violence advocate shows how little we care about violence even inside of the police budget. If you require a bachelor's degree any simple math would say you would never be able to fulfill your loans. Just showing that that's actually important. When I think of domestic violence it makes me think of a situation between two people traditionally, people in a relationship. But individual people in a community can be victims of domestic violence at the hands of the community that they live in. Marginalizing people through ignorant policy or neglect puts them at increased risk for only domestic violence in their community and their home. Community violence is domestic violence. Police violence is domestic violence. Trimet violence is domestic violence, ice violence is domestic violence. I have been the victim of domestic violence and have utilized the police, judiciary and community resources to escape. When you come up with a plan on how to try to escape your violator, if you can't trust the police there is no one to call. If you can't trust that the police would come and help your friend if you were on their couch and he chased you, there is no one to call. When I left the courthouse yesterday I was followed in a huge truck and yelled at. Those types of incidents in our community where we're attacking people standing up to white nationalism in our community makes those people that facilitate that type of mentality fired up at home and anyone around is at increased risk for violence. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Michelle Darr: I want to mirror what these citizens both said. That is, we can't look at domestic violence without looking at the institutionalized nature of it.

Wheeler: Could you state your name for the record? I apologize.

Darr: Michelle Darr. Again, I want to address the institutionalized nature of domestic violence and bring attention to the fact it runs arrive through all our institutions it shows up everywhere. In our families and our institutions are responsible. We need to hold them responsible. We need to hold you responsible for the unreal violence that has been unleashed by the Portland police upon communities of color in particular. And how that violence has spread to more violence. So, this makes you responsible. This puts that blood on your hands. This system that's been perpetrated here and all over makes everybody accountable, makes everybody responsible for what happened. Without addressing that, there's nothing to address.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Margaret Zebroski: Thank you very much, mayor wheeler. I'm Peggy Zebroski. Margaret Zebroski usually. In my career in public health with Multnomah county I saw many victims of domestic abuse. Very supportive of efforts to increase their services but I'm going to unabashedly admit I'm using this because it's the most closely related to police issues. We're experiencing an emergency in our state. Thank you for acknowledging that and standing up to the police union in your call for a police chief. The danger to people standing up for racial justice right now is increasing exponentially. We have a problem with the Portland police. They shoot people running away from them in the back. You've experienced two deaths in the short time you've been in your role as mayor. Two deaths of

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young black males. The police themselves have been linked to white supremacist causes. The white supremacist have a long history in Oregon as we all know. It's on you folks, please, to do what you can against this very powerful union to initiate an investigation into what is going on inside the Portland police. And root it out. You also need to throw your weight in if you have it with the fbi, telling them they must investigate the white supremacist networks in our state and our city. We are calling as of today, we will be calling on the wonderful investigative news sources in our country, some of which live here in Portland, the observers' work has been sterling, we have all learned a lot from that. Portland observer with the justice series – do I have it right? but we'll be calling on criminal and Atlantic and people have done the work to do that research themselves so we can hold the feet of the people of Oregon to the fire. Okay? I'm looking to you guys to take responsibility. Things are going to get worse. People are in pain. You got yelled at today for a reason. People are at risk.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Zebroski: There are a lot of threats and there's a lot of people feeling permitted to do open violence. We know how the right works. It's always the lone crazy who does the crime. They intentionally make that happen. You know, that is a psychological thing, trick, manipulation, that they are very good at. You can't let it happen anymore.

Wheeler: I agree. I think about it all the time. Good morning.

Mary Spagnola: Thank you. Mary spagnola. I'm pretty nervous. I have never addressed city council before so I'm just going to read. I'm afraid of the police. I'm afraid because they have all the weapons and gear and protection. And I'm afraid because when someone is killed by a police officer in this city, the city basically says good job. If the police -- I'm sorry. If the police are supposed to protect us and they see us as enemies who protects us from the police? If an officer is doing his job means someone has to die we have big problems. If an officer is so afraid for their own life even with all their protection so they must kill someone maybe they aren't doing a good job. The narrative needs to change. I expect more from the city of Portland, from the mayor, and from the p.d. Why is our response not how could this have been avoided? All the investigations and reviews that result in he was just doing his job response are heartless and disgusting. It's clearly about you all covering your butts instead of honoring a life lost. Instead of accountability for causing pain. My concerns are now acutely focused on the racist violence in our community. The recent loss of life should serve as clear evidence that this is an urgent matter. What are we doing right now to stop this violence? There are community members and organizations doing this work. Why are you not working with them? Why are you not seeking counsel with people of color leaders like Teresa raiford? Members of our community want to go out and protest this upcoming white supremacist rally on Sunday they will be at risk for violence from not only Nazis but also Portland police. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good morning.

Allyson Sosa: Lovely to see your faces again after a long time. I'm Allyson Sosa. I'm not going to bash the police although ftp always. As a person of color, I don't have the luxury of calling the police. I was raped in October. On the hood of a car by a stranger and I didn't call the police. I went back to work working for the dpo. I acted like it was a normal day. It didn't shock me and shouldn't shock anyone in this room. One in three women and one in four men encounter domestic violence. It doesn't matter how we look at it, how we paint it, it's an issue that continually gets ignored. We're like, oh, it's great, we're going to wear a ribbon and it's going to be awesome and awareness. Yes, there's systemic problem with the police being racist. For me, coming into the situation and knowing and seeing all of you do your job, my job is to educate my children. To weaponize myself with my education. That's what I have done. I'm not somebody who wants notoriety. I'm not somebody that

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feels like I necessarily need help because I have my community. What I cannot stand by is seeing people not make a livable wage. I have been texting a friend actually just now because she lives in South Carolina and she is my only source of support in this matter because she is as much of a fighter as I am. When we're talking about 40% of police families encounter domestic violence and 20% of combat veterans of which I'm a veteran, you know, I'm a domestic violence survivor, I don't ever feel safe. I don't feel safe in this room. I'm one of less than eight people of color so when you talk about don't interrupt you're silencing me and I don't appreciate it. I worked hard to get to where I am. I was a street kid. I came back after traveling the world yet Portland has not changed. It's the fourth night of Ramadan. I spent five years overseas. I spent this weekend breaking ifthar over at the met because that's the only place I felt at peace. The only place I felt safe. I purposely didn't come the night of the vigil to ifthar because you were going to be there, ted. I don't feel like your opinion is credible to me. I don't think it applies to me. It's not fair that I get to sit in a room while my friends are outside because they speak up. So, I'll bite my tongue and sit in this chair and thank you for your time. [applause]

Edith Gillis: I'm Edith Gillis. I'm holding up my right hand as a visual reminder the only way you can stop violence, fascist violence is to address the entire hand of violence. We talk about the tallest finger being the bad guy. That's the only one. Or just the little thumb, the victim sucking his thumb. They asked for it. It's also the pointer finger that points out who is allowed to be abused. Houseless, poor, mentally ill, people of color, first nations, gender, minorities, religious minorities, political activists. They are pointed out as the ones it's okay to impoverish, to terrorize, to traumatize, to abuse. Then there's the ring finger. Those who feel wedded to this violence who make excuses, oh, I can't do anything about it. I'm just doing my job. The little pinky says, oh, it's just I, a little witness. I can't do anything about it. We got to stop. In the Judaic, Christian and Muslim tradition we are demanded to be right witnesses. To be upstanding and support those. Leviticus 19:33 says love your neighbors as yourself, care for strangers and oppressed, remember you were like them too, open your heart and your home to them. We need to do that. Now how can you at the city council do something to stop domestic, police and other violence? It's to say no to hiring police who are coming from the military, who are bringing the same fake weapons at the scene like they do with the so-called improvised explosive devices that put on the scene and pretend that the person they just murdered was a terrorist or insurgent. We have had two guns on the same day, fake, put out there as assault evidence where there is no excuse if they had been real guns to kill those people. I have known that most of the police force and I'm hearing this from police themselves because there are a few good ones saying that most of them are fascists who are using fear and force to get their way to terrorize and control folks. Most of them are domestic violence abusers. When I have called the Portland police to protect us from abusers they refuse to come. We had been terrorized by someone, broken into our home, destroyed property, raped me, and police officer came to my home because I cannot get a restraining order because I tried to have Portland advocate for me but the restraining order should not be limited to family members or sexual partners. This was a neighbor. A criminal defense attorney. We need to be able to expand it so that police don't say, no, don't ever come when she calls. Verbally abused me, worse, than all the abusers. My mother was killed because of racism and domestic violence. The same railroad tracks that were unsafe and killed, dozens of them were not noticed and not changed but when a white woman, the daughter of a millionaire was killed, same purpose, same place, suddenly her life matters. Every life matters and you can make sure in how you talk about folks, schedule your time, who you welcome here, what kind of politics you have, how you control who is hired, supervised, fired, and that you have records of police not be closed so that the good cops are not

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allowed to speak up and the bad cops get away and again we have had cops brutalize almost everyone in my neighborhood. You've got to stop that. And you can. It's in your hands.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it. [applause]

Moore-Love: Someone else wanted to speak.

Wheeler: Folks, I want to apologize, I'm going to have to leave fairly soon.

Fish: We have emergency ordinances.

Wheeler: I understand.

Fish: I think we got to get to the agenda.

Wheeler: I can't stay. There's something related to what we're all talking about that I need to attend to.

Moore-Love: Tomorrow?

Wheeler: We'll have to do them tomorrow. Sorry. Sorry for the interruption.

Batia Wan: I'm Batia wan. I have never spoke here either, but I want to speak on domestic violence being expanded as well to domestic terrorists because yesterday when we were at the arraignment there was a man who came who said he was a friend of Jeremy Christian. He was wearing red laces, which we know speaks to white supremacy specifically that he has shed or spilled blood for his cause. We know that for a fact. He admitted that he was Christian's friend. He was escorted kindly out of the building and we were told we were safe because he went across the street. None of us felt safe. We went outside the building scared that they were around the corner. We know that's what they do. We know they communicate and they want to hurt us. When we came to your office to ask for protection for our community, we were placated and told to go away. So, I left yesterday having no faith in your ordinances or your care for this community. That was a real circumstance that our community needed protection, and we were basically ignored. That's all I want to say today.

Wheeler: Thank you. Is that it?

Moore-Love: That's all.

Wheeler: Call the roll.

Fish: Aye.

Eudaly: I want to thank city and county staff for coming up with a plan to make our domestic violence reduction unit more efficient, more effective, expand the hours and better ensure that domestic violence survivors have a consistent advocate to guide them through the system. Aye.

Fritz: I think those testifiers who actually referenced what we're talking about today and the \$14 to \$16 an hour. Concerned that the police bureau was able to find \$332,000 within their budget to reassign to this when we have just been through a very difficult budget exercise. It begs the question of why was this amount of money available and I'm really glad that it's going to this cause, and I also want to report on what I heard from ifthar Saturday from Rasheed Saeed. He was talking to his community and said that Muslims, Shiites and Sunni people need to figure out how to get along. He says we're all Muslims. What I'm feeling today in response to the challenges that we have heard over the past week or more we are all devastated also and we're all mortified. We want to stop this hatred from gaining a grip on our society. As hard as it is we've got to figure out how to do that. Mayor, thank you for your leadership in this tragedy. Thank you, commissioner Eudaly, for your work in speaking for us last week and over the weekend. Aye.

Wheeler: I appreciate what people were saying today. I know people are hurting and struggling and they are trying to find the center, and they are trying to find what, where and who in this community they can rely on and who they can trust. I heard loudly and clearly from many of the people testifying you do not think I'm that individual. I can accept that.

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But I'm also going to say this. I started my day by being called a Nazi. I started my day by being accused of perpetrating murders that were committed in this community last week. I have been threatened by people on all sides of the political spectrum and I want you to know this from me personally because I don't think I have done a very good job of letting people into who I actually am and what I stand for. I want you to know I stand with you in opposition to the hate and the violence and the bigotry and the terrorism that took place in this community on Friday. Now, we're not going to build a trusting relationship overnight. You don't know me. You don't know me. And what I would ask for is whether you hate me or not, we're stuck together. For the next three and a half years. Let's figure out how we can work together. Let's try. All right? Let's try. Let's see if we can work together and make some real progress in a community that is hurting. That's my goal. I'm going to do my level best to protect everybody's safety on Saturday. I'm going to do my level best. As I say I'm sorry, Sunday, and I'm working with lots of people in this community to help make that happen. I think we can show the world that we can have disputes that people can have their first amendment rights respected, and at the end of the day my goal is to make sure everybody goes home to their families. That's what I want. That's what's in my heart right now. That's where I am. So, I have heard what you have said and I appreciate those of you who have come up to express honestly and forthrightly your opinions and I'm hearing what you're saying. I just want you to know that. I don't even remember if I voted. I'll vote again. Aye. The ordinance is adopted.

Eudaly: Mayor, before you adjourn I need to make a request. I'm sorry, I'm going to be gone next week. I'm requesting that item 608 be held over for one additional week.

Wheeler: Item 608 be held over one additional week -- so not next week but the week after that is that correct?

Eudaly: Yes.

Wheeler: Is there any objection?

Fish: Let me propose a counterproposal. My understanding is we had to vote -- [shouting]

Fish: My understanding, colleagues, is we have the votes today to put an emergency clause on 608 and simply pass those portions that we agreed to last week and then have the other matters come back at the end of the month as we agreed.

Fritz: Actually, no commissioner I'm not willing to do that, I'm not willing to support what's on the table.

Fish: Your chief of staff represented that you were. That's what we were acting upon. I won't make the motion.

Wheeler: Very good. Is there any objection to moving this to two weeks? 608. Just to be clear. Is there a problem? Okay, let's do that. Item 607 as we discussed earlier we can do that next week. Item 608 we'll hold over for two weeks. I would like commissioner Eudaly to be here for that. It's important that she be here. I realize that by my leaving now there are some emergency items that we're also going to have to move presumably to tomorrow afternoon if that works for people. Or we'll sort it out. We'll figure it out I'll have Kristin work with the staff to figure it out.

Fritz: Mayor, I had a long-planned vacation and I won't be able to be here tomorrow. I'll be away for several days.

Wheeler: I'll see what the situation is with Dan.

Moore-Love: Will anyone be here this afternoon at 2:00? This afternoon?

Wheeler: Sure.

Fish: Why don't we set everything over until 2:00.

Wheeler: So, you understand with emergency ordinances there has to be a minimum of four of us present and therefore we can't continue on this agenda. We'll set over the rest of

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the agenda until 2:00 p.m. I'm sorry for those of you inconvenienced by that. We're adjourned.

At 12:20 council recessed.

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Wheeler: Karla before we begin I just want to make sure that I have the order exactly right here, so we've had a request to move 606 to the front of the line and then I show that we have left; we did 595, we did 596, 597 is still open, 599-604 correct and then 606 which we're bringing forward and that is it. Do not let me adjourn without someone reminding me that the 2pm Thursday we're changing that to 2:30.

Moore-Love: That has been changed to 3pm.

Wheeler: Ok ask me on the record so we can make sure we make that clear to everybody. You know what I'll just say it right up front so I don't forget.

Wheeler: Good afternoon everyone this is the afternoon session of the Portland city council, this is Wednesday May 31. I have a quick announcement before we get to the roll call. For those who are interested in the item to be discussed tomorrow, Thursday, June 1st, which is related to the 100% goal around community-wide renewable energy needs that have been moved to 2:00 pm time certain to 3:00 pm. So that will be tomorrow at 3 pm, not 2 pm as originally announced. So with that, please call the roll.

[roll call]

Wheeler: and we've had a request to move item 606 to the front of the list. We have a number of staff members who've waited very patiently all day. Please read the item.

Item 606.

Wheeler: Thank you. Want to come on up director creager?

Kurt Creager, Director, Portland Housing Bureau: I will lead off. Kurt creager, housing director, joined by Sarah Stevenson, executive director of innovative housing, and Julie garver, project manager. Just as a way of framing the issue for you, we were last here in November, just before thanksgiving, and the issue had to do with an appeal to a design commission approval of with conditions that were deemed unacceptable by ij and ultimately unacceptable to the city council. Since then, innovative housing has been working diligently to perfect the working drawings and to arrange for the final financing of the project. I would underscore that the design architect, Alec Salazar, supported by Irs architects, has been working for the last several months on this project. I would be remiss if I didn't recognize that pbob was helpful in this process, because it involved a lot of utility coordination and some exceptions to existing policy and that the bureau of development services and Rebecca's Esau's crew has been extremely helpful. I'd also like to recognize that the site was required by the housing bureau for \$1.2 million, little bit less than its current value of \$1.9 million, in 2015. And this was a site acquired from Hoyt street properties under duress to help fulfill obligations for affordable housing in the river district. Javier mena was the director of the housing bureau at the that the site was acquired, and he was supported by Karl Dinkelspiel, our finance manager, and John Marshall, who is our project manager. The other thing that I think is important to mention is that innovative housing inc. Has effectively increased the density of the property through a density transfer of pnca's historic national register property in the neighborhood. So we are able to achieve an additional 16 affordable units over and above what they originally proposed in the 2015 proposal that they proffered to the housing bureau. \$11.4 million is a lot of money, but this also leverages additional resources so the total project cost is some \$35.8 million, which

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includes financial support from wells Fargo, Raymond James, a Massachusetts mutual life insurance, innovative housing itself, which has contributed a portion of its developer's fee to the project, and hud, through home forward, because there are some project based rental assistance vouchers attached to this particular project. And the real good news story here is that we're supporting homeless families in one of the most attractive neighborhoods of Portland, the pearl, and people who are working in the district. And I'll let Sarah and Julie finish.

Sarah Stevenson: So Julie is our director of housing development, and she's going to show you some slides and talk about some of the building amenities first, and then we'll shift over to me, and I'll talk about the services we're going to provide our residents and a little bit more about why we think this is going to be such a great place for families to thrive and succeed. Or maybe I will go first. Okay, while we get the slides up, maybe I will go first. So based on our current portfolio and our experience housing families in Portland, we're anticipating that these 93 units will house probably over 300 people each year and that half of those will be children. We expect our average household income to be around 30% of area median. That's based on our current family portfolio, even though many of the units will be set aside for households that earn up to 50 and 60%. It is typical that we house lower-income households. As Kurt said, 40 of the units -- well, 45 of the units will be set aside for families that earn no more than 30%. 40 of those households will be coming directly out of homelessness. So that helps brings down the average income of the households. But we do find that most families we house struggle significantly, not only with income, but also with some other challenges. So we find that in order to help them succeed and stay stable in their housing, we really need to bring wrap around services. So in addition to our partnership with Multnomah county, who will be referring the homeless families, and with join and human solutions and many of the other organizations that provide case management services, which is, you know, much more comprehensive alcohol and drug counseling, different things that families might need, we provide resident services on site. We will have a full-time staff person dedicated to this building, not only to serve the homeless families, but all 93 of our households. Our basic resident service program includes orientations and basic needs assessments. Our first goal is housing stability, and part of that is making sure that everyone's basic needs are met. So we work, we do a lot of information and resource referrals. We have a lot of partnerships with other service organizations throughout Portland. We do a lot of direct service and advocacy. We find that many families need assistance accessing benefits that they are entitled to, but because of bureaucratic systems, they can use some help. One of our main goals, and the biggest push that we work on, is eviction prevention. So anytime that a household is at risk of eviction, whether for non-payment of rent or any behavioral issue or at least violation, our resident service coordinators step in right away. We waive late fees if people will sit down and do a budgeting session and start doing some financial education with us. And we also help make connections to different service providers and resources if there are at least violations that we can help address. We also -- are you ready?

Julie Garver: I'm ready to do it without the slides

Stevenson: I'll say just a couple of things. We also do a lot of tenant education, a lot of community building and we have some special programs that we envision we'll bring to bear on this building, especially around holistic family services and youth programming, academic support, homework help, teen mentoring programs, we have a strong college prep program that we try to -- one of our goals around our youth programming is high school graduation. We think that's a huge, significant way to break the cycle of poverty is to get kids through high school and into that next step. We will bring all of those services to

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bear and then the rest of our services will be tailored to the building so we will see what people need and what they want, and then we will deliver that.

Garver: We may or may not have slides for you, but I'll give you -- I'll try to do a word picture. We are really excited about this building and everything it's going to bring to families. When you enter the building on the ground floor, you have a generous lobby, offices and a coffee shop or a neighborhood retail space, which the neighborhood and design review really encouraged us to do so it will be nice to have that small space interactive with the neighborhood. On the second floor is where our secure community space for the building is going to be housed and it will have a large community room that has a dividing door so it can be divided into smaller meetings. It has a community kitchen there, it has an indoor-outdoor play area that will take care of kids in inclement weather, but also has a nice door that raises to an outdoor corridor on the second floor that will have play equipment and then the laundry room is right there integral in the program, too, so that parents and kids can all be in the same space and folks can be supervised. Nice bike room. And then moving up to the 12th floor, we have a small roof deck, 750 square feet of roof deck to be on the 12th floor with nice views, and the roof itself will have solar panels and a green roof. So the building is really built to last, concrete and steel. It's going to be there over generations and provide a lot of nice amenities for residents. Any questions?

Wheeler: Questions, colleagues?

Fritz: I just have to not that it's really unfortunate that people who come and yell at us are not doing anything for people outside are not here to hear that presentation because I appreciate the work that you're doing I appreciate your leadership with the housing bureau and this is what I know got lots of staff who worked on this stuff day in and day out so thank you.

Fish: Director Creager, the good news is that almost half the units are targeted to the people that have the greatest need in our community and we're accomplishing that by pairing the units with section eight vouchers so we should acknowledge home forward, this is part of the allocation that they made to ensure that we could get affordable housing?

Creager: It is indeed and these are project based rental assistance vouchers that were allocated at the outset. So those are families who will be paying one third of their income for rent and utilities under the payments standard established by home forward and if their income declines, their rent will therefore, decline proportionately and the federal government will pay the difference.

Fish: And just -- maybe this is obvious, but we're talking about a lot of units for very low-income people and many of them, families coming off the streets so coming out of homelessness, which is great and you've talked about the wrap-around services on site. So do these qualify as permanent supportive housing units or are they functionally the equivalent?

Creager: Well, I'm not sure that you're providing a complete suite of services, but you're matching people to their needs so to the extent that they have mental health treatment service needs, they're getting that support so we would consider these permits supportive housing units. The other thing that it's important to underscore is that this is immediately across the street to the north of Ramona, and there's an early childhood education center at Ramona so within 60 feet, people are going to have some early childhood education services. And while this is 100% affordable, there's market rate housing immediately adjacent in the neighborhood. To the east is Abigail which includes market rate units to bridge open last summer. So it's a mixed income neighborhood and we're pleased that this was able to proceed.

Fish: Most of that new development happened once the city finished work on the fields and that actually became the catalyst both for the work that Hoyt street did and the bridge

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came along and a lot of the other stuff. I don't remember the last time we had a project that came back to us with almost half the units at zero to 30. We talk about wanting to get deeply affordable units, but I don't remember Kurt the last time we had something with these numbers.

Creager: We're normally getting between 7% and 15% at that level. This is a much richer mix and it's been the dedicated sort of concentration of innovative housing to reach those numbers. It's one of the reasons why the financing has taken this long.

Fish: We had someone this morning to commissioner Fritz's point who was here who spoke during the public comment and she said we should be distributing affordable housing in neighborhoods across the city and we talked about what it is to be in a high-opportunity area. To have family friendly housing, deeply affordable in the pearl is about as good as you can get and the fact is next to the Ramona where there's a school that may be appropriate for the kids in walking distance to a park. I'm very excited about this so congratulations.

Stevenson: Thank you it's a great opportunity and one thing I should mention is there are 32 three bedroom units, 32 two bedroom units and 32 one bedroom units so it's skewed towards very large units also, so it really is a family property. We didn't mention that. It's harder to build bigger. So I wanted to make sure you know they're big units.

Fritz: How do you choose who gets to be there?

Stevenson: Well, we don't choose. Fair housing would dictate how we accept applications. The 40 homeless families will be referred through the Multnomah county homeless family continuum so the county will refer those that get to access the project based vouchers.

Fritz: I would really not now obviously like to know more details about how do they make sure that the demographics of the people in this new building represent the demographics of our community as a whole.

Fish: The fair housing act has something to say about that and would limit -- but the good news is the section eight wait list is heavily weighted towards older, disabled, people of color and people in poverty. So that's more -- a more diverse list, but the fair housing act has something to say about that if you will cherry picking what tenants come into the units.

Stevenson: We don't really get to choose, but we do get to do outreach and we do get to publicize and let people know about housing opportunities. So that does fall to us.

Fritz: And I think what we have done in the past is having the urban league help with the outreach.

Stevenson: We've got partners that we make sure get the preapplications as soon as we start preleasing we do work with a lot of partners to get the word out. [overlapping speakers]

Creager: The no app fee company has been retained by the housing bureau so that in the future, vacancies in the entire permit affordable realm of some 14,000 units today vacancies will be placed through that online service, people won't be paying an application fee, and that allows us a great deal of selection so that individuals can have their own project professional and can select from available vacant units within the community at any given point in time. So people with disabilities, people with various races and ethnicities, people with children will have a project profile and the city is underwriting the cost for that purpose.

Fritz: You just reminded me of one other thing and what percentage of the units are required to be a.d.a. Accessible under the housing laws?

Creager: You have the state standard.

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Garver: Yeah, we have -- we're required to have 5% and we'll have 10% built as accessible and all of them will be adaptable and visitable. We'll have two elevators in the project.

Fritz: So I think I just heard the state is 5%, this is going to be 10% plus all adaptable?

Stevenson: And we do have a partnership with community vision and portfolio-wide we work with them to let them know whenever we have ada units available because they are hard to find.

Fritz: Thank you.

Wheeler: I'll just throw my accolades on to the table I think this is an amazing partnership and I want to acknowledge that a lot of this work started when commissioner Saltzman was the housing commission and he's not here, but I think it's important for me to certainly acknowledge as the housing commissioner come lately. This is a fabulous partnership, and I think one of the reasons it is so successful is all of these different organizations coming together, you have the project sponsor, innovative housing, inc., home forward as has been discussed has provided section 8 vouchers, ihi is partnering with Multnomah county homelessness services, we've got the county throwing their wholehearted support and capacity behind this important effort and we've got human solutions, join and others who are working with us to make sure that this is a successful program. My thinking is we could fill this entire program very, very, very quickly, particularly because as commissioner Fish noted, there's such a deep level of affordability that's built into this model, and as commissioner Fritz mentioned, there's a tremendous bias in favor of family units. And I think it's great and I hope it's really well received by the community. I think people are going to see this as a truly positive family-friendly addition to the neighborhood. And there are always challenges associated with that, but I think with this partnership and with the strength of the proposal I think it has that very, very high chance of likelihood and success. So I want to thank you all for that, as well. Are there any questions before we get to public testimony? I'll let you guys take a break for a bit and do we have a couple of people?

Moore-Love: We have two people.

Wheeler: Very good.

Mary Sipe: Hello. As you all know, the whole reason that we have this project --

Wheeler: Name?

Sipe: Oh, I'm sorry. Mary Sipe. It's -- what I want to say, the vision of the city, when the pearl district was being developed and this land that was deemed worthless was practically given to a developer by the city to create the Portland pearl district, but one of the things they put in the requirements was that -- it was either 30% or 35%, I think it was 35% of the housing that was put in this development would be affordable housing. And the reason that the city purchased and was able to purchase this particular lot known as block 26, from Hoyt street properties was because according to the agreement they had not met that threshold of affordable housing. And so the city was able to purchase this lot at a discount and fortunately innovative housing has stepped up to the plate and is going to provide us with another income restricted or low-income affordable housing, whatever you want to call it. I do wonder, Hoyt street has just three blocks left in this area, block 23, block 24 and block 29 and they just announced plans for block 29, because it's directly under the 405 bridge and these lots are right up against the railroad tracks, as well. They're going to build a storage facility. They are also looking at senior housing at block 23. Now, I know that's not going to be affordable senior housing and as you know I happen to live in one of the income restricted projects and I've spoken before about the need for this type of housing for seniors and I just want to reiterate that and also kind of throw a pitch out to innovative housing. I think it's wonderful that we're building this community in this area for low-income families. But we also do have a very neglected segment of the population that are seniors,

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that are living on strictly social security, on fixed incomes, with no opportunity, literally no opportunity to increase their incomes. And so I would like to encourage the city to look and see do they have the opportunity to purchase another piece of property from Hoyt street before it's all gone?

Wheeler: Great question Mary and if I could just reflect for a moment, I want to assure you that the commitment to an age-friendly city is more than just a hollow commitment and there are, in fact, projects we're sketching out right now with a focus on intergenerational housing and so I just want to second what you're saying. I absolutely agree with you that we cannot neglect an aging population, particularly an aging population with declining real incomes in this environment. And so well said and I agree with you.

Sipe: If you need a citizen representative to help with any of that, you know where to find me and I would be more than happy to participate in any way that I can.

Fish: We have an oversight body that we started called phac the Portland housing advisory commission, and I think you would be an outstanding member of that and I hope you'll talk to Kurt about just knowing about future vacancies. That's the body that advises the bureau on an ongoing basis and given your interest and expertise I think you would be terrific.

Sipe: I would appreciate that opportunity and I'll talk to Kurt.

Wheeler: Appreciate your testimony. Good afternoon.

Charles Bridge Crane Johnson: Good afternoon, commissioners. For the record Charles Bridge Crane Johnson, and, you know, it's great property, I think that it's easier to have more enthusiasm for this because of its size than it was for the Ericson which is the last one that really involved a substantial amount of city money before you were here. I do think -- I know there's another agenda item, coming up with bond investments that we're eventually going to need some kind of metric, a tool to tell us about bang for the buck and maybe ways to incentivize developers to give us projects like these that are, you know, 100% of the units are below 80% mfi. Find out what catholic charities was able to do, I don't think they had the help of the tax crediting investment from wells Fargo and stuff like that, so that we can get more lots with these buildings that are just loaded below 80% mfi. The other thing that was mentioned is the home forward and the housing bureau's use of no app fee. Ideally, these kinds of specialized investment vehicles can only reach a small portion of the people that need to get housed so I hope that whatever's going on with no app fee, you can find a way to incentivize large-scale landlords, even perhaps less popular with some of us, people like apm and stuff like that. If there can be financial incentives, whether it's an adjustment, maybe a break on their relocation fee or something so that some of the very large portfolio property owners will be on no app fee instead of having that really prohibitive revenue, it's a screening tool, application fees can be a screening tool to screen out what some property managers consider less desirable. I hope we'll see some work in that area, as well thank you.

Sipe: Can I make one little pitch to innovative housing please do not use the impact hammer pile driver on the building.

Fish: Director Creager can you come back for one sec. I neglected to ask just to clarify the affordability covenant here last 60 or 90?

Creager: This is a 60 years, we are migrating to 99 years, but this procured in 2015 before that new standard was set and I've been honoring those prior agreements.

Fish: And just to be clear of the total financing we're providing about a third which means we're helping to leverage tax credits and private equity and other sources to make this still work.

Creager: Yea it's a three to one leverage we're gaining \$2 of outside money for every \$1 of city money invested in the project and you know you took up the short term rental

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measure earlier today when I was initially asked to quantify the number of units lost and came up with the 1,000 units. I had said then that the replacement cost was \$385 a unit and that's what this cost. So this is a step in the right direction certainly.

Wheeler: Very good are there any other questions for the director? Any further comment? Please call the roll.

Fish: Well I'm very pleased and proud to support this it meets so many of the city's goals and it serves the poorest of the poor in our community and with a focus on people who experience homelessness and want to get back on their feet. It's a high opportunity area which means we're investing in a place that low income, moderate income, wealthy household would like to like so it advances our goal of giving people meaningful choice. It's a fantastic leverage and the partnership with the city, the county, home forward and ihi is the way we do our best work so I'm very pleased with that. You know not that long ago we would have some people here testifying and objecting to the cost of this project per unit and the council has consistently particularly under Dan's leadership at the housing bureau pointed out that there's a cost for high quality that serves the needs of people. I'll just close by saying when we invest in beautiful libraries we rarely have people come out and say we're spending public money recklessly in building a beautiful library. When we build beautiful train stations and public amenities people don't come out and say you're wasting money on. When we invest in beautiful parks people celebrate the fact, not criticize us. I would like to think we have the same pride in investing public resources in long term affordable housing, which is part of the asset base of a healthy community and I for one am pleased to make that investment. Thank you for your work, Kurt and the bureau, and thank you innovative housing for delivering another terrific project. Aye.

Eudaly: Thank you for the presentation. Your hard work. I'm of course very excited about this project. Especially happy to hear that you have 100% visibility and 100% adaptability and the partnership with community visions because as short as we are on affordable housing we're even perhaps shorter on accessible housing. Aye.

Fritz: Thanks to everybody involved. I was particularly happy to hear about the community space both indoor and outdoor. That's one of the things that raises the cost of the whole development cause obviously, those don't count under the per unit, but it's the thing that makes a community not just a project so thank you for doing that.

Wheeler: Great project. Aye. The ordinance is passed. Next item.

Item 597.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Gabe Graff, Portland Bureau of Transportation: Good afternoon. Thank you for having me. I'm Gabe Graff with the Portland bureau of transportation. I've got a brief presentation here. I'm here to ask you to authorize this contract for ch2m to provide project development support to this project which seeks to make getting to and around the central city safer, easier and more convenient by foot, bike, transit, through planning, prioritizing and instructing active transportation projects. I'll provide a background, I'll answer any questions you might have. The council nominated this for metro's regional flexible fund program in 2013. The \$6 million grant was approved and included in the 2016/2018 stip or statewide transportation improvement program. In August of last year council authorized an IGA with Oregon department of transportation programming the first \$852,000 of this funding for the planning and development phase. This phase of the project we seek to develop, refine and prioritize active transportation projects using central city 2035 plan as a foundation. Our project area matches that of the central city 2035 plan boundary. And we will focus on making it easier, safer and more convenient to get to and around the central city by transit, bike, foot or mobility device. Making the most efficient use of our right of way, encouraging the most efficient modes of travel while preserving freight and personal

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vehicle access and mobility. When we applied for the funds pbob identified three key issues we so the to address. Safety, half of the high crash intersections for walking or biking, lack of a clear bike network, people biking into our central city in downtown often feel they are left behind and not sure where they should be. On the other side people driving often feel like there are cyclists everywhere and they're not sure where to expect them. And then finally a lack of clarity with bureau strategy for active transportation improvements in the central city particularly for the bike network, a concern we weren't looking at the whole picture. Then since then growth has emerged as an additional priority. Central city is the densest concentration of people and jobs in the state. The economic success brings transportation challenges. How can we safely and efficiently get people to and from the central city to the new jobs, cultural amenities, dining, retail? This is a significant investment in our vision for how do that and support that growth. What we'll be looking at is next generation multi-modal infrastructure that provide clear separation for people walking, biking, driving so everyone knows where they should be. Then of course we'll be looking at how to facilitate more trips in and out of the central city, transit priority projects such as this drawing which illustrates a bus q-jump may prove key to this effort. Due to the complexity and increasing demands of the transportation infrastructure in the central city we issued this rfp for consultant services to assist us in this phase ch2m's proposal was the strongest of the three received and provide a broad array of expertise from experts, planning design, communications, design and cultural lab, environmental issues for public and stakeholder involvement. Total contract amount is \$590,696 including \$98,785 in contingency tasks. We have a 13-month schedule which you see here, an exciting aspect of this project is the funding we have includes this planning and development phase but then also funding for capital construction so once our 13 months of planning and development are complete we will be moving into the design construction of actual improvements in the central city. The end result of this phase will be prioritized project list. You can see here a project budget we have \$9 million, \$8.04 for design and construction, at the end of this planning and development phase we will bring to council a prioritize project list that's been vetted by our stakeholder process and the first tier of projects will fit within that \$8.04 million that we have available. We'll also bring a second tier of projects that we hoped to construct within the near term like a five-year window and a third tier that we considered but have not advanced. As I said, the primarily the funding is from federal funds via metro there is no flexible fund program but we're also using funding allocated from fixing our streets, the gas tax. Any questions you may have.

Wheeler: Questions? Commissioner Fritz, then commissioner Fish.

Fritz: I just have a scrivener's error. It's ch2m now it's not hill. And while I'm at it Karla on the consent agenda there was a Portland community media is now open signal.

Moore-Love: I think that's how they submitted it.

Fritz: Well we're getting used to them. Sounds like a great project I have been really impressed with the trimet drivers. When we first started doing the mall downtown with light rail I thought first no way we would be able to do that but now on both the max and the bus the drivers know what they are doing. I have the most grounded office in city hall cause it's right at the level and there was a crash last week when somebody tried to turn right where clearly it says do not turn right. To the extent that we make it even clearer which where people are supposed to be and encourage those not familiar with it to perhaps use different routes would be very helpful.

Fish: I have a question. Now that I do a lot more walking downtown I'm shocked at what I observe. This morning I almost got run over as someone made a turn going up the wrong way on the street.

Eudaly: Sorry about that, commissioner. [laughter]

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Fish: He was in a rush. I don't judge. I do think our downtown as it's getting more congested and some of the streets are harder to navigate. Out of town people don't realize once you get on the bus mall you can't make right turns, for example, or at least if you do it it's very, very hazardous. You might get hit by a bus or a max. I want to ask you another question, which is I fully support this and the whole concept of trying to make all the piece's work. You know, in the last election cycle a lot of people talked about tackling congestion in our city, and figuring out how you can do that. I welcome it. The challenge is we can do our piece but there's so many other pieces that impact this problem and the one I'll cite that I have some challenges with yesterday is the loss of four lanes on the Morrison bridge. So you know, yesterday I needed to get from city hall to Mississippi in order to meet with a friend from the rebuilding center, and I encountered four failed intersections getting on the Morrison bridge. So I started thinking, they were failed because everybody was jumping the yellow to get through the intersection. It didn't matter everybody. So it just failed you couldn't move. You couldn't get on the Morrison so it took me over an hour to get from city hall to Mississippi. The question I wanted to ask is, at what point do we need to consider having people at those intersections at these critical places where there are failed intersections when you have this confluence of things happening, construction, bridgework, so that it's actually like every other city you visit someone who is managing the traffic and helping to deal with the chaos. Particularly at rush hour.

Eudaly: You mean a traffic cop?

Fish: Like a traffic cop. There are certain places that are worse than others because just of the like the bridgework and the construction, and I understand there's a cost, so probably the answer is there's a cost, but in other cities that I visited in Europe and in this country at rush hour and some of those places you'll have a person, a traffic cop, helping people navigate. We don't usually do that. The closest thing we have ironically is when trimet rerouted the streetcar and did some max work. I have actually never seen so many traffic cops at every intersection in the city, and in fact they were so conscientious at the intersections I walked by they had three people. Just standing around managing the traffic, telling you, you couldn't walk, you couldn't traverse or managing. I guess the question is, under what circumstances would we consider having a human being manage the traffic at some of these failed intersections?

Graff: I don't know if I can speak for the bureau on this but I think generally when we have construction projects that are impacting regular routes of travel and people are having to make detours and take other routes that's a good time to be providing people with additional direction.

Fish: Do we have such people?

Graff: Well, you know, we have a lot of construction projects going on this summer.

Fish: Does pbot have a core of people that are traffic control folks trained who can do that?

Graff: Not that I'm aware of, no.

Fish: It's just interesting. Morrison bridge losing four lanes is a significant event. It would be helpful if there was a sign, I should have known this, and I have to use google more effectively, but there's no sign telling you that you should beware taking the right turn off 4th because you're about to hit a mess. I wonder if -- you're not the right person to put this question to I'll take it up with Leah, but at some point from a public safety point of view we should have folks who are in those intersections.

Graff: We do have, we have returned to a method that I am aware of that maps all the construction projects get around Portland that's on our website now. Google or pbot can give you more of a heads up.

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Fish: I think my app would probably crash from all the inputs. It's a challenging time. A good thing. We have cranes, all this activity but we have a lot of failed intersections and that creates more hazards for people. I would say forget about me spending an hour going what's normally a ten-minute trip, I notice for pedestrians it's extremely dangerous. That would be I think a primary reason to have a person managing traffic. I'll take that up.

Graff: Thank you.

Eudaly: Commissioner, as a former flag girl on the trolley, the waterfront trolley, I would volunteer to be your personal flag girl, but this new job is just killing me. [laughter] I'm sorry, guys it's been a tough week. This is the beginning stages, correct?

Graff: Correct.

Eudaly: My concern off the bat is I don't see anything about accessibility for people with mobility, challenges, sight impairment, nothing specific. I see accessible, removing barriers, and I want to put my pitch in there that when you form that stakeholder committee that it includes advocates from the disability community. We should really be applying universal design principles to projects like this so they are the most accessible to the most people right off the bat, which makes them great for everybody.

Graff: Thank you.

Eudaly: That's my two cents.

Graff: I appreciate that. One of the strategies we're using for this project because the geography is so large rather than using the traditional stakeholder advisory committee like we have used for most pbot projects we have what we're calling a sounding board based off of a model in Seattle, so it will be a group that will help refer us to other people so we can have project -- a body that can hopefully wear lots of different hats for the central city but when we get down to specific design questions for particular streets we can bring in the people who tend to benefit or impacted or might using it.

Eudaly: Cool.

Wheeler: Is there any public testimony?

Moore-Love: I believe one person is still left. Charles bridge crane Johnson.

Johnson: Good afternoon, commissioners. Even though hill is off of the ch2m name the commissioners might not be familiarized with the newest commissioner and the mayor might not know that some of us who are still insistent the under no authority, city or state, would there be fluoride in the Portland water, also are not fans of the ch2m hill and the tightness there between Randy Leonard and some things that went on in the water department before ya'lls time, on this particular work that ch2m will be doing, I also maybe share concerns that commissioner Eudaly raised in that there's maybe equity problem here for people with disabilities. I'm by no means an expert on disabled person mobility but I notice when I go through the city it's very strange which crosswalks have audible assistance and which do not. Sometimes I think there may be a guideline that nonfour-way intersections such as Burnside and 18, 19th, by the timbers stadium, when you have an intersection that's an unstandard shape it's hard for a person with trained hearing to know what's going on in the intersection whereas most people with a four-way intersection can just listen. They don't need something going -- whatever the audible cue is. I think that improving equity and even though this is the final stage of the proposal that maybe you all connect with your person on pcod and see where there's room to tighten this up where for a half million dollars to ch2m, people participating in pcod can make sure their voice about safety is getting heard. Also, I think it's beyond the scope of their work but I think that I don't know whether it's planning and sustainability or pbot but the idea that intersections fail and I don't think they need police. They could be types of pbot employees just standing in that intersection and see I have to encourage this car to move so the other car can use his green light, may as our city grows become necessary. I'm sure there's some tech

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person telling us no there's a better way, but either we have tech people figuring it out or the next generation of commissioner Eudaly flag girl people at the intersection making sure the red and green get obeyed or people know how to divert.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it. Any further public testimony? Hearing none please call the roll.

Fish: Thank you for the presentation. Aye.

Eudaly: Aye. **Fritz:** Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is passed. Thank you. Next item, please.

Item 599.

Wheeler: Very good. I'll let you jump right in.

Larry Pelatt, Procurement Services: Thank you. Good afternoon. I'm Larry pelatt from procurement services. You have before you the procurement report recommending contract award to bio habitat, inc., for the sandy river engineered log jams project for \$1,347,176. The original engineer's estimate on this project was \$2.3 million and the bureau's confidence level was moderate. On November 9, 2016, council approved the ordinance 188113 to competitively solicit the sandy river engineered log jams project. The project was advertised through the city's electronic procurement system and bids were opened February 14, 2017. Two bids were received in response to the solicitation and bio habitats, inc., is the lowest responsive and responsible bidder at \$1,347,176. Which after significant adjustments based on project refinement is minimally under the adjusted engineer's estimate. Portland water bureau along with procurement services identified an aspirational goal for certified dmwesb subcontractor and supplier utilization of 20% of the hard construction costs. There is a total of \$87,000 or 6.45% of dmwesb subcontractor participation. A portioned as follows Dbe, \$22,000 doing trucking and flagging esb \$65,000 for trucking. Bio habitats, inc., is located in Portland, Oregon, is not a state certified dmwesb contractor. They have a current city of Portland tax registration and are in full compliance with the city's contract requirements. Total participation of certified firms for this project including the noncertified general contractor is \$87,000, which is only 6.45%. The primary scopes of work involved in this project are highly specialized in water work with very few firms available in the area. Significant outreach was done to involve as many certified firms as possible in the available divisions of work. If council has any other questions there are representatives from Portland water bureau and the contractor here.

Fish: Just a quick question. When a confidence level is moderate it's not unusual for us to see the bids come in above the estimate. This is one of those rarities where we had a moderate confidence level which I understand is heavily proscribed by the standards that we use. Yet the bid came in 41% below the estimate. Do we have a sense of why we are the beneficiary of such good fortune?

Pelatt: Part of that is significant project refinement as we went through, and another piece is this particular firm is doing similar work in the same waterway for other agencies, which has allowed us there's a continuity of operations type of benefit to this whole project, so as things move forward the estimate could get more and more closely refined. Project could become more defined and then costs came in essentially what it's going to take to do the project.

Fish: Thank you.

Fritz: In the impact statement, it says there was conclusion it was one primary factor that contributed to the project coming in under budget. What was that one primary --

Pelatt: Steve Kucas from Portland water bureau is here. I think it's the thought process of continuity. Steve?

Fish: Steve thank you for being with us most of the day.

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Steve Kucas, Portland Water Bureau: Good afternoon. I'm Steve Kucas compliance manager of the water bureau and also the project manager of the habitat conservation plan we talked to with council. This is one project under that overall program. Since we turned in the engineering estimate and approached council in November we did serious head scratching about how we met our goals for this project and we refined that and reduced the amount of work. When we sent it out to bid it was a of tighter project to reach our initial goals but it came in with less money. There's some saving of effort because this contractor is doing work on two different project sites on the sandy river so there's some cost savings with demobilization and mobilization costs that would be incurred by this project activity.

Fritz: That's helpful but the impact statement says we have come to the conclusion there was one primary factor that contributed to the project coming in. What was that one primary factor?

Kucas: Reduce of scope for the lessening of excavation for the work.

Fritz: That's helpful. Thank you. We'll get a final report when it's done, right?

Kucas: Oh, yes, ma'am. There will be press and a lot of attention for this project.

Fritz: Good. The code requires that the low bidder come back to council for an increase of 25% or more is that correct?

Pelatt: Em. -- yes, ma'am.

Fritz: I'll be looking specifically for this one. I have been concerned for a long-time companies put in a low bid and more things come up and it turns up they wouldn't have been the low bidder if we had known what the final cost was going to be. I realize everyone is making an educated guess but I would like it specifically called out when it comes back. When will it be completed?

Kucas: We have some restrictions because this type of work has to be done in what's called a in water work window and from the sandy river that's from July 15 to august 31. That's to protect the aquatic habitat so all activities have to be focused on that time period.

Fritz: So the work will be done by next summer?

Kucas: By the ends of this summer.

Fritz: This summer that's what I meant. Thank you.

Fish: Nice job. Thanks for sticking around all day.

Wheeler: Is there any public testimony on this item?

Mzoore-Love: I believe he's already left. Mr. sponberg left.

Fish: I move to accept the record.

Fritz: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion from commissioner Fish and a second from commissioner Fritz. Any further discussion? Call the roll.

Fish: I just want to acknowledge we're using a lot of public money here to create more log jams. Aye.

Eudaly: Aye. **Fritz:** Aye.

Wheeler: I would almost vote against it just because the humor qoution not being up to snuff. Aye. The report is accepted. Thank you. Next item.

Kucas: But these are engineered log jams. [laughter]

Item 600.

Larry Pelatt, Procurement Services: Good afternoon again. You have before you the procurement report recommending contract award to titan utilities llc for the southwest vista water main improvement project for \$630,365. The engineer's estimate was \$655,000 and the bureau's confidence level was high. On November 9, 2016 council moved ordinance 188083 for procurement services to competitively solicit the southwest vista water main improvements project. The project was advertised in the city's electronic

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procurement system and bids opened February 14, 2017. Four bids were received and responsible bidder -- titan is the lowest responsive and responsible bidder at \$630,365 which is 3.8% under the engineer's estimate. Portland water bureau along with procurement services identified an aspirational goal for certified dmwesb subcontract and supply utilization of 20% of hard construction costs. There's a total of \$127,290 or 20.2% dmwesb subcontractor participation as portioned as follows. Dbe, doing \$125,790 doing trucking, flagging, saw cutting and testing. Esb at \$15,000 doing additional testing. Titan utilities is located in Beaverton, Oregon, and is a state certified dmwesb contractor. They have a currently city of Portland business tax registration number and in full compliance with the city's contracting requirements. The total participation of certified firms for this project including the certified general contractor is \$606,549, which is 95.13%. Interestingly it seems the certified firms understand the value of the subcontractor equity programs and routinely subcontract work to other certified firms that they could in fact self-perform. If council has any questions concerning the bidding process I can answer that or there are representatives from Portland water bureau here.

Wheeler: Any further -- questions? None yet. The perils of doing a procurement report late in the day. Any public testimony?

Fish: I move the report.

Fritz: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion and second from the usual suspects in their respective orders. Please call the roll.

Fish: Outstanding numbers on this. Thank you, team. Aye.

Eudaly: Aye.

Fritz: I appreciate you calling attention to the contractor being willing to subcontract even though they could do it themselves. Some of our other major bidders can learn a lesson from that. Aye.

Wheeler: Always happy to see balance in terms of these coming in above or below original estimate so thank you for providing that balance on the positive side here. Aye. The report is accepted. Call the next item, please.

Item 601.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Christine Moody, Procurement Services: Good afternoon, mayor, commissioners. Christine moody, procurement services. You have before you the procurement report recommending contract award to Moore excavation. The engineer's estimate on this project was \$4,692,000 with high confidence level. On April 4, 2017, five bids were received and Moore excavation is the low bidder at \$5,726,410. I have another one after this.

Wheeler: Good.

Moody: It's 26% over the engineer's estimate. The bureau of environmental services has evaluated the bid item and cost for mobilization, trench backfill, pipe, spot repair have increased due to local market conditions for materials and labor. Bes accepts the proposed pricing as good the city put forward and aspirational goal for dmwesb subcontractor and supplier utilization at 20% of the hard construction costs for this project. Moore excavation identified five divisions of work for dmwesb opportunities with participation at 11.2% or \$640,538.67. With work being performed in trucking, saw cutting, traffic control, concrete and erosion control. I will turn this back over to council. There are representatives from the contractor and bes here.

Fish: Christine, we have had this conversation before but probably not with the two newest members of the council. I want to pose the question. In this instance, following the guidelines established by the city, the bureau rated the project estimate confidence as

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high. But when the engineers do their estimating, the technically they don't take into consideration market conditions. So currently we are in a market where we know that there's -- I heard from Willie Meyers the trades are at 150% of capacity. There's a crane on every corner, and as a result, according to the Portland business journal you're starting to see inflation crop into bids and construction costs. Why? Because there's more work than available firms and bodies and so we're bidding the prices up. So could you just remind us, this comes up periodically, I don't know that we have had this conversation recently, this tension. Could you address the tension between our estimating protocol and how you could get to a high estimate but as you said, the bids came in above the estimates because of market conditions. Whether we should revise our guidelines for doing estimates to take into consideration market conditions.

Moody: Thank you, commissioner. I think for I'm not sure when this estimate was done, but what we're seeing here and Bes is usually good at doing things pretty close to when they are bidding them out, we're seeing just a rapid market changes. They are happening on a daily, weekly basis. Even if there was an estimate done right before the bid going out, there's market conditions that could have changed. There are some representatives from Bes who can explain about this project.

Fish: It's been a long day, I'm happy just to plant the seed. In my conversations with the utilities, from time to time when faced with a trend where it looks like the market is working against us, I have suggested downgrading the estimate from high to medium. The look I get back is almost like I have committed and unethical public offense in suggesting to do that. My thinking is if we think the prices and the market are going to come in above the estimate, I don't want my engineers in a situation where they have to defend, what you said high confidence but you obviously don't know what you're doing. We don't have a crystal ball. We don't know day-to-day what's happening in the market, but my understanding is that again the protocol for estimating these projects really don't fully take into account market conditions. So you could do your job, come in high probability, high confidence, but it could be that you're heading into a blizzard in terms of the market in which case the prices are going to get bid up.

Moody: In that case I would agree with you. If we do know that market conditions are changing and you do know that you're not going to have a contract and it's not going to bid out for a little while then it would be appropriate to put medium in there.

Fish: It would be?

Moody: It seems to me. Market conditions are changing, I would put a medium confidence level.

Fish: I need to have you come to one of our joint meetings to, a, defend me and b to help me understand.

Wheeler: I think one of the contractors would like to come up and add some commentary. Just state your name for the record.

****: Another thing that --

Wheeler: Your name for the record.

Gary Stevens: Gary Stevens with Moore excavation I'm the operations manager. One thing in addition to market conditions one thing that is greatly impacting our costs of doing work is the traffic congestion. If you envision especially on a job like this project where there's a lot of open cut, we have to get rid of a lot of we call it spoils or excavation. You look at the four or five key areas that allow disposal of materials and pickup, it's 90th and division, Scappoose or Tigard or Canby. The way the traffic is impacting our cycle times are greatly increasing as much as 25, 30%. So that has a big impact on top of market conditions of doing work.

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Fish: I'm going to make a motion that we pay for this gentleman's transportation costs to go down to Salem and testify in support of the --

Stevens: Amen.

Fish: That's the argument we're now hearing from legislators outside the Portland area they are aware there are challenges around freight mobility that our problem has become their problem.

Stevens: It's quite disturbing to hear I envision that the counties, the cities, the state and metro were all working on this great plan to eventually have a solution to our traffic congestion in the metro area. But I was informed by Mr. Wheeler a year ago, when he spoke to our utility contractor's association he knew who the audience was and he immediately said before we started if you think there's a plan in place, there's not. Which is really disturbing for our industry. The cost of business if you imagine each dump truck costs \$125 to \$130 an hour. When you have 10 or 15 of them on the road and they are sitting on i-5 not moving, the cost of business to us is astronomical.

Fish: Appeared you're making the case that those costs are then born by the ratepayers.

Stevens: We have to pass them on to you. Unfortunately, but I guess my point is several. It's not only yes market prices have gone up on materials greatly, yes, labor is going up. But there's other variables such as traffic, cycle time, putting more trucks on to be able to just get -- you have a crew trying to get production and you don't have the trucks there that they can load out. You have to add more trucks that are stuck in traffic.

Fish: Thank you for that, sir. That's very helpful.

Wheeler: Thanks very much.

Stevens: Get off my soapbox for a second.

Fish: We'll try to find out who this wheeler guy was that said that.

Stevens: Burst my bubble:

Wheeler: Good to know I was depressing a year ago too. I haven't changed.

Fritz: I really appreciate the details in the impact statement that the seven different parts of the bids broken out to explain why it was more or less and that's clear for anyone wondering so congratulations on that. Just going back to the previous agenda item, were there other opportunities for subcontracting that Moore excavation chose to do itself?

Stevens: We identified ten categories and we solicited 55 different contractors. We only received 11 responses in five categories. So we only received 11 out of 55 solicitations, 20%. Five were no response at all in five categories. Three were just one response. One was two responses and then we got six truckers which inflated the response. This totals -- our dollar amount is \$640,000 from this contract equates to 50% of our subcontracted amount for this job which a year ago if you remember we had 35% goal of subcontracted amount but we changed it to 20% gross of the contract.

Moody: The city changed their policy. Yes, we did.

Stevens: I'm saying a year ago the city policy was 35% of the sub and they equate to 50%, so if this would have taken place a year ago we would have greatly surpassed the subcontracted amount.

Moody: That's why I changed our policy, Gary.

Fritz: That's not the question I was asking. Were there potentially other task you chose not to put out for subcontracting possibilities?

Stevens: We solicit -- ten scopes of work, asphalt, painting, saw cutting, con creek, hauling, erosion control, traffic control, video tv, carried in place, manual rehab, pest control and like I said out of those ten only we had five no responses at all on those categories.

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Fritz: I'm not being clear, obviously. You identified the categories. Could have been others that could have been other categories that could have been bid out for more -- but Moore excavation chose to self-perform.

Stevens: I don't know of any.

Fritz: That's all the subcontracting possibilities that there are.

Stevens: Yes. Yes.

Fritz: Thank you.

Moody: I just wanted to address one of the reasons we did change our policy is at 35% on subcontracting if you were not subcontracting you were self-performing all the work, it was easy to make the percentage but there was not dollars actually going to minority women businesses. That was the emphasis on us changing the policy to the overall project value so that there would be more meaningful opportunities for minority and women businesses.

Fritz: We're not meeting that because \$5.7 million only about \$640,000 and \$5 million to the prime contractor and a smaller amount to subcontractors. Is that correct?

Moody: That's correct.

Fritz: So, our goal is an aspirational goal, not required.

Moody: That's correct.

Fritz: When you're considering the bids does that factor into which bids you accept as to how much minority subcontracting there is?

Moody: Unfortunately, since it's an aspirational goal it's not a responsiveness issue. There's other ways we can go around trying to increase participation but it is not a responsiveness issue.

Fritz: Thank you. And obviously mayor it's one of the crucial things we still need to work on with our equity policies and our work is this is issue where does the money go. Thank you very much.

Wheeler: Thank you. Yes, sir.

Stevens: If I may say one thing, another thing that in the marketplace because of the robust economy we're competing against the private work that's going on in the tri-county area. There's a lot of that. Even ourselves we turn a lot of work away that we just can't accommodate. A lot of the minority contractors are doing private work because it's easier paperwork-wise if you will, they don't have to comply with apprenticeship and all the other requirements. Not saying that those are bad just reality sets in. It's easier to do private work than it is public work. Wages, et cetera. That's another factor.

Fish: We're hearing that also from the building trades. They are at 100% and bringing people in from outside the state. They are capacity issues. That's also then giving us an opportunity if you flip that around one thing we could be thinking about is how could we grow more qualified firms to compete for this work. What you hear from a lot of the smaller firms is access to capital, getting bonding, so if we want to create more opportunity we also have to think about creating more players that can actually come in and compete.

Stevens: One area you can help that is not having the city self-perform as much work as they do. Issue more of that to the minority contractors because the city self-performs a lot of work. You've heard of before the amount of paving that pbot does, et cetera, if they would set aside more of that to minority contractors they would be able to accomplish those goals.

Fish: Thank you, sir.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate that. Can I get a motion?

Fish: So moved.

Moore-Love: We have testimony.

Wheeler: That's fine. We have a motion and second.

Eudaly: Second.

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Wheeler: Now public testimony if there is any.

Moore-Love: Charles bridge crane Johnson.

Wheeler: The man, the myth, the legend.

Fish: We're going to lose a quorum here.

Charles Bridgecrane Johnson: Actually, it's your fault for letting the great contractor testify about one of the most problematic issues here especially for the people that will be coming tomorrow. Charles bridge crane Johnson. I don't know about -- I'm not an expert on the material and the disposal or what options are available at ross island cement or where this particular work site is located in relation to 197th, but dirty diesel trips in Washington park, dirty diesel trips here. I think as you look at the comprehensive cleanness of city contracting, it's a rough balance between minority contractors who sometimes have older equipment, but maybe there's room for innovation and thinking -- I don't know about the nature of excavation at ross island or what they can take in as well as send out materials but I think that might be a contributing factor for some projects cycle time especially urban core projects if they have removal of material that cannot be -- not used on site, if there are closer places than 197th that's better for air quality. Some room for innovation here. Also Mr. Fish raised the topic of getting maybe more comfortable degrees of certainty about the financial costs and to open that up for both the tech community and the academic community to interact with the city is an opportunity engine for the city. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you very much. Call the roll.

Fish: Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The report is accepted. We have three more items. We're going to lose our quorum quickly so I'm going to ask we limit public testimony to one minute but I will not be a jerk about it. If we can keep it short and sweet I would appreciate it.

Item 602.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good afternoon.

Lauren McGuire, Portland Parks and Recreation: Good afternoon, mayor, commissioners. Hello, mayor wheeler, commissioners, I'm Lauren McGuire here's as development program manager for Portland parks. With me is Allison rouse, the capital project manager for this project. Also of course Christine Moody, our procurement officer. We're here to request that council accept a bid from Raymore construction for the improvement project located at 7040 northeast 47th avenue across Columbia boulevard from the cully neighborhood. For the amount of \$600,432. Whitaker ponds nature park is a 25-acre natural area on northeast 47th amid largely industrial development. It's a natural treasure. It's very popular for nature based activities like bird watching and kayaking and hosts many environmental education programs. Pp&r and our onsite partner the Columbia slough watershed council provide a variety of volunteer's stewardship and maintenance activities in this location. However, the access is challenging you can see in lower left corner of the slide there's no parking other than the muddy shoulder and no sidewalks along 47th. That's a busy and important freight street. So, our project goals for this project include parking and safer pedestrian access along northeast 47th and fully accessible pathways to site amenities and an inviting entrance.

Wheeler: Could you go back to the map?

McGuire: Sure.

Wheeler: Where is the improvement sidewalk, just in the red box?

McGuire: It's going to be on both sides of the street between Columbia boulevard and Cornfoot.

Wheeler: Thank you. Sorry for the interruption.

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McGuire: That's fine. So this rendering illustrates the proposed Whitaker ponds entry improvement. North is to left and the two ponds are to the north to the top of the image. At the bottom is 47th. We turned it a little bit here. The project will develop the entrance with a nature park with a 22-space parking lot in yellow. It has two ada spaces to the right and two bus parking spaces highlighted in yellow at the top of the parking area. We also have parking lot lighting in that area. That's primarily to help us manage a persistent petty crime issue that we have there. We're also going to be you can see the white areas there, those are connecting the parking area, sidewalks to the existing site amenities like the slough watershed facility at the right and the pond overlook and boardwalk, in green now is this small gathering area which has casual boulder style seating. And then we have a plaza with furnishings that have a bike rack and benches. And then finally a storm water facility in the middle of the parking lot area.

Fish: Is the parking you've identified here that we're, will that be metered parking?

McGuire: No.

Fish: Why is that?

Allison Rouse, Portland Parks and Recreation: This is Allison Rouse, no.

Fish: why not?

McGuire: Why not? Good question I don't know.

Fish: We charge -- there's a number of places we charge people in Washington park, we charge people in the area around the new pump station we're going to be opening. I'm curious, why wouldn't we charge people here to recover some of the cost of providing parking?

Rouse: That is a new idea. However, I would point out that the places where the parks bureau has metered parking are very, very dense where there's a lot of competition for the parking whereas this area is in industrial northeast Portland and will be not at all dense. We don't expect any competition for the parking here.

Fish: Just in term of planning it was not designed to be metered parking. Obviously, that's something you could revisit in the future if it turned out you had some cost issues.

McGuire: Yes. You will also see at the bottom of the slide now the area of the right of way work along northeast 47th that pbot will be doing. We'll do this as part of a local improvement district with pbot. And they will be doing improvements on both sides of the road from Columbia boulevard as I said all the way to Cornfoot as far as our public process goes the project is implementing one of the projects proposed in the 2006 master plan for the natural area. It was conducted with significant public process at that time in 2012 parks, bes and the Columbia slough watershed council conducted a conceptual design process for the entry project this project started with that 2012 concept as its basis. The public process focused on entry design included in open house to get feedback on the proposed design. The open house was preceded by an English and Spanish outreach campaign to the Cully neighborhood to verde and to the Native American Youth Academy. It also included door to door outreach to immediate neighbors. Briefings of the Columbia watershed council and native American community advisory council and we consulted with the Audubon society in particular concerning the design of the parking lot lighting so we wouldn't degrade the wildlife habitat. Also, we always do website updates and email notifications as with all of our projects. The total estimated project cost for these improvements is basically about \$2.2 million, which \$1 million is our contribution to pbot's local improvement district to rebuild 47th avenue. And the remainder \$1.2 million approximately is the estimated total cost for design, permitting, administration and construction of the entry improvements. This project is also made possible through the support of the metro nature and neighborhoods grant. Also, sdc funds as you see on the screen. The project timeline we're going to break ground in June then we expect to be

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finished in September, October. Pbot's work will start in January through July of 2018. As far as the improvements for pbot they couldn't be here today so I'm going to pitch hit for them. Pbot's doing reconstruction of a failed asphalt roadway their going to be doing it in concrete because it's a freight road. They expect it to last for generations. They will reconstruct and extend storm water and sanitary sewer including replacing a 92-year-old cast-iron water main. They will also be doing full pedestrians bicycle connections on both sides of the street as we talked about earlier to connect under-served cully to jobs in the Columbia corridor. They will be providing crossing a signalized crossing as well to protect vulnerable pedestrians coming across the street and the design is compliant with ashto and freight district standards.

Christine Moody, Procurement Services: The overall project but what is before you today is the procurement report recommending a contract award to Raymore construction. The engineer's estimate was \$606,000 with a confidence level of medium. On April 11, 2017 four bids were received and Raymore construction is the low bidder at \$642,000. Portland parks -- [speaking simultaneously] one has been over, one under. Portland parks and recreation has reviewed the bid items and accepts proposed pricing. The city put out an aspirational goal for dmwesb subcontractor and supplier utilization at 20% of hard construction costs. Raymore construction identified four divisions of work for dmwesb participation with subcontracting participation at 31%. With work being performed in electrical, surveys, asphalt paving and striping. Raymore is a certified minority disadvantaged business so total combined dmwesb is 95%.

Wheeler: Excellent. Thank you. Appreciate it.

McGuire: That concludes the presentation.

Wheeler: Excellent. Any questions of the panel? Very good. Public testimony.

Moore-Love: No one signed up.

Eudaly: Move the report.

Fish: Second.

Fish: Nice job, aye.

Eudaly: I forgot to thank commissioner Fish for finally rehabbing the sewers in my neighborhood. Sorry, that was a prior item. Aye.

Fritz: I have been pondering commissioner Fish's question about parking meters and I can't think of any paid street parking further away than the Lloyd district. That may be a conversation we would have as we start getting more vehicles on the road but I think enforcement in a remote area like this that's not connected with other areas might be a cost prohibitive. Other than that, thank you very much ladies for all of your work. Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The report is accepted. Thanks. Great. Next item, please.

Item 603

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Eric Johansen, Office of Management and Finance: Good afternoon Mr. mayor and commissioners This emergency ordinance authorizes issuance of up to \$44,312,000 in tax anticipation notes that fund fpd&r annual deficit as you will recall from past years the city issues tax anticipation notes each year to fund fpd&r expenses occurred officially prior to receiving property tax revenues in late November because fpd&r cannot legally carry sufficient fund balance to pay these early fiscal year expenses necessary to issue tax anticipation nates to avoid a cash flow deficit. We expect to sell the tax anticipation notes in early july and notes will be repaid by june 30th of 2018. Happy to answer any questions.

Fritz: How much does it cost for us to do that? What are the interest or the cost to doing that?

Johansen: Right now, we call one year note index is .85 so I'd say .85 to 1% interest rate for the one-year borrowing.

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Fish: Tell that to my credit card company.

Johansen: Yeah.

Wheeler: Very good. Any further questions before we go to public testimony?

Moore-Love: No one signed up.

Wheeler: Call the roll.

Fish: Aye **Eudaly:** Aye

Fritz: Well we do this every year thank you for your work. Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted thank you appreciate it.

Item 604.

Eric Johansen, Office of Management and Finance: Thank you, again, Mr. Mayor and commissioners. Eric Johansen city dept manager. This emergency ordinance does authorize \$220.9 million of additional general obligation debt to fund affordable housing cost. As you may recall on May 18th, the city closed its first series of bonds under last Novembers geo bonds authorization to fund a portion of the cost of acquiring the Ellington apartments. This ordinance will authorize the issuance of the remaining authority under last November bond measure. While the ordinance authorizes issuing the remaining authority, the actual debt issuance is expected to occur over a multi-year period. The financing plan which is been a joint effort of the housing bureau and debt management calls for the establishment of a revolving line of credit in the approximate amount of \$75 million. This line of credit when established will be available to be drawn upon on short notice to respond to acquisition and development opportunities as they arise. As such time as a large balance has been accumulated on the line of credit, we'll issue long-term bonds to take out the line of credit. Amounts that are repaid from long-term bonds will be available to be reborrowed under the line of credit. The total amount of new money bonds that may be issues cannot exceed \$220.9 million. A final provision in this ordinance is that a requirement that before any projects are funded either through the line of credit or long-term debt, council must authorize the use of the geo bonds for that project. Whether that's through a resolution ordinance or other council action, we'll want to make sure that's gotten specific approval from council before moving forward with the borrowing. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Any further questions? Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: I have a question for you mayor. What is the process for doing that? Cause I know when we bought the park's bond to council, we had a specific list. What will be the process for council reviewing how to spend this \$220 million?

Wheeler: That's a good question. I don't know yet. We'll sort it out and get it back to you.

Fritz: The only reason we're doing this is to get money as quickly as possible cause we need to get the stuff built as quickly as possible.

Wheeler: That's correct.

Fritz: Thanks.

Wheeler: Good. Any other questions? Public testimony. Very good.

Wheeler: This is our last item; is that correct?

Moore-Love: Uh-huh.

Wheeler: Good. Thanks. While he's coming up, I'll remind people tomorrow afternoon's agenda has changed. The item 609 on tomorrow afternoon's agenda was originally scheduled for 2 p.m. That's the 100% renewable energy proposal. That will be heard at 3 p.m. Tomorrow, Thursday, June 1st instead of 2 p.m. Sorry for the interruption.

Charles Bridgecrane Johnson: Charles Johnson. I know we can all look forward to the commissioner Saltzman bringing us cheesecake when he comes back to traditional food for Pentecost shivou. With the project for the housing bond, one thing that needs to influence our conversation as we go forward, is a number of local healthcare providers did

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a collaboration, I can't remember if it was around \$20 million or \$60 million, of trying to put new units into the market. And it's interesting, we don't know how we're going to spend this -- exactly what we're going to do. The bond was sort of marketed as 1300 units or 1300 families. But there was a disparity for anybody who did the basic math about the per-unit cost that the coalition of healthcare providers is getting. And the coalition, what was projected with the roughest mate of the bond of that 1300 number. So, I hope that with the former state treasurer on board, and commissioner Saltzman back involved we can look at an ark that will give us a possibility to go beyond the 1300 projection and still maintain the type of quality of units we're getting in the pearl with the permit concrete steel construction.

Fish: Thank you.

Wheeler: Any further questions? Please call the roll.

Fish: This is my understanding of what we are doing today. We are authorizing at some point in the future debt management to issue debt up to \$220 million so that we can invest in affordable housing development. The bond measure actually has some very specific criteria around who we serve and what income level. We've established an oversight body whose task it will be to provide advice to council on projects as they come up. And the mayor is also established a technical committee of people going to help shape some guidelines for what projects could be eligible in the future. So, this is like authorizing a line of credit so we can be n l other nimble and act when the council is ready to. But my understanding from the bond and from the ordinance before us is that it is all subject to the consultations, guidelines and council direction. So, with that understanding, I vote aye.

Eudaly: Aye **Fritz:** Aye

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Thank you, we're adjourned.

At 3:36 p.m. council recessed.

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Wheeler: Good afternoon, this is the afternoon session on January 1 -- wow, that seems like a long time ago now.

Eudaly: So long.

Wheeler: On June 1, 2017. Karla, please call the roll.

[roll call taken]

Wheeler: Could you please read the one and only item for today, please.

Item 609.

Wheeler: Colleagues, I would like to make a motion to introduce a substitute resolution.

Fish: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion and second on a substitute resolution. At this point I would like to read some -- I'll say they are brief talking points but they really aren't. Medium length talking points then I'm going to invite Michael Armstrong up to walk us through the substitute resolution. First obviously good afternoon, everybody, welcome. It's excellent to see the strong and continued interest in what I believe is the most important global issue that we currently face. Portland and Multnomah demonstrated that we can significantly reduce carbon pollution while also strengthening our economy, creating more equitable and just communities even while our population continues to rapidly grow. These things go hand in hand. We have proven that. Most of our action has been through the framework of our joint city-county climate action plan which was recently recognized by the global organization c40 as being the best and the strongest climate action plan in the world. [cheers and applause] as one of the world's most inspiring and innovative cities tackling climate change we're here to renew our commitment. We're committed to a bold new agenda. The years ahead I believe will be the most pivotal years in the fight against climate change and for climate justice. The climate action plan progress report released earlier this year shows some incredibly good results. We're dramatically moving the needle on our environmental sustainability and climate justice goals. This is the result of sustained action by businesses, individuals, utilities, community organizations and of course through public policy. But we need to be even bolder in order to accomplish our goals. The city of Portland is poised to establish a goal to meet all of Portland and Multnomah county's community-wide energy needs with renewable energy by 2050 and all electricity from renewable sources by 2035. And this morning Multnomah county unanimously passed a resolution by establishing this goal. We're hearing from people all across the country that our work is already inspiring similar conversations in their communities. The resolution before you now and the resolution that Multnomah county passed this morning goes beyond establishing these new goals and outlines how our community can intentionally and equitably move to a 100% renewable energy future. It ensures that we're setting out on a just transition. These guidelines for a just transition are the result of an incredible amount of collaboration. We will certainly need to continue to refine and calibrate in the coming months, years, and decades to make sure we stay on the right path. The city and county will remain committed to partnering with our energy utilities as they help us accelerate the transition to renewable energy and minimize dependence on fossil fuels. We'll prioritize community based development of environmental infrastructure like the June

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key delta center as well as community-based development of renewable energy infrastructure. By making investments in community facing organizations to build capacity to lead such development we help to ensure that economic, social and environmental benefits are led and shared by low income populations and communities of color. All Portlanders and residents of Multnomah county will be impacted by climate change. The communities that already face existing socioeconomic and health inequities will be the most severely impacted by these risks including children, older adults, people of color, and people living in poverty in such communities will therefore require investments in resilience that is proportionate and accountable to these more severe risks. No matter which way the winds are blowing in d.c. our community has always continued to innovate and implement ambitious new policies to achieve a low carbon pollution future. Now our climate leadership is needed more than ever. As the federal administration attempts to set our nation back decades, we're going to stand together, firm, and we're going to strengthen our resolve. With a clear vision for the future, we can avoid being left to the winds of fate. Thank you to my colleagues for sponsoring and helping to craft this resolution. Thank you too to northwest natural, pacific power, pge, and hundreds of other stakeholders that have already been working with us to help shape this keystone policy. Also, as i'm sure you're aware by now, president trump has decided to pull the united states out of the Paris climate agreement, so i'll be introducing an amendment. Committing us to the Paris accord. [cheers and applause] with that I would like to call up Michael Armstrong to walk everybody through the substitute resolution and then we have a panel of invited guests that we would like to have come up. Then of course we open up the opportunity for everybody to have their say as well. Good afternoon, Michael. If you could state your name for the record and redundancy because we like that.

Michael Armstrong, Bureau of Planning and Sustainability: Good afternoon mayor and commissioners. I'm Michael Armstrong with the bureau of planning and sustainability. I'll first describe the general content of the resolution and specifically call attention to the differences between what was filed last week and the substitute we have in front of you this afternoon. In general terms this resolution establishes new goals that extends and accelerate the city's commitment to renewable energy and specifically responding to climate change. As the mayor noted the timing is quite auspicious given the federal administration's announcement earlier today. I got a call from usa today asking if the federal move changes Portland's commitment to climate change and I suggested that they should tune in to city council this afternoon and they could judge for themselves. [laughter] there are people watching. So the climate action plan includes a number of objectives that address energy use. You have three here in front of you, these are sort of the big ones to start off with. The first is to reduce total energy use in buildings so energy efficiency investments. The second to make sure as we add new buildings, new homes we're making sure they are as energy efficient as possible. It's clear that those are building blocks. We have to do the efficiency and that gets us into the third objective, which is to supply 50% of all energy used in buildings from renewable resources. The resolution would essentially accelerate that goal and extend it so it's not simply energy used in buildings but it is all energy. The big change is bringing in transportation as well. The resolution proposes two goals. The mayor laid these out. 100% renewable electricity by 2035 and by 2050 100% renewable energy, all energy including transportation, including energy we currently use through natural gas. To get to those ambitious goals we need to create a compact connected city. This our comprehensive plan. This is how we'll grow. Walkable neighborhoods well connected by transit, pedestrian networks, bicycle networks, we've got to have a shape of urban form that lets us get around easily without relying on single occupancy vehicles. We have to deliver energy efficiency everywhere we get it. Buildings,

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industrial processes as well, more efficient vehicles, appliance standards, you name it. That will position us to move our energy supply from fossil fuel based to renewable energy based. So once we have done what we can on urban form and efficiency we move into energy supply. So essentially this is the resolution. Convert our electricity supply to renewables. That means adding wind, solar, some other forms of energy we have become accustomed to think of as renewable, but it's also going to require renewable changes on how we manage the grid, deal with issues like storage, demand response. We have to get a lot more sophisticated to make 100 renewable energy supply work for electricity. The goal is 2035. Ambitious. By 2050 we're bringing in all energy use. So transportation is the really big one but it also includes industrial processes, you name it. All the ways we use energy. For transportation clear opportunity is to convert to electric vehicles once we have gotten what we can out of changing mode supply. Let's walk, bike, take transit everywhere we can. Let's electrify our vehicles or power them with renewable fuels and so in some cases maybe biofuels work, in some cases renewable gas that works but we need to convert all our transportation to renewable fuels then we need to do our best to develop sources of reusable gas and substitute that for the remaining natural gas that we're using. That will be a tall order because we don't currently have sources of biogas to match our current levels of natural gas use. That is a challenge that we'll need to keep working on. One good example of this is a project that you reviewed and gave green light to recently, which is utilizing the biogas that's produced at the Columbia boulevard wastewater treatment plant. We have been using it to generate electricity for a number of years now. That's worked well we continue to have additional increments of biogas produced through the process. We're partnering with northwest natural, environmental services, done the engineering to capture all that gas, clean it up and use it for transportation fuels. That's what we're talking about. So that's a fantastic project. We need a lot more of those and we'll need more than we currently are aware of. We know how to do it. This points us in the right direction. So in addition to establish living two fundamental goals, the resolution spells out a number of ways in which we hope to get there and the mayor touched on a handful of these. I'll run through these. It would maintain the city's commitment to using 100% renewable energy in our own operations, 100% renewable electricity, we currently do that. We would like to do more with onsite resources or contracts with direct resources elsewhere. So continue to improve how we supply that renewable electricity. The mayor referenced commitment in the resolution to prioritizing community based development of renewables. The resolution includes a goal of 50% utilization of mwesb services, a commitment to partner with work systems, inc., labor, work force training to support workers as the economy transition into a renewable energy based economy. We referenced the utility several times they are fundamental partners in this work. Their work is both on the supply side but also continuing to invest in energy efficiency bringing on the other capabilities around grid management, storage, demand-response, et cetera, so the utilities are key to get renewable energy into the transportation sector we have to be accelerating transition to electric vehicles. Again using renewable fuels when we can get them. We also need to be expanding our use of transit. That means both improving transit and converting transit to electricity. We have it in the max and the streetcar. Trimet has its first set of electric buses on order now. They will be here and I forget the year, another year or two. So we'll start to see that. They are working on outlining what a full transition plan is. This resolution lends a shoulder to the need for that. Resolution also points to the value in green infrastructure in helping manage our renewable energy demand as well as making us more resilient to climate impacts we're already seeing. Then the resolution calls on the state to do what we need it to do where it has authority that the city doesn't have. That includes adopting similar over all goals but that also using its authority to strengthen

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the building code, put us on a path to net zero energy in our buildings, appliance standards, make sure all of the devices we use minimize energy use. Then finally the resolution establishes a climate action subcommittee of the planning and sustainability commission and spells out the intended participation in that subcommittee. That's the sort of general outline of the resolution. I want to point specifically to changes that are in the substitute. This I think you'll have in front of you the substitute. There are a few smaller cleanups and clarifications. The major changes are to incorporate a new whereas that specifies special consideration for any biomass project to look at the full environmental backed of that project. It also includes a new whereas that is addressing the economic potential of the transition to renewable energy but also the need to really invest in work force training and make sure we support workers through that transition recognizing they have many of the solutions already. Work force is a key part of the solution. That has a companion be it resolved to do the partnering to work with work source training providers, work systems inc etcetera so this we can deliver that. Then there's a new whereas that emphasizes the importance of energy efficiency and rolling green infrastructure in helping provide that command community-wide and a companion be it resolved to expand the city's resolve to commitment to green infrastructure. Those are the grammatic changes in the substitute.

Wheeler: We're also looking at a schedule of amendments. It looks like there are effectively one, two -- three. There's five that have effectively been included in various components. Am I reading this chart correctly.

Armstrong: That's right. The substitute incorporates the ones where it's labeled they are already included. The others are different, suggestions that have surfaced through the process. You may want to consider them. I think you'll hear folks with suggestions that may be reflected in those, maybe new. We'll try to manage that as best we can. I think one other thing and then, mayor, you expressed an interest in addressing the withdrawal from the Paris --

Wheeler: I'm going to offer an amendment after your presentation.

Armstrong: I think I have the language you want for that. Tell me when you're ready for that.

Wheeler: Right now.

Armstrong: Let's go to that.

Wheeler: I'll say this colleagues, i'm moving an amendment. You should all have this piece of paper it looks like you do. I'll just quickly read it amending whereas found at the top of page 2, newly confirmed epa administrator Scott Pruitt and president trump are making decisions that are setting climate policy at the national and international level back decades by pulling out of the Paris climate agreement, defunding environmental programs, attempting to reinvigorate the coal industry, green lighting project such as the key stone xl and the Dakota access pipeline, attacking the clean power plant and weakening epa's commitment to environmental justice, adding a be it further resolved be it further resolved the city opposes the roll-back of climate policy at the federal level and affirms its ongoing commitment to the Paris agreement and the city's responsibility to meet is proportionate greenhouse gas emissions for the united states under the Paris climate agreement and --

Eudaly: I would second that.

Wheeler: We have a motion and a second.

Fish: I'll just offer a friendly amendment. The way the substitute resolution which has been sponsored by wheeler, Eudaly, Fish and Saltzman is actually structured as be it resolved. My friendly amendment is that we change the preamble to the resolved to reflect the language of the resolution.

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Wheeler: No objection, commission centers no objection. Friendly resolved. Be it resolved is on the table. Please call the roll on the amendment.

Fish: Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The amendment is accepted. Did you have more?

Armstrong: The one thing I would leave you with, then I think we have invited testimony then I can come back as amendments come up if that's helpful. The one thing I'll leave you with is a list of companies that have made similar commitments in most cases around renewable electricity. For us that would be the 2035 goal. These companies and dozens of others leading up to about 90 total have already made this commitment. As we as we're trying to calibrate are we being too aggressive, what's realistic, achievable, I think it's an interesting list where it suggests there's some companies you might not expect to be ahead of us on this one, there they are.

Fish: Michael, mayor wheeler, i'm going to suggest after the invited panel that we actually ask Michael to sit at the table and serve as an air traffic control for us because this is a little different than our normal procedure in that we're not going to be adopting all the amendments at the front end. It would be helpful to have you there for clarifying information as amendments are offered through testimony.

Wheeler: Sounds good. Thank you. With that we have a panel of invited guests and commissioner Fish I believe you had a request.

Fish: Let's do our panel first then I have a group i'm going to invite up.

Wheeler: Looks like we have two panels plus one person. Could you please invite up chair kafoury -- I'll do it myself. Chair kafoury, welcome, from Multnomah county. Jaimes Valdez of northwest seed, and angus Duncan, the global warming commission chair. Good afternoon. Thank you for being here. Thank you, chair kafoury, for the great work you and your fellow commissioners did this morning adopting these same protocols.

Deborah Kafoury: Thank you. I'm Deborah kafoury, chair of the Multnomah county commission. I thank you, mayor wheeler, and the entire commission for your partnership on our joint climate action plan and I want to thank you for continuing that partnership by adopting a very similar resolution to the one that we voted out this morning. I especially want to thank the community. You're going to hear from a lot of passionate and interested and involved people this afternoon and it's really been their advocacy that has helped put climate change front and center and pushing for better and more comprehensive solutions to the issue. Today's resolution is a pledge to our children's future. The people calling the plays at the federal government now are playing from an old playbook, they are planting uncertainty when in fact concrete facts exist. To deny science and the overwhelming evidence that climate change is real is irresponsible. To refuse to do anything about climate change when we have that evidence is a dereliction of duty. We can no longer deny, we can no longer delay. We must take a stand for the health of our community. We must act now for our children's future. So it's up to all of us in this room today. We can and we must lead. Transportation is the single largest source of greenhouse gas emissions in Multnomah county and the single largest source of air toxics in Multnomah county. By switching to electric and clean fuels we'll have much cleaner air but we must also act to reduce the economic and racial disparities that guarantee that those that can least afford to escape the effects will suffer the most. I think it's safe to say if we don't address these issues today, they will slip away from us. We may face a generation of children whose life expectancies are shorter, whose lifetime incomes are lower and whose prospects for a better life are worse than ours. There may welcome a point where the very climate we depend on for our way of life becomes imperiled. We are setting out this resolution today because we believe a better future is possible. A future with a stable climate, a future powered by clean, renewable energy, a future where the benefits of clean energy lead to

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equitable economic gains for communities of color. We are pushing for bold action because our future depends on cities and counties setting the example. 100% renewable is not just a goal. It's an imperative. We must get there and we can only get there together. 100% renewable means a future with clean air, a future with a stable climate and a future with more economic opportunity. We can do this. This is our pledge to our children's future. Thank you. I also want to add that I definitely support the amendment to address the Paris agreement the county voted on similar language this morning as well. So thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. We appreciate it good afternoon.

Jaimes Valdez: Good afternoon, mayor, members of the city council. I'm Jaimes Valdez. I'm with the regional nonprofit called Northwest Sustainable Energy for Economic Development. Also known briefly as Northwest Seed. Northwest Seed is a regional nonprofit dedicated to creation of communities powered by locally controlled renewable energy. We're very excited for this resolution that's gone forward today for the county and hopefully the city as well. We thank the staff and leadership who has worked on putting this together as well as community members engaged in this process. Really this 100% renewable resolution is the critical and important step forward toward the decentralized distributed resilience and more democratically controlled energy future. Going off script a little bit, in listening to what I heard just two hours ago from national leadership about the direction that they would like to take our country, really backwards, it was frankly appalling and completely counter to all the facts and progress we have seen in the last decade of the deployment of renewables. It's completely ignores the reality of the growth of new energy systems and new energy opportunities that are current here now and just one thing that was not mentioned and I would not have expected it to be, there's three times more jobs in the solar industry than in the coal industry right now in America. That's something we should be proud of. 4500 of those jobs according to the report are in the state of Oregon. We have the opportunity to significantly expand those. We shouldn't look and this resolution really provides a platform to decouple the idea that more carbon emissions is somehow related to more economic growth and activity. We can move forward with a renewable energy future that provides new opportunities, new economic growth and really more equity for everybody. It's important that we do so. The city of Portland, Multnomah county, is in good company. I know we like to think of ourselves as leaders and we are, but we're not the first to go forward even as cities. Michael mentioned this list of a number of Fortune 500 countries but over 70 cities globally have committed to 100% renewable goals. Even here in Oregon Lake county is looking to be a net exporter of renewable energy. The proposal here and Multnomah county and Portland resolutions the most ambitious in holistically looking at electricity, transportation, home and industrial heating usage, and really tying this together into a vision for a community powered by renewable energy. The resolution sets forward I think a good framework to really oversimplify things, get fossil fuels off the grid, increase energy efficiency and electrify everything possible. That will be a lot of work. Energy is a really fundamental to our lives. Access to affordable energy should be seen as a human right. Around our community the threat of disconnection of utility services is a real and present danger for many low income households especially as we look to the summer months with high heat or the winter that we had which was one of the coldest and longest we have had in a while. These are real threats. Energy affordable is more critical than ever as we look to move forward this renewable energy resolution. As we know low income households spend a disproportionate part of their income on energy costs. For the last century infrastructure has been centralized fueled by what I would call an underground economy, I mean that both literally and figuratively in that there's been little transparency, centralized control and there hasn't been much oversight to the extraction of oil, coal and natural gas. Haven't had to bear that burden. People have born

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the burden and negative impacts of fossil fuels in human health impacts, climate and the environment. In contrast renewable energy offers a different vision, and a different future. It's largely in the open and visible almost by definition wind and solar have to be in the air. We can see it. The transition to renewable energy, energy efficiency, energy storage, electric vehicles all these solutions out forward are going to be very capital and labor intensive. Say that as a positive thing. This is an opportunity. Key is who pays for and who benefits from this new investment. Moving toward the 100% renewable energy can and should be -- intangibly increase wealth for people of color and low income communities. The priority should be on community based investment, increasing resilience and reducing the cost burden for low income households. We would support amendments that address that. Utilities will continue to play a key role in providing connections between resources and customers ensuring reliability and safety of the grid but there will need to be new technologies, new business models and new financing mechanisms to implement this energy vision. Who has access to this opportunity? Who leads this process? All will be critical to equity and our success. It will as chairwoman Kafoury said take all of us to join together and participate in this transition and truly we hope it's more than just a transition but a transformation of our energy economy. This resolution sets a good framework for continued engagement, hard work is in front of us and we're excited for the future. So thank you.

Wheeler: Thanks. Appreciate it. Good afternoon.

Angus Duncan: Good afternoon, Mayor Wheeler, members of the city council. Thank you for inviting me this morning. Since the Mayor and Chair Kafoury were subjected to my pallet of power points this morning I'm going to forego those this afternoon out of mercy and just offer a few general comments on the resolution. So no surprise the Tweeter and Chief has taken us out of the Paris accords. It is up to us in this room and in a lot of rooms across the country to make sure that that just plain doesn't matter. If we are committed, if we are diligent, we can do that. In considering the strategies in these resolutions, it helps to reflect on the city's admirable history addressing these issues starting with the 1979 municipal energy -- city energy policy that as a young, innocent staffer in the Mayor's office back then I was responsible for assembling and bringing to the council and getting adopted. The city negotiated into the Northwest Power Act of 1980 really critical considerations that still influence our choices today including dealing with energy efficiency as a first priority resource and renewable energy as the second priority resource. Thermal energies came last in that document, and we collectively committed to doing least cost planning for electric energy. It was the first in the country now utilities and regulators all over the country have adopted that model. The city has been influential in shaping state and local policy on land use, urban growth limits, urban design. We have built toward a first-class transit, bike and pedestrian system that people can choose to use. We have adopted and I was happy to play a small part in this, an aggressive city-county climate action plan, one that is not just adopted but also is implemented and tracked. Now we have these resolutions. I just parenthetically would have to acknowledge Michael's enduring and positive imprint on many of these measures that the council has been able to deal with in the last few years. His decision to move on will be a loss to all of us. The city and the county have decisively supported utility progress toward growing renewable energy content in our electricity supply as I acknowledged this morning across the river, the influence the fingerprints of the county and the city can be read in our collective progress and collective means the city, the county, utility customers, legislators, advocates, and the utilities themselves away from yesterday's fuels of coal and gas and toward tomorrow's fuels of solar efficiency and wind and other renewables. So good for us, good for the city, good for the county. Good for Portland General Electric and Pacific Power. They get credit

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for turning around, turning way from yesterday's fuels and facing forward. Importantly, the city and county resolutions recognized that while poorly crafted carbon reduction policies can be regressive and harmful to low income household's climate disruption is more aggressive and relentlessly so. So we have to split that difference in creative ways. In this consideration, I commend to you vice chair Vega Peterson's language amending the county resolution this morning and addressing some of these issues. I further commend to you I think some amending language you will probably hear proposed later this afternoon for the city to set up a youth climate council since they are the ones that have the biggest stake in this future. They ought to also have a voice. So now city, county and state policy leadership across the country is going to have to stand in for the present failure of national leadership and character on climate policy but Multnomah county and the city of Portland will have plenty of company by my calculation something significantly in excess of 50% of the states across the country and well over 50% of citizens and many cities and counties urban and rural and states that are not part of that number are standing up and taking responsibility for moving our climate policy and accomplishments forward and frankly rendering the national government irrelevant on this issue. The city and the county are also going to have help from technology and market forces that are driving clean energy sources into production and driving their costs down as I said this morning, everywhere from 60 to 90% cost reductions just since 2008 for wind, for solar, for lithium ion battery technology, for light bulbs, and for many more of the technologies that you and we will collectively rely on. I will close today as I did this morning by reading you a short comment from yesterday's "New York times," a statement that frankly I never thought I would live long enough to either read or recite. From a times article talking about how wind is reshaping the energy grid and it references secretary of energy Perry as raising the possibility of federal intervention in energy markets to protect coal and nuclear plants against low priced wind. [laughter] enough said. Carry on. Thank you very much.

Wheeler: Thank you. We appreciate it. [cheers and applause] the next panel. Mia reback, Deane funk and Alan Hipolito. Come on up.

Mia Reback: Thank you, mayor wheeler, commissioners, for having us here today. My name is mica reback, I'm a staff organizer with 350 pdx, we're a local chapter of the international organization 350.org working in almost every continent to build a grass roots climate movement. We believe that solutions to climate change have always and will always come from the ground up. So in december of 2015, at the same time when world leaders were gathering to sign the Paris climate accord, almost 1,000 Portlanders marched in the wettest, coldest day that december to really commit to implementing Paris through local action. So i'm really excited and inspired that we're doing just that today. The Paris climate agreement set a goal to limit global warming between 1.5 and 2 degrees Celsius. We know that agreement is only as good as its implementation. With all things climate, the devil is in the details. So i'm really excited that we're here today with lots of stakeholders in the room to get those details right. The city of Portland we're building today on a legacy of great climate action from our internationally recognized climate action plan to the city policy opposing new fossil fuel infrastructure in our city. We have divested from the fossil fuel industry and today we get to say yes. Yes, to a clean and renewable energy economy. But in making that transition we have to ensure that we're not creating another social or environmental injustice along the way. So i'm going to be speaking out in support of a handful of amendments to the policy as it's written. One issue that you'll hear about today has to do with forest and biomass. We would like to see the city of Portland matching its resolution to the county opposing biomass sourced from public lands, state and federal lands. We also would like to support along with northwest seed any amendments that will protect low income utility customers as well as ensuring that our path towards community

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based renewable energy is done right and with full support from environmental justice organizations. You'll be hearing more about that in today's hearing. The climate action plan sets a goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 3% every year towards 2050 but as time goes on and the climate crisis gets worse so must our work to adjust climate change. With the recent studies now showing that we need to be reducing our greenhouse gas emissions closer to six or 10% each year to not cross some of these critical climate tipping points, so it's really inspiring that we're on this climate action plan doing more, going further and setting a strong, really bold and ambitious renewable energy goal. The real impacts of climate changes are reflected in this resolution. As I mentioned today, it shocks me every time I read these resolutions to hear that Oregon is predicted to have a 10-degree Fahrenheit temperature rise in my lifetime. I was born in 1992, the same year our first climate action plan was passed. If no action is taken, if we continue on a business as usual path if I live to the age of my grandmothers Oregon already warm 10 degrees Fahrenheit, dramatically changing life as we know it. I'm really glad that we're in this room today committing to not go down that path earnings saying that we will completely transition off of all fossil fuels by the year 2050 and on to clean and renewable energy. Thank you all so much for your support. It means a lot.

Wheeler: Thanks, mica. Appreciate it. [applause] good afternoon.

Deane Funk: Good afternoon. Mayor wheeler, commissioners, I'm Deane funk. I manage the local government affairs group at Portland general electric. I have been at pge since before the first Portland Multnomah county climate action plan was introduced in 1992 and either me or one of my colleagues has testified in support of that plan if not at every update at most of them i'm proud to say. Today's action by the city and county is more important than ever. If the u.s. does indeed, apparently it has, withdrawn from the Paris climate agreement it's a step in the wrong direction. Pge was among the first energy companies to advocate for climate legislation at the national level and the importance of national and international response has only grown in the last decade. The threat of climate change demands an international response and it's disheartening to say the least to see our country move backwards. We are committed to doing our part to combat climate change by powering this region with clean, reliable and affordable energy and will continue to work with our customers to meet Oregon's progressive clean energy standards. At the beginning of March I was in a meeting with the mayor with pge ceo Jim Pyro and our v.p. of public policy. There was a short conversation about achieving state global warming commission goal of 80% reduction of greenhouse gases below 1990 levels by 2050. Pge is on a path to meet those goals but beyond 2040 things get hazy. Mayor wheeler observed, well, that's for our kids to figure out the rest of the way. I don't know if you remember that.

Wheeler: I do.

Funk: An acknowledgment that we don't know the technologies the future may bring. Despite that we are committed to helping our region lead the way in an effort to combat climate change. In early April, I think it's important to note, when our ceo Jim Pyro first heard of the city and county 100% renewable goal the first words out of his mouth were if that's what they want to do then we're going to help them do it. Both mayor wheeler's comment and Jim Pyro's comments illustrate something important. Regardless of what happens at the federal level, our region will continue to lead the way by finding innovative solutions that strengthen our economy and protect our environment. We are committed to figuring out how to build a cleaner energy future and figure it out together with the city and the county and our customers and community stakeholders who care deeply about the future for our kids and our grandkids. What we don't exactly know how technology is going to evolve in the coming decades or exactly how we're going to meet the goals, we know

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we are going to move forward in a way that ensures affordability, reliability, equitable opportunities to share and a new, clean energy economy. I want to thank the mayor, chair kafoury, commissioners Vega Peterson and Eudaly and their staffs for allowing us the opportunity to contribute to the process that created the final version of this resolution. As we move ahead into uncharted waters it's extremely important that we retain flexibility so we can find the best path forward together. Let's be clear. No one, not even the most distinguished energy expert, knows exactly how to get to 100% renewable energy right now. As we go forward we're going to have to be nimble and make sure our policies are flexible so we can continue to adapt as tech knowledge advance. It's also important that we work together. I want to thank commissioner Vega Peterson, John Washtinski and Nathan Howard among others for facilitating input from a wide variety of groups. Over the last few weeks several of us from PGE met with stakeholder groups who might naturally be suspicious of a large utility's commitment to clean energy. Over the course of those meetings I think that we build up mutual respect and I hope we can continue to build those relationships as we move forward together. I think that the resolution we're considering today is much stronger because of the input that has been received and I hope that we can continue to have an open, collaborative process as we work to implement these goals. Customers, stakeholders and PGE, we all want clean, safe, reliable and affordable energy and we'll only make progress if we work together with respect for institutions, for our culture, our uniquely Oregon sense of collaboration. I believe we got to today on the shoulders of a lot of great work done in the last 25 years. I don't believe that Portland is the recipient of the C40 best climate action plan in the world in 2017 without a community including PGE and our customers being fully committed to taking the initiative to take action ahead of the curve. I especially don't believe we would have had this resolution in a workable form today nor a climate action plan that is the envy of the world without the sure, steady, wise and relentless work of Michael Armstrong from the bureau of planning and sustainability. I want to offer my personal thank you to Michael for his work and his integrity

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Wheeler: He's blushing back there.

Funk: He does not like this, I know. It's an honor, really, and a pleasure to have worked with him over the last few decades. I know he's going to make this better worldwide. I hope his colleagues at the city and county and my colleagues at PGE will continue to seek his wise counsel as we move down this pathway. Last week I was attending an internal meeting with my colleagues at PGE who are part of a newly formed work group. Under the meeting moniker journey to 100%. There's eight to ten of us around the table. I realize that the second oldest person to me is probably 20 years younger than I am. Not surprisingly with arguably the issue of our time being energy and climate the level of talent we're attracting at PGE is nothing short of astonishing. Really is remarkable. I know you're seeing it too within the city and the community. It within PGE there's a palpable excitement about tackling this challenge. PGE's Franco Albie coined the phrase journey to 100 I think it captured well what Mayor Wheeler said on March 3. We're headed in the right direction but it's going to be a journey. As I look around I know we're in good hands from the leadership at the county and the city to the activists and stakeholders to our staff at PGE, we have very smart, very engaged group of people who are going to lead the way forward together just as Michael Armstrong and others have done the last 25 years. We're in this journey with you. It's a journey in part into the unknown. We can do this together but only together as a community as the work toward this resolution itself has demonstrated. So let's get going. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. I would just like to reflect on what you have just said for a moment. PGE and the utilities generally have been tremendously supportive of our climate action

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plan goals, and I really want to just appreciate back the good and hard work that you and your team have put into this. Help us understand. There's a balance here that's very difficult for the utilities in terms of ensuring that we get to that 100% renewable energy target while at the same time trying not to price lower income people out of the market as utility ratepayers. You have asked us for that attention to flexibility and balance and I just want to underscore that we understand that and we appreciate it and we're so thankful that we have the utility leaders in this part of the country that support this kind of effort. I want to thank you for that. I thank you for your strong statement and your commitment to these efforts. Thank you.

Funk: Thank you.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Alan Hipolito: Good afternoon. Mayor wheeler, commissioners, I regret that I don't have any urbane compliments for Michael Armstrong in my testimony, but i'll -- [laughter] I'm Alan Hipolito. I work for a tax-exempt nonprofit named verde in the cully neighborhood. Lately I like to tell folks that I was born in New Orleans, Louisiana, in the united states, my father is from a town in Mexico and my mother is from New Orleans. In the words of your friends and mine it's a pleasing to be here with you today. I would like to talk a little bit about the process that we used to get to here we are and then to talk about our priorities for this resolution. We have had a strong opportunity in these last couple weeks to work both with city and county staff to explore this what we think is very exciting new territory of community-based development of renewable energy infrastructure. I appreciate the strength of that dialogue and the unpacking that we're doing together on something that is being prioritized in the environmental justice communities but I think we have an opportunity to really move things forward. We come to this resolution with three priorities. One is other folks have mentioned to protect low income ratepayers. So we did a good amount of work over the last week together with capo, the coalition of communities of color and northwest seed to draft language, both a whereas and be it resolved that were included in the county resolution and we would like to see that incorporated in the city's resolution. We need to send a marker about protect our ratepayers and calling out specifically our low income ratepayers. We also recognize this resolution sets the stage, a restorative stage, recognizing that low income people and people of color are not only on the front lines of climate change but have not participated in the growth of our renewable energy economy or in the development of policies that have led to that growth so we are prioritizing and are grateful for the language of economic conclusion for minority, women owned businesses and our work force. We understand that for many reasons, a lot of this goal will be met via big projects, big institutions, big partners. If Portland state university gets together with Johnson controls and pge and comes to you and says we want to solarize psu, there's a lot of good reasons to do that but that's a hard arena for our community facing organizations to participate, so obviously, we need to create very strong inclusive mechanisms so our businesses and our workers can grow with that economy that we as a community, as a government, are coming to the marketplace saying we want something. Some of us can't compete effectively so what we're trying to do is open up a new playing field where community based organizations, community facing organizations can compete for these resources so they can adapt renewable energy infrastructure into their own priorities. We pursue generative capacity. The ability to drive renewable energy infrastructure to low income people and people of color neighborhoods in response to that specific community's priorities which may be health, maybe education, maybe housing, economic opportunity. We all can imagine a future where renewable energy infrastructure is a key piece of how we fund new affordable housing. So we do not support the additional language in the substitute draft around transportation, food waste management, industrial

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processing, heating and electricity investments because it deflects us from our goal to have this generative capacity in our neighborhoods. We also think it's not aligned with the rest of the content of the resolution which clearly spells out what is and is not renewable energy then chooses here on community based development of renewable energy infrastructure to add new content and also there's a clear progression in our mind where in the be it resolved we're talking about 100% of community-wide energy needs by 2050 with renewable energy, 100% of renewable energy by 2035. 100% from city operations from renewable energy prioritizing renewable resources but when we get to the community we have expanded the definition of what's possible or what field we're playing in so we seek generative capacity. The last few things I will say is let's also be clear that our existing tool kit we know it's inadequate and we need to grow it and change it and that's why projects like the solar installation at naya, the solar installation at hacienda cdc football court, the June key delta, are exceptions to our renewable energy practice and they take years of painstaking effort by community-based organizations to cobble together those resources that are accessible to community. We want to flip. That we want to see broad investments by and of community as a function of this transition. This will be very hard work. Harder than the work we have done to get to this content that's in front of you. I would also say that for government and utility and other stakeholders if this isn't the energy system you thought you would be regulating or operating or financing or building, let's talk about that. Let's figure it out. But let's not accept arguments of infeasibility. Justice rejects limits. This kind of thinking is the same kind of stuff that in the past told us you can't remove a freeway and build a riverfront park. A city can't have a climate action plan. Who does that? That a low income community can't convert a 25-acre landfill into a park. Your daughter will never be able to marry her girlfriend. We as a community can't unite against hate. And it's the same kind of thinking that says people of color can't develop and lead a renewable energy agenda.

Wheeler: Thank you. We appreciate it. [applause] we have one -- commissioner? One final invited guest Kevin Lynch come on up, sir. Thank you for your patience.

Kevin Lynch: Of course, I get the whole table to myself. Great deal.

Eudaly: Don't forget to thank Michael. [laughter]

Wheeler: If you have any embarrassing anecdotes this is a good time to share them with us as well. [laughter]

Lynch: Good afternoon, mayor, commissioners. I'm Kevin Lynch. I'm the head of external affairs for avengrid renewables. First I want to say as a citizen that i'm heartened by the fact that three of the four jurisdictions in which I live and vote have embraced the challenge to combat climate change, the city of Portland, Multnomah county, state of Oregon, and I guess as far as the fourth one goes, the united states, maybe we can all take solace in the notion that it's darkest before the dawn and that things will change soon. Let's hope. On behalf of avengrid renewables thank you for giving me a chance to speak to you. A little bit about our can company. Across the u.s. We're the second ordinary third depending how you keep score largest generator and provider of renewable electricity. We operate power plants mostly wind and a few solar across 19 or 20 states now with new projects understand construction and four more here in the state of Oregon. We have a lot of wind power. The number is about 1,000 megawatts. Kind of hard to describe what that really means but it's an awful lot. We are on the cusp of building more and also expanding into building large scale solar projects in the state of Oregon. We provide that power to all kinds of entities, utilities, municipal government utility agencies, directly to commercial and industrial customers here in the state of Oregon that want to have a green portfolio and alike. Then locally here in Portland, locally here in Portland we have about 350 employees and thanks to prosper Oregon formerly known as Portland development commission, we

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are going to be here for a long time to come. It's a very exciting place to be. The roots of our business are here. We like to stay here and provide good jobs and run a national renewable energy business from our offices in northwest Portland. I simply want to say that there are great leaps and bounds that have been made in renewable energy on the electric side in the last couple of years and a lot more can be done. Oregon is leading the way. You all are doing a great thing in setting this standard and this commitment. But what's remarkable is the technological change that is occurring that is making just the regular old electricity a lot cheaper than it had been before and the trend appears to be likely to continue downward. That it is becoming easier to bring more renewable energy over all into the grid to integrate it, to manage the supply of renewable electricity from wind and solar in particular that doesn't always show up all the time. We can draw on a number of resources, a number of technological improvements, tremendous leaps in information technology, to bring more and more renewable energy into the power overall power mix. So yes, perhaps nobody is quite sure how to get to 100% renewables by 2035, but if the recent past is any prologue, you can do an awful lot between now and then toward that goal to get to that goal and you can probably do it a lot faster than you think. Finally, just as a small editorial and we're here to help you do that.

Wheeler: Thank you. We appreciate it. [applause] so before we get to commissioner Fish, colleagues, and to those of you waiting patiently to testify, we're now going to go to the open testimony part of this commissioner Fish is going to make a request in a moment. I want to ask your forbearance. As many of you in this room know, we had a memorial service that we, the council, and many other city employees attended this afternoon at 2:00 p.m. For rick, one of our valued employees and was unfortunately one of the two men who was killed Friday on the max train. So we have started an hour late. In fact, because of some of the logistics we started more than an hour late. At some point we will lose our quorum and we will also be losing city staff. So I don't like to limit public testimony beneath three minutes, but i'm afraid this is one of those times i'm just going to have to do it. I'm asking for your understanding if we limit public testimony to two minutes. I know most of you have drafted three-minute presentations if you can try to consolidate it we would really appreciate your understanding. Thank you. Commissioner Fish.

Fish: Thank you, mayor. It's our tradition to let students come up first particularly if they are missing school or sports practice, so I am going to be introducing an amendment but I would like the students to present it so I will invite Ella Shriner, Zella lobo, peter sallinger, Sophia Smith and Kira mesch to come forward. If you would stand with your colleague we have asked one student to be a spokesperson, these are outstanding environmental leaders from grant high school and they are sponsors of an amendment that we will take up. We welcome you to city council.

Ella Shriner: Thank you. I might as well start off by thanking Michael for getting us into justice activism [laughter]

Wheeler: Well done.

Shriner: We would like propose an amendment for --

Wheeler: I'm sorry to interrupt. If everybody could state your name for the record. We don't need your address.

Shriner: I'm Ella Shriner. So we would like to propose an amendment for a youth climate action council through the city to help get youth involved and I was planning to testify about this so i'll just read my statement.

Wheeler: Please.

Shriner: As youth of Portland passionate about finding solutions we have been very involved in testifying and advocating for policies like the ban on new fossil fuel infrastructure. At both the initial hearings and the more recently implementation hearings

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you, the commissioners, mentioned you listened to us and made your decisions accordingly. It's clear you recognize the importance of hearing and responding to youth voices. We're asking in this resolution on renewable energy that you provide us with a formal setting for which to influence policy. We recognize that the new resolution describes formation of a climate action subcommittee including Oregon tribes, communities of color, low income residents and youth. While we appreciate that many voices will be represented we ask that you add formation of a separate youth climate council. All of the affected communities in the resolutions have youth who care about the future, youth who want to work toward solutions. Youth who vision is not clouded by corporate voices and youth who are too often ignored. It is clear that youth have a unique perspective on this issue which is why it's so important for our voices to be at the forefront of climate justice action. In the words of Robert f. Kennedy, this world demands qualities of youth, not a lifetime, but a state of mind. A temper of the will, a quality of the imagination, a predominance of courage over timidity. Over the appetite for adventure over the love of ease. Through this council, we hope to have representation from schools throughout the city bringing together youth who share a common concern for the future. Because we believe that we have an essential role to play in the transition to a sustainable future and in the restoration of a stable climate we asked you add the following clause to the resolution. Whereas youth and future generations will be significantly more impacted by climate disruptions than those currently in positions of power. We must recognize youth will inherit the effects of the bad decisions of the past, have the most to lose from lack of action in the present, and will spend their lives leading the transition to a truly green and sustainable economy. Be it further resolved the city will establish a youth climate council to provide regular support and advice to the city in meeting our climate goals through strong science-based action. Thank you.

Fish: Very well done. Mayor and colleges, this is what high school environmental leadership looks like so I will move the amendment which contains a whereas and a companion resolve. Is there a second?

Eudaly: As the most useful person on city council -- [laughter] i'll be happy to second that.

Wheeler: We have commissioner Fish makes the motion, commissioner Eudaly seconds it in a most painful way of reminding us all -- colleagues, we can either --

Fish: Take a vote.

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

Fish: I want to just say to Ella, Zella, peter, Sophia and Kira thank you for taking the time to join us today. Thank you for your thoughtful leadership for drafting this language and congratulations for leading the way to include your new language into our resolution. I'm proud to support your work. Aye.

Saltzman: Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye.

Wheeler: Well, since Deane already called me out on realizing that a lot of the leadership and innovation and responsibility for achieving the goals set forth in this substitute resolution will fall with young people, in fact it will fall on people many of whom are not yet born, I think it's only the responsible thing to do to accept this amendment to the substitute resolution. I vote aye. The amendment to the substitute resolution is accepted. Thank you for coming in. [applause] here's how this rodeo works. Karla runs it. She's going to call three people up. Two minutes, state your name. If you are a lobbyist you must tell us you are a lobbyist. If you're representing an organization that's helpful too. She will call three names then she will also call an additional three just to let people know you're up on deck. Two minutes, the yellow light will go off 30 seconds before your time. The red light goes off when you're done. If you go way over time the electric prod in the seat starts to work. I understand with have about 40 --

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Wheeler: 41. Very good.

Theodora Tsongas: Good afternoon. I'm dr. Theodora Tsongas I'm an environmental health scientist and epidemiologist with 40 years' public health experience in state and federal agencies as well as teaching appointments at the university of Colorado, Washington state university and Portland state university. I'm a member of climate change and health committee of American public health association. I want to commend you on a very thorough and comprehensive renewable energy resolution that will contribute greatly to achieve Portland's share of responsibility for responding to climate change. We must do all we can as a city and community to respond to this crisis. Thank you for this excellent resolution and your leadership. I have a major concern, however, in that is the necessity to understand that using biomass as a source of energy is not a way to address climate change. In fact, it's counterproductive. As data from the environmental protection agency shows, even modern facilities burning wood and other biomass emit as much or more co2 particulate matter and smog precursors and modern fossil fuel plants including coal plants. And implementation of biomass as an energy source will result in degradation of the carbon sequestration capacity of our forests. When increasing forest sequestration is essential to controlling and reducing atmospheric co2 levels. The city must safeguard vital living forest ecosystems that can generate clean drinking water, stabilize regional climates and store carbon. The language excluding biomass that does not minimize impacts to human and ecological health can be interpreted in many ways to fit one's own agenda. How does one minimize impacts to human and ecological health by replacing one carbon intensive fuel with another? The goal of addressing climate change becomes difficult to achieve therefore I hope you will reconsider and exclude all biomass from the definition of renewable energy resources. Finally, please support verde's recommended changes to the resolution.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it. Good afternoon.

Kendra Hubbard: Hello. I'm Kendra Hubbard. Thank you for this opportunity. I worked in the solar energy industry here in Portland for the last seven years and serve on several boards including an industry board and on profit board and the energy trust of Oregon board as well and i'm sharing my opinion about solar and how we can participate in this effort. Providing clean, renewable energy to our state and country is a mission of mine not only because of my determination to make it a better environment for my ten-year-old son william but to help curb the effects of climate change globally. My family is from Kentucky. My great grandfather and his children worked in coal mines there. They all died prematurely from black lung disease with the also exception of my grandfather who moved to the pacific northwest after serving in world war ii. He wanted a cleaner and safer life for his family, we made the choice to leave a thriving industry for the chance of a better future; we too have a chance for a better future despite uncertain political times. I believe it will be up to us at local levels to drive energy standards and adoption I sit on several boards in Portland and am encouraged that the work of these organizations have provided a blueprint called the Oregon solar plan on how to help achieve the city's 100% renewable resolution. I can send you a copy of that plan if you would like. This plan is providing 10% of Oregon's energy from solar by the year 2027 for 4 gigawatts worth of power. You have industry partners here ready to work to make this vision realty. Portland can lead this transition. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it. Good afternoon.

Gregory Monahan: Good afternoon. I'm dr. Gregory Monahan. I'm submitting this testimony on behalf of the sierra club. The sierra club is very much appreciates the Portland city council's leadership and vision in creating this forward thinking and groundbreaking 100% renewable energy resolution. Local action like this and a similar

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resolution from the Multnomah county board of commissioners are especially critical when your country's leadership in Washington is determined to reverse any forward progress on mitigating the worst impacts of climate change. In considering any amendments to this resolution Sierra Club asks that you stay grounded in the central tenet behind this resolution. The residents of Portland deserve a 100% renewable energy future that will be free from fossil fuels as well as other greenhouse gas emitting sources such as industrial scale biomass. We understand that you may have been or are still under considerable pressure from utilities and industry to weaken the resolution. Our country's laws require publicly traded corporations to act in the interests of their shareholders to maximize their profits. However, elected leaders such as yourself have a different mandate, to ensure a future in which all the residents of the city can thrive. This mandate can only be achieved if you stand strong in support of amendments that strengthen the resolution and against the efforts to weaken the resolution. The Sierra Club supports the decision to have an open and inclusive process going forward to make sure traditionally under-represented communities have a seat at the table. Thank you for your commitment to making this necessary transition a just one by seeking to reverse the trends of marginalization for communities experiencing the greatest impacts from climate change. Future generations will applaud your leadership. Thank you.

Wheeler: Appreciate your testimony.

Sophia Smith: I'm Sophia Smith.

Zella Lobo: I'm Zella Lobo.

Smith: We wanted to thank you for supporting our youth climate council amendment. We are members of the high school environmental leadership project a group of youth from around Portland working in our community to find solutions for the climate crisis. We are excited that our city is taking big steps towards running on 100% renewable energy by 2050. This resolution is a start. As youth, we want to do everything we can to support this resolution and be involved in its implementation. This resolution finally holds our city accountable for the actions affecting all of its residents and the rest of the world. It acknowledges climate science the community suffering from the climate crisis and where our city has already taken action to fight it but what it is lacking is a strong stance on the definition of renewable energy. One specific concern with the current resolution is the inclusion of biomass in the list of renewable energy sources. We believe it's important to define renewable and nonrenewable energies are but biomass is not a renewable energy. Nor is it free from carbon pollution. Carbon is released when trees are cut down, when they are transported and when they are burned.

Lobo: We have waited far too long to take action on the climate crisis. At this point it's essential that we moved toward sources of energy that are not emitting greenhouse gases in biomass does not fit that standard. According to the Sierra Club the average biomass power plant emits 40 to 60% more CO₂ than an average coal plant. Coal being considered the dirtiest of energy sources and the biggest contributor to climate change. Biomass facilities further climate change releasing carbon that would otherwise be sequestered by the forest. This shows that biomass is in fact not renewable like wind and solar and is not the right direction to be moving in for a safe climate future. The negative reality of biomass is apparent in PGE's fact sheet for a possible boardman biomass plant. The report is misleading stating that the plant will require 8,000 tons of torrefied biomass daily. On its own that's a huge amount. What makes this misleading is that to produce 8,000 tons of torrefied biomass they will require 12,800 tons of dry material each day it operates because the torrefaction process which heats biomass results in significant loss of mass. Where will all of these materials and trees come from? They call it thinning but how is nearly 3,000 tons of tree material every day just thinning? Advocates for the biomass

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industry argue that the carbon produced during the burning process will eventually be recaptured and absorbed by the forests that are regrown but that simplified answer is not an accurate representation of what will happen. Logging changes the forest into a farm. You cannot replace a forest. You can only plant new trees and forests are much more complex than just trees. Forests are eco-systems with plants, lycans, moss are and decomposing logs which provide housing from species to insects. We ask that biomass be removed in the current resolution. We must move away from energy forms that release large amounts of carbon towards those that utilize already occurring natural processes like wind and solar. Allowing biomass to be part of our energy future will exacerbate the climate crisis, reduce health of our forests and reduce our air quality.

Smith: Please consider this proposed change to make our city's stance the strongest it can be. We, the youth, will keep standing up for our environment and for our generation. Please listen to us and make the right decision now for we have run out of time to keep weakening our actions. Thank you.

Eudaly: Thank you. [applause]

Peter Sallinger: Good afternoon. I'm peter sallinger. I go to grant high school. I would like to start by thanking this council for bringing forward the resolution, the city of Portland has again shown we are committed to healthy and renewable future. However, I would like to quickly address a few areas for improvement in the resolution that I think would allow the city to take an even larger step forward in addressing the climate crisis. First the resolution states whereas renewable energy specifically excludes energy derived from fossil fuels, nuclear biomass that does not minimize impacts to human and ecological health and the incineration of municipal and medical waste. I believe the city statement regarding biomass is confusing and unclear and creates a loop hole that could undermine the goings of this resolution. The primary source of biomass is wood, our forests and burning wood can create just as much pollution as fossil fueling. I would urge you to remove biomass from the definition of renewable energy altogether. If the city of Portland wants to have a strong commitment towards a healthy future for all then we need to be clear and decisive and biomass should not be included. Second I would like to say I appreciate the city putting the youth amendment in place. The city states that they will create a subcommittee including Oregon tribes, communities of color, youth representatives, environmental advocates, city bureau representatives and providers, all of those groups are included in the word youth. Maybe we could even get some aspiring city employees or utility providers. Youth as a whole is a wide and diverse group of people all of whom deserve to have their own voice in the fight against climate change. Again, I would like to thank Portland for taking a leadership role in the fight against climate change and for showing other cities around the nation that we will stand up for what is right. Thank you for your time. [applause]

Moore-Love: Ella, were you going to speak again?

Shriner: No.

Eudaly: Welcome. Please state your name for the record.

Kira Mesch: Hi, I'm Kira mesch. My testimony would have been -- i'm also with the high school leadership environmental project and my testimony would have been solely about the amendment that has just been added. So I would like to take this time to thank you all for your unanimous support and your steps towards empowering the youth and this generation and the movement towards climate justice as it has been made clear today, youth care about these issues. We are glad to have tangible steps taken to give youth voice as strong platform for consideration. We are the ones who will be experiencing the policies into the future, the language mentioned articulates the youth climate council but it also articulates the youth movement. So I would like to thank you for acknowledging that.

Fish: Well done.

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Cheryl Lorman: Hi. I'm Cheryl Loreman. I'm not lebil I'm speaking on his behalf as well as a group of Madison high school students who have a club called eco. I think it's tough for kids who have school hours to be present for their future, so having a youth council is hugely important for -- huge for curriculum, like real life representation to the youth that this is important, it's not a fairy tale problem, that it's real. It's extra sign from those who are their elders that this is important and that their future is important, so thank you so much. I'll just read the statement from the Madison high school eco-club. We are the future. We are the next generation to fill the last one's shoes and those shoes are dirty and used. The land is dying, the water no longer blue and our food is inedible. As a club centered around the environment we have made the commitment to do what we can to counteract the effects in our community. From nature restoration projects, recycling and composting missions to simply vowing to turn off the water as we brush our teeth we're gearing toward education projects to inform our community on how to be more eco-friendly in day-to-day life with global climate change on the rise. When we heard about Portland trying to run on clean renewability by 2050 we were thrilled. Our statement is at the ready to fight for this to be put into place. We want this renewable energy plan to go through for the environment. We have firm hope that by 2050 our city can run on all renewables however for many of us here at Madison eco it runs deeper. We want to live in a world where our children can breathe clean air, swim in clean water and eat clean food. We want future generations to look at Portland and see the environmental wonders here and bring it around the nation and eventually around the world. Instead of training our children to do mining and fracking jobs we want our children to learn how to be environmental advocates who build solar panels or manage windmill farms. We want Portland to be a clean city. We want to be proud Oregonians and live in a place where we can do what we love with a clean footprint. This plan can make it all happen. Thank you.

Wheeler: Excellent. Thank you. [applause]

Jan Zuckerman: I'm Jan Zuckerman. I'm a mother, a teacher and like you deeply concerned about the planet. This morning I gathered under the St. John's bridge with 30 middle school students at the Willamette river we faced two signs, one touting the big pipe project to eliminate sewage overflow sewage in the Willamette and the other a health warning to children, pregnant and the nursing mothers about eating toxic fish from our river. One wondered how people who eat fish can read signs. We discussed the meaning of irony and tried to wrap our heads around the words Portland would not be here without the Willamette river. Walking up stream I pointed out the oil and gas tanks susceptible to liquification as a problematic aroma of air toxins tickled our noses. We were looking at the industrial sanctuary, the superfund site, gas pipe, oil trains, chemicals spewing nearby. I asked the students what they were willing to sacrifice. They contemplated a solution to housing the fossil fuels somewhere else. How about near your school, I asked? They determined that there was no safe place and one student shouted out, why can't we just not have them? So here we are. 100% renewable energy resolution before us. We sit in this sanctuary posed to protect the lives of these children and the living things that they love and depend on. To do this we must confront the irony in this document so there's no confusion about what the city of Portland stands for. It's a known scientific fact biomass increases CO₂, releases harmful toxins into the atmosphere and has the potential to put our already stressed forests in danger. The Willamette river has taught us that we can't expect to move forward if we allow industry to drag their feet. A few days ago a 16-year-old student confided in me that she doesn't wake up scared to death at night any more or cry about the climate crisis. She's resigned herself to the idea of elected officials trading convenience and money for her health and well-being. This resolution has the power to show her our city commissioners are different. I ask you to stand with the children and

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make it clear that biomass is not to be confused in any way with renewable energy. This resolution has the potential to be revolutionary if we have the guts to get it right. Thank you so much.

Wheeler: Thank you. [applause]

Eudaly: Mayor --

Wheeler: Commissioner Eudaly.

Eudaly: I would like to propose an amendment. We have heard testimony now from several people about biomass concerns. My office has received dozens of phone calls and emails about it today. I want everyone here to know that I and I think all of us recognize there are serious issues with using wood and forest materials as so-called renewable energy resources. While I'm confident our resolution as written steers us away from that I want to propose an amendment that maintains a sense of flexibility for advancement in technology. We're not -- we don't know what's coming down the pike and we would like to not paint ourselves into a corner. But also alleviate some of the concerns and align with county language. So my amendment would remove -- sorry. On the fourth whereas on page 3, remove the language that reads as follows: Biomass that does not minimize impacts to human and ecological health, and replace it with biomass feed stock sourced from state and federal lands.

Lauren King, City Attorney: Could you clarify if you're amending the substitute ordinance?

Eudaly: I'm on page 3 on the fourth whereas.

Armstrong: Commissioner, I think you have the list of most of the amendments we heard. Is it different than the one that's 2b?

Wheeler: 2 b.

Eudaly: Let's see. I don't seem to have 2 b in front of me.

Fish: It's on the cheat sheet.

Eudaly: I have two here.

Fish: One highlighted at the bottom is the new one.

Eudaly: That's essentially the same amendment.

Fish: Michael would you give us commentary on that amendment?

Armstrong: So not all biomass is created equal as you've heard and it's something I think you will hear more testimony about. Might keep that in mind if you decide to move forward at this time. I think the public lands includes a lot of land but then obviously there's a lot of privately held land. So trying to arrive at sort of I think the point is to be extremely cautious about any biomass project which I think is part of what the substitute amendment includes the whereas. It's immediately under the one you're referring to so there's a new that says any biomass project requires special consideration to ensure that eco-system health is not harmed, that the project does not result in increased lifecycle carbon emissions and air quality and fish habitat is not degraded. I had understood that that additional whereas, which is new to the substitute, was trying to accomplish what is in the spirit of your suggesting. Instead of relying on the distinction of ownership of land it's getting to one of the issues we're trying to protect against.

Wheeler: If I may, we have had lots of testimony back and forth on this. I think the original resolution was interesting because it was sort of universally hated. The language, is probably fair. The debate really centered around different kinds of biomass. I'm no great expert on biomass, but apparently there's woody forest biomass and there are apparently other kinds of biomass that are in fact not -- if I can use the pejorative dirty. So we have mixed testimony coalition of communities of color for example, cautioned us against eliminating across the board language on biomass that would potentially eliminate some of those opportunities. So what you see in this substitute resolution I'll describe as a

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compromise language that respects what the sierra club and others are trying to say with regard to forest based woody biomass while also trying to respect the other perspective as proffered by the coalition of communities of color around the possibility of other kinds of biomass and so they have asked for flexibility. Is that a fair description of sort of the balancing act that takes place --

Saltzman: Are you saying the language in the substitute before us or with the amendments?

Wheeler: The language currently have before us in the substitute. It may still not be universally beloved but slightly less reprehensible than the others.

Fish: Mayor, can I make a suggestion? We have about 30 more people who signed up. Commissioner Eudaly, why don't we take a second to your amendment and lay it on the table, conclude the testimony, then let's come back and have the conversation. Is that acceptable?

Eudaly: Sure.

Fish: I'll second your amendment. It's now on the table and we'll take the rest of the testimony. Because if there is this delicate balance I would like to hear more about that.

Wheeler: We'll call that Eudaly one. That's regarding biomass. I don't have personally i'll just add I don't have solid feelings one way or the other. I would be interested in hearing more testimony on this before we take a vote on it. Thank you.

Fish: We have about 30 or so more people so i'm guessing about another hour of testimony. Then deliberations.

Wheeler: That's probably right.

Bob Sallinger: I'm bob sallinger and I'm here representing the Audubon society of Portland today. I want to express my appreciation to you for this resolution. It's a great step forward. Comes at a time when we really do need leadership on climate change and it's great to see the city providing that. Especially on a day like today. So I want to express my support for commissioner eudaly's proposed amendment. We are concerned about the biomass issue. As the group that works on urban issues and forest issues, we still think even as written with the extra whereas there still is confusing and leaves a loophole open so we would recommend removing the language around does not minimize impacts to human ecological health and either eliminating it altogether and excluding biomass from the definition of renewable energy or adding in the language about public lands either of those would get at the concerns we have. I appreciate the comment about trying to make the resolution less reprehensible but I hope we can go beyond that to inspirational. The other thing I wanted to testify to today is just to thank you for including the language on green infrastructure. It was originally not in here. Too often when we think about climate change we fail to talk about the natural resource side of the equation. We talk about reducing dependency more fuel efficiency, those kinds of things we don't talk about natural resources often enough. Its great to see that included. When we talk about green infrastructure we're talking about energy saving like trees can reduce heating and cooling costs. We're also talking about equity putting in green infrastructure in our neighborhoods that need it the most, protect under-served populations from the impacts of climate change. Finally, it's about resiliency we are going to see impacts from climate change. We're already seeing it on the landscape. It's critical that we build resilient landscapes to protect our people and environment. Those are our two recommendations. We support your amendment, commissioner Eudaly, and again, thank you for the green infrastructure.

Fish: Can I just be clear about something? In your testimony, you said you support the amendment but would support the alternative language, the alternative amendment that just restricts it for feed stock source from public lands?

Sallinger: What I'm saying is either --

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Fish: There's two versions before us.

Sallinger: The language from the county is what we would support which basically would eliminate biomass from public lands or eliminate biomass entirely.

Fish: Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you, sir. Good afternoon.

Michael O'Leary: Hello. I'm Michael O'Leary. In response to your amendment I would ask for an indulgence to address that. That's a key part of my remarks. I represent the association of northwest steel headers we're a 1500 member family fishing group. We love to go up and down the Columbia and the Willamette and tributaries. I'm also representing the national wildlife federation because that entity thinks this is national caliber work. We really appreciate the effort to turn back the tide on what's happening at the federal level. Make no mistake what's happening on the federal level is happening on many different plains. We have Greg Walden, who's been pushing for advocating for increased timber harvest on the east side for some time. The boardman coal plant having a big option what to do next and a protection tax credit for biomass now being proposed in the u.s. Senate also deemed biomass renewable on the national level. This is no joke. We'll see a sea change in difference in biomass. It's going to be up to us to put up boundaries here. I'm here because our salmon are in hot water already. In 2015, 97% of the sockeye salmon did not make it to Idaho that they were expected. They turned over dead because of temperature and viruses caused by temperature. In 2016, we saw a decrease in the fall chinook run. 52% from the year before. We can't take a year to year change like that anymore. In 2017 just this spring our spring chinook run has come in at the bottom or now arguably the fourth worst since we started counting at the Bonneville dam. Our steel head will be closed before the season opens because the amount of incidental catching and releasing of wild fish is going to meet our esa limitations. We're not going to catch and keep one steelhead this summer. That's about to be announced. That's really happening. We're here. We're here at climate change. We support this resolution because you're taking a leadership role. We believe there's work to be done in implementation. We believe there's work to be done on hydro. Judge Simon has ruled march 27 that hydro is the number one killer of juvenile salmon. There's an injunction. This stuff is going to change. We're not going to get to enjoy as much hydro as we have had whether defended by the utilities or not that won't be in the portfolio in the same way. Biomass may be increasing. We have real junctures and we would like to follow through with the conservation expertise that we can offer and being constructive in being local on the grounds here. Thank you for your time. We really appreciate your work. With respect to the amendment we do like the clear prohibition of use of forest biomass from public hands. That does not obviously interfere with tribal lands, which are not public. That's separate. Of course, for the private lands we also very much appreciate your expert language to defends fish habitat from being harmed. We think that's model for national language and worthy of reproducing in other communities. So thank you for that.

Wheeler: You got it. Thank you. Good afternoon.

Mike Withey: Mike Withey, I'm very fortunate to be here today. A lot of people couldn't be here today. I very much support this. I don't know of anyone that doesn't, actually. This is very a bright spot in an otherwise very bad year. Not a lot of great things have been happening lately in Portland. So it's nice to see something inspirational come out of this. We know it's going to take hard work but well worth it. It's been a while, so thank you, Michael. And nick Caleb and all the people at 350 pdx. You've done a wonderful job. The last gentleman mentioned our affordable housing stock should have some of this considered into it and our micro communities do have this solar energy collection, water collection, all that. So i'll cut it short and say thank you.

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Wheeler: Thank you appreciate it.

*****: I was remiss in not saying we support the low-income ratepayer's modifications.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Janice Thompson: Advocacy director at Oregon citizen's utility board, also city lobbyist. Cub was created by Oregon voters in a 1984 ballot measure to ensure residential utility customer advocate and regulatory proceedings before the Oregon puc and in legislative matters for example the state level we were key player in passage of senate bill 1547, kind of a coal transition bill. We recognized more would be needed which is why we support the 100 by 50 resolution, definitely appreciate the diligent work regarding the wording of this resolution and the consideration of the amendments related to youth and low income, low income issues have long been a factor in our work related to utility regulation. Nevertheless, it's I think important to recognize the work begins tomorrow. Or maybe even better wording is the work continues tomorrow since this resolution does build on many previous actions. Cub's work does focus on economic analysis, that economic emphasis is informed by underlying values of equity and need for public health and environmental protection. So those values definitely inform our support for this resolution. But it's increasingly clear we can get there just based on comprehensive economic analysis. The status quo related to climate change has genuine and adverse economic impacts. So we'll definitely be monitoring efforts paid for by utility ratepayers with measures that reduce greenhouse gas emissions are occurring now and this trend can and needs to continue and will focus on that quite a bit. So thanks for all your work on this resolution and all the steps that follow and your leadership is truly a national model. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you for your testimony. That was perfect. About as good as it gets. Good afternoon.

Adriana Vos-Andreae: Good afternoon. Mayor wheeler, commissioners, I'm Adriana Vos-Andreae and I'm co-founder and executive director of 350 pdx. I'm also a scientist and a mother. We are standing at historic crossroads. At a time when we face catastrophic climate disruption when over half the world's forests have intend destroyed, when over half the world's wetlands have been decimated, when over half the world's coral reefs are dead or dying when species are disappearing at a thousand times the normal rate, when millions around the world are already suffering the effects of climate disruption the u.s. Government has been derelict. We're at historic crossroads. The richest 1% have more wealth than the rest of the world's population combined. We're seeing a crisis of inequality in this country with unprecedented concentration of wealth for the few while the rest there's a steep decline in social mobility, failing schools, overcrowded jails, increased job insecurity and shrinking safety nets with by far the heaviest burdens carried by low income and communities of color. This vast inequality and climate disruption are destroying our democracy, our humanity, our planet and they share the same root cause of corporate profits over people. And we cannot solve or mitigate one without the other. I want to thank you for this resolution. I urge you to not only join other cities across the nation by committing the city of Portland to 100% renewable energy with no industry loopholes such as biomass but also to affirm the city's commitment to equity. 350 pdx strongly supports Verde and others asking for significant and enforceable contract diversity and work force diversity standards on publicly funded renewables projects, early significant capacity building investments and community based organizations leading to increasing percentages of energy needs met by community based renewable energy infrastructure. The early goals 2%, 10% are too small and they need to grow and be accelerated. 350 pdx also supports the amendment that protects low income ratepayers. We're excited about the creation of the youth climate council. We're at an historic crossroads, especially at this

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time constituents and municipalities have an even more critical role to play as we forge and implement a new, positive vision toward just transition for our children, for our democracy, for our planet. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. We appreciate your testimony. Good afternoon.

Courtney Rae: Hello mayor and commissioners my name's Courtney Rae I'm an organizer with bark we're a local watchdog group looking after mount hood national forest. I will just say I am very impressed with the students in particular and their grasp of how complicated that biomass is an issue and hope that you heard them and I want to highlight that the decisions that you make from the seats up there are not happening in a vacuum and there will be impacts not only here in the city and our communities, but there will be impacts across the landscape and across the nation. I want to highlight as we the acid coming from the communities working in capacity of environmental justice unity I expect that is you put just in rapid transition in the tag line of your resolution that you will eagerly accept the feedback and recommendations from Verde and other groups we've heard today. On the subject of biomass, I want to remind you all that public lands are a target of the federal government of the move to privatize these lands and why would they like to privatize them? Do I have to say, it's because they would like to extract and consume? And base their involvements profits off something that should be a legacy for future generations. And if we're thinking in terms of climate solutions which I think we are today the number one reason to manage public lands at this stage in our Anthropocene is for the sequestering of atmospheric carbon this is the perfect technology for doing this we don't need fancy scrubbers, we don't need extra material, extra infrastructure on top of fossil fuel producing power plants. We just need to reestablish the natural systems that have been regulating this atmosphere for 300 million years at least. I believe that here in Portland, we have a unique opportunity to protect forests like mount hood national forests. It is the sixth largest carbon sequestering forest in the nation. If you want to count down the carbon you're removing as part of the city's program, I think you want to include the value of having a forest of this magnitude in our backyard and I urge you to accept the language that the county approved this afternoon that explicitly protects public lands in this way. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you, I appreciate that. [applause]

Wheeler: Commissioner Eudaly?

Eudaly: I'd like to move that we--haven't I already done this.

Fish: Your amendments been produced and seconded and you just want to put it to a vote.

Eudaly: Okay. I put to put this to a vote. Shall I read the language?

Fish: Yes.

Eudaly: The alternative language that we've established is whereas, renewable energy specifically excludes energy derived from fossil fuels, nuclear, biomass feed stock source from public lands, state and federal lands -- is what -- the thing you just handed me is slightly different than -- from state and federal lands, and incineration of municipal and medical waste.

Wheeler: Very good. So --

Fish: Second.

Wheeler: There's a motion from commissioner Eudaly and just to be clear, 2B has a slight change to state and federal lands. And commissioner Fish seconds. Any further discussion, call the roll. **Fish:** Aye **Eudaly:** Aye **Wheeler:** Aye

Wheeler: The amendment is accepted. [applause]

Wheeler: The amendment is accepted. [applause]

Fish: Mayor, can I -- mayor, we've heard a lot of testimony about amendments offered by an equity coalition led by Verde. I think this may be appropriate to put those amendments on the table.

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Wheeler: Commissioner Fish?

Fish: So there are two. The first is add the following whereas. Whereas the benefits of affordability programs can ease the energy burden on low-income households, fostering equality as a percent of household incomes and preventing disconnects and thus mitigate the impacts of price spikes and the cost of implementing renewable programs and adding new be it further resolved the city will partner with energy utilities and community-based organizations to adopt policies that reduce the cost burden for low-income customers and make incentives available to foster a quality and energy burdens as a percent of household incomes.

Eudaly: Second that.

Wheeler: So commissioner moves. Commissioner Eudaly seconds.

Eudaly: I would want to raise the other issue that Alan Hipolito brought up about the language on the fourth be it further resolved on page 4.

Fish: This was the amendment that was offered -- can we do this separately?

Eudaly: Sure.

Wheeler: Let's call the roll.

Fish: Thanks to Alan, Verde and everyone who testified in support of this amendment aye.

Eudaly: Aye **Wheeler:** Aye

Wheeler: The amendment is accepted. Commissioner Eudaly?

Eudaly: So Alan Hipolito from Verde also requested that we remove a line -- well, a partial line from the fourth be it further resolved on page 4. We would remove, transportation food waste management, industrial processing, heating, and electricity investments, and we would -- it would read, be it further resolved the city will prioritize community-based development of renewable energy infrastructure and will make investments in community-facing organizations to build capacity to lead such development to meet 2% of community-wide energy needs. Including transportation, heating, electricity, via such infrastructure by 2035 and 10% by 2050.

Fish: So I'll second this for discussion. Could you come forward, Michael, because I actually read this different think than al -- differently than Alan. You were here, Michael. When Alan Hipolito testified. I actually read this also differently than his concern. Could you address his concern?

Armstrong: I understood it -- that him to be pointing out that in this -- be it resolved, first we refer to community-based development of renewable energy infrastructure and then we detail a number of sort of related things, whereas everything previously has simply referred to renewable energy. So I think he was looking for clarity and trying to understand are we saying something different here than we're saying elsewhere?

Wheeler: So it fair to read the additional language as being the equivalent of including but not limited to or including -- was it intended to be a term of limitation?

Eudaly: It reads as a limiting -- so to me it reads as a limiting measure.

Wheeler: He I think objecting to the fact that the language is inconsistent from other language.

Armstrong: Right.

Wheeler: So the option is either to remove the language which is inconsistent or to put a qualification in so it's just meant to be illustrative and the way I read it is we could solve the problem by just putting "including" in so that it was illustrative. Does that do violence to the language and does that meet do you think the concern that was raised?

Armstrong: I would never presume to speak for Alan.

Fish: Particularly after I gave you such a glowing tribute. But what --

Armstrong: I read it the same way you do. I think --

Wheeler: Let's do this. Let's ask him.

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Fish: Like a woody Alan movie.

Eudaly: We're looking for you.

Fish: You know nothing of my work except come up forward.

Wheeler: You prepared your speech, right?

Fish: Would you see the table --

Eudaly: Alan, I have just proceeded that we remove the language that you had requested and we would like to revisit that issue with you.

Hipolito: Sure. I appreciate.

Fish: Just by way of background, we've adopted an amendment which accepts your language, the new whereas and the new resolved has been accepted. So the formal amendment that was presented by the equity coalition. Now we're looking at the language of the resolved.

Hipolito: Thank you so much for that. That's great.

Fish: Where you asked have something struck and the question is if the additional language in the resolve was meant to be illustrative and not to create an inconsistency with other resolves, if we were to insert an "including," so it's meant to define the potential but not be a term of limitation, does that meet your concern?

Hipolito: Well, that already takes place below at the bottom. It already says that community-wide energy needs including transportation, heating, and electricity will be met by this kind of infrastructure. So I have difficulty grasping the purpose of putting it up at the top as well.

Fish: I don't know, I wasn't the author. So --

Hipolito: I mean, it already says it will meet 2% of community-wide energy needs -- via such infrastructure. So it's either duplicative or it means something else.

Fish: So I'll tell you, since i'm not the author and i'm trying to understand your concern, I actually read it as expanding, not contracting, opportunities for community-based organizations. So it is different, but I read it as actually strengthening your hand, not weakening your hand. Who was the author of that that was it the noted environmental lawyer Nick Caleb?

Eudaly: No.

Hipolito: There was a discussion yesterday.

Fish: Jamie can you come and up help us because we're trying to get to the same intent we're struggling over language.

Jamie Duhamel: Yes Jamie Duhamel policy director for commissioner Eudaly. The original community-based language was actually crafted with our office and Verde. The additional language that we're discussing right now was a suggestion from pacific power.

Fish: You would like to go back to the original language that you proposed?

Hipolito: Yes.

Fish: Okay. And -- all right. So commissioner Eudaly?

Eudaly: All right. So I --

Fish: You want to strike the additional?

Eudaly: I would like to strike that additional language that I just read.

Fish: Well, i'm second it for purposes of discussion. Michael, since there's other definitions throughout the document, does it materially change what we're trying to do?

Armstrong: I don't believe so.

Fish: Okay, thank you.

Armstrong: I think it streamlines it.

Fish: Mayor, I call the question.

Saltzman: So are we voting on amendments before we hear all the testimony?

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Wheeler: Yes, we are. We've heard -- on the last ones, we heard substantial and consistent testimony and I think we reached the point where we are persuaded. So we don't necessarily have to do that. But in these particular questions, we've had commissioners --

Eudaly: And I just raised this because commissioner Fish had introduced the two other Verde amendments and I thought it was a good time to --

Saltzman: I guess after the amendments I'd like to also offer --

Fish: First --

Wheeler: Let's call the question on this one. Unless people have further questions before we call the question. Call the roll, please.

Fish: Aye **Saltzman:** Aye **Eudaly:** Aye **Wheeler:** Aye

Wheeler: The amendment is adopted.

Saltzman: I'd like to ask Michael Anderson while you're up here, i'm curious why there's no reference to hydrogen power. Cogeneration, or fusion in sources of renewable energy.

Armstrong: Nuclear is specifically identified in the -- what it doesn't include, what we don't include by renewable.

Saltzman: I know we don't include nuclear fusion.

Armstrong: You're ready for fusion?

Saltzman: Fusion though unattainable at this point in time certainly generates no waste. By my understanding produces more energy than it actually consumes. I know it's unobtainable, but it seems like we're shooting for the stars here anyway, so we should try to be as broad-based as we can.

Eudaly: We're not excluding it though, are we?

Saltzman: What about hydrogen as a fuel for transportation?

Armstrong: So I don't believe this excludes hydrogen, but the question is always how do you get it. And these days conventionally you get it by taking natural gas and breaking out the hydrogen atoms and so that can be done renewably and if it did, I think it would meet the definition as currently described. If you simply say hydrogen without, then following that back to the feed stock, that opens up an opportunity that's not consistent with the intent of this. I think that was the thinking around hydrogen.

Saltzman: So we can put hydrogen as long as it's not a natural gas feed stock, hydrogen power derived from a renewable feed source.

******:** It uses more energy than it gives.

Armstrong: I think the other issue is hydrogen is like electricity, it's an energy carrier. And so -- it's all about what the original source of the energy is, whether it's -- ancient sunlight or --

Saltzman: I'll accept maybe we don't want it for natural gas, but we shouldn't be limiting ourselves to technologies that are on the future, albeit maybe the distant future, but 2050 is also the distant future. So I don't think we should be limiting ourselves -- limiting the possibilities of how we may achieve 100% renewable energy in the city of Portland.

Armstrong: Yeah. And I guess my point is, hydrogen -- nowhere do we spell out all the different energy carriers, the different ways energy can be conveyed and hydrogen is one of those. So it's not excluded here. It's not specifically singled out, which I think is your point, and I think that's fair.

Wheeler: If I could also just add some color commentary, because there were lengthy discussions about the unforeseen technologies of the future. And i'll just remind people that while this resolution is intended to be as close to perfect -- and i'll use bob's word -- inspirational as possible, it will likely be amended in the years ahead as new technologies come online, as new ideas come forth, that are renewable that we haven't yet been able to

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anticipate. And so i'm hopeful this isn't closing any doors with regard to future innovations, ideas, or technologies around renewable.

Fish: And Michael, if it's not excluded and if at some point there is a path forward to a renewable version that meets our standard, we could either acknowledge that at that time or it would not be at odds with – I'm loath to put in something without understanding all the consequences, particularly it is since it's not excluded. So --

Eudaly: Also thank you. [laughter]

Saltzman: Well, I guess -- i'm still hung up on this, because it does specifically exclude energy derive fossil fuels. So hydrogen derived from a renewable source I think it should be included, but hydrogen derived from a renewable source I think should be included.

Armstrong: As I read it, it is.

Saltzman: I don't see it in the renewable energy -- I guess I would suggest we put renewable energy includes energy derived from hydrogen, wind power, solar, low-impact hydroelectric, geothermal, and ocean wave technology sources.

Eudaly: Didn't we just establish there is no renewable method currently?

Armstrong: You can. I think the issue is it's -- you know, you can take water molecules and break them into hydrogen and oxygen using solar power.

Eudaly: Okay.

Armstrong: That is a renewable fuel getting to the hydrogen, which is the energy carrier. That's not excluded here.

Eudaly: Right.

Armstrong: Because you're using solar power and then you're working through your chemistry, and you're getting to an energy carrier that happens to be hydrogen. We also use electricity to -- as electrons are doing --

Saltzman: Electrons.

Armstrong: We don't call out electricity, either. So I guess my point is it's not getting into all the different ways that energy is conveyed or carried or stored. It's trying to get to what are the -- what are these sources of the energy, mostly which boils down to -- because it all comes from the sun, right? This is everything. And the question is it current sun or is it ancient sun because the ancient sun is all stored in fossil fuels. And hydrogen is -- it's sort of none of the above. It's simply a mechanism and we don't spell out the other mechanisms.

Fish: Mayor.

Saltzman: We're going to follow bob's Sallinger advice and be inspiration, I would argue hydrogen should be in there.

Fish: Dan has proceeds an amendment. Let's see if there's second and if there's a second we just put it to a vote.

Wheeler: Can you restate the amendment?

Saltzman: To insert the word under renewable energy, includes energy derived from hydrogen, that's the amendment, and then it would go on to read as normal, wind power. Solar power, biomass -- not biomass. Geothermal and biogas and ocean wave technology sources. I think that's the inspirational type of inclusiveness that we should be looking at in terms of how we're going to achieve 100% energy renewable by 2050.

Wheeler: I'll second for the purposes of discussion and maybe we could take some testimony.

Saltzman: Okay.

Wheeler: Very good. Please, go ahead.

Edith Gillis: My name is Edith Gillis and I think there are many things you can be doing. That can be acted on right away as well as those that you start today with your decision that can build for a future. What you can -- what you can command happens today can be

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implemented today. Telling the police to turn off their engines when they're parked, get out of their cars, walk the beat. And do not use military assault vehicles or chemical weapon disperser vehicles. What we can do that's over the longer term is to do more to build our green infrastructure so that we have more chlorophyll plants including algae at almost every surface. We can have internalized clean water wheel turbines in our drinking water. And in our sewer treatment systems. We can also have that in the rain roof water as it flows down so that we're generating small amounts of electricity. We can also be using tesla-style reflective type energy. That is not coming from any of these other sources we've talked about. We can mandate on every roof owned by the city, whether it's small latrine or a large facility or parking garage, that it -- that roof produces oxygen and takes out carbon dioxide, cleans the air, produces food, fiber, or fuel with plants that it collects water and that water is restrained and that on the roofs, we do not have the methane, et cetera, from toilets going into the atmosphere but in pipes going into the ground. On walls, we can require that there be more green structures or greenery growing along the walls. It would reduce our heat sinks. It would produce more oxygen, less carbon dioxide. Our parking lots we can have bio mediation of the pollution in the air and the water. We can have a filtration system and we can have fire suppression for the collection of water. We can also be using the water tanks as heat masses for water collection. For shelters for the houseless, we can have zero carbon footprint with having bales of hay, straw, hemp, weed, not as in pot, and having sand and earth structures. We can include more lighting so we use less electricity with our -- our reflective and magnification. We can have greenways that are going to have more resilience against the multiple earthquakes and the explosions and fires from the methane gas pipelines that we have, so that we have not only infrastructure for cooling and for cleaning our air and reducing the energy that has to be used, but also for internal refugee camps for folks who are waiting those years in between housing. So I include all the ways in which you can starting today reduce our energy and produce energy.

Wheeler: Thank you. And Karla, could you check the timer? I wasn't aware -- it didn't ring.

Moore-Love: I'm sorry, I had the beeper was turned off. I've got it on now. Sorry.

Wheeler: Thank you.

David Vantof: Mayor and council members, David vantof. I'm the acting Oregon director for climate solutions. Pleasure to be here. In strong support of this resolution it's in our view a groundbreaking piece of work. And I mean, it's been talked about a bit before, the other cities -- some other cities have looked at try to meet their electricity needs with 100% through resolutions. But to my knowledge, this is the first city of any size that is taking this ambitious step to say, we need to look at all of our area by 2050 to be 100% renewable. So thank you very much and commendations. Climate solutions is a regional nonprofit working to accelerate clean energy solutions to the climate crisis. We have submitted written testimony so I'm going to try to be real brief here just highlight a few things. We're very supportive of the amendments that you guys have moved forward today with the Verde amendment, the Paris agreement federal piece, and then with the youth amendment. So thank you for those great improvements to the resolution. And then from my climate solutions perspective, I think we've find kind of three general takeaways from this resolution. And one is don't make it any worse. And thankfully your resolution is addressing that, saying no new fossil fuel infrastructure development, whether it's new gas plants, new long-term infrastructure or contracts, don't make it worse. And that's the first step and a huge step. Then electrify everything is another core part of this resolution that we're strongly supportive of, particularly with respect to public transit. We're appreciative that you highlight the importance for trimet to rapidly transition to electric buses. I would just note that king county has already announced that they're moving to purchase over 100

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electric buses. They've done the analysis. It's the least cost option from a life cycle perspective. And we encourage -- hope this will help to encourage trimet to move in that direction rapidly as well. And then lastly, buildings and the importance of the building codes in making this achievable. Mike talked about that. Thank you for Michael for your leadership. And just real quickly, we would -- we had proposed and we would again offer up I think it's in some of the proposed amendments that you call out net zero energy buildings. I'll already in your climate action plan. Reaffirming it in this resolution I think would strengthen it with respect to the code language. And would note that at the state level, there's conversations right now around that zero energy building and the city strongly supporting it would be an excellent signal. Thank you very much.

Wheeler: Very good. Thank you. Good afternoon.

Jana Gastellum: Good afternoon, mayor and members of the council. Thank you so much for the opportunity to be here. I'm Jana Gastellum in the climate program director at the Oregon environmental council. We have been working on a statewide basis to try to move the state in a similar direction but it's much slower progress, so I want to thank you for your leadership here today for putting out strong visions, interim targets and that long-term solution. And as part of our broader work, we've been really working on equity-centered approaches to addressing climate change. And we appreciate so much that those same values are echoed in this resolution. And in particular in many of the amendments that you adopted today. So thank you for that as well. I want to spend a little bit of my time talking about the transportation side since I think that's gotten a little less attention today. As Dave noted, electrification is a real important strategy. Energy -- the transportation sector is a huge consumer of energy. So we've offered up some additional language about how to transform the transportation sector, particularly around freight efficiency, which is a growing source of emissions currently, and making sure that we're moving to other sources of energy as well, including bike and pedestrian options. But if we're really going to hit community-wide energy target, we have to address the transportation sector. As we begin implementation, we would love to stay in touch and be is a part of that. And work with your staff. We want to make sure that we're continuing to support existing programs. They're inevitable bumps along the way when you start to implement things and there's a lot of learning by doing and we would love to be part of that process. And in the stakeholder process we'll make sure there's long-term success in all that. So thank you so much for your vision and your leadership in continuing to a beacon at a time when it's particularly needed. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Yes, we would love to have your continued involvement, thank you.

Gastellum: Thank you.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Stephan Madore: Good afternoon. Thank you so much, mayor wheeler and the council for bringing this resolution. So I worked -- I'm Steven madore and I've worked in the renewable sector for 10 and a half years. Prior to my current job. And I currently work for bark in their outreach. So I want to thank you very much for -- and I support adding the forests biomass to the list of energy sources that are excluded from renewable energy sources. Thank you. And you know, I also -- I hope you'll strongly -- Verde's language involving their amendments. So i've also been considering some language that may be able to add new solar infrastructure to any new developments in the city of Portland. Certain areas like the city of Paris and Germany have -- have adopted resolutions that would require any new construction to include renewable energy sourcing at the site. Also, I am extremely supportive of language that would help to reduce impacts of changing to renewable energy for low-income communities. So thank you for that.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it. Good afternoon.

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Alex Anderson Beaulieu: Good afternoon. Mayor, council members, concerned citizens, and Michael, my name is Alex Anderson Beaulieu. I hold a degree in biology and I studied under a local environmental scientist, dr. Pollisof. Portland participated in creating a monumental win for the global community in the fight against climate change by passing into law the prohibition for exchange of fossil fuel transport and storage within this city. I present to you today a graphical representation for the trajectory we faced at the time the resolution was proposed and concurrently the changes by the time the resolution was passed into law. If you will, please find on the horizontal axis mark the indication that represents our present year of 2017. And along the vertical axis line, the mark which indicates the present co2 levels in the atmosphere as of April 2017, which was observed to be at 409.01 parts per million as reported on May 5th, 2017, by the monaloa observatory in Hawaii. The resulting intersection if your lines match up accordingly indicates that we're at the precise moment of trajectories. The estimated loss is 16 years in order to have clean energy implementation in place. This is due to a 10% increase of co2 emissions within the 1 year and the projection of that being outcome since fossil fuels remains a part of our lives that can change. Based on the information provided before you, we're estimated to reach what the scientific community thinks to be a terminal cap of 500 parts per million of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere as indicated by the red line on the graph as soon as 2031. We already lost 16 years in one year. Provided that there are no additional increases globally for co2 emission after today. It is defice to say that none of us in here are alone in our just transitions to clean energy, based on the proposal being discussed it is apparent that everyone is working hard, phenomenally hard to find real solutions. I hope that today you make your decision based on evidence and in the best interests of our community. Thank you for your time.

Wheeler: Thank you. We appreciate it. Good afternoon.

Regna Merrit: Good afternoon. I just want to say thank you: I'm thrilled right now with the amendments that have been proposed and accepted. And anyway, my name is Regna Merritt I'm a former physician assistant and a current director of the healthy climate program and a current director of the healthy climate program at Oregon physicians for social responsibility. Our organization consists of thousands of health professionals across the state who are concerned about public health crises for which there is no cure. We are the bearer of a legacy of doctors from around the world who stood up against the threat of nuclear war during the 20th century in the name of human health and survival. Now we stand with all health professionals and with you, the city council, to prevent out the worst impacts of climate change. Climate scientists speak of the level of warming after which our planet cannot return to what we experience as normal. Thus health professionals know that the only prescription for global climate chaos is prevention. So here we are, poised to pass what may be the country, perhaps the world's, most progressive and equitable resolution to commit to 100% clean and renewable energy by 2050. Health professionals are known to be attentive to detail. We can frack gas cannot be part of a solution needs to our renewable energy needs we know that nuclear power and incineration of medical and municipal waste are too dangerous to public health to be considered renewable. So we're really pleased to see that manifest in this resolution. We're also grateful for the amendments earlier, substitutions for green infrastructure and of course, biomass. We need to protect our amazing carbon sequestrian seven-day forecasts. We're happy about the amendments proposed by Verde. And we're happy and proud to make history with this city council. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you, appreciate it. Yes, sir.

Madore: Yeah, I just wanted to also make a direct response to commissioner Saltzman's question about hydrogen.

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Wheeler: Colleagues is that acceptable?

Saltzman: Yes.

Wheeler: Please continue.

Madore: So basically, hydrogen works primarily as a storage mechanism as opposed to actually an energy production. And that is -- in large part, you know, theoretical at this point. So I believe that focusing on this -- the energy production would be the best use of this renewable energy proposal. So -- and thank you very much for -- for, you know, everything that you've put into this.

Wheeler: Great. Thank you, appreciate your testimony. Next three, please.

Wheeler: Can I do a time check to see where we are? I know what type it is. There's a giant novelty clock in the back of the chambers. What I meant was how many more people do we have at the six?

Moore-Love: After the -- 11. 11.

Wheeler: 11.

Fish: We're going to -- we are going to lose a quorum.

Wheeler: Yes, so let's be quick. So if somebody is already given the testimony you want to give, just say, I support that and if there's new stuff you've got, say here's the new stuff. And you don't need to thank us. We feel very, very well appreciated today. [laughter] So you can cut that part out of your speech. And we all know we love Michael. So with those wonderful --

****: Are you saying --

Wheeler: Welcome back, welcome back.

****: Coming down.

Wheeler: Come on down. There's tons of seats down here. If people want to come down, you can certainly. Is that Maya up there?

****: Yeah.

Wheeler: Very good, she's here. Good.

Shelia Holden: Okay. Well, since you said everyone has said it already, my name is Sheila Holden. I'm with pacific power. I also have a letter here with me from the Oregon association of minority entrepreneurs. I won't make mention of Michael. Everyone has. [laughter]

Holden: I actually date my time back to when we helped start the energy office, which eventually commissioner Saltzman turned into the sustainability and planning department. So i'm really proud of the work that has been done over the years and having been a part of it, both as an individual and as part of pacific power. The particular piece that I wanted to speak to today is the -- where the resolved that we were just discussing. And i'm not sure if you took a vote on it or not. To take out the language. But the language that was in there with and including in the front of it, I think, would really speak to why I had talked with some of the folks in the community and recommended it. Too often in the past, we've had issues where we've had laudable efforts that we were wanting to do within the community of the -- that is most vulnerable. And yet we don't have clear pathways in which we can be assured that they're going to be able to benefit. Not just in the future, but right now. And some of the things that were mentioned are priorities with in the climate action plan, and so we wanted to mention those as things right now. We can be doing in addition to working to find out ways that we can have more community-based solar, community-based renewables. A lot of those things that were listed are things that are going to be important to being able to actually do solar within those communities. Pacific power has had the majority of the projects that are community-based with solar support, come from our blue sky program. And a lot of them that you taught -- are from the support of the blue sky program. And the way the -- the resolve was written could very well eliminate our ability to

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provide those kind of resources going forward. Because it -- kind of looks like a -- sounds like a mandate. And we need to have it to be open and more inclusive so that we can make sure we can continue to use the funds we've been using already.

Wheeler: Very good.

Fish: Thank you for your testimony. And because i've been struggling with the language, even though we took a vote to delete the additional language, what you've done is put into the record the intent of the language that you sponsored and I think actually -- to the extent that it is intended to expand opportunities, in the equities sphere, not limit, I think you've made a clear point. That's now in the record. So thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good afternoon.

Caitlin Doughty: My name is Caitlin Doughty. I work for a very small nonprofit focused on renewable energy in the Pacific Northwest. I'd like to thank you all for your work in preparing the renewable energy resolution. Portland's continued leadership on climate issues and renewable energy is very relevant in light of our president's recent decision to withdraw from the Paris agreement. It is important that we encourage the development of renewables such as wind and solar to decrease our dependence on energy that emits carbon and pollutants that impact human health. We disagree with the inclusion of biomass and the renewable energy resolution. If an urban utility is incentivized to use biomass to meet renewable standards it will create a major permanent unsustainable demand stream for biomass facilities this will undermine existing uses of small-scale biomass facilities that power schools and hospitals in rural Oregon. Biomass is not an appropriate feed stock for an urban utility of course, you've already moved an amendment and we appreciate your inclusion of the language excluding biomass from public lands so I'd like to thank you for doing that.

Wheeler: Thank you good. Thank you. We hope your arm gets well soon.

Doughty: Thank you.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Matt Glazewski: Good afternoon, Mayor Wheeler, Commissioners. Thank you once again. In the interest of brevity, I will keep redundant comments out of my testimony. My name is Matt Glazewski I live in North Portland. I'm also a credentialed public administrator. And I'm a teacher at Portland Community College. I teach a course on global climate change and one of the paramounts of the course I like to say is the uplifting part of the end, where I hold up our climate action plan which I'm very proud of to live in a city that has such a wonderful plan. The new stuff is around public utilities and making sure a lot of this goes to Commissioner Fish and to the BES and the Water Bureau. I work for the BES sister agency in Clackamas County as my day job and I think it's important to take every opportunity to ensure that we take a lot of these important initiatives and fold them into our management of our public utilities. Taking every moment whenever there's a pipe that needs to be replaced, taking every chance to say that they also go toward our renewable energy goals. And I might even suggest as a matter of just general business for this commission, to put something on to your staff reports that might just say, how does this order of business and whatever thing that comes forward to this council, how does it support this very important initiative that you are considering today. And I think that might always keep this in the forefront of everyone's minds. For every time something comes forward, that you say, how does this move forward with our initiative. And that's it. Thank you very much.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it.

Fish: That's great suggestion, sir. Thank you. Like an impact statement.

Glazewski: Yes, sir.

Fish: Thank you.

Wheeler: Very good. Good afternoon.

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Akash Singh: Good afternoon. My name is Akash Singh. And I do air quality work and i'm a sphere chemistry modeling. For the sake of efficiency, I would just like to say that I support this resolution and the appropriate amendments especially in relation to biomass. I would like to say as a person of color, I'd like to echo my support for sustainable equitable infrastructure in marginalized neighborhoods. People of color have, are, and will continue to bury the disproportionate impact on the consequences of climate change. Going forward I would recommend the implementation of these resolutions and include marginalized communities and community organizations in order to correct decades of injustice. Thank you.

Saltzman: Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Steve Elder: Good afternoon. My name is Steve elder. I'm a resident of northeast Portland. And i'm here as an individual and I would tell the council that I support the goals of the -- of the resolution. And I'd ask for just a couple of considerations. The American council of energy efficient enterprise has recently come out -- it doesn't need to be over the next 20 or 30 years. Some things can be done now, can be done over the next year. A recent survey that they've published shows Portland being tied for fourth among cities using energy efficiency in the country behind Seattle.

Wheeler: That makes us the third loser.

Elder: First was Boston, then was New York. Then was Seattle.

Wheeler: You know how to hurt us. [laughter]

Elder: So there's something that can be worked upon right now. We can -- you know, get one of these foam pads and say we're number two or we're number three. And another thing, one of the earlier witnesses suggested in Europe and other countries, there are requirements that new construction have incorporated renewable energy and energy-efficient techniques. My family is right now the only one that I know of that's building a duplex in the 97211 zip code, and I see carbon guzzling excrescencies being built all the time. Mont gigabyte, monsters, houses that nobody can afford to live in. But they have no - - no ceiling -- no solar panels. They have minimum code insulation. This is something that it's not part -- it's not before the council today. But it's something that -- which I wish the council would keep an open mind to. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you, sir. Appreciate it. Good afternoon.

Maya Jarrad: Hi, my name is Maya jarrad. I'm a staff member at 350 pdx but i'm on staycation so i'm speaking as an individual so i'm speaking as an individual today. Today we've been talking about the goals of having a just transition to renewable energy. And I would like to articulate that for me the goal is not a transition to renewable energy but that we see renewable energy as a steppingstone to a justice-based, equitable and safe climate society. So those goals to me also include democratically controlled energy, distributed energy, and reducing, massively reducing energy use. So not just we want to move to renewable energy but also let's look at what the real end game is. I really appreciate this resolution. And I also appreciate that you've put a number, 50%, on the workforce that you will be using to make this happen. 50% will be used -- 50% of the workforce to make this happen will be put towards women-owned minority owned, and emergent businesses. That's amazing. I also would like to see a number defining the amount of investments put into the energy infrastructure actually located in those communities. There's a clause alluding to investments being placed in community-facing organizations, but we don't have a number or even a percentage that would be put towards that. So it would be impressive if we could put 25 or 50%. And that would be investments in communities that are facing extreme violence and racism, and need

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support to help repair from the historical exploitation that's happened. And also, the structural racism that's built into Oregon and Portland's political systems and social systems. Even as I came in the door today, I was told at bag checking it's okay. We trust you. And this is not the experience that many of the people who have come to testify on racially charged issues have seen as they come into this building or have just not been able to come into this building at all. So as we're putting a lot of effort into equity in our climate policies, let's think about also what conversations are we excluding the people that we're writing into that policy from having here at city hall.

Wheeler: Thank you. I appreciate it. [applause]

Julia Degraw: All right. I thank you so much for this opportunity to testify. My name is Julia Degraw. And I am the northwest organize with food and water watch. We're an organization that's working to create and protect a safe food system and -- and clean and public water for all. And here in Oregon we have a list or a group of supporters that's around 30,000 and I think a portion of that's in the Portland area, but I don't have the exact number today. We support 100% renewables by the year 2035 because we recognize that all of the work that we do to protect these essential resources is all for not if we can't get it right with climate change, so it's exciting to see the city of Portland leading the way, and especially with the -- the goal of getting 100% renewable for the energy provided to the community by 2035, meeting that that standard. We're excited about that. We also support the amendments that have been passed today, although we'd like to see just a clear exemption on biomass, because I think there's a little too much wiggle room. I want to say that in trump's America, it's really up to the localities and municipalities to take the lead on these issues. And it's really exciting to see the community involvement you've used to get to this point and we really encourage you to continue working with these groups as you implement this policy because as was said earlier, the devil is always in the details and in the implementation and we're really hoping that you can continue to engage the community as you move forward.

Wheeler: Well said. Thank you.

Chuck Johnson: Thank you. Mr. Mayor and commissioners, my name is chuck Johnson. I'm the director of the nuclear power task force for Oregon and Washington physicians for social responsibility. And i'm a member of the u.s. department of energy's Hanford advisory board. Together with Multnomah county, and our state and local partners throughout the united states, and the competitive market itself, we're accomplishing the remarkable feat with this resolution and the good work that you're doing of rendering president trump's withdrawal from the Paris climate treaty functionally irrelevant. Thank you also for including nuclear power on the list of nonrenewable resources. Increasingly, due to the safety and cost considerations, nuclear power is receding into the past. It remains illegal to build nuclear power plants in Oregon due to public vote in 1980, requiring a permanent nuclear waste repository for the lethal waste created by nuclear power plants. The price of wind, solar, conservation, battery backup is coming down so rapidly that Robert McCullough research economic firms estimate that we can use them to affordably replace the 33-year-old nuclear power plant still operating in the northwest, the Columbia generating station. Fukushima style ge boil water reactor formerly known as Washington public power supply system number two or wppss 2 on the Hanford nuclear reservation along the Columbia river. The Seattle city council and mayor unanimously last year voted for a phase-out of the cgs nuclear plant and carbon-free replacement, which is significant because their municipal utility is one -- is on the board of energy northwest which governs that nuclear plant. And we appreciate you recognizing this your -- you know, although tangentially, in your resolution. Returning to the resolution again, thank you for supporting it. And I would add one last little joke that I heard probably first in 1970 about fusion

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energy, which is it's the energy of the future and always will be. Or it's 20 years off and always will be. If it did come to pass, I think you're right, commissioner Saltzman, that we would want to revisit and consider it. Thank you very much.

Wheeler: Appreciate it. Good afternoon.

Jim Howell: Good afternoon. Mayor wheeler, my name is Jim Howell. I represent aorta association Oregon rail and transit advocates. We support the goals of this resolution. What I'd like to speak briefly about is the inconsistency of the city of Portland between its climate action plan and its transportation plan. In the transportation plan that you adopted, you have included half a billion-dollar freeway expansion in the heart of the city. And also included over a billion dollars' worth of freeways in the region. And we consider any freeway expansion as being -- basically attracts more -- more automobiles, more traffic, and more pollution. And therefore it's inconsistent with this goal. And we would like you to reconsider your -- your support of the regional transportation plan, which is such a highway oriented plan.

Wheeler: Thank you, sir. Valid point. Appreciate it. Good afternoon.

Moore-Love: And the last --

Wheeler: Good afternoon, Karla, how are you doing?

Moore-Love: I'm good, thank you.

Wheeler: I'm losing my mind, personal. Next three, please. Very good. Good afternoon.

Rachael O'Keeffe: Good afternoon. Mayor, commissioners, my name is Rachael O'Keeffe. I'm giving testimony on behalf of myself as well as all those in my generation that are concerned about climate change and its effect on our planet and our lives. I support the amendment made to exclude energy derived from fossil fuels, nuclear waste incineration and especially biomass feed stocks from federal and state lands. Not only do we need to move towards 100% renewable energy, we need to protect our national forests. They're a carbon reserve and a important part of the pacific northwest identity and exclusion if biomass from public lands is a great step towards making our national forests officially protected as sequestration areas. We've heard a lot of testimony from people of many ages and as a person in their 20s not representing any organization, just a concerned individual for my future and my children's future, that I want to thank you for making Portland a national leader in building a clean energy future. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good afternoon.

Catie Gould: Hi. I'm Catie Gould. And i'm concerned that most of the language in this resolution is specific to electricity. Despite the fact that transportation is the largest source of fossil fuels is the largest source of fuel emissions in Multnomah county. As you know statewide we are not seeing emission reductions anymore from 2015 or 2014 to 2015. The lasted year we have dated we increased 6% overall with the majority of that increase 60% coming from transportation. Unlike utilities, our transportation choices are deeply engrained into our daily routines, our personal finances, and our emotions. Major changes in our transportation system come at a high political risk as long as parking and congestion are top citizen complaints. I urge you to set intermediate milestones specific to transportation along the way to 2050 to ensure we're on track and/or a moratorium on transportation infrastructure that is projected to increase our emissions. 33 years is to many to be able to wait for an easier year, another legislative session or a future technology. Shifting our transportation planning from optimizing for vehicles through-put to emission reduction will not be met without great difficulty or resistance from both citizens and transportation agencies alike. We need as many tools as possible in this resolution to support this council and future leaders of Portland to make these hard changes to see these goals through.

Wheeler: Thank you. And perfectly timed. Good afternoon.

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Susan Monson: Good afternoon. My name is Susan Monson. And I am reading testimony for Debra Romerin she writes, she's a Portland business owner. She writes, I just finished a college course on the science of climate change and paleoclimatology and I'd like to share a few facts. Over the past 600 million years, there have been six major extinctions. We all know about the meteor driven dinosaur extinction, but the other five have been caused by climate changes brought about by natural shifts, the earth's orbit the earth's tilt and its wobble. But those huge changes which resulted in mass extinctions took place over hundreds of thousands of years. Today, since the industrial revolution, we are altering the earth's climate 5,000 times faster than the pace of the most natural warming period in our planet's past. Read ever. There is nothing natural about the altering of our climate today. Here's the takeaway. It's us. We all know it's us. We humans with our fossil fuels are doing in a flash what it takes mother nature many millennia to do. The last time co2 was at today's level of 407 parts per million, humans did not even exist. In the past 800,000 years, a period for which scientists have ice core records, methane naturally varied from 350 to 800 parts per billion. This year methane topped a whopping 2500 parts per billion. According to nasa, our average temperature has increased 2 degrees Fahrenheit during the modern era but did you know even if greenhouse gases were stabilized, the climate will still warm another 1.1 degree Fahrenheit. It's baked in the cake. While others dither, and engage and debates about the climate, Portland has been singular in its past willingness to take action to move us off fossil fuels. Today we can join with aspen, Los Angeles, san Francisco, Santa Barbara, Ithaca, New York, Johnstown, Texas, and other cities to join the 100% renewable energy club. Let's be one of the leaders once again. And i'm sure she would thank you.

Wheeler: And Michael.

Monson: And Michael.

Wheeler: Very good. Thank you. Thank you.

Saltzman: Mayor, an amendment I'd like to offer?

Wheeler: I just want to make clear, is that the end of public testimony now?

Moore-Love: That's all the people who signed up.

Wheeler: Commissioner Saltzman.

Saltzman: I think we just heard some testimony. I think mr. -- I thought he had a good suggestion that every city to -- my memo it says that "all city impact statements accompanying a resolution or ordinance should discuss how they contribute to the 100% renewable energy goal".

Fish: Second.

Wheeler: So we have a motion from commissioner Saltzman and a second from commissioner Fish.

Saltzman: That would be a be it further resolved at the end, I guess.

Wheeler: Any further discussion on this item?

Eudaly: I like it.

Wheeler: I think it's great. Call the roll. I won't tell you how i'm going to vote till I get to it, though. Call the roll.

Fish: Aye **Saltzman:** Aye **Eudaly:** Aye **Wheeler:** Aye

Wheeler: Very common sense amendment, thank you for --

Fish: Let's take up Dan has an amendment that hasn't been voted on.

Wheeler: So commissioner Saltzman moved. I seconded it for the purposes of discussion. It was regarding the renewable energy hydro wind, solar, geo thermal, biogas, ocean motion --

Saltzman: Hydrogen in there somewhere.

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Wheeler: Yes, it is, et cetera. And I don't know if you want to have further discussion on that point.

Saltzman: Well, I would just say that several people have noticed that transportation accounts for 40% of our fuel consumption. Hydrogen has one of the best promises to transition fossil fuel consumption in our transportation sector to a renewable resource. And in fact, Honda and Toyota are presently marketing hydrogen-fueled vehicles in California. And they're looking into New England as well. And it maybe imperfect derived from a natural gas feed stock base and I'm fine with disqualifying on that assumption, but I think for us to totally eliminate hydrogen power as a source of renewable energy, I think is really missing the boat in terms of the best potential we have to back out fossil fuel transportation fuels.

Wheeler: Commissioner Eudaly?

Eudaly: I'm hesitant to adopt this language just because of all the work that went into writing this ordinance. And wanting to make sure we have feedback from the community and from the stakeholders. However, if we do move ahead with this vote, I'd like to suggest that if we're going to add hydrogen to the list of renewables, then we should add language in the exclusion list that says hydrogen produced from fossil fuels would be excluded.

Saltzman: I'd be fine with that.

Wheeler: Would you accept that as an amendment to --

Saltzman: Yes.

Wheeler: Okay. And --

Fish: That's a friendly amendment.

Wheeler: That is a friendly amendment.

Fish: Let's just vote on it.

Wheeler: Very good. There's no objection to it. Please call the role.

Fish: I appreciate you raising this, but I think it's out of sequence, so I'm going to vote no.

Saltzman: I'm not sure what you mean by out of sequence, but I thought that city council is part of the proper sequence, even though we come last in the process. I still thought we were part of the process. I do feel like this fits in and indeed it is a renewable fuel and it's something that we should not be overlooking, particularly because its contribution to reducing fossil fuels in the transportation sector is significant. And I think with commissioner eudaly's parallel amendment, saying that we will not support it from a fossil fuel-drive source, even makes it better. Cleaner even. So I vote aye.

Eudaly: Aye **Wheeler:** Aye

Wheeler: The amendment is accepted.

Fish: May I have an additional amendment. Which I want to -- we had some language in the resolution around workforce training and equity. But we don't have clear language about high road standards. So I want to offer this amendment. Be it further resolved that city projects and procurements under this proposal will use proven policies to ensure the jobs created are high quality, family wage jobs that meet our high standards of work force inclusion for women and communities of color.

Eudaly: I'll second that.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish moves, commissioner Eudaly seconds. Any further discussion?

Fish: I'll just say that this is the intent of this is to restate our high road standards for jobs and make clear that we're talking about family ways jobs.

Wheeler: Appreciated. Please call the roll.

Fish: Aye **Saltzman:** Aye **Eudaly:** Aye **Wheeler:** Aye

Wheeler: The amendment is adopted.

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Fish: Mayor one last item, more like housekeeping I was keeping- -Well let's break for dinner and then we'll come back. So our friends from the Oregon environmental council raised a couple of issues I think since they're in the record I believe they're more in the nature of implementation issues than amendments so I won't offer them, but they're in the record. I think with respect to standards with trimet and other things I think we should look to those as issues to be taking up with implementation so with that I have no further amendments.

Wheeler: Thank you colleagues. Any further amendments? Colleagues I've been asked to read a statement from commissioner Fritz unfortunately the hearing on this important- - and this is from commissioner Amanda Fritz "Unfortunately the hearing on this important issue was scheduled for date for which I previously notified the council clerk that I will be out of town on vacation with my daughter. Support of clean renewable energy has been a core principle for me in every term i've served on the council. I was the council leader on opposing coal trains during mayor Adams' administration. I gained council support for a similar resolution on oil trains, and I partnered with mayor hales in this successful council ordinance banning the expansion of fossil fuel facilities in Portland. I also helped defeat the proposed pembina propane terminal proposal. Especially in light of the reckless actions the federal government today I will continue advocating for the principle of saving our planet. I strongly support this latest city council resolution and I thank my colleagues on the council and our community partners for once again setting Portland on the right course of action".

Wheeler: And i'm sure if she were here she would add thank you Michael. So colleagues and for those of you watching, what we've now done is we have adopted a series of amendments to the substitute resolution. And what we will now do is take up the main motion. In other words, the substitute resolution as amended. Is there any further discussion, comments, questions, on the main motion? Hearing none, please call the roll.

Fish: I want to begin by thanking mayor wheeler and commissioner Eudaly for the leadership they took to bring this resolution to council, and I'm proud to join my friend and colleague Dan Saltzman in cosponsoring it and. I also want to acknowledge the work of your Jamie, and -- who worked tirelessly on this and also Nathan from the mayor's office, who took -- who was in the point. On my team, Jamie Dunphy and Amira Streeter I want to thank them for the work that they did. I wish, mayor, that every time this administration takes an action which moves us backward we could have the foresight.

Wheeler: You don't mean my administration.

Fish: The federal administration.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Fish: I wish every time the federal administration took us backward we had the foresight to have on the day of the announcement something positive on the council agenda to counter it. I fear we would not get any other work done if we were just matching up all the bad things that they're doing. But there is something richly symbolic about on the very day this announcement was made, an announcement which the president thought was so important he held a press conference in the rose garden a place usually reserved for the most important announcements of an administration. But nonetheless, that we are on this very day able to take up this resolution. So i'm pleased that we are doing this. I'm very proud to support this resolution, and we had some testimony about the role that the public utilities can take in advancing this agenda, and I think if the mayor decides to reassign the public utilities to me, I will take that charge very seriously, and there's enormous opportunities with our public utilities, from land that we can put more solar facilities to I think engaging hydropower, to -- from -- at the dam, to continuing with our ambitious agenda to turn poop into power. Someone said we should expand on that, so I would just

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ask you to go to the bathroom more frequently and that is just one way we'll get there. The utilities do have a significant role to play. Michael Armstrong, everybody has noted since you've announced your departure, what a pleasure it has been to work with you. I'll add a personal note, when I got on the council and when we started to deal with some of these very forward-looking initiatives, as a new member of the council, I felt I needed additional coaching to make sure I understood the issue and the context, and sort of like a boot camp. You spent a lot of time in my office helping me to understand these policies and why they're important, and to deepen my understanding. And for that i'm extremely grateful, because I know i'm not alone, you've done that in this community, helping to explain and advance this agenda. So I appreciate that. In 2050, I will be 91 years old. And i'm going to make a bold prediction. I will not be serving on this council. [laughter] but maybe, just maybe my grandchild will. Or a grandchild will. And I think what we're doing today is going to pave the way for a clean energy future and a much brighter future for my grandchildren, and for that i'm extremely grateful. Aye.

Saltzman: Portland has a proud history of setting the standard on how to integrate the city's built and natural environments. And how we can further sustainability in that regard. This was the premise of the office of sustainable development, which I brought forward for council approval in 2001, and it's now become the office of sustainability, or the bureau of planning and sustainability. But it started Portland's commitment to renewable energy in a serious manner back then, as well as green building policy. And I want to thank Michael Armstrong, because he was really at the core of that work, even way back then, in helping provide Portland with its international reputation as a leader. And I think he also brings an uncanny ability to make people respect his viewpoints, because I think he approaches them in a very rationale, unbiased manner. He reaches I think with the right conclusions often in terms of sustainability policy, but he does it in a way that's reassuring to people, even if They may disagree with him or us. So again, thank you, Michael for all you've done. This resolution represents a core value of Portlanders, and furthers our commitment to live as lightly on the land as possible. I'm proud to support it, and state my appreciation for all of the organizations and advocates that participated in its creation. Thank you especially to mayor wheeler and commissioner Eudaly, and your staffs for your leadership in putting this all together. Aye.

Eudaly: This is the peril of going third every time. They always beat me to the punch. I have some prepared remarks today, which is rare. Just so I don't forget anything. Today i'm proud to be part of this moment in Portland's history, when we clearly and firmly articulated our vision of a healthy future for generations to come. Much of the resolution requires that we be creative, reach beyond what is immediately possible, and stay in touch with the latest and greatest developments in environmental technology. I'm excited about what Portland might be like in about 30 years, when I will be oh, gosh --

Fish: Don't say it. Stop bragging. [laughter] stop showing off: You made your point. [laughter] you'll be eligible for a Driver's license, put it that way.

Eudaly: The engagement process on this resolution was robust, which is clear in how strong and thorough it has become, and I think it's even stronger after hearing from our community and deliberating with my colleagues, so I'm thrilled about that. I am proud that not only did we engage environmental advocacy organizations, but also organizations representing native Americans, and other communities of color, and the environmental justice movement. This resolution is a reflection of the ways in which we recognize marginalized communities, the fact that marginalized communities have been ignored or negatively impacted in the past, and our commitment to breaking that cycle moving forward. I am also encouraged that the utilities companies came to the table and worked with our staff to find a path forward that holds our vision firm, yet allows enough flexibility to

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achieve true renewable power at rates everyone can afford. I want to recognize in light of the resolution and the city's commitment to renewable energy, pge ended its plans to build two new natural gas power plants. [applause] I call that a win already, and I thank them for recognizing the time terror bold and visionary about our future and our energy sources is now. I want to thank my staff who helped lead the charge and has been working on this for months Now. I especially want to thank Nicholas Caleb, who is here today. [applause] and making ugly face at me for some reason. Sorry, that was a smile. [laughter] who we brought in just for this purpose to work on this piece of policy, and who's responsible for the original draft and partnership with Nathan Howard from the mayor's office, Nathan's hiding behind the pillar, I think. [applause] we truly enjoyed working with him and appreciate the passion and dedication to the environment he brought to our office. Because of his work and advocacy, we are committed to forming an environmental policy advisory team that will work with our office to hold our feet to the fire and keep us moving in the right direction. This is a sad day for our country, seeing as our president has decided to withdraw us from the Paris accord. It's also a scary day for our planet, with the news that an iceberg the size of the state of Delaware is about to break off. But this is a great moment for Portland, and we sure needed one this week. I'm honored to be a part of it. Aye.

Wheeler: Well, first of all, I'd like to thank my colleagues. As per usual, it's always a privilege to work with you. I want to thank all of our staffs who worked so well and collaboratively together on this. Nathan, thank you. You've been working on this in iterations of this, you and nick started working on this together months and months and months ago. And I want to thank you for that, I want to thank the many, many people in the community who advised all of us up here, and I want to be clear to acknowledge the people who came to the microphone today, a lot of people from the community spent a lot of time and energy helping us to draft this substitute resolution. I'm told this is one of the longest resolutions ever adopted. In the history of the city. But I think it is worthy of that title. I also want to acknowledge the young people, who took the time to come here today and -- [applause] speak, and some of you may have noticed a small child wandering into the room, look bored, turn around and leave. That would have been my daughter. And I think about her and what this means for her, and her contemporaries in the years ahead. What we're doing today, it's fun, it's interesting, it's exciting. I hope bob Sallinger believes we lived up to the height of inspirational. But let's be honest with ourselves. The hard work is ahead. Drafting this was hard, coming up with the ideas in it, agreeing to the standards, building the coalition, but the hard work is actually the heavy lifting that comes with implementation that's going to come with time. That being said, i'm so glad that we're able to get this done. This has been truly one of the hardest weeks in this city's history. And I hope that people will look back on this and say in the middle of one of the hardest weeks in this city's history, we did something great. And I think it's just even more magnified by the fact my fellow commissioners have said it's happening on the very same day that the united states is effectively turning its back on the rest of the world, and their decision to continue to go forward with the climate accords in Paris, this will serve as a beacon of hope, and believe me, the world's read all about us this week. They're going to read about us again tomorrow. And I think they're going to be incredibly pleased with what they read about the people of Portland, Oregon, who lead not only in tremendously courageous and bold ways, but they lead with a few to the future of this planet and I think that's the best thing about this. So obviously I vote aye. The substitute resolution is amended, is adopted, and we are adjourned. [applause]

At 6:20 p.m. council adjourned.