

## IMPACT STATEMENT

**Legislation title:** \*Accept a grant in the amount of \$12,500 from the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office, acting by and through Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, to support the City's historic resources program (Ordinance)

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**Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:**

This Ordinance would allow the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability to accept a Certified Local Government Grant in the amount of \$12,500. Work under this grant will focus on the initial phase of updates to the 1984 Historic Resource Inventory (HRI). Last updated in 1984, this Certified Local Government Grant would support pilot survey of an underrepresented geographic or cultural community for inclusion of significant historic resources onto the HRI. The accompanying historic resource survey will be conducted by a consultant, with Bureau of Planning and Sustainability project management and technical expertise provided by Brandon Spencer-Hartle, Historic Resources Program Manager.

The \$12,500 Certified Local Government Grant is being offered to the City of Portland by the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office, acting by and through Oregon Parks and Recreation Department. As a Certified Local Government, the City of Portland was eligible to apply for and is eligible to accept these Historic Preservation Fund Grant dollars.

The Bureau of Planning and Sustainability requested City Council authorization to make application to the grant, which was approved by Ordinance #188818 on February 21, 2018. Grant acceptance is due to the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office no later than April 13, 2018.

**Financial and budgetary impacts:**

This grant requires a 1:1 match of \$12,500. General Fund resources committed to staffing, materials and services of the Historic Resources Program of the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability will supply the matching funds from its FY 2017/18 and FY 2018/19 budgets. No additional expenses will be incurred by this action.

Grant funds will be used to hire and manage a consultant to conduct the historic resource survey. Match activities include planning, review, public education, and land use activities associated with the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability's historic resources program.

**Community impacts and community involvement:**

The HRI is a citywide database of documented historic resources that are significant to the city for architectural, cultural, social, ethnic, and community history. Because it was last updated in 1984, the existing HRI does not include historic resources in vast areas of East and Southwest Portland. Additionally, because of the era in which it was conducted, the existing HRI is not inclusive of the diversity of resources significant for ethnic, gender, LGBTQ, social, and community history. Updates to the HRI will identify and honor the important contributions of

Portlanders who have been previously underrepresented in the city's understanding of significant historic resources. A more inclusive HRI will allow for planning processes, development proposals, educational programs, community organizing, and other civic initiatives to be better informed about Portland's diverse historic resources. While HRI updates will require staff time and the deployment of professional services, community volunteers will be instrumental in gathering the breadth and depth of data needed to document the diversity of significant historic resources citywide.

This grant application supports the following policies adopted in the 2035 Comprehensive Plan:

- Policy 4.52 Historic Resources Inventory. Within statutory limitations, regularly update and maintain Portland's Historic Resources Inventory to inform historic and cultural resource preservation strategies.
- Policy 4.53 Preservation equity. Expand historic resources inventories, regulations, and programs to encourage historic preservation in areas and in communities that have not benefited from past historic preservation efforts, especially in areas with high concentrations of under-served and/or under-represented people.
- Policy 4.54 Cultural diversity. Work with Portland's diverse communities to identify and preserve places of historic and cultural significance.
- Policy 4.55 Cultural and social significance. Encourage awareness and appreciation of cultural diversity and the social significance of both beautiful and ordinary historic places and their roles in enhancing community identity and sense of place.

### Budgetary Impact Worksheet

**Does this action change appropriations?**

☐ YES: Please complete the information below.

☒ NO: Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount