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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 **6TH DAY OF JUNE, 2018** AT 9:30 A.M.

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

Commissioner Eudaly left at 12:00 p.m.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Robert Taylor, Chief Deputy City Attorney; and Nicholas Livingston and John Paolazzi, Sergeants at Arms.

Item Nos. 585 and 589 were pulled for discussion and on a Y-4 roll call, the balance of the Consent Agenda was adopted.

The meeting recessed at 10:25 a.m. and reconvened at 10:30 a.m.

COMMUNICATIONS		Disposition:
577	Request of Tabitha Ponciano to address Council regarding supporting human rights in the Philippines (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
578	Request of Dante Haruna to address Council regarding supporting human rights in the Philippines (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
579	Request of Melissa Munoz to address Council regarding supporting human rights in the Philippines (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
580	Request of Nikki De Leon to address Council regarding supporting human rights in the Philippines (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
581	Request of Dr. Alma Trinidad to address Council regarding supporting human rights in the Philippines (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
TIMES CERTAIN		
582	TIME CERTAIN: 9:45 AM – Proclaim June 4-10 to be Timbers, Thorns FC and T2 Stand Together Week (Proclamation introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Fish) 10 minutes requested	PLACED ON FILE

<p>583</p>	<p>TIME CERTAIN: 10:00 AM – Accept a \$188,000 award from Metro Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Program for improvements at Leach Botanical Garden (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Fritz) 20 minutes requested</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 13, 2018 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>CONSENT AGENDA – NO DISCUSSION</p>		
<p>Bureau of Transportation</p>		
<p>*584</p>	<p>Authorize a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for SW Bond Ave: SW Porter St SW River Pkwy Road Construction (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Saltzman) (Y-4)</p>	<p>188979</p>
<p>Mayor Ted Wheeler</p>		
<p>Bureau of Emergency Management</p>		
<p>*585</p>	<p>Authorize application to the Department of Homeland Security Urban Areas Security Initiative Grant program for a grant in the amount of \$2,500,000 to enhance emergency preparedness through planning, training and equipping of emergency responders in the Portland Urban Area (Ordinance) (Y-4)</p>	<p>188993</p>
<p>Bureau of Environmental Services</p>		
<p>586</p>	<p>Authorize the Director of the Bureau of Environmental Services to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Lake Oswego and Metro to work cooperatively on a Trail Master Plan for Tryon Creek State Natural Area to Willamette River Greenway (Second Reading Agenda 542) (Y-4)</p>	<p>188980</p>
<p>Bureau of Planning & Sustainability</p>		
<p>*587</p>	<p>Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with Multnomah County for \$60,000 to provide funding for an Air Quality Feasibility Study (Ordinance) (Y-4)</p>	<p>188981</p>
<p>*588</p>	<p>Authorize application to the Oregon Department of Transportation for grants in the amount of \$470,000 as part of the 2018 Transportation and Growth Management Program (Ordinance) (Y-4)</p>	<p>188982</p>
<p>Office of Management and Finance</p>		
<p>*589</p>	<p>Pay employment discrimination lawsuit of Chaunci King in the sum of \$120,000 involving the Bureau of Human Resources (Ordinance) (Y-4)</p>	<p>188994</p>
<p>*590</p>	<p>Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement to provide the Multnomah County Department of Health Services \$61,908 in FY 2017-18 for efforts related to the enforcement of specified animal regulations in the City of Portland (Ordinance) (Y-4)</p>	<p>188983</p>

591	Extend term of a franchise granted to NewPath Networks, LLC to build and operate wireless facilities within City streets (Second Reading Agenda 550; amend Ordinance No. 180376) (Y-4)	188984
592	Extend term of right-of-way use agreement granted to Verizon Wireless LLC dba Verizon Wireless for mobile telecommunications services (Second Reading Agenda 551; amend Ordinance No. 180379) (Y-4)	188985
593	Extend term of a right-of-way use agreement granted to Sprint Spectrum, L.P. for mobile telecommunications services (Second Reading Agenda 552; amend Contract No. 185717) (Y-4)	188986
594	Extend term of right-of-way use agreement granted to New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC for mobile telecommunications services (Second Reading Agenda 553; amend Contract No. 185789) (Y-4)	188987
595	Extend term of right-of-way use agreement granted to T-Mobile West Corporation, Inc. for mobile telecommunications services (Second Reading Agenda 554; amend Contract No. 185790) (Y-4)	188988
<p>REGULAR AGENDA</p> <p>Bureau of Parks & Recreation</p>		
*596	Increase contract with FFA Architecture & Interiors, Inc. in amount of \$107,500 for services for the Peninsula Park Community Center Pool Improvements Project No. P30128 (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Fritz; amend Contract No. 31000799) 15 minutes requested (Y-4)	188989
<p>Bureau of Transportation</p>		
597	Rename streets west of the Willamette River and east of SW Naito Pkwy, SW View Point Terr and Tryon Creek State Natural Area from Southwest to South, creating a sixth addressing sextant in the City of Portland and Multnomah County; and rename SW Aventine Circus, SW Esquiline Circus, SW Front Ave, SW Northgate Ct and SW South Ridge Dr (Second Reading Agenda 574; introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Saltzman; amend Ordinance No. 61325; amend Code Chapter 24.75.010) (Y-3; Eudaly absent)	188995 AS AMENDED
598	Rename SE Martin Ct for consistency with SE Martins Ct and SE Martins St; and rename SW Radcliff St for consistency with SW Radcliffe Ct, SW Radcliffe Ln and SW Radcliffe Rd (Second Reading Agenda 575; introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Saltzman) (Y-3; Eudaly absent)	188996

Mayor Ted Wheeler		
Bureau of Environmental Services		
599	Authorize contract with CDM Smith Inc. to provide engineering services for the Columbia Boulevard Wastewater Treatment Plant Headworks Screening Improvements Project, BES Project No. E10805, in the amount of \$3,286,837 (Ordinance) 10 minutes requested	PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 13, 2018 AT 9:30 AM
Bureau of Police		
*600	Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with Multnomah County to continue to provide House Bill 3194 offender law enforcement supervision and support (Ordinance) 15 minutes requested (Y-4)	188990
*601	Extend contract with VCA Antech, Inc., dba Southeast Portland Animal Hospital to June 30, 2023 and increase by not-to-exceed amount to \$175,000 for Veterinary Care of Police Bureau Canines (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30003480) 15 minutes requested (Y-4)	188991
*602	Extend contract with Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare, Inc. to June 30, 2019 and increase the not-to-exceed amount to \$1,613,724 for mental health clinician services (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30003831) 15 minutes requested (Y-4)	188992
603	Accept a grant in the amount of \$162,635 from the State of Oregon, Oregon Military Department, Office of Emergency Management for the FY 2017 State Homeland Security Grant Program Phase Seven to fund joint bomb teams equipment and training (Ordinance) 20 minutes requested for items 603 and 604	PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 13, 2018 AT 9:30 AM
604	Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Portland, City of Gresham, City of Vancouver, Clackamas County, Port of Portland, and Clark County, Washington to maintain and equip a unit capable of an immediate response to situations involving explosives and explosive disposal (Ordinance)	PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 13, 2018 AT 9:30 AM
Bureau of Transportation		
605	Vacate a portion of SE Grant St west of SE Water Ave subject to certain conditions and reservations (Second Reading Agenda 559; VAC-10117) Continued to June 6, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. (Y-4)	188999
606	Create a local improvement district to construct street, sidewalk, stormwater and sanitary sewer improvements in the NE 55 th -57 th Aves and Killingsworth St Local Improvement District (Second Reading Agenda 560; C-10062) (Y-3; Eudaly absent)	188997 AS AMENDED
City Budget Office		

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607	What Works Cities Report (Report) 30 minutes requested Motion to accept the report: Moved by Fritz and seconded by Fish. (Y-4)	ACCEPTED
Office of Management and Finance		
608	Amend the Business License Law to increase the tax rate and increase the Owners Compensation Deduction (Ordinance; amend Code Chapter 7.02) 15 minutes requested Rescheduled to June 7, 2018 at 2:45 p.m. Time Certain.	PASSED TO SECOND READING JUNE 13, 2018 AT 9:30 AM
Water Bureau		
609	Extend contract with Schneider Electric Systems USA, Inc. for the supervisory control and Data Acquisition system upgrade, and increase compensation in the amount of \$826,035 (Second Reading Agenda 570; amend Contract No. 30005924) (Y-3; Eudaly absent)	188998

At 12:13 p.m., Council recessed.

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A RECESSED MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **6TH DAY OF JUNE, 2018** 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; Lauren King, Deputy City Attorney; and Nicholas Livingston and John Paolazzi, Sergeants at Arms.

S-610	TIME CERTAIN: 2:00 PM – Adopt the Central City 2035 Plan; amend the Comprehensive Plan, Comprehensive Plan Map, Transportation System Plan, Willamette Greenway Plan, Scenic Resources Protection Plan, Zoning Map and Title 33; authorize adoption of administrative rules; repeal and replace prior Central City plans and documents (Second Reading Agenda 538; introduced by Mayor Wheeler) 30 minutes requested for items 610 - 614 (Y-3 Eudaly, Fish, Wheeler. N-1 Fritz.)	Disposition: SUBSTITUTE 189000 AS AMENDED
611	Amend the Central City Plan District of the Zoning Code to increase bonus heights and impose master plan requirements in certain RiverPlace subareas (Second Reading Agenda 539; introduced by Mayor Wheeler; amend Code Sections 33.510.210.D and 33.510.255, and Maps 510-4, 510-16 and 510-19) (Y-3 Eudaly, Fish, Wheeler. N-1 Fritz.)	189001 AS AMENDED
S-612	Adopt the Central City 2035 Plan, Volume 2A, Part 3, Environmental and Scenic: amend the Portland Zoning Map, and Portland Zoning Codes for Environmental Overlay Zones, and Scenic Resources, and amend the Scenic Resources Protection Plan (Second Reading 528; introduced by Mayor Wheeler; amend Code Chapters 33.430 and 480) (Y-3 Eudaly, Fish, Wheeler. N-1 Fritz.)	SUBSTITUTE 189002
613	Adopt the Central City 2035 Plan Action Charts, Performance Targets and Urban Design Diagrams (Previous Agenda 529; Resolution introduced by Mayor Wheeler) (Y-4)	37360 AS AMENDED
614	Adopt the Central City 2035 Plan Green Loop Concept Report (Previous Agenda 530; Resolution introduced by Mayor Wheeler) (Y-4)	37361 AS AMENDED

At 2:53 p.m., Council recessed.

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A RECESSED MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **7TH DAY OF JUNE, 2018** AT 2:00 P.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Wheeler, Presiding; Commissioners Eudaly, Fritz and Saltzman, 4. Commissioner Fish arrived at 3:15 p.m., 5.

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

The meeting recessed at 2:57 p.m. and reconvened at 3:17 p.m.

615	TIME CERTAIN: 2:00 PM – Accept the 2018 Annual Report on Sister City Activities (Report introduced by Mayor Wheeler) 45 minutes requested Motion to accept report: Moved by Saltzman and seconded by Fritz. (Y-4)	Disposition: ACCEPTED
616	TIME CERTAIN: 3:00 PM – Conduct a Proposed Use Hearing on State Shared Revenue (Hearing introduced by Mayor Wheeler) 1.5 hours requested for items 616-621	PLACED ON FILE
617	Certify that certain services are provided by the City to establish eligibility for State Shared Revenues (Resolution introduced by Mayor Wheeler) (Y-5)	37362
*618	Approve accepting funds from the State of Oregon under State Revenue Sharing Program for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019 (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler) (Y-5)	189003
*619	Create and rename various funds and update the fund statements of purpose for various funds (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler; amend Code Sections 5.04.515, 6.07.060 and 6.07.145) (Y-5)	189004
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<p>*620 Adopt the annual budget of the City and establish appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019 (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler)</p> <p>1. Motion to increase Special Appropriations budget by \$350,000 in one-time General Fund resources for competitive grants. The funding source will be an increase in beginning fund balance resulting from underspending on those grants in FY 2017-18; amend attachments B, C, and E as necessary: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Fritz. (Y-5)</p> <p>2. Increase the position authority for the Portland Bureau of Transportation (Transportation Operating Fund) by 29 FTE. The funding sources for these positions include internal reallocations of existing appropriation and a reduction to bureau contingency of \$289,554. The positions were approved by Council in the FY 2017-18 Spring Supplemental Budget, but were inadvertently excluded from the Adopted Budget Change memo. Amend Attachments B, C, and E as necessary: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Saltzman. (Y-5)</p> <p>3. Reallocate \$58 million from unappropriated ending fund balance in the Development Services Fund of the Bureau of Development Services to contingency in order to facilitate an interfund loan with the Housing Capital Fund. This amendment does not result in an increase to either fund's FY 2018-19 budget. Amend Attachments B, C, and E as necessary: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Fish. (Y-5)</p> <p>4. In accordance with a budget note in the FY 2017-18 Adopted Budget, an external consultant was engaged to evaluate options and make recommendations to Council on the optimal location and structure for the Office for Community Technology (OCT) within the City's organizational framework. Based on these recommendations and consultation with City staff, Council directs that the OCT be established as a stand-alone office beginning in September 2018. Council directs the Revenue Division and OCT staff to bring forward budgetary and position changes in the FY 2018-19 Fall Budget Monitoring Process for Council consideration. Council further directs OMF-Facilities to develop options and plan for the physical relocation of OCT staff, with the relevant budgetary actions also brought forward during the FY 2018-19 Fall Budget Monitoring Process: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Fritz. (Y-5)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p>189005 AS AMENDED</p>
<p>*621 Approve levying taxes for the City for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019 (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p>189006</p>

At 4:09 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: Good morning everyone this is the Wednesday June 6, 2018 morning session of the Portland city council. Please calling the roll.

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

Wheeler: Here, good morning, Robert.

Robert Taylor, Chief Deputy City Attorney: Thank you, mayor. Welcome to the Portland city council. The city council represents all Portlanders and meets to do the city's business. The presiding officer preserves order and decorum during city council meetings, so everyone can feel welcome, comfortable, respected, and safe. To participate in the council meetings, you may sign up in advance with the council clerk's office, for communications to briefly speak about any subject. You may also sign up for public testimony on resolutions, or the first readings of ordinances. Your testimony should address the matter being considered at the time. When testifying please state your name for the record. Your address is not necessary. Please disclose if you are a lobbyist, if you are representing an organization, please identify it. The presiding officer determines the length of testimony. Individuals generally have three minutes to testify unless otherwise stated. When you have 30 seconds left, a yellow light goes on. When your time is done, a red light goes on. If you are in the audience and would like to show your support for something that is said, please feel free to do a thumbs up. If you want to express that you do not support something, please feel free to do a thumb's down. Disruptive conduct such as shouting or interrupting testimony or council deliberations will not be allowed. If there are disruptions, a warning will be given. The further disruption may result in the person being rejected for the remainder of the meeting. After being rejected, a person who fails to leave the meeting is subject to arrest for trespass. Thank you for helping your fellow Portlanders feel welcome, comfortable, and respected and safe.

Wheeler: Thank you. We have communications first, and it's my understanding Karla that all five of the communications are related so why don't we call them to go and we received a packet of information pertinent to the communications this morning, as well, thank you.

Items 577-581.

Wheeler: Good morning. Welcome to Portland city council. Three minutes each. Name for the record, please.

Tabitha Ponciano: Good morning, everyone, my name is Tabitha ponciano. I am with the Portland committee for human rights in the Philippines. A member organization of the international coalition for human rights in the Philippines. Last month from May 1st to May 5th, Portland welcomed peace advocates from the Philippines who came to talk about the onslaught of human rights abuse, the Filipino people have experienced under the dictator regime, specifically the 20,000 plus killings since July 2016. For the stop the killings speaking tour. We were expecting three speakers for this portion of the nation-wide tour, but instead only two were able to make it. I am here to talk today about Jerome Succor Aba, a indigenous Muslim rights activist from the Philippines who was invited by the u.s. conference of catholic bishop, the general board of global ministries of the united Methodist church to speak on the movement for peace in the Philippines. At the

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ecumenical advocacy days one of the largest gatherings of faith-based groups in the u.s. For this Jerome was given a ten-year multiple entry visa to the u.s, on April 18th, Jerome was, instead, detained, interrogated and tortured mentally and physically by the customs and border preservations at san Francisco international airport for over 28 hours. After being deported by the u.s., cbp Jerome accounted the harrowing account of his detention. He was repeatedly told that he did not have rights, that he was not allowed to speak to his lawyer who was waiting right outside cbp's office. He was given pork to eat even though he said it was against his religion. He was stripped naked and left to stand in a cold room with an industrial fan, making the room even colder. He was coerced to sign blank documents, he was accused of being a communist, of being a terrorist. He was left in the room with a grenade and gun on several occasions to taunt and scare him. Cbp released statements denying this abuse, but Jerome has stood steadfast in his testimony. Jerome said since arriving back in the Philippines, he said he's been confronting the trauma, the sleeplessness, nightmares and anxieties as he relives the torture they have inflicted on his person. As Jerome came to speak about the human rights abuses in the Philippines he became a victim of one on u.s. soil. The international coalition for human rights in the Philippines, u.s., coordinated the nation-wide, stop the killings caravan tour and the next speaker, Dante Haruna will be talking more about the work that ICHRP is doing in solidarity with the Filipino people. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you and good morning and I forgot to mention about six inches to the microphone is about right.

Dante Haruna: Hello, my name is Dante Haruna., I am a resident of Portland and I speak today on behalf of ICHRP pacific northwest, its the regional group of ICHRP u.s. I am here in solidarity with the four other speakers representing local and national organization ICHRP u.s member organizations, including the Portland community for human Rights in the Philippines, Anakbayan Portland and the national association for Filipino concerns. We are people of faith, we're immigrants, workers, professionals, students, teachers, and peace and justice loving people of the city of Portland and in the spirit of Portland's leadership as a sanctuary city we are here to call on Portland city council to pass a resolution in support of our three calls, justice for Jerome Aba, justice for migrants, refugees and international travelers and justice for the Filipino people. ICHRP, the international coalition for human rights in the Philippines is a global network of organizations outside of the Philippines, that's concerned about the human rights situation in the Philippines and they are committed to a campaign for just and lasting peace. The Philippines is experiencing a human rights crisis, under the current Philippine president Rodrigo Duterte and his own self-proclaimed war on drugs and war on terror, more than 20,000 people have been reportedly killed. Most of these people are poor, youth, indigenous people, farmers and human rights' activists. ICHRP u.s are in solidarity with the Filipino people and their calls to end these wars on the people and end u.s. funding of the armed forces of the Philippines and the Philippine national police. The city of Portland is key to our human rights work, so on December 9, 2017, across the river in Vancouver, Washington, Portland-based Filipino and allied organizations launched the u.s. chapter of ICHIRP in response to the call of the Filipino people, ICHIRP was founded to bring attention to the fact that u.s tax dollars are going towards funding the human rights violations. In light of the city of san francisco's recent condemnation of the human rights violations and their own proclamation we ask the city to do the same. And we would like to offer our deepest gratitude to the u.s. senator Jeff Merkley who at the launching of ICHIRP u.s in December offered his letter of support stating "promoting human rights and calls for peace have a place here in Oregon as well as abroad", so we just want to thank Jeff Merkley for that. We would also like to thank the Portland chapter of the national lawyers

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guild for their continued support of our efforts, and nlg Portland recognizes a resolution from the city of Portland will aid ICHIRP in our efforts to raise awareness of these issues in the united states and abroad. The Portland chapter of nlg therefor urges Portland city council to grant our request. We are also grateful for the city of Seattle's own counsel for their support of a similar proclamation, and we would like to extend our thanks to a recent letter of support offered by 23 Portland area faith-based leaders. I recently visited the Philippines on my own human rights mission and got to witness the gross violations, and I cannot more deeply express the urgency of taking up these calls, justice for Jerome, justice for all migrants, refugees and international travelers and justice for the Philippines. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it. Good morning.

Fritz: A little farther away.

Wheeler: They are sensitive microphones. About six inches is right, thanks.

Melissa Munoz: Is that okay?

Wheeler: Perfect, thank you.

Munoz: Hello, my name is Melissa Munoz, and I representing Anakbayan Portland as well as the stop the killings in the Philippines caravan. So Claudia Patricia Gómez González was an indigenous Mayan Guatemalan woman who was 20 years old when she was shot in the head by customs and border patrol by the u.s.-Mexico border. Claudia was migrating to the u.s. in pursuit of continuing her education and providing for her family back in Guatemala. My family is Guatemalan as well and my mom told me about Claudia when she heard about this tragic news. She told me how it reminded her of herself and when she crossed the u.s., Mexico border and how dangerous it is, and how you have to risk your life and how you risk your life doing this. I am lucky and grateful to say that my mom made it to the u.s. alive. Sadly this is not the first time a u.s. funded government agency has done something like this to our fellow migrants and residents here in America. The resolution we are asking you to move forward with today is one that acknowledges the rights, hard work, respect, and safety that all refugees, migrants and international travelers deserve. While we understand the city doesn't have direct jurisdiction over customs and border protections, we know that you will have a powerful voice. We are asking today that you use your voice to speak on behalf of our calls. This resolution and maintain Portland's sanctuary city status despite federal pressure for defunding sanctuary cities. We ask that you oppose abuses from customs and border protection on human rights at borders and international airports. Justice for all migrants, refugees, and international travelers thank you for your time.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate you being here. Good morning.

Nikki De Leon: Good morning. Six inches. My name is Nikki today I am representing nafcon national alliance for Filipino concerns. It's a national multi-issue alliance of Filipino organizations and individuals in the united states. Serving to protect the rights and the welfare of the Filipinos by fighting for social, economic, and racial justice and equality. At present nafcon is present in 23 cities and Portland is one of them. I think just for background I was born and raised in the Philippines, and if you didn't know the Philippines is considered a third world country, but the land is rich in resources that many Filipinos cannot afford to use. If you ever end up in the Philippines, if you ever visit it, you will see, it will be easy to observe that there is the influence of the united states in the Philippines. You could see it in the systems of government, in the media, and how it is delivered to the Filipino people. It's delivered in English, you can observe it in the education system where our lectures are primarily delivered in English and we would have one lesson in Tagalog which is our native language, So already I want -- what I want to bring up here is that there exists influence of the united states in the Philippines and affects the everyday lives of

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Filipinos. In the education system what we can see the conditioning of Filipinos to be migrants for export where our labor power is delivered to countries all over the world in the united states is one of them. And the connection that I want to make today is that these people are called ofw. They are called oversea Filipino workers, and the connection is that in Portland these overseas Filipino workers exist here, my family is included there, over 23,000 Filipinos reside in Portland. In the instance of Jerome Aba, who is my friend from the Philippines, who was tortured, what I want to recognize here is that there is an unevenness in the application of customs and border patrol to migrants even with papers and documents, where we are free and invited to be here to work for the united states to be of labor power in the care homes and take care of people here, but if we were to be peace advocates and call out the influence of the united states in the Philippines and how it is affecting the land there, then we are, could potentially be tortured upon entering the united states, and this says not something, and we are very concerned about if 23,000 Filipinos go back and forth from Portland to the Philippines, even in the port where the sea fares are, we don't want that same torture to be applied to us.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good morning.

Dr. Alma Trinidad: Aloha kakou kumusta kayo amin sabay t. Good morning esteemed commissioners, I greeted you in languages of my ancestors. Hawaiian, a place where I was born and raised, Ilocano a Filipino dialect of my immigrant culture and the language of my partner and my husband. I am from a family of immigrant and refugee roots, and I am no different than Jerome Aba, who was our peace advocate. I am also pleased to be speaking in front of you, some of you I have seen in multiple spaces, you have shown strong support for our communities of color here in Portland, particularly, our refugee, migrant and immigrant populations, I am dr. Alma Trinidad, a social work professor at Portland state university, and I sit on several boards of directors that support Asian pacific islanders, but here today I am here to speak as a member of large of the national committee on the international coalition of human rights, u.s. chapter. You have heard from many of our speakers this morning. Many of which are young adults and emerging professionals in the city who have very deep concerns around our human rights and justice for our communities locally and globally. I want to speak to you from a scholar and a professor who teaches across different academic programs as well as doing community-based research here in Portland and I want to leave you with three main messages that I hope that you will remember. A lot of this comes from messages from my work around trauma, around educating the emerging helping profession. The first one, first message, commissioners, you are our elected government representatives with major roles and responsibilities of power and influence, and hopefully peace eccentric ethics, we humbly urge you to take a stand with us with violence and inhumane treatment of our people. Local government and its sanctuary policies and policies around immigration and custom and borders can make a difference in making things right and just for our communities and we humbly seek your partnership. Message number two, a lack of support has dire implications on how our city impacts the livelihood of our communities and our people. Our communities of refugees, migrant and immigrant population, we seek to live in a place where we feel welcomed. Have a sense of belongings, and a community where there is love, support, and uniqueness. Our third message, violations to human rights is a violation to human lives and we want to put a stop to tax dollars, put to u.s. supported militarization, economic gain, or any form of aids that justify human rights violation. Here in the city as well as globally. Money speaks volumes and money that put into inhumane treatments of custom and border, money put into advisory groups, technical support, and equipment, including our intellectual intelligence and surveillance drones, explicitly mean investing in violence. Simultaneously when we as fellow citizens of our global community ignore the

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cries of the most vulnerable of the communities, we don't meet the needs of how trauma can be impacted. Trauma that's impacted by militarization, war, conflict, and force displacement of the homeland. So hence I want to plead with you, and I want to end that I hope that we can lean towards you and gain your support and partnership in doing this type of work of human rights, through education, through advocacy, and through conscious building. Resistance is our right, resistance against violence, is of all forms, solidarity is our duty, solidarity for peace, so thank you, Salamat mahalo.

Wheeler: Thank you, we appreciate all of you being here. I had a question, and first let me go on the record and say that president Duarte is not, in my opinion, an incredible leader that should be supported by the united states. His ongoing violence towards his own people, his engagement as a formal policy through the use of extra judicial killing, and there have been some estimates that he has killed as many as 20,000 of his own citizens through extra judicial killing, and that should obviously not be something that we would support. My question is this, have you had a chance to work through or introduce this concept to our human rights commission? We have a group of very engaged and active citizens in our community that help to advise this council on issues such as these, and I am wondering if you have had a chance to have those conversations?

Trinidad: Not yet, but we plan to engage with other groups and other forms of government here in the city and the state.

Wheeler: Good. And I would just encourage that by way of -- I want to respect them as the group of citizens that we have enlisted for this purpose, and I want to make sure that they are engaged. I would expect that they would have a very open mind to what it is that you are discussing, and I think that you are raising an entirely legitimate and important issue, and I want to thank you for bringing it here to Portland city council. Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: Thank you. I didn't know a lot of this information so thank you very much, particularly when I saw what you were -- the title of your speeches, I assumed it was going to be all about the Philippines, and to hear that things are happening such as happened to Jerome is concerning. As the mayor said the human rights commission are the group who kinda pass for us which things we should pay attention to, so if you can make a presentation from them and get a recommendation from them, then it seems like a resolution similar to the one in san francisco. I will say also that the senator's Merkley's letter was persuasive to me that I am glad that he is also supporting, thank you.

Wheeler: We are happy to help you make that connection. We can connect you to the right people. Commissioner Eudaly did you have a comment.

Eudaly: I want to thank you for being here today, and I inquired yesterday about the human rights commission, as well, and I think that that's the next logical step. I wanted to acknowledge the supplemental materials that you provided, which is a letter from senator Merkley, a letter from ichrp, which unfortunately I can't -- do you know the full name of that organization? With numerous community leaders who have signed on a letter from the national lawyer's guild and the resolution from the city of san francisco, which is really helpful for us, so I am certainly supportive of your request, and let's make sure that action is taken soon. Thank you.

Fish: One comment, a superb presentation, first of all. Every summer I get a chance to go to a filipino-american picnic at blue lake, and I think that it's hosted by a number of groups, including the Filipino chamber of commerce, so that's jamie lee, asian reporter and others. As you are building your coalition, I think it's powerful to include them and they may already be partners. But I would encourage you to add them to the list. Thank you.

Wheeler: This was very informative and important, we appreciate you being here today. Consent agenda. Can you tell me which items have been pulled so far? I have 585 and 589, were there others.

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Moore-Love: That's all that I have.

Wheeler: Very good. Please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye, consent agenda is adopted. Next item is first time certain item 582.

Item 582.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish.

Fish: I will invite up timber joey, Jordan Farwell, and I think Kaitlyn is here is here, and I apologize, I don't know your last name.

Kaitlyn Jones: Jones.

Fish: Okay jones. We are glad you are here. I believe jack Jewsbury could not join us.

Jones: Yeah. He couldn't make it.

Fish: The more the merrier, please come up. Take a seat next to a mic. Mayor I have to tell you that timber Joey was briefly detained downstairs because he, apparently, tried to bring a chainsaw and didn't read the fine print at the front door. We are still pleased to have you here with us today. This is the seventh time that the council had a chance to celebrate what's now and institution in the community, the timbers stand together week, it's a week of service. This week, this year the timbers, the thorns, and t2 will support organizations ranging from the Oregon food bank, to solve, to irco, to zanger farms and others, we are so grateful that the timber's family is organizing these events, and for star struck people like me that they get a two-fer out of participating because you often get to work side-by-side with a player and that's exciting, too. The mayor is going to sort of commemorate this day by issuing a proclamation, which is a very big deal, but before he does so, we wanted to ask timber joey and any of our invited guests if they want to say a few words and the mayor will issue the proclamation, and we will ask for a photograph. Timber?

*******:** Yeah. We want to thank mayor ted wheeler and the city commissioners for this proclamation. It does mean so much to us, and we are really excited to embark on our seventh year with the city. Just want to extend an invitation. There is still some open spots for projects, so if you go in the hands-on website or the staying together website you can find available projects to come out and join us.

Fish: That's terrific. So you beat commissioner Fritz to the question because she often asks where can you find it. Tell us again the address.

*******:** So the hands-on Portland website has the signups, where you can kind of link from the timber's website under the stand together dropdown.

Fish: When does this officially start?

*******:** June 9. Saturday.

Fish: That's great. Timber, do you want to say a few words?

Timber Joey: Yeah. Is this close enough, six inches?

Wheeler: Perfect.

Timber Joey: It's exciting. I actually don't know when stand together week starts and ends because I am one of the people that gets to go out and do these projects all the time. So it's very exciting, so it's actually a day in the life of me is what you get to do. You get to stand next to a player, and I am standing next to Andy Tuiloma for one of my first events on Saturday. And I believe that sam, remind me of the last name again, arbonteros will be at one of my events, I know jack Jewsbury will be there, matt, not only the historic timbers players but also the guys that are the up and comers that will be superstars, and then we can turn it a bit to the thorns, too. I believe that tobin heath Signed up for some of these events. The world's greatest player. Christine sinclair will probably be out and we have some young up and coming thorns, as well. So it's very exciting chance for everybody to get out do good in the community but also get to rub elbow's with their heroes.

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Fish: Do you find mike Golub is hard to work with as we find him?

*******:** No, he's amazing and he's a champion of our philanthropy and stand-together week so we are grateful.

Timber Joey: I am surprised he's not sitting up there yet.

Fish: We are, too.

Wheeler: There is an open seat.

Fish: Before the mayor reads the proclamation, joey I wanted to ask you something let's say sometime this summer there is a game that we win 14-0. You spent the entire evening slicing wood. When you do it, the -- who gets the souvenirs?

Timber Joey: So all of the log slices goes to the player who scored the goal or the keeper who got the shutout, now what they do is their own decision.

Fish: They get all of them?

Timber Joey: Whichever gets each slice, yeah, so most of the players will donate them back to our stand together projects, and you can find them online at our online auctions, or at our stand-together banquet where they will be signed and dated what goal it was.

Fish: So you're saying we might be able to go online and bid on one of the slices of wood signed by the team?

Timber Joey: The actual piece cut for the specific goal for the specific player.

Fish: I was selfishly thinking at some point at city hall we would love a display of something like that, but it's all for a good cause so I see what you are saying, you are making it very clear we have to pay for it, which is appropriate.

Timber Joey: We do a lot of great things in the community, and all you would be doing is supporting this community. Mayor?

Wheeler: Very good. So commissioner Fritz?

Fritz: You are also welcome to borrow my scarf just like the mayor's office. Did they bring one for you? Yes.

Fritz: So I want to say thank you very much for all you do. I was at this event at David Douglas high school with timber joey, and with Midge Purce who at the time had not played so I didn't know how to say her name but now I have heard it many times and she's fantastic.

Timber Joey: Midge was just called up for the u.s. Women's nationals.

Fritz: I do. I am on it. So yes, but they came from Boston breakers, and I asked them, did you do things like this, go to high schools and get, you know, fans in Boston and, they both laughed and said no and I have been watching futbol since I was five, and in Europe and here, and thank you, and there is nothing like this anywhere in the world where supporters not only do kind things every single match like making collections for various good causes, they also all through the years, not just stand together week like you said, there is good stuff going on the whole time so thanks to the timber's army and the rose city riveters, as well as the thorns' organization, it's a great partnership, and it makes me very, very proud to have this organization as part of our soccer city usa.

Wheeler: Thank you commissioner Fritz for lending me this, as well. It's in the spirit of the day, and I am sorry that I didn't think to bring my own. Thank you for being here. It is my honor on behalf of the city council to read the proclamation. Proclamations are a statement of our values as a council and an opportunity to celebrate as a community so we appreciate you being here for this. Whereas the city of Portland is proud to be home to the Portland timbers, Portland thorns fc, and timbers two professional soccer teams; And whereas the timbers, thorns, and t2 are committed to giving back to our community and promoting civic engagement through their platform, stand together; And whereas the city of Portland is proud to partner with the timbers, thorns, and t2 in organizing the seventh annual stand together week, a week of community service; And whereas approximately

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1,000 volunteers, including the timbers' army, rose city riveters, players, coaches, team ambassadors, front office staff, sponsors, and community members will participate in stand together week; Whereas stand together volunteers will host 30 community events and projects throughout Portland, including building homes, restoring local parks, pulling ivy, creating healing gardens, cleaning children's books, leading soccer clinics and more; And whereas stand together will support local, mission-driven nonprofits, including active children in Portland, children's book bank, play works, immigrant and refugee community organizations, Virginia Garcia, Memorial Health Center, Zanger Farm, Solve, and the Oregon Food Bank among others; And whereas stand together week is a call to action by the city, Portland Timbers, Portland Thorns FC, and Timbers Two 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 9 through June 15, 2018, to be Timbers, Thorns FC, and T2 Stand Together Week in Portland and encourage all residents to observe and participate in this week. Thank you for being here. Appreciate it. [applause]

Fish: You already know this but I just looked it up on the my phone, the three players called up to the national team our team because I think that there are other players called up to other national teams are Tobin Heath, Lindsey Haran and Midge Purce. It does not say specifically, but Midge Purce may be the, one of the first ivy league players to ever make the team. She was a Harvard All American and a finalist for the best player in the game from an ivy league school which we are so accustomed to hearing about North Carolina, West Coast teams, it's extraordinary.

*****: University of Portland.

Fish: Well, of course University of Portland, but, and really an extraordinary record, but from an ivy league school and who would have thunk it?

Wheeler: A photo op. Thanks.

Wheeler: Next item, 583.

Item 583.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: It keeps on going, thank you. Let me ask our guests to come forward thank you. This action will accept a grant from Metro to help support the improvements at Leach Botanical Gardens, and it's another great partnership with Metro, and we're very grateful to have Metro Councilor Shirley Craddick here with us today. Just of Saturday we celebrated another partnership with Metro in the opening of the Whittaker Ponds Gateway Improvements, and so there is all kinds of good things happening in partnership with Metro. The Friends of Leach Botanical Gardens have played an absolutely fantastic role in this, and with the system development charge investment from Parks, the Leach Botanical Garden Campaign, the grant from Metro, and I believe some Prosper Portland money, we have a total added a revenue of \$8.9 million. That's added because the Prosper Portland money was added before this, so this is going to be a multi-million-dollar improvement in East Portland and I could not be happier. Thank you to all of those who have helped to support the work for Leach Botanical Gardens, and now I turn it over to Ross Swanson, the Capital Project Manager for Parks, who will give us the presentation.

Ross Swanson, Portland Parks and Recreation: Thank you Commissioner Fritz, Mayor and Council members. I am Ross Swanson, the Capital Project Manager with Parks and Recreation, and with me is Bernie Kerosky from Prosper Portland. Councilor Shirley Craddick from Metro, David Porter from Leach Garden Friends was to be here, but he's unfortunately ill today and sends his thank you. Just, and if you don't know the Leach Garden Friends is a nonprofit that operates the programming at the garden. So earlier this year David and I were here to amend the design contract for the upcoming Leach Garden Capital Project, we requested a change to the design contract because of the successful

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fundraising efforts that the coalition here put together allowing us to pursue the ambitious project that you have before you. Today we are here specifically to secure the intergovernmental agreement with the metro funding source, but also we wanted to acknowledge the other partners at the table. So before I turn over the microphone to the partner representatives I want to provide a brief history and description of the project. The goals of the plan back in 2014 Leach Garden Friends and Portland Parks and Recreation entered into a master planning and capital project for the garden, which was catalyzed by the acquisition of a property just to the north of the long-time standing property. We hired a nationally recognized garden team of landscape morphology Olson Kundig out of Seattle, they master planned and created a development strategy which included how do we develop in a rational manner that we can ensure that the Leach Garden Friends can maintain the property as we developed it. The goals of the plan were to connect the garden with the lower garden in the iconic manner house that we all know. They were to create the open space and provide a regional draw and a national recognition garden for east Portland while Portland does have a lot of world renowned gardens within Portland most of them are on the west side, and finally strategically balance the operations revenues for the garden. The slide before you is the first phase of the garden extracted out of the 2015 full development plan. The scope of work for this project does include improved infrastructure and utilities, it includes an aerial tree rock as demonstrated by the upper left and the lower slide, and community open spaces including a fireplace terrace and gathering green, and finally a habitat and Pollinator garden in the upper right and metro funded piece of work. So the project revenues are a result of four years of fundraising, there is a cross section of both private and public funding, which is why we're presenting to you to celebrate this proud partnership. Parks department recently contributed \$5.5 million of SDC's, thank you commissioner, Leach Garden Friends is contributing \$1.26, in its fundraising efforts and finally our public agency partners who are at the table with me, metro also committed the \$188,000 and Prosper Portland committed another at \$1.8 million. As I said, we are here to accept the ordinance for metro's nature in the neighborhood's grant. I should state in addition to these numbers that we see there is also roughly a million dollars spent in getting us here through land use planning and like I said, all the efforts for how we strategically develop this park properly. This is where I was going to turn it over to David Porter. He extends his gratitude to everybody who has gotten us here, as well as big thanks to commissioner Fritz for issuing the challenge that got us here. I will turn it over to our partners, metro councilor Shirley Craddick.

Councilor Shirley Craddick: Thank you very much. I am pleased to be here today, it's really an honor, and I want to thank the voters of the region for allowing us to be able to make these funds available to the city of Portland. You know you all know Leach Botanical Gardens is a beautiful area in east Portland on 122nd, these improvements provide a great opportunity to further metro's mission to protect our clean water and restore habitat and provide opportunities for people to experience nature close to home as the gardens are right on Johnson Creek, I am proud that metro was able to support this, this grant, and build visitor improvements and restore the habitat at the gardens. It's a cherished area, particularly those residents that live in the David Douglas school district, many are very proud of this area and often visit it. When the grant review committee, the nature neighborhood's grant review committee selected this project for funding in 2016, the committee members said that they were inspired by the community's vision for this space, and impressed by the momentum that the project has garnered. They recognize that the strong partnerships that exist at the gardens with the numerous community organizations that are using Leach to engage people in nature in culturally sensitive ways, Leach Garden Friends has done an impressive job building meaningful relationships among the many

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committee partners, volunteers, and neighbors that live in the area. Part of what makes this project so important is that it will provide easy access to nature for residents of east Portland, one of the city's most diverse areas, and as commissioner Fritz has mentioned in the past, also an area that has the least access to parks. The nature neighborhood's grant is a thanks again to the voters of the Portland metro region, four times now since 1995, the voters have approved the setting of funds aside for two bond measures and to levies, and without these funds this project would not be able to -- we would not be able to make this contribution today. As metro begins to shape the region's next natural areas bond measure, it will incorporate some of the commitments -- it will incorporate our commitment to racial equity. We will look to projects like Leach as an example of how we can protect water quality, fish and wildlife habitat, while providing access to nature close to home for people of color. So I want to say congratulations to the Portland parks and recreation department, thank you very much commissioner for your support of this and to the Leach garden friends and everybody that has worked on this and been able to make this happen. It's an honor to be able to give these funds for the city today, so thank you.

Bernie Kerosky: Good morning. Mayor Wheeler, commissioners, my name is Bernie Kerosky, a project manager with Prosper Portland, and I am just here to say a few words in support of this great project. Prosper Portland, at least the five-year strategic plan in 2015. The plan focuses our work on building an equitable economy, especially in communities of color and other underserved areas of Portland. The investments Prosper Portland makes reflect our key values to make a difference, to build partnerships to advance equity and to innovate. We invest carefully to honor the public trust and in doing so, we hope to affect and serve the people of Portland. When we build communities, when we encourage shared prosperity, when we make a difference, we add to the prosperity of Portland. The Leach botanical garden projects aligns with our mission by increasing open space, access to healthy complete neighborhoods that connect to jobs and transportation, we are proud to support this project and be here at this table in partnership with metro, with Portland parks and recreation, and with friends of Leach botanical gardens. Thank you very much for your time.

Wheeler: Appreciate it. Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: I need to acknowledge that it was commissioner Fish who first started pushing Leach botanical garden. It kind of got me at first begrudgingly onboard with this project and deferred to him as the park commissioner but it was his fire and determination that got it started in the first place, and obviously the garden has been there for a long time and the friends have been doing a valiant job. It's now become this broad partnership with Prosper, with metro started by commissioner Fish supported by all of us, transportation is doing a major project with the bridge, which is going to enhance the entire area and the access which is exciting so thank you to everybody who has been involved. I know that former Multnomah county commissioner Diane McKeel was instrumental in the fundraising, along with the other members of the Leach botanical board, Mary Rose Nevarro has been really a stalwart on a lot of these projects and when you mentioned the 1995 bond measure, that project, my project was the first thing that was funded with that 1995 bond measure, that's one of the reasons that I am here on this council today is recognizing that everybody needs a gem in their neighborhood, and this is certainly going to be a gem for east Portland and I think for the country as a whole. I think that people will come to Leach as an international destination not just to reach nor a city destination so thank you for all your work.

Fish: First, thank you for those kind words but, you know, in 10 or 20 years we are going to look back on what we collectively have done in east Portland and we are going to take some pride in reversing a trend that, you know, for the narrative for years was the city was

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not invest anything east Portland and there was a parks deficit. Just under the last four years of commissioner Fritz I think that the city's investment has been in excess of \$50 million, in acquisition and buildout of parks in east Portland, and we are just getting started, so it's very exciting. The other day I was -- I took a trip to a fundraiser at, at Zanger farm, and I had dinner with my son in the urban grange looking out on the wetland. It's a magical site, we were reflecting on the way out there that we drove through Lents, and Lents is almost unrecognizable with all of the new development that's happening around a greater Lents area. And we passed the Foster floodplain, which is a tremendous public amenity. And well done and Zanger farm and up the street is Leach botanical garden, so what we have really is an eco-district that has formed. And I think about, you know, when people come to the city and they say, I have got a three-day weekend, what are some of the highlights that we should look at. I now routinely tell them they should go out to Foster and hit one or more of those fantastic institutions and they have been nurtured through public, private partnerships which is how we do our best work so thank you to everybody, thanks to Metro for this grant, and council member Craddick I will be seeing you tomorrow to talk about another bond measure and having a conversation at Metro but this is really good work and a great investment and we're grateful that Metro has made this decision.

Craddick: Thank you and I make one more comment, I just want to make sure that you know how much we really appreciate the partnership the city has with Metro. In just this week, this last Saturday we cut the ribbon for Whitaker ponds, since there were funds there that Metro would be able to help with that area that's on the Columbia slough. Today of course is the Leach botanical garden, this Friday I will be breaking ground on the inclusive nature play at Couch park and then on June 30, the long awaited celebration of Cully park. So just like you described it takes all of us to make this happen and thank you so much again for your partnership.

Wheeler: Very good, public testimony on this item.

Moore-Love: No one signed up.

Wheeler: Very good, this is the first reading of a non emergency ordinance. Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: Isn't it an emergency? You're right sorry, mistake in my notes. I just want to thank Lauren McGuire the asset manager for Portland parks and recreation who's here, former parks director Mike Abbate has been a strong supporter of this site throughout his time with the city, current interim director Kia Selley is also right on board. So we will continue powering right ahead, thank you again for all of your partnerships.

Wheeler: Very good, this is the first reading of a non emergency ordinance, it moves to second reading. Next item folks we are moving item number 607 in to this slot, can read item 607.

Item 607.

Wheeler: Colleagues our next item on the agenda is the final report for Portland's involvement in the Bloomberg what works city's initiative. A lot of people out there may think that government and innovation don't always go in the same sentence or at least not neatly, this next 30 minutes will prove them wrong. We have a packed agenda to highlight how in just a short amount of time Portland has built the capacity to turn data into information that can be used for critical decision making. There are big changes that we made with the help of this initiative, like the passage of the new open data city policy, excuse me the new open data policy, as well as changes that might seem small, but are in fact tremendously important such as the way we deliver construction procurement. I trust that most of my city commissioner's will be familiar with the progress that we're making with Gator sessions on housing development and 9-1-1 emergency response.

Fritz: Tell people what data is.

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Wheeler: Government accountability and transparency results sessions on housing development and 911 emergency response, but you might be surprised to learn how bureaus across the city are applying behavioral insights to make it easier to engage with city government. This report also highlights the often unsung grassroots efforts to help city staff to build skills and connections including the tableau user's group, the performance management champion's group and the pdx process improvement coffee hours, amongst others. This initiative has inspired a lot of new cross bureau collaboration as evidenced by the list of presenters from the city budget office, the bureau of planning and sustainability and Portland bureau of transportation, what's more, this report highlights the outstanding contributions of passionate and dedicated staff throughout the city. I believe we have a responsibility to ensure that public resources are used most efficiently and affectively while always considering equity. Our participation in what works cities has helped us achieve these goals. Director Scott and the rest of that what works city's team, I'm impressed with what you have been able to accomplish this far and I look forward to seeing what's next, director Scott.

Andrew Scott, Director, City Budget Office: Thank you mayor, Andrew Scott director of the city budget office. So I'm really excited to be here today and talk about this and talk about the work we've done during this engagement with Bloomberg's what works city's program. We put together the report that we're bringing to you today for two different reasons.

Fish: Andrew I just have to say I think its pretty outrageous that you're trying to credit for the \$188,000 metro grant.

Scott: I was going to start with I also appreciate the collaboration between the city and metro, that we put together today's report for two different reasons. One to document and highlight the great works that's been done so far and two to present a road map for the kind of work Portland should and really must continue to do going forward. And I know that you have a busy schedule today, but one of the reasons why we're taking time to walk through some of these highlights of the work is because these really are the good government stories that unfortunately are very difficult to get out to the public, they're not really being told by the media, they're difficult to communicate and we really need to take this opportunity to talk about this work and show people how we are making government better with real results.

Fish: Mayor can we just take one minute? When someone takes this trouble to do a powerpoint can we just give it a fighting chance to see whether we can upload it.

Wheeler: Is there a problem with the powerpoint.

Shannon Carney, City Budget Office: I think its on its way.

Moore-Love: They're looking for it.

Wheeler: Okay, great, thank you.

Fish: Well maybe when it comes we can do a quick catch up.

Scott: Yea, absolutely, what the report and what we're going to walk through in terms of the presentation it really does celebrate the achievements and using data evidence to improve the lives' of residents of Portland through this what works cities initiative. There is a slide which we will get up in a second, in terms of overall agenda, but today's presentation we are going to share the achievements of the last year and a half and talk about how city employees and employees in your bureaus busted out of their traditional silos to conduct this work over the last couple of years. And we're also going to share next steps, and how we can continue to use these practices to create better results for Portland's community. This has truly been a citywide effort as the mayor mentioned, as evidenced by the presenters you are going to hear from today and it's not just the city

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budget office and planning sustainability and transportation, we worked a number of other bureaus on this as well. At this point I will pause for a minute to see if we can get this.

Wheeler: Let's take a two-minute recess.

at 10:25 Recessed

at 10:31 Reconvened

Wheeler: Alright does the powerpoint work.

Scott: We are up and running.

Wheeler: Okay, we are back in session.

Scott: Thank you mayor, so we are on slide two in terms of the agenda and just actually finished that. You are going to hear from a number of people, and I will turn it over shortly to folks to talk through some of the specifics, so slide 3, in terms of what works city overview, what was the what works city initiative in the city of Portland? In Bloomberg what works city initiatives, was a three-year, \$42 million national initiative that was launched in April of 2015, and the goal was to help 100 Mid-sized American cities enhance their use of data and evidence to make government more effective. Portland was named a what works city in September of 2016, joining a prestigious network that already included Seattle, San Francisco, Boise, Las Vegas, Denver, Kansas City, New Orleans, and Anchorage. The city budget office and bureau of planning and sustainability led the initiative on behalf of the city and was endorsed by a council resolution in September of 2016. So how did the initiative work? And particularly how did it work here in Portland? I think that it's fair to say that everyone in government wants to use data and evidence in making decisions, but they often struggle to figure out exactly how to do that and that's exactly what the Bloomberg what works city's initiative was designed to do, provide guidance and coaching to local governments. At its core the initiative helped the city staff build their skills and capacity so they were able to make their own governments more effective. And the approach was not just to tell cities that this is the right way to work but actually to work alongside city staff and show us how we can solve real problems. The what works cities initiative was not a monetary grant. Instead the initiative paired Portland with expert technical assistance in a few different areas of opportunity. In Portland's case, we had a unique opportunity to work with five internationally renowned technical partners and one peer jurisdiction to build our own capacity to use data and evidence in different ways. We worked with the Sunlight Foundation, Results for America, the United Kingdom's Behavioral Insights Team, Denver's Peak Academy, Johns Hopkins GovX, and finally Harvard's Government and Performance Labs. All of that technical assistance that the city received was paid for by the Bloomberg Foundation. We also through this process gained a valuable peer network of other cities doing similar work. That network allows us to really get under the hood of city government and understand why initiatives succeed or fail in different cities and through this process, we can benchmark our own progress against some of the other leading cities in this area throughout the country, and frankly throughout the world. We hear a lot of talk about government needing to be more creative, more innovative, more data driven, and we hear about it so much that sometimes those concepts become buzz words, and they become easy to tune out. What you are going to hear about today is where the buzz words have become real, and what I have challenged the presenters today is to cut through that jargon and tell you and the public what this really means for them, bottom line, it means better services and better government. With that I will pass it onto Kevin Martin who will talk about open data and we will take the agenda from there.

Kevin Martin, Bureau of Planning and Sustainability: Thanks Andrew, thanks city council, I am Kevin Martin, leading the open data and smart city PDX programs out of the bureau of planning and sustainability. It's amazing, it has been a year since city council adopted the ordinance 188356 to establish an open data program in the city. I am here

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today to tell what you we have done since then and what we plan over the next three to six months with respect to that program. Some of the highlights of the program to date, a big one, and it took a while but we're happy that we got there is we did recruit an open data coordinator for the city, Hector Dominguez on my team who will really be leading this discussion with you all in the, and the public going forward on how we implement this program. We partnered with the u.c. Berkeley, a researcher out of u.c Berkeley to evaluate current data governance practices in the city, how are we using the data, where are the problems, how can we better capitalize on the data to inform our decision-making. We just had a report, that report wrapped up in May, she presented to our smart city steering committee, we're now looking at using that report to help us to guide this program over the next few months. We've also identified focus areas for implementation, so we are initially focusing on plan and stability, transportation, housing, and in partnership with the bureau of technology services, and we put together the initial members of the data governance team which will guide the implementation of the open data program going forward. And then where we focused most of our effort over the last really six months is piloting a centralized system for data management, recognizing the -- to be effective in the data sharing we first need to manage data better in the city, and if you recall, it was here in front of the city council talking about the Portland urban data lake, which is a partnership between bps, pbots, bts, Portland state university, Portland general electric, tri-met, metro and hopefully I am not missing anybody there, and also in collaboration with the cities of austin and denver to manage their data in a way that makes it easier to develop insight from it. That's foundational to our smart city, and the open data program and that pilot is moving forward officially we've been moving forward on several pilots, one with hack Oregon, one with a company called cloud-derra that will kick off next month. And so next steps over the next three to six months, we're going to work with data stewards in the bureaus to identify and create some initial data governance policies around how we share data, how we protect privacy, as we make data more available to the public and the private sector, we're going to begin to inventory data sets that we have as a city, we have done a pretty good job of inventorying our spatial data, our gis data and we are the envy of many other cities in that regard, but everything else is -- there is a lot of unknowns, so we're going to officially start inventorying data across the city. We're going to evaluate our current open data portals, we have a Portland map open data portal, and a civic apps open data portal, both with several hundred data sets that are available to the public. We are going to evaluate what's working and not working with those two portals and if we combine them into a single sort of point of entry for open data for the city of Portland. And then we're going to develop a community engagement strategy for how we really lead this conversation around data with the community and with the focus on equity, which is a priority of both our smart cities work and open data work. We are going to continue to test and evaluate puddle as the system data the management, we're planning on bringing a high level set of data privacy principles to the city council in September. So you will hear more about that soon and then we will be presenting you all with an annual report on the open data program looking at doing that in October. So much more to come on what we have and what we will be doing over the next few months. With that, I am going to turn it over to Shannon Carney for an update on the performance management.

Shannon Carney, City Budget Office: Perfect, thanks Kevin. I just want to know one thing how do you become a data steward? Anyway, you don't have to answer that. Okay. So I am Shannon Carney, I am the performance management analyst from the city budget office and I want to say a few words today about how we implemented the scope of work with government center for excellence, or gov-ex was the short name, one of the what works cities partners on performance management. So really you know, at the outset of

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the engagement with this initiative it's an interesting place to start with performance management because we have a fairly mature program when we compare ourselves to other mid-sized cities across the United States. We are convening gator sessions on important issues to the city, we have an online interactive city bureau performance dashboard, and we have a strong foundation for how we use performance data in the budget process. So know, initially the initiative came to town and said that you probably don't really need to work on performance management, but the interesting thing was, when we took a look, checked in with the bureaus about how they felt about their use of data and performance and it really brought to light the reality was that some bureaus have good access of data and use data proactively to manage their day to day operations, for others, that was not necessarily the case and at the bureau level we were challenged to work towards citywide goals. So really what we decided to do with this scope of work then is to build a strategy to strengthen our strategy and to provide a more effective management framework for the city. So starting with the gator program, we held gator sessions on a number of different issues, we worked on streamlining affordable housing development, and on increasing housing supply, we work on improving our 9-1-1 call response to national standards, we addressed the police patrol staffing, improving pedestrian safety and we have an upcoming session on the important topic of community livability. So just to hit on the successes with the gator sessions we worked with the supportive what works cities, one is around the housing development, and you know, this is a really big issue, and what we are trying to do is make development easier and faster for customers while maintaining equality in what we do as a city. One of those ways is we put the customer first in putting minor improvement permit processing online, as you can see with the graph there the update was immediate, so this was something where customers used to have to come into the development services center to get a small permit, now they can do that online, it saves them time. We also looked internally, so an important piece of development services is having staff to review those building plans and public works permits, right, so one thing that we noted is that our time to fill with recruitments, and this is really interesting data from BHR that we looked at in the session, was longer than we wanted it to be, we have seen by prioritizing this issue, across the bureaus, trying out new strategies we have seen the times drop in some cases by 10 to 15 days, and this is the most recent data.

Fritz: You're just looking at the development staffing those bureaus?

Carney: No, this is from the entire bureau, so it's more of an overview.

Fritz: What's the consideration on the equity issues? Cause sometimes, it's not the, some people may be more likely to be watching the neo gov site than others how do we make sure that we have that?

Carney: I think that that's a good question. That was not the particular focus, I mean, the focus of the session was on strategies to fill positions, that, you know, that the vacancies were causing, a slowdown in operations, the bureaus, themselves, do incorporate equity strongly into their processes. I think the goal is to have a reasonable time line for filling vacancies, while maintaining our commitment around equity and diversity and staffing.

Fritz: I think we do need to have a conversation if those two are at odds with one should trump.

Scott: Commissioner I think it's a great question and a great example of where we can use the data from before making changes to the process and after to really see whether it changed the nature of both who we were getting out applicant pool and who we were hiring and to the extent that we see a change we need to absolutely dig back in, on the other hand we may not see a change and we can still achieve our goals and speed up the hiring. That's a perfect example of how the more data we have when we look at these processes the more it will inform what we do.

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Fritz: Who will be responsible for getting that data?

Scott: So bhr has a fantastic new online dashboard that they are providing to every bureau that shows not just the time for their own recruitments within the bureau, but also shows the diversity of the applicant pool and the applicants who are hired, they have just rolled that out in the last few months, and relatively quietly, I think, to the bureaus, and I find, when I saw my dashboard, it's fantastic information that we did not have access to before.

Fritz: In terms of changing the process, has that is affected the outcomes as to who gets hired, who is responsible for looking at that data and figuring that out?

Scott: I think your question today will prompt us to go back and figure out exactly who should be responsible to look into it. I think it will be bhr in conjunction with the bureaus. I appreciate the question.

Carney: In looking at other sessions I just want to highlight a few more things on the gator front. So we have some really good success with our session on meeting national standards for 9-1-1 emergency response for the city, we actually saw calls taking times, the percentage of calls answered within 20 seconds which is the key measure for this area increased by over 4%, over just a very short time frame, it was a six-month check-in after that first session. So moving on, a second area that we worked with gov-ex was to improve the data because we can have management framework to this data, but if we don't have good data that we're looking at then that does not get us very far. So in order to improve our performance measures, we have done a couple of things, so one thing is we actually, we revamped the technical assistance to the bureaus because in most cases bureaus are collecting the data and developing their own measures and that really resulted in a lot of great measures in this last, new budget process for fy 18/19. We pursued, we received certification along an international standard for city metric, that's a really exciting, exciting development as well over the last year, so we joined, you know, only a few other u.s. cities in being able to compare our city data with the world stage with the iso, 37120, and finally and I think potentially most exciting, is that the city budget office will be launching a new Portland community survey in fy 18/19. That's exciting because this is the way that we have to go out to the community to understand our outcomes in certain areas, that are hard to measure.

Fish: Who's going to do that?

Carney: The city budget office will lead that work with the citywide project team.

Fish: Okay and let me just put a marker down on that because I think that we have had experience with the survey done by the.

Carney: Auditors office.

Fish: The auditor's office, the ombudsman person, and Andrew we have done a lot of robust conversations in this room and privately about what are the most important metrics and what does the public really care about and we know that if you ask people, they are going to say that they love fire and parks. It's probably the same in most cities probably, you know, hint in that direction, its partly because its what people experience most directly. They are grateful for a fire bureau that is there if there is a problem, and you know, we spend a lot of time in our public parks so it's sort of like you know if you went off the press clippings you would think that tri-met was the least popular institution in our community. Actually its the most popular institution. Why? Because so many people use it and are invested in it. So I would urge well before we even get to sort of the concept of a survey, that you engage the council in thinking about categories, kinds of questions, and I think that we also need to bring in, you know, dhm or someone to help us to frame the question so we are getting useful data and then because if we are going to do this the right way and

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put money behind it and have a bigger pool, then we have to be prepared to act on the results. So I want to make sure that the information that we get is as scientific as possible.

Scott: I really appreciate those comments, and that actually is part of the plan. We are consulting or will be in the near future with a number of city bureaus first, bringing that back to council just in draft form to sort of say this is the direction we're are going, get that feedback. It is going to be -- we are not going to rush through that because it is so important that we make sure the questions we're asking are the right ones so that the data that we get can be used well into the future to gauge what we are doing so absolutely. Thank you.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: I would add to that certainly with the experience of the police accountability and looking at how do you get actual, how do you get better data from communities of color and people who are more affected by the police actions? That professional polling is the way to go. In addition to what you said commissioner Fish, which I totally endorse, the questions noted, but who is asked and how they are asked and I don't know, there's been some experience with professional polling reaching out to the communities of color, immigrant refugee communities with the co-op process. We would need to be very careful that whoever we employ is going to have that expertise.

Scott: Absolutely, thanks

Fritz: Thanks.

Carney: Great. All right. Thank you. So I just want to close with our last strategy that we had, yes, next slide. I have advanced the slide, so really the last thing that we did with what works cities was we worked on fostering a larger culture of performance across the city, and we convened several citywide groups, to help support the bureaus and employees that are doing this work. The first I want to highlight the tableau user group, this is a group that we started with parks and recreation department, brings analysts together to share knowledge and build skills around data visualization and data analysis.

Technology in this area changes really fast so employees, so these employees have been able to support each other and actually train each other on how to use this software, employees in the tableau user group have developed dashboard that you've actually seen here in council. One is the office of equity and human rights demographics dashboard another you will be seeing tomorrow with the adopted budget dashboard that we have for fy 18/19 adopted budget, and host scores of dashboards meant for internal management use. So in the next step, we're looking to adopt tableau server to improve our security and sharing of management data across the bureaus. The other group I want to highlight is the performance management champions group. This group is meant to support and help employees that are working to do performance management in their own bureaus so to actually overcome the obstacle that we have as an organization, and be more successful, do more with the resource that is we have for the community. So with that, I think that we have a whole new round of folks to talk more about the scope of work, about low-cost evaluation next.

Fritz: What the task that the what works cities tell you to put a bird on it or was that a Portland addition?

Carney: That was Portland.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Katie Shifley, City Budget Office: Good morning, I am Katie Shifley with the city budget office.

Lindsey Maser, Bureau of Planning and Sustainability: Lindsey Maser, planning and sustainability.

Wheeler: Thank you.

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Shifley: Over the last year we worked with the behavioral insight team also known as the nudge unit. They started as a small office in the u.k. government and now help governments all over the world to reassign services to be people friendly and cost efficient. While other cities did two to three projects with the behavioral insights team, we actually ended up doing ten. That's because we had a fantastic response from across the city from program staff who wanted to use the tools to improve the programs. What we learned over the past year is that small changes can have a really big impact. With each project that we did, we made small tweaks to existing programs, and have seen it provide a better experience for Portlanders and also city staff. The approach we used did two things, first we used what we know about the behavior and decision-making to make services easier for Portlanders to understand and to use and then second we test these new ways of doing things so we can find out what really works.

Maser: One of our first projects was making bds code enforcement letters easier to understand. We simplified the language, highlighted what the recipient needed to do and provided clear steps to resolve the problem. In another project, we made it easier for people to sign up for Multnomah county's track your ballot service. Instead of sending people to a website and then to sign-up form we tried sending people directly to the signup form. It turns out that by reducing the process by one click, 42% more people signed up for that service. We also focused on messages that motivated people to take action. One project we worked with pbem to encourage city staff to prepare for a natural disaster, we created a user friendly check list and e-mailed it to all employees, trying out a few messages. We found that 24% more staff were motivated to download the checklist after being reminded that Portlanders will be counting on them to help to get the city up and running after a natural disaster.

Shifley: We did a similar test with the police bureau this, time looking at which messages were most likely to motivate new recruits. We sent out 16,000 postcards and while the overall response rate was low as we would expect with a big ask like changing one's profession it was a low cost with the helpful test what messaging actually works. The police departments here and around the country have tended to use messages about community and the challenge of the job to attract new recruits, but the behavioral response team has found the messages about salary and benefits have been more successful at attracting new officers especially candidate of people of color and women and we actually found the same effect here in Portland with the salary and benefits message being over four times as effective as receiving no postcard at all and more effective than the other messages we tested as well.

Maser: One of the other things that we found is the importance of getting messages out to people at the right time. We worked with bike town as they sent out postcards encouraging people to try this service. They sent half the postcards to people who lived in a neighborhood where a new bike town station had recently been added. The other postcards went to people who had recently moved into a neighborhood that already had a bike town station. We found people who had just moved were four times as likely to try bike town and that's because when you just moved you are not yet as set in your regular routines of how you get to work or to the store, so you are more open to trying new things. In all of our projects we tried to make our programs more user friendly, understanding the people are busy and have better things to do than wade through bureaucratic language. The final project will share as a great example of this. The police bureau's false alarm staff wanted to make their letters more user friendly and just more friendly in general so we worked to rewrite their notification letter. Simplifying the language and providing tips to avoid future false alarms. We don't have the data in yet but so far staff have noted that

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people have a better understanding when they call in, and one customer complimented the new letter while another apologized for using police time to respond to their false alarm.

Shifley: Beyond the insight we gained from these specific projects we have also been able to build internal capacity and excitement for applying the tools to the city of Portland in addition to running over three times as many projects in other city's a number of projects were led by a front line staff who see the value of the work to improve the programs. Across the world governments are rapidly expanding their use of behavioral insights to strengthen policies and programs, d.c., chicago, new york city, all have established behavioral insight teams and they've used nudges to improve all kinds of outcomes from increasing uptick of low income assistance programs, to reducing traffic congestion. So what's next for the city of Portland? This past year has served as a solid proof of concept, while the city's contract with the behavioral insights team has come to an end we are exploring opportunities. Staff are excited about continuing this work and in fact we are scoping a project with the revenue division that we hope to launch in the next couple weeks with additional resources and executive support the city can scale these efforts and continue to make the services people friendly and cost effective and with that unless you have questions.

Fish: I have two questions if I could. A couple of years ago I went before either the gator or its predecessor, and I made a request that we pull to go from every bureau every standardized notice that goes out. Advising someone that they have done something wrong. That's usually accompanied by either a warning, an action, and or fine, and my particular interest at that point was to make sure we used identical standard, easy to understand language in the correspondence about the right to challenge that action, and since the council has worked with the auditor to waive most of the fees I want to make sure there is standardized language, do we know whether we've made any progress in that and have the bureaus been cooperating in providing their templates so that someone can make sure that they are all consistent in terms of the notice they give to our customers?

Shifley: That's a great question. I am not sure about the exact progress on that standardized language issue, but I do know that every bureau that we worked with has been very forthcoming and saying, admitting that like our forms are not that great, we have not looked at them in a while and we are excited about taking, taking steps to make the language more simple, easier for people to understand and make the actions steps very clear and to the degree that there is standard language that should be in all those things that would be very easy to incorporate into this work.

Fish: So one of the things that always drives me crazy in this job is that we work very long hours, we are out in the community talking to people, and often the biggest self inflicted wound is the way that the city communicates with our stakeholders and the public we serve. And you know, you can beat a form and someone is upset about something but it could also be because just a day before they got a notice about, for example, the problem with the sidewalk, and they weren't able to understand the letter or figure out the next steps and it wasn't clear what the recourse was. So mayor, I would urge since you are a champion of the gator process that on this one, you just direct that every bureau furnish to some centralized authority all those standardized type of letters that go out that contain any kind of fine or warning or whatever, and just let's start maybe with making sure that we have all agreed across the bureaus in the same language that says, you have the right to appeal this, the city has a policy of waiving fee's or has waived the fee, or whatever, here's who you contact, I like what you said earlier about small changes with big impacts. That's a customer service type of thing, that's one thing. The second thing is, someone told me recently that in the November election, statewide, 70% of the voters will be over the age of 50. Think about that for a second. That's from the top consultant in Oregon saying that

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they expect that 70% of the voters will be 50 years or older. So the principle tool that we use as a state to facilitate the election process is we send out a voters' pamphlet. The conspicuous feature about the voters pamphlet statement that most people over the age of 50 can't read it. While it's, you know, it's incredibly helpful in terms of jamming a lot of information in a small piece, which is an art to doing that, the fact is that the font size is completely at odds with the likely viewers or the audience of that document. I don't know offhand what the data is on who reads it. Most people I know who read it particularly in races where they just don't have any clue one way or another, like ballot measures and even some uncontested races. So think about that 70% of the voters are over 50 and yet we send out a voters pamphlet statement that most older adults can't read unless they have a magnifying glass or they have their reading glasses on or something, and what a statement about accessibility? So the other piece that I want to put on the table is elders in action has been our partner for a long time and they have also been one of our loudest critics about the way that we put together information that older adults see. The three primary concerns they raise are font and yes, it costs more to pump up the font in the same documents so the answer is, it will cost a bit more check. The way the information is put together is it's confusing or is it simplified. The third thing, which was not self-evident to me, although I guess I'm getting closer to their target audience, is that we have this bad habit of listing like 20 phone numbers you can call because we're rally smart, we want everyone to have the phone book and their message is please just put one phone number so that the 80-year-old woman who gets this, who's a widow sitting at home, there's one number to call cause she's not going to be able to figure out ten numbers or have the patience to go through that. The other thing I would urge us to do in addition to standardizing some things and using gator to have the cao require each bureau hand them in, we'll do a quick analysis to upgrade them, is that we go to the next level here and make sure older adults can understand what we send out. I can tell you because we got kind of beat up at water on one document and it was a low income discount document that went to a lot of older adults. I have never seen such withering commentary we got back. I was so grateful we had a partner that could tell us, but the big change, came is it costs more to go from this to this except what we ended up with was actually like what your presentation points out is gets a better response, easier to understand. I applaud the work you're doing and urge us to look for standardized appeal language and to remember that older adults are often the ones that don't -- aren't able to read or interpret some of the stuff we send out and we ought to have a special focus on making sure our documents are age friendly.

Shifley: Absolutely.

Michael Kerr, Portland Bureau of Transportation: Good morning, everyone. Michael Kerr from pbot, I manage our office of strategy innovation and performance and I am here today to provide you with an overview of an effort we kicked off roughly eight months ago and just concluded around two weeks ago with the Harvard government performance lab to do some exploration on whether or not results driven contracting could benefit us from a bureau's perspective in terms of two of our biggest priorities, which are delivering fixing our streets projects within the annual deadlines as well as speeding efficiency by which we deliver capital projects in general to the public. Let me say from the outset this is a bureau initiating the investigation of the procurement process but we have been working hand in hand with central procurement. From the beginning we met with Larry Pelatt at the time around what we were trying to do. He was all in favor of us wanting this review and we have been working hand in hand with them from the very beginning. Before I dive in, the innovation approach that my office utilizes in the innovation approach that has guided this work to start with a big idea. In this case speed up construction procurement process. That's not a simple problem, there's no simple solution. We know. That we knew that from

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the outset but we have to tackle this because when comes to capital project delivery in general and how we procure and provide construction services we know we have to get better and to that end we knew we had to dive in. So with that we unpacked this problem and are starting small. We're doing some very small improvements, small meetings, small collaboratives. That's our method of proceeding. We're gathering data through this investigation and adjusting our approach as we go. That's how we will continue to do this and as I said before we are doing this in lock step with central procurement. As far as what this effort set out to achieve, the over all dual purpose was obviously to advance our ability to deliver the results that we set out to deliver via our construction efforts across the bureau, and to do so by speeding up the procurement process. At the same time we wanted to explore how results driven contracting might benefit us and how these mechanisms these collaborative data driven mechanisms might actually enable us to better our relationship with central procurement, better understanding, things along those lines. To do that what we set out to achieve were three specific out coming. The first was to do a formal deep dive review into the construction procurement process to explore what was working, what's not working, where improvements might exist, where were the breakdowns occurring, where were the bottlenecks, so on, so forth. When we talk about data driven approaches this is the data gathering process that has fed everything that we have lined up, the implementation plans, et cetera, as we move forward. The second was to pilot active procurement management, this is gpls tool, their method and again when it breaks down to what the real tangible aspects are, it's around getting around the table, having conversations, truly collaborating around best practice and how we can execute when it comes to soliciting goods and services. Then finally, we wanted to dig deep into our dmwesb minority vendor solicitations to understand what was working, what wasn't and to get out into that community to try to understand where we were being effective, where we weren't and how we can improve those relationships. Before I go into what we're trying to do about what we found let me give you a quick overview of what we did find when we dove into the procurement process. Across the board every interviewee, the consensus was, yes, we agree we need to improve. Let me start from there. How they suggested we improve broke down into three specific themes. The first fairly obvious but when you get into it the communication between bureaus in this case central procurement and us, pbot, fundamentally broke down too often throughout the process. First when you look at volume and workload impacts in our case how many projects are we going to pitch over to central procurement on given dates wasn't well known at any given time and we weren't very good necessarily at being proactive in informing them what we were going to pitch over the fence as far as workload and when central procurement receive these and allocate them how they handle the various projects that we're pitching over, that was unclear to us. So back and forth it's creating a black box effect by where we're pitching over projects we assume they can get done but they can't because they didn't know they were coming and this is way too many to handle given the capacity we have on us from other bureaus. Prioritization we were not very good at communicating what was highest priority. In a set of 20 projects what comes first, what comes second when it gets down to the nuts and bolts what we really need to get out there today given political, societal or just bureau needs. Then finally, procurement planning in terms of how we solicit, how we group various projects, how we go out to bid. In large part based on inherent embedded assumptions, things we had done ten years ago, five years ago, last year, we know the law does change. We identify new and better ways of doing procurement and this is where we definitely needed to work better with our procurement specialists within the construction procurement group in central procurement to understand how do we proceed? How do we do this? They are there, they are the experts, let's rely on them for that service. Quickly

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this goes without saying, we in pbob didn't really know how the process worked. It wasn't well documented which is the last point on here or if documentation was there it was outdated and as I said on the prior thread we were on the prior thread we assumed things to be the case when it doesn't work that way. When you get to sending things over to central procurement they are seeing a lot of variability in terms of how things were prepared from a bid book perspective which leads to immense amounts of return immense amounts of past back, of things going back and forth, back and forth in terms of edits, us thinking things were allowable when they were not. It was happening throughout across our engineering groups, capital projects groups and central procurement and when you look at it holistically something needed to happen to fix this issue. Then finally, dmwesb vendor communication and engagement, we went out to the community, we met with the minority contractor associations and spoke to them directly from our pbob perspective how were the things we were trying to do, how were they working. Let me start by saying the prime contractor development program is incredibly popular amongst this community but they will say flat out that it is not enough. It's only one program and there's only one person in that program running that and there's an immense need and they really want more from us. So from our bureau perspective in terms of us getting out and really promoting --

Wheeler: Can I interrupt you? Kids, where are you from?

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Wheeler: Excellent, welcome to Portland city hall. Are you enjoying your tour?

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Wheeler: Glad to have you. This is the city council. This is what we do. [laughter] thanks for being here. We appreciate it. Sorry, Michael, go ahead.

Kerr: No problem. Long story short we knew we had work to do, they needed us to be out there more mentoring, communicating, being proactive in terms of informing them of what's coming up, hot construction market. They have a lot on their plates, these are independent contractors, when we pitch over a project two days ahead of time they don't have time to respond. You'll see on the next slide we're working to fix this issue.

Fritz: I'm really glad you have that both as a goal and an outcome and then doing the extra work on it. Thank you.

Kerr: You're welcome. We're setting goals which we are going to actively pursue. So as far as our response goes it breaks down to three focus areas, I will say again with lester spitler on board we have met, spoken about this, he's with us on piloting these efforts. With respect to coordination with central procurement we're setting up by monthly meetings where we get around the table, talk about what's coming up, how we can handle it, this is that volume work load conversations what happens in real time so we walk out of that meeting with an understanding of what's possible. We are establishing a strategic annual procurement meeting where we sit down and we present all projects for that year and how we might go about procuring that and this is soliciting the professional expert perspective from the central procurement specialists around how we might do this so that we don't have to adjust course mid year late in the year around how we're going to procure so we know up front how we're going to do this. Finally we're going to train and we're going to get central procurement in the room with us to make sure we all start from the same baseline perspective. In terms of internal alignment just briefly we're going to prioritize, we're going to be better at communicating with central procurement about what we have, what's top priority and what we need to get done and what time frames and what our expectations are. Finally with dmwesb, we were lucky through this budget approval process to get ourselves a position in the adopted budget who will focus exclusively on dmwesb contracting, that is their sole job. So they will be out there in the community, ongoing outreach, promoting our projects and ensuring that we're attending the meetings, we're

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getting there early in the morning and we are mentoring these vendors. We're also with central procurement actively looking at the data, constantly keeping pace of our utilization, how are we doing on a project by project basis this will be an ongoing effort. I'll cap it off there and just wanted to again thank central procurement for their work with us and lastly day we're going to pilot these efforts, prove out what works. I know from Lester Spittler when we find things that are working we're looking and willing to scale this up to other infrastructure bureaus as well so they can benefit from the work that we have done.

Wheeler: Very good. Thank you.

Scott: One more item, two minutes to wrap up and we will finish.

Jane Marie Ford, City Budget Office: Jane Marie Ford city budget office. We're going to talk briefly about our final engagement related to processing improvement, grouping employees with a new toolkit to do their work more efficiently, effectively and equitably. We alongside the bureau of human resources were excited to work with Denver Peak Academy, the program drew lean and Six Sigma to create a process improvement methodology specifically geared for government. They started small but in a few years they have trained over half the city work force and have saved and reinvested over \$15 million through process improvement. So over the last 18 months we have adapted and shared process improvement training with primarily front line staff across the city. These employees are using skills to reduce wait times, streamline approval processes, eliminate unnecessary paper, collect better data, reduce barriers to access and other small and large improvements that translates to savings of time, dollars and frustration.

Aaron Kaufman, City Budget Office: Aaron Kaufman, city budget office. To date we have trained over 40 city staff providing them with a shared tool kit, language and vision. We have also established support system that includes not only formal training but ongoing technical support and importantly a community of process improvement champions who meet regularly to collaborate, share ideas and problem solve. Participants are currently working on projects throughout the city and we want to highlight just one that illustrates how this helps breakdown silos, eliminate waste and improve outcomes for everyone involved. Staff from the bureau of environmental services who attended our December 2017 workshop wanted to shorten their bureau's lengthy recruitment and hiring process. They reached out to BHR to help and you can see the complex process map and other tools the team used to identify problems causes and solutions. This problem is still ongoing, but BHR is already seeing significant efficiencies and since PDEX process improvement brings together staff from multiple bureaus lessons learned from this project are spreading throughout the city. Examples like this show how process improvement champions are making real changes in their bureaus in both small and big ways. We are seeing improvement built by driven staff to make Portland not just a city that works but the city that works better. Thank you for your time.

Scott: Two quick things to wrap up. Thank you everyone for walking through that. We wanted to give a sense of the overall breadth of what we're able to do under the what works city program. I want to first tie this back a little bit throughout all of this we talked about some of the different savings that can occur. One thing the mayor did as part of the 18/19 budget was ask bureaus to spend the next 12 months finding efficiencies, finding 1% of their budget that could be saved through exactly the kind of efforts that we're talking about today. Not reductions in front line services, not reductions in things that the community will see or feel, but things we can do internally to improve our processes, to improve our revenue collection, to make other changes that can improve the way we provide government and in effect save money. This is one of those opportunities and I really hope as bureaus go through this process they look back at some of the lessons learned and we had a lot of bureaus participate so they already have staff trained in

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process improvement and trained in other techniques that will help them. I think that's one of the things that, the ways that we can turn this into actual budget savings moving forward. Two, I hope this effort has shown with actual hard data the benefits of doing this work. As a result we're hoping that you, council, continue to support the work going on in the bureaus and push your own bureaus to do more of this. We really need to figure out how to make this a part of Portland's culture where we always ask the question first why are we doing that, then ask the follow-up question, if we're doing it for a good reason how can we do it better? I think what you heard today from staff, this work is really hard, its very detailed, its very nerdy good government stuff. It's frankly not sexy, it doesn't get a lot of public play but it's incredibly vital to frankly building trust of our community in city government that we'll be providing services in the best way possible. With that thank you for your time. Again, I'm getting really excited about this stuff. Thank you for listening. We're happy to take any questions you have.

Wheeler: Any further questions, colleagues?

Fish: Andrew, is this your last appearance before council?

Scott: We'll be adopting the budget tomorrow afternoon.

Fish: Okay, good.

Wheeler: Very good, I'll entertain a motion.

Fritz: Move to accept the report.

Fish: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion and second. Karla please call the roll.

Fish: Well, thank you for an excellent presentation and it's important work. I think one of the significant challenges that we're going to have is translate this work into a narrative that the people we serve understand and find compelling. Having just been on the campaign trail for eight or nine months there's something fairly humbling about spending a lot of time in this building talking about the stuff that we talk about then going out and hearing the concerns that people have day-to-day. There's a grand canyon that separates sort of the day-to-day stuff we do and what you're likely to hear from people in their backyards about what they care about and I think one of our challenges is to continue to narrow that gap. We do that by using language which is accessible and we do it by understanding better what people really care about then delivering those services. In this work, Andrew, the great opportunity is to translate this into here's why this matters. Not because we get a gold star from someone or something else, but I like what you said earlier about Denver saving millions of dollars then plowing them into other things. That's not a narrative that we fill very often. I remember senator proxmire used to have a monthly award called the golden fleece award. He would talk about the greatest example of waste and fraud and abuse in federal government. It didn't do a great job of burnishing the credentials of the federal government. Maybe there's a way we can not only make progress on these worthy goals, but find a way to talk to the public about it so it's relevant. We did this not just because Harvard says it's the right thing to do but because we saved some money and as a result we were able to lower your rates or whatever. The more we connect this to people's day-to-day lives and their experience the better. I'm excited by what you have launched and left behind. Certainly very committed to seeing this work through. Thank you all. Aye.

Eudaly: Thanks for the report. These are all admirable goals and it sounds like progress was made, but I have to admit from where I stand I feel like we have barely scratched the surface. I'm concerned about how we move forward with these efforts now that the funded portion of the initiative is over. The gator sessions have been particularly enlightening to me particularly about how important it is if we want to accelerate permitting process in housing development that all our permitting bureaus are staffed up and all our permitting

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bureaus are collaborating with each other and I think we have made inroads but we're not there yet. As far as the hiring timelines I just want to point out that for some of these bureaus we just simply can't compete with the private market in the midst of a housing boom, and the good news-bad news is you're the end of that cycle, so maybe we won't need to staff up after all. I'm particularly frustrated with the city's website, it is not user-friendly, it's not particularly accessible, it feels really outdated and I know that there's some kind of pilot project plan for a couple pieces of it but I'm very interested in seeing a grand plan for the whole site. I mean, to be honest, I avoid sending people to our website as much as possible. In particular mine because it's embarrassing to me. Coming from the private sector, working with very limited resources, I feel like what I was able to do in my previous career was often more advanced than what I'm able to do here with limitations placed upon us. I just wanted to say those things out loud in front of everyone so you know I'm really interested in this work that I'm going to be watching and pushing for bureaus to continue and please count me in if there's a conversation about overhauling the website. I would love to participate in that. Aye.

Fritz: Thank you for all your work. It has been a multi bureau effort. I'm proud that Portland parks and recreation helped start the tableau user group back in 2015 under my direction. It has been helpful to us and there's a lot of challenges in figuring out how bureaus work, how commissioners can work together. How the city as a whole can act as one. The question, of course, is works better for who. Commissioner Fish pointed out for people who are aging having the font size big enough is a fairly basic thing. Also who else is unfairly impacted or disproportionately impacted and how can we help those folks access the services that the city offers. So I appreciate all of the efforts that are going into this and I look forward to continuing to participate. Aye.

Wheeler: I'm very proud of this effort. I'm proud of the work that has been undertaken. I'm absolutely thrilled that we had a number of bureau leaders who embraced this work and saw the importance of it. In my mind it has four primary improved outcomes. Number one it improves efficiency. Number 2, it improves our cost-effectiveness. Number 3, it significantly improves community engagement. Number 4, it improves cross-bureau collaboration. These are all things that the public assumes we are doing anyway, but the reality is this work highlights that there are many instances where we have to work with intentionality and in partnership amongst bureaus and agreeing on systems collaborations and standardization of policies across bureaus. Things that frankly don't come very easily under this form of government. So we have to be intentional about the structures that we put into place and the role for the council here is to set a clear expectation that we don't silo expertise on the council commissioner to commissioner to commissioner but instead imbue values into bureaus that we collectively agree on as strategic leaders in this community and then make sure that each of the bureaus has all of the skill sets and the system sets and the standardization process in place for them to be able to do the work that we collectively ask them to do. It shouldn't matter at the end of the day whether I'm the utilities commissioner or Nick is the utilities commissioner. As a council we should have a clear understanding of where the utilities are going, have broad agreement on what they are doing, and have set up the system so that if Nick and I need to switch roles quickly we can do it and it's not disruptive from the perspective of the client, the customer, the end user, the people that we represent. So I think this is fabulous work. I'm thrilled that Bloomberg and Harvard and other great partners saw Portland as a worthy place for this and were willing to invest collectively in our efforts. I'm just glad there was a leadership team here that rose to the occasion and saw the value. I think this is great work and I agree it needs to be continued. I vote aye. The report is accepted. Thank you. Colleague I'm going to dice things up a bit. We're going to lose commissioner Eudaly, she's going to

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represent the council at an important community engagement in 17 minutes. So I would like us to if possible be a little more quick particularly with the emergency ordinances. We have four before us today. I'm going to ask commissioner Fritz please to lead us on 596, then I want to move the police bureau in line next since they have to my count three emergency ordinances. As people give presentations I would like you to think about being as succinct as possible while still conveying the necessary information. 596.

Item 596.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: Loren, how desperately do we need this done this week? It's a shame to not tell the community about this project simply because we're about to lose a quorum.

Lauren McGuire, Portland Parks and Recreation: We need it.

Fritz: Okay. This is another fix our parks bond thank you to voters for passing the bond. The pool at peninsula park community center is over 100 years old. Many parts have been replaced but most the pool still needs repair this bond project will replace the gutters, eliminate hazards, fully seal the pool shell, replace all the pool mechanical equipment and provide Americans with disabilities act upgrades to make the pool more accessible to all users. Thank you to asset manager Lauren McGuire and her team for getting this done.

Lauren McGuire, Portland Parks and Recreation: Hello mayor wheeler, members of council. My name is Lauren McGuire, asset and development division manager for Portland patches. Jill Hutchinson the capital project manager is ill today, so she is unable to be here. We're here to amend the price agreement with ffa architecture and interiors for additional compensation to perform professional, technical and expert services during the permitting bid and construction phases of the peninsula park center pool improvements for \$107,500. The peninsula park center pool improvement project is a bond project funded by the parks replacement bond as commissioner Fritz said, which passed with the support of 70% of voters in 2014. The \$68 million bond focuses on repair and replacement of most urgent needs in our park system. It includes repair and replacement of playgrounds, pools, rest rooms, trails, bridges, recreation centers, maintenance facilities, accessibility improvements and resolution of other deficiencies throughout the system. This particular project falls into the pool's theme which aims to prevent emergency pool closures, to stop water leaks and to improve energy efficiency and we have \$6.8 million committed to this particular category. Peninsula pool is in north Portland at the intersection of rosa parks way and albina street. The pool has been a landmark of summertime fun for north Portlanders over a century. The outdoor pool was built in 1912 and the community center in 1913. The pool was enclosed with the community centers courtyard walls and the space in the basement became the pool mechanical system so while the mechanical equipment has been upgraded over the years the filtration and circulation systems still rely on filters, valves and piping installed in 1959. Pool water that enters the gutter is combined, goes into combined wastewater system and poll walls and do not meet current state or federal code requirements because the walls are sloped in the wrong direction and expose piping within the pool is an entrapment hazard. The goal of the improvements project is to upgrade the pool and the mechanical equipment while maintaining the character and historical significance of the community center. Once constructed there will be a new mechanical building on the pool deck to house the new pool equipment resulting in more hygienic and safe experience for pool users, and a greatly improved energy efficiency. The pool shell will be improved with new gutters to eliminate the current one from the pool deck to the water surface. Slope pool walls with straight walls and exposed piping will be removed and new piping installed behind the pool walls. We'll also be shelling the pool to provide greater accessibility and safety for users. The project will also address ada deficiencies by regrading the pool deck, revamping the ramp at the pool entrance and

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adding a chairlift at the edge of the pool. The total budget for the project is \$40,090,000 with combined fund from the bond \$3.2 million and thank you the sdc funds \$890,000. The sdc portion of the funds will be used to shell the pool of the new lighting and new wheelchair lift. Ffa architects and interiors is under contract with Portland parks and recreation via an on-call price agreement with a not to exceed amount of \$250,000. Total increase in the price agreement is due to design bid permit construction of the new shelling of the pool, design bid permitting constructing a new mechanical building on the pool deck and resolving permitting issues and then a construction contingency. The first two items are the work increase the contract amount to \$312,500, which was 25% more than the original budget. Now ppr is requesting approve to increase the oncall price agreement to \$420,000, which represents a 68% increase over the original contract amount. On the screen you'll see that we have been very busy in the bond program with all these -- we finished Lents playground, Ventura, maple trail bridge, grant pool, matt dishman and many others. We're looking forward to construction that you see on the screen. So our purpose today is to request that the council give the chief procurement officer the authority to amend the price agreement with ffa architecture and interiors for an additional compensation to perform professional, technical and expert services for the peninsula park new center pool for \$107,500. That concludes the presentation. We'll take any questions.

Wheeler: I'm sorry, commissioner Eudaly did you have a question? I had a couple. I'm sure you said it and I missed it. Assuming we approve this when would the construction actually start?

McGuire: We're hoping to start she is finishing up the drawings now we hope to start this next year.

Wheeler: So is there an anticipated rough completion date yet?

McGuire: 2019.

Wheeler: So in time to go swimming in 2019.

McGuire: Right.

Wheeler: Fabulous, that's exciting, that's great news. Any further questions on this item? Very good. Public testimony?

Moore-Love: Joe signed up, but I believe he left. He did leave.

Wheeler: Good. So this is an emergency ordinance. Anything else to share before we call the roll?

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

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

Fritz: Recently a somewhat scathing article in the st. John's review about parks not investing in north Portland. So we did a quick summary of all of the investments made both with the bond measure and system development charges, and over five years I have been the parks commissioner comes to over \$23 million. That compares with about \$63 million in east Portland. North Portland is also an area with a lot of low income folks, multi-cultural community and I'm very happy we're able to invest in improvements. This is the second pool that's over 100 years old that we have been able to do with the fix our parks bonds. The grant pool was done first. I'm happy north Portland is getting its turn. Thank you to parks staff and to the voters for approving the fix our parks bond measure. Aye.

Wheeler: So I'm enthusiastically supportive of this, I'm greatly appreciative of the fact, commissioner, that we have been able to work out a strategy for actually funding it, living up to a commitment made to the public and protecting and preserving what I think is a fantastic community asset for at least another generation or two. I enthusiastically vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Colleagues, next we're going to move item 600 into the queue. It has just been brought to my attention that both of the items pulled off the consent

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agenda are also emergency items but I have talking points for both. I think we can dispose of them quickly as well. So, item 600 Karla.

Item 600.

Wheeler: Colleagues, house bill 3194 was passed by the Oregon legislature in order to invest in local evidence-based practices to reduce prison population growth and recidivism. State general fund dollars saved through diverted prison growth are distributed instead to participating counties. The Multnomah county justice reinvestment program, sometimes called mcjrp, is a partnership between Multnomah county, the city of Portland, Troutdale, Gresham and Fairview, created to guide and implement house bill 3194 programs in Multnomah county. In 2014, the city council passed ordinance 186770 to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with Multnomah county. We provided one full-time Portland police bureau officer to mcjrp with a compensation of \$152,043.59 from the county. This expired at the end of fiscal year 2015. In 2016, the council passed ordinance 187628 to extend the iga until end of the fiscal year 2017 with an annual compensation of \$115,000. This ordinance is a request to extend the intergovernmental agreement to the end of the fiscal year, 2019, and to set the county compensation request at \$70,918 for fiscal year 2017-18 and \$146,860 for fiscal year 2018-19 to cover the cost of the assigned Portland police bureau officer. We have gentlemen here from the police bureau to answer any questions that you may have related to this item. I don't even know what your voices sound like today. Any public testimony on this item?

Moore-Love: No one signed up.

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

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

Fritz: The multi talented Cristina Nieves worked on this project on house bill 3194 when she was working for then Multnomah county chair Marissa madrigal. This program is particularly important to folks in my office and we greatly appreciate the partnership. This is so much better to use money that would otherwise go for incarceration to helping people recover their lives. Thank you for your work. Aye.

Wheeler: Proven program. I support it. Glad you do too, I vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Next item 601.

Item 601.

Wheeler: Colleagues vca southeast Portland animal hospital is the only known veterinarian clinic within the city of Portland providing routine veterinary care. The Portland police bureau k-9 unit provides service coverage to the city on a 24/7, 365 day a year basis. By renewing the contract, k-9 handlers have access to the vca southeast Portland animal hospital which is open 24 hours a day, which saves the city of Portland substantial money in overtime costs for vet visits as handlers can drop in for a majority of their assigned k-9s' appointments or examinations during their work shift no matter what time or day of the week. Renewing the contract with vca allows the police bureau to access to a wide range of specialized veterinary services if needed. They can be billed through the contract as opposed to having to set up new contracts with other individual vet services saving both time and money for the bureau in fiscal services. Under contract with the vca, vet services for the police bureaus k-9 teams are offered at reduced rate, again saving money for the bureau and the city. We have gentlemen here including sergeant Jason Preston to address questions or concerns that you may have. Very good. I have a side note here that I would also like to just put on the record. Some might think of this later. Dove Lewis is open on a 24-hour basis but they focus on emergency care and critical care, not basic services. I just wanted to put that out there. We love dove Lewis and we just wanted to make that differentiation. Is there any public testimony on this item?

Moore-Love: No one signed up.

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

Fritz: I think most of us like to keep our current medical providers. I'm glad the dogs are getting continuity of care. Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. Ordinance is adopted. Item 602, please.

Item 602.

Wheeler: Colleagues, this contract continues the partnership between the Portland police bureau's behavioral health unit and cascadia behavioral health. Cascadia provides the clinicians that are part of each behavioral response team. The mission of the behavioral health response teams is to identify and connect individuals having frequent or high risk contact with the police bureau due to a known or suspected mental illness to community based mental health services. The bhrt that's the behavioral health response team consists of a uniformed police officer and a clinician. The professional clinician provides on-scene mental health assessment and evaluation and provides linkages to community resources. Much of the work involves bringing structure and coordination to the lives of individuals in crisis that previously had contact with the law enforcement system instead. The work with bhrt's work with individuals referred to the behavioral health unit. Bhrt's work with individuals referred to the behavioral health unit. Bhrt's follow-up when individuals are not in crisis to connect them to appropriate treatment and/or community resources. The goal of the intervention and linkage, is to reduce the individual's contact with the police bureau and the criminal justice system. Goals include reducing risk factors, reducing frequency of police contact, and connecting individuals to appropriate community services. Bhrt's have access to stabilization beds, individuals referred to the bhrt's often experienced periods of unstable housing providing a stable place to live can improve the connectivity to appropriate services. Thank you, gentlemen, for being here. Anything that was not in my talking points that should be added?

Fritz: I have a question.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: This increases the contract by \$525,000. Is that to pay for the current staff for next year?

Bob Del Gizzi, Portland Police Bureau: It's for the, this is Bob Del Gizzi police fiscal services, it's to pay for the existing level plus an additional two clinicians. My understanding is that it would cover the three existing plus two.

Fritz: That seems like not much money for five highly trained clinicians, \$525,000.

Del Gizzi: It would not seem, but that is the agreed upon amount between Cascadia.

Fritz: And mayor is that what we agreed to or will agree to in the budget tomorrow, an additional two behavioral health unit teams?

Wheeler: That's correct.

Del Gizzi: This is in addition to police personnel.

Fritz: I can't help but reflect on the disparate compensation for the police part of the pair and mental health part of the pair.

Wheeler: I'm all for strengthening the mental health safety net in this city. All for it.

Fritz: This is a one-year extension. As you look to renew it next year, I want to make sure that the clinicians as they grow more skilled in partnering with the police that those individuals are willing to continue on and that the compensation which I assume includes benefits doesn't seem -- seems like it may not be very generous or even adequate.

Wheeler: Good conversation to have with central city. Any public testimony?

Moore-Love: No one signed up.

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

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

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Wheeler: I think this is fantastic work and as we heard during I think eight hours of public budget testimony, people were very concerned as I know you are about the interactions with people in our community particularly those living on our streets but not exclusively. Those who are living with mental health issues and their interactions with first responders and public safety individuals and one of the most frequently requested items was more people who are actually clinicians having those interactions with people living on the streets. The reason the bhu it's so successful is that it has that pair. Yes, it has the police bureau first responder who is often called to the scene, but then there's also a professional mental health clinician who can help with that engagement in the interaction and as I indicated also follow up with those individuals once the situation has been deescalated. I am very pleased that chief outlaw strongly supports this model and would like to see the model expanded. I know that in the year ahead she's going to be sharing some ideas and thoughts that she has about how we could even beyond this model continue to improve our interactions with people living with mental health issues. So I enthusiastically vote aye. I'm very grateful for your work. Thank you very much. Next I believe we can read 603 and 604 together but we should vote on them separately. We can read them together.

Eudaly: I thought we were going to do the emergency items and the consent agenda.

Wheeler: You're right, I'm sorry. Let's hold off for just a moment and get to the consent agenda. Items that were pulled that are emergencies cause I want to get commissioner eudaly's vote prior to her departure. Please call 585.

Item 585.

Wheeler: The purpose of this legislation is to authorize application for the fiscal year 2018 urban area security initiative, otherwise known as uasi grant, from the department of homeland security through the Oregon military department office of emergency management. This is important because the grant funds will be used to help strengthen the regions, including the port of Portland, trimet, Multnomah, Clackamas, Washington and Columbia counties in Oregon and Clark county in Washington, to increase their capabilities in preparing for, mitigating and responding to wide scale emergencies and disasters. Think earthquake. The department of homeland security is designated the Portland metropolitan region as the core urban area in the state of Oregon. The Portland urban area encompasses Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington counties and clark county. The city of Portland has applied for and received department of homeland security uasi grant funds since 2003 and works through regional partners through the regional disaster preparedness organization, the rdpo, to coordinate, plan and execute training and exercises and procure equipment to respond to and recover from natural disasters and potential acts of terrorism. There is no match requirement at the local level for this grant. The Portland urban area's uasi funds are strategically aimed at building and maintaining a wide ranges of all hazard capabilities and are distributed through a rigorous process that includes dozens of jurisdictions and disciplines in the area of public safety, emergency management, public health and public works. Anything I missed?

Mike Phillips, Portland Bureau of Emergency Management: Good morning and no I couldn't have said it better myself.

Wheeler: Name for the record just so everybody knows.

Phillips: Mike Phillips, Portland bureau of emergency management.

Wheeler: Mike I want to thank you and your colleagues. There was question as to whether the uasi grants would be forthcoming or not. I want to thank you and your colleagues for their continued advocacy at the federal level to make sure that regions around the country including ours continue to get the funding we need to be prepared for wide scale emergency. Is there any public testimony on this item?

Moore-Love: Mimi German pulled this.

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Wheeler: Three minutes, name for the record. Good morning.

Mimi German: Good morning. I know what the grant is supposed to be for, my concern taking money, continuing to take money from the department of homeland security is one that affects me directly and affects all of my friends who are activists in Portland. Affects immigrant community in Portland and migrant community in Portland because what I see especially since occupy is the ever present department of homeland security on the streets along with our cops. What I know directly is from them, which is they can do whatever they want, they don't have to show a name, they don't have to tell us anything, they can arrest us, nobody can know about it, take us to wherever they want. This is direct back and forth conversation I have had with dhs people on the street. Again, I understand what this money is supposed to go for, but what I don't know is where is the transparency and the access that a person like myself and many other people in the community including alma from this morning, we were talking about this because it affects so many different communities, where is the access and transparency for us to know that the money that you are receiving from homeland security is actually going to that? What I know again starting from occupy is that all of a sudden during occupy across the u.s. but especially in Portland all of a sudden we had all new gear coming in for the riot cops. New vehicles coming in that were different from any that we had ever seen before. It was -- the feds brought it in. Jeff sessions was here. What did he actually say? We'll let you have your so-called sanctuary city if you allow us to do what we do here without any push-back. I don't know. I'm just saying that there is a great lack of transparency for somebody like myself and other people in the community to know where that money is going to. Maybe the lack of transparency is only what I'm thinking but it actually exists somewhere. I don't know what that trail is, but I know that asking to continue to receive money from a department that was created on the false premise that we were invaded by a foreign country in new york city and a few other places, that's where the department of homeland security came from. Yet we acknowledge it as a real entity from which we can use as a bank. I don't like the betting. I don't like them as a partner. I'm saying that while I understand what the money is supposed to go for I don't know that that's what the money is going to. How much of that money is actually going to hurt me and my brothers and sisters on the street whether it's in the black community, the houseless community, the migrant immigrant community, anything, the muslim community.

Wheeler: Very good. I don't know if you have a response in terms of how the decisions are made about the distribution of the funds and the accountability.

Phillips: I do mayor, first the money come from fema which was an organization and independent federal agency prior to creation of department of homeland security. In particular the uasi grant started was revised after 9/11. They provide three key points, federal requirements, in order for us to qualify which falls under economic recovery, housing, cultural and community resilience. Based on that, the regional disaster preparedness organization has several justification criteria which matches the federal requirements and within that organization there are several committees that vet the projects submitted by the member counties. They are vetted and scored based on that criteria, and once the committee approves it it's then submitted up with the application so there are several levels of approval and review prior to the projects getting funded. Once the projects are funded there's a federal, state and local requirement to audit and monitor those projects. In my experience since 2003 no project that's been submitted has never not been funded by the federal government.

Wheeler: Thank you. Commissioner Fish? Did you have a question? Very good. Please call the roll.

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

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Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. 589, please.

Item 589.

Wheeler: Colleagues, this ordinance will settle a lawsuit brought by an african-american woman formerly employed by the city who alleges that she was discriminated against because of her gender and race. Risk management, the city attorney's office, and the bureau of human resources participated in a judicial settlement conference and without agreeing that the allegations are true, they arrived at an agreement to settle the case rather than proceed to trial and recommend that city council approve the settlement. Council members have been briefed on the particulars of the case but because the case is still pending until the settlement is approved specific information about the settlement should not be publicly discussed. Sorry, that's it. Public testimony on this item?

Moore-Love: Mr. Lightning pulled it, but I believe he left.

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Back to items 603 and 604, they can be read together, please. Thank you, commissioner Eudaly. Have fun. Say hi to them for us.

Item 603.

Item 604.

Wheeler: I just had one question. I assumed that this is a play -- we're talking pejoratively here. The bomb squad, right?

Steve Collins, Portland Police Bureau: Yes, sir. Steve Collins.

Wheeler: Thank you, sergeant Collins and the goal is to provide coordination with our regional partners?

Collins: Yes, sir, yes, mayor.

Wheeler: The first part is the grant from the state of Oregon and the office of emergency management, then the second ordinance here is the actual iga that talks about the coordination between those regional partners.

Collins: That's correct.

Wheeler: Is there anything else that the council should know about this?

Collins: No, sir.

Wheeler: Other than it is very, very dangerous work and I'm grateful, number one, that people are engaged in this, that we are very professional in our training and expectations and that we're collaborating with our regional partners in seeking joint funding to help that collaboration. I think it's really smart and I'm greatly appreciative.

Collins: Thank you.

Wheeler: Any public, commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: I want to say I saw a demonstration at the east Portland community center. They put on a display of the robot for the community a couple of years ago. Its really very impressive. So thank you for your work.

Collins: Thank you very much.

Wheeler: Any public testimony on either of these items?

Moore-Love: No one signed up for either of those.

Wheeler: Please call the roll on 603, the ordinance.

Moore-Love: They are both non emergencies.

Wheeler: Thank you for keeping an eye on that, Karla. Item 603 is the first reading of a nonemergency ordinance it moves to second reading. Item 604 is the first reading of a non emergency ordinance, it also moves to second reading. Thank you, gentlemen.

Collins: Thank you.

Wheeler: We're back to item number 597. This is second reading.

Item 597.

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Wheeler: Very good. As my colleagues know second readings are ordinances where we have already had presentations and we have already taken testimony. Any further discussions on this item? Please call the roll.

Fish: Aye.

Fritz: My understanding was that it incorporated this looking into a few of the additional items. I had a suggestion for the lady who live add house number 7 that was very attached to that. In England people often call their houses a name as well as street address. She could perhaps call her house seven then whatever the rest of the street address is. That might help the issue because I think it's very important to be able to find addresses very clearly and as time goes by and more and more computer programs don't recognize the leading zero, it's going to -- just doesn't make sense to continue doing work arounds around this. Thank you for your work on this. Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Next, 598, also second reading.

Item 598.

Wheeler: Any further discussion colleagues? Please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: I just want to point out again, Andrew, the degree to which your efforts at customer service are greatly appreciated in the community. For me, the benchmark of that is when somebody steps up to one of these microphones and says, Andrew and I did not agree. We did not come to a resolution, but I felt heard, I felt respected, I felt fairly treated. That is the standard and I think all employees in the city of Portland should be proud of your work and hold your work up as a high standard. I vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Next item is 599.

Item 599.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish.

Fish: Mayor, colleagues, this project will improve the first step in the treatment process of removing debris as wastewater enters the Columbia boulevard wastewater treatment plant. Ms. Chris selker, project manager and mr. Paul suto, supervising engineer, from the bureau of environmental services are here today with a brief presentation. Team?

Paul Suto, Bureau of Environmental Services: Good morning, Paul suto, for the record principal engineer with bes. Chris will lead the presentation this morning.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Chris Selker, Bureau of Environmental Services: Good morning mayor wheeler and members of council. I'm Chris Selker, I am an engineer at the bureau of environmental services and project manager for the Columbia boulevard wastewater treatment plant head works screening improvement project.

Fish: When you said how does that sound I was thinking when you say that to be accompanied by a flourish so we normally have a band that strikes hail to the council and other things, but it was fine.

Selker: I will say we do have a bird on it here.

Fish: There you go.

Selker: We're here today to request council approval of an ordinance to authorize a pte contract with cdm smith incorporated for the project. The project location is the columbia boulevard wastewater treatment plant in north Portland. The photo on the right shows the location of the headworks building on the plant site. The head works is the first treatment unit the sewage pass through when it reaches the plant. The photo on the left is the headworks building where the screens are located. Regarding the project background the photo on the left shows the five bar screens in the headworks building. Each screen is seven feet wide and 40 feet tall. The photo on the right is a closeup view of a screen.

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Vertical bars in the screens catch debris like sticks and rags then a rake in front of the bars removes the debris from the bars.

Fritz: What things do people throw in the toilet that shouldn't be that has to get screened out?

Selker: Baby wipes are sort of a game changer for the whole sewage treatment industry.

Fritz: Thank you.

Selker: Little bit about then the debris is transported by a conveyor to a debris box and then taken to a landfill. The screens in the headworks are old technology. They were installed in 1994 and in the 24 years since they were installed technology has improved. Also, the screens were designed for different conditions than the ones they are operating in now. As I said they were installed in 1994 then in 2012 when the cso program was completed the amount of stormwater and debris reaching the river decreased and as a result the amount of stormwater and debris reaching the plant increased. The left hand photo shows how the screens plug with heavy leaf and debris loads. In addition the screens are not effective enough at removing debris. Items like those on the right get past the screens and plug downstream piping. Maintenance is -- excuse me?

Wheeler: I'm sorry. I didn't mean to interrupt you. Sorry.

Selker: Maintenance is difficult and expensive. The plant spends an average of \$380,000 a year unplugging pipes downstream of the screens just in the headworks building itself.

Wheeler: How long do the screens stay in place before they are cleaned?

Selker: You know, I think it's about --

Suto: A few minutes. The debris builds up.

Wheeler: Then its a automatic squeegee kind of thing?

Suto: It's a rake that scrapes it off.

Wheeler: What we're looking at on the left has the water level gone down or has the screen been raised? How does that work?

Selker: That line there between where the plugging is and the clear bars was the water level. The water level has gone down.

Wheeler: So, you don't pull the screens up or anything like that.

Selker: No, the screens stay in place and they get raked.

Wheeler: That makes sense, I got it. Thank you.

Selker: Yes. The project objectives are to replace the screens, conveyors and screenings washer compactors to modify downstream piping to reduce plugging and increase safe access, install flow meters, replace drain valves, replace gate operators and modify odor control, electrical and instrumentation for the new equipment. Today we're here to request approval for the pte design contract with cdm smith but briefly touching on future council actions based on what we know now we will return to council in the future for an ordinance authorizing cmgc alternative construction contract and we will report to council for acceptance of a cmgc guaranteed maximum price. The planning level construction contract estimate is \$10.4 million. Confidence in this estimate is low which is normal for the planning phase. Confidence in the negotiated pte contract of \$3,286,837 is optimal. Regarding schedule, we plan to start pre-design this year. We plan on completing design in 2021, and we plan on a construction phase from 2021 through 2023.

Fish: By the way during the construction phase we'll be asking people not to flush their toilets. It's going to be an inconvenience for a period of time, but we want to get the new thing up and running. [laughter]

Wheeler: I had a question on that. Not on nick's comment. So every large metropolitan area has a -- a headwater facility or whatever you referred to it. Is this a custom product or is this something that's plug and play that's provided as a product to other municipalities?

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Suto: It's a little bit of both. There's different manufacturers that have optimized their equipment based on experience at different locations, but to get it to fit into like our facility versus another one they have to engineer it to meet our dimensions essentially.

Wheeler: So, it would be a company that does this for other facilities but they will engineer it to our specs.

Selker: Exactly.

Wheeler: That's helpful. Thank you.

Selker: This table shows the overall estimated project budget not just the pte contract. The project budget will be refined as we move through predesign. The total project cost is estimated to be \$20,042,000. The table shows the cost broken down by project delivery phases. Most of the cost you'll see is in the construction phase. As I said before, we will be back again before council for approval of the construction contract. Regarding the pte contract itself, cdm smith was selected in accordance with city code. We had a minority evaluator on the selection committee. There were three proposals received and the negotiated fee includes pre-design, design, bidding and construction support. Regarding dmwesb, --

Fritz: Would you define those, please? Just say what that means.

Wheeler: Minority, women, emerging small business.

Fritz: The d is disadvantaged. Thank you.

Selker: The pt contract has two dmwesb firms for a total of 34% of the contract.

Fritz: What's a dre?

Selker: That must be disabled -- I don't know.

Fritz: That's a new one for me.

Selker: We can get back to you on that.

Wheeler: Let's google it.

Fritz: Thank you.

Selker: In conclusion our recommendation is authorization of the contract with cdm smith for engineering services for the headworks screening improvements project with a not to exceed limit of \$3,286,837. Thank you and we welcome questions.

Fritz: Those are very interesting presentations. Thank you to both you and commissioner Fish.

Wheeler: I'm glad we didn't hold off and do that as a lunch presentation. Is there any public testimony?

Moore-Love: No one signed up.

Wheeler: I thought that was a very informative presentation as well. This is a first reading of a nonemergency ordinance. It moves to second reading. Thank you. Great presentation.

Selker: Thank you.

Wheeler: Next item, we have a second reading item 605.

Moore-Love: Should I read the title first?

Item 605.

Robert Taylor, Chief Deputy City Attorney: Mayor, that's a street vacation requiring four votes under the charter. You could carry that over to this afternoon when you have four members of council.

Wheeler: Why don't we do that and it's just second reading so why don't we plug that in at the beginning of the agenda, this afternoon, 2:00 p.m. Portland city hall item 605 will be continued.

Fritz: Good catch.

Wheeler: Item 606.

Item 606.

Wheeler: This is also a second reading. Please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. We're going to move 608. Could you please read it?

Item 608.

Wheeler: This item is going to be moved to the Thursday afternoon agenda, is that correct Mustafa? Thank you.

******:** I didn't know it was moving. That's okay.

Wheeler: I'm sorry about that, there's a miscommunication there. Last item, 609.

Item 609.

Wheeler: This is also a second reading. Please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. We're adjourned to 2:00 p.m.

At 12:13 p.m. council recessed.

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Wheeler: Karla, please call the roll. [roll call taken]

Wheeler: The message of the day.

Lauren King, Deputy City Attorney: Welcome to the Portland city council. The city council represents all Portlanders and meets to do the city's business. Presiding officer preserves order and decorum so everyone can feel welcome, comfortable, respected and safe. To participate in council meetings you may sign up in advance with the council clerk's office for communications to briefly speak about any subject. You may sign up for public testimony on resolutions or first readings of ordinances. Your testimony should address the matter being discussed at the time. Please state your name for the record. Please disclose if you're a lobbyist. If you're representing an organization please identify it. The presiding officer determines length of testimony. Individuals generally have three minutes to testify unless other I would stated. You are in the audience and would like to show support for innig feel free to do thumbs up. If you want to express you do not support something, thumbs down. Disruptive conduct will not be allowed. If there are disruptions a warning will be given that further disruption may result in the person being ejected for the remainder of the meeting. After being ejected a person who fails to leave is subject to arrest for trespass. Thank you for helping your fellow Portlanders feel comfortable, welcome, respected and safe.

Wheeler: I'm so glad I don't have to read that any more. You're thrilled too.

King: Wondering how long it will take before I have it memorized. Not yet.

Wheeler: You did it brilliantly. Before we get to the agenda at hand there's one item carried over from this morning. It's a second reading so it will be quick but we needed four people present. Could you please read 605, which is the continuation from this morning, Karla.

Item 605.

Wheeler: So this is a second reading. There's already been extensive presentation and testimony on this item. Please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted.

Wheeler: All right, so we're back today to wrap up our work on the central city 2035 plan. Just a reminder that the record is closed. That no further testimony will be accepted at this point. Karla, please read item 610.

Item 610.

Wheeler: Joe, why don't you introduce this.

Joe Zehnder, Bureau of Planning and Sustainability: Good afternoon, mayor. Joe zehnder with the bureau of planning and sustainability. This first item today is the heart of the central city plan, it's most of the plan. The policies, goals, code that you have been working on diligently. As the core of the plan, this has been I just wanted to mention a major development, major effort to pull this plan together. Thousands of hours of the public's time, thousands of decisions on big issues and small issues. The reason that this level of effort was mounted for the central city was not just because it's a special place but

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because its success is essential for the success of the whole city. There's a link between our central city and the entire rest of the city. That success is the ability of the city to meet our goals to be prosperous, healthy, equitable and resilient. At the end of a project this large, especially we can lose perspective on what we'll accomplishing. This is a major revision, a major tool put in place so that we'll be able to accomplish these goals for all of Portland.

Wheeler: Very good. With that, Karla, please call the roll.

Fish: Well, I know we have a number of votes. I think as joe reminded us, this is the big one. So I want to take a moment to say a few things and thank a few people. This has been a long and actually fascinating process. I want to begin by thanking sally edmunds, mindy brooks, rachel hoy at bps in particular. But also joe zehnder, all the people who throughout this process have taken the time to help me better understand the issues, the policy choices, and also want to thank susan anderson for the work that she did on this and during my entire service on this council. So I don't mean to leave anybody out on the staff side but to everyone at bps, thank you very much. You know, you do very difficult work. You do it very well. I think you have actually come up with a model about how to deal with complex issues with lots of amendments and moving pieces. The cheat sheets and briefings we get are in my opinion best in class. Thank you very much for all the work that you do and have done to get us to this point. I want to thank kaitlin lovell and the bureau of environmental services for their work drilling down on some of the environmental things that we have agreed to. A number of them are really path breaking. They are significant not just locally but nationally. So i'm very proud that we have had a small role in that. I want to thank my colleagues. As long as I have been on the council there have been people conspicuously smarter on land and zoning issues than I am. One of the joys of this job is learning from people that have different experiences, different history, who served on regulatory bodies, who have brought their own values and passion to our conversations and while we reach consensus on a startlingly -- on many of the most important issues that came before us -- [laughter] we also had some passionate debates about some other issues. I just appreciate the thought and care which all my colleagues bring to these kinds of discussions and i'm proud to be on a council where people are so thoughtful about them. I'm not going to single out just my list of favorites. Although there's a lot in here that i'm really proud of. I do want to say that the person who has helped me the most throughout this is jamie dunphy. I want to thank jamie for all the work that he's done. It's a big load on staff to have this. We have five or six notebooks. I think I have further aggravated a chronic back problem carrying these around from meeting to meeting. Jamie has been wonderful interface, talking to the community and preparing me for the meetings. I appreciate jamie's good work. I continue to believe that in the main, what we're trying to do here starting with the west quad plan and then through to today is we're trying to figure out a way to balance growth in a sensible way in the city. You know, it's easy to say we're going to put growth where we can accommodate it like downtown and town centers. Corridors. Things like that. But while that is sort of the touchstone that we follow, it still requires very difficult choices. And tradeoffs. Sometimes there are winners and losers. I will continue while i'm on council to want to focus height and density where it can be best accommodated, but i'm also learning through this process that you can't just -- that we're reaching a point where there are not easy choices about where we build. That in fact we have to think about the city as a whole. One of the reasons I think that's important is that if we really believe in equity and opportunity there has to be a chance for every neighborhood to be open to people who want to live there regardless of income or circumstances. We'll obviously more to say on that as we move to the -- less controversial items on our agenda starting this fall like the residential infill project. [laughter] I have

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learned on this council that one of the things we generally do well is once we have identified a problem, and a glitch in the system, we're pretty effective at addressing and fixing it. Now, in the world we live in that and 2.50 gets you on the max. Or better check with maurice on that. I think that's right. But I think in government we have to acknowledge there are always going to be flaws that we identify. And glitches. The question is, do we then take the time to fix them and to get them right going forward. I think one of the things that we learned a couple years ago is that we had been for too long neglecting a big look at our boards and commissions. The burdens we were putting on people. We had not asked basic questions, are we giving people the tools they need to be successful, are they getting the support, do we have uniform standards like bylaws and other things. Most importantly, do we have clear rules about conflicts of interest, and when they have to be disclosed. Through this process we have actually been able to do a pretty significant upgrade of how we look at boards and commissions city-wide, which I think is very important. If we're going to demand a lot of our community volunteers we odd to make sure their time is respected and valued. One way is we're clear about what role they have, what their responsibility is, what support they get from us. At the end of the day it's up to us to weigh the advice we get and make our best judgment. Throughout the course of this we have had a chance to do a big look at boards and commissions and make some significant changes. I want to thank judy prosper and some other folks in particular for working on that. Finally, I continue to feel a certain amount of regret that this extraordinary process ended on what I consider somewhat of a sour note around old town chinatown. I don't say that because i'm a sore loser although randy leonard once told someone that was being nasty to me, he said I can deal with sore losers. I don't like sore winners. [laughter] that was a very great insight. But I regret that we sort of ended on what I consider a sour note because old town chinatown was one of a host of very complicated things that we worked on. I know that it has provoked some passion in the community. I reserve the right to say, as I continue to believe, that we got it wrong. But that is the beauty of our system. We have five people who make the best judgment call that they can and I respectfully disagree with two of my colleagues. That doesn't prevent us from working effectively on a host of other things. I think personally we got this wrong. I wish we had not rushed it. I wish we had not added four additional blocks. I think it was a mistake. But again, I don't believe in monday morning quarterbacking indefinitely, just for a little while. I wish that was an issue that we could revisit. It's not in the cards. But I do feel it's important because a number of people have misrepresented my position and a number of people have expressed lack of confidence in future council. I do think it's important to put on the record something equivalent to what the mayor put on the record, essentially stating his values, what you can expect from him while he served on this council. He put down some markers, here's what I will be looking for and I get lan su chinese garden is a city treasure, a national, global treasure, and the mayor said, you know, i'm not going to be cavalier about this issue when it comes up. It comes to council from landmarks or wherever, and I understand the concern. So I make the same commitment. My hope is I get to serve the next 4.5 years. Some people, my joke is you're stuck with me for 4.5 years. My commitment is over the next 4.5 years, if there is development proximate to the lan su chinese garden, I commit that I will be vigilant in working with the community to make sure there's no adverse impact. And to confirm, I hope, with some of my friends that this is not something that is just a passing fancy because I have a long record of being a friend and supporter of lan su chinese garden. I just want to take a moment to reflect on the fact that we have existing code that actually when you revisit it is quite promising. I have checked with linley that I can say a few of these things because this is not putting something new in the record, just citing to existing code. I'm citing to existing law. Going back to 1985 we

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have had some requirements that dealing with shadows and studies and we have had standards that have been in place. In 1988 we expanded those standards to open spaces in the central city and we did a couple things that I think were important. Today's code is similar to 1988 but also been updated to include some additional restrictions, but even if that did not give someone solace, I think it's worth noting that that's not the only tool in our kit. The design review process allows for consideration of shadow impacts even if the shadow standard is met. Let me say that again. The design review process allows consideration of the shadow impact even if the shadow standard is met. Bds, bureau of development services, and the design commission have often expanded on the zoning code standard when development is adjacent to open spaces and there's a rich history of us doing that and I hope we continue. The central city fundamental design guidelines are used both by design commission and the landmarks commission. Guideline b5 reads, make plazas, parks and open spaces successful. I think that if a plaza, park or open space was deprived of light for much of the day we would hardly be able to claim that's a successful space. The guidelines by the way apply to all blocks surrounding the lan su chinese garden. We also have the new chinatown/japantown historic district guidelines, and while the garden is outside of the historic district there's, after all, guideline a6, which states, reflect the desired landscape character of the district in rights of way at building entries and special places. I think I know what they were referring to when they said special places. Specific to the garden the description states where northwest 3rd avenue buildings face the lan su chinese garden or where northwest 4th avenue buildings are in proximity to the chinatown gate, providing respectful, contextual responses to these important places. That's pretty powerful language that even I can understand. Under the river district design guidelines, guideline b5-2, b5-2, which is used by the design commission in reviewing projects within 400 feet of the garden, strengthen the significance of the classical chinese garden. I think I know what that means and I will tell you that I won't be shy about interpreting that in a way to the great advantage of our treasure there. Now, I could go on and on because there are additional things that we have discovered and researched with the help of the bureau of planning and sustainability. But mayor and colleagues, I think there's an additional opportunity, which we will not decide today, but I think it would be smart of us to address this in short order as part of a work plan. The bureau of planning and sustainability will be updating its central city fundamental design guidelines. That is an opportunity to revisit and update a number of design guidelines and to do it the right way, which is with lots of public input and consideration of tradeoffs and other type of things. And I hope that we have an opportunity later this summer to consider whether that should be in the work plan that we ask bps to undertake over the next year and a half. So to be very clear, under the existing standards, if there is development proximate to the lan su chinese garden that has an impact on shadows during different times of the day, this commissioner as long as I have the honor of serving here will be vigilant in enforcing our rules for the benefit of a garden that we consider a treasure of this city. While that may not be satisfactory to some, it's the most significant commitment that I can make given the fact that I do not control a majority of the council on the question of height. I respect my colleagues on where they landed, but the next best thing I can do is take that position going forward and during the balance of my service on the council i'm making a public commitment to do so. So with that, and i'm sorry to spend so much time on it but I think it's important, I thought the mayor made an eloquent statement to that similar effect recently and I thought it was important the public heard from a number of us to that end. I'm proud of the work we have done. It's not always our most heralded work. There will be a one-sentence reference and sources say we got this thing done but it's probably one of the most core things we do. After all, many the the two parts of our job that

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I think are so fundamental are having a vision for what Portland will be in the future and then having the skill set to get us from here to there. I think to be good in these jobs you have to have a little bit of the vision and a little bit of the projectmanager side of your brain to be effective. What we're doing is setting a vision. It's a bold vision, a green vision, a vision that i'm proud to lend my name to. I'm pleased to vote aye.

Eudaly: Well, this has been a crash course in planning. I'm going to apply for college credits for this. I want to thank the bps staff for always being so willing and ready to brief me on the many issues that arose during this process and to quickly answer my many, many questions. So thank you. Thank my staff for bearing with me and for all the community members that gave input on this issue. I really think that we as a body share the same goals and values as many of our community members do and we don't necessarily agree on how to get there. But I think this is a reasonable road map for the time being. It's rare for commissioner Fish and I to disagree, which has come to some surprise to me I admit. Probably best for our street cred if every once in a while we don't disagree. The public knows this is not a rigged system. We need to take principled stands and we have respectful disagreements. I just want to say that I join him in committing to protecting the garden from any detrimental impact by development on the adjacent blocks. We are not engineers. We are not architects. I was not comfortable with restricting development potential on this block more than we are today, to be clear we chose to lower, decrease the height less than we had planned, which was decreasing from over 300 to 160. We settled at two. I think it's in the best interests of the neighborhood and the business community down there for this site to -- the development potential to be maximized while protecting the garden. Commissioner Fish already detailed many of the safeguards that are already in place. And the fact is this site was never developed to its full height despite the fact that they could have almost doubled the height that we're allowing them today. So I feel like some of the fears are very likely to be unwarranted. I know that this council at least is committed to protecting the garden. If this process is anything like the budget process i'll see you guys in september to talk about 2070. It was an honor to participate in this process. When I would get bogged down in the details I would try to think about 100 years out, when a time -- sorry, I don't mean to be morbid but we'll all be gone. We will probably be forgotten by anyone not related to us, but our fingerprints are going to be all over the city, and I can only hope and really strive toward ensuring that the choices we make now are the choices that are beneficial to Portland 100 years from now. Hopefully donald trump will not still be our president. We'll see. [laughter] So yeah. I think i'm done. Sometimes I have to write on these tiny pieces of paper and get a little lost in thought. Thank you again and I vote aye.

Fritz: Let me start by thanking director susan anderson and her staff from the bureau of planning and sustainability. All of you have done an amazing job and I'm glad you are gathered here today. I'm going to start by recognizing those who specifically worked with my staff and me. Joe zehnder, sally edmunds, rachel hoy, mindy brooks, mark asnis and brandon spencer-hartle. And also Hillary adam in the bureau of development services. Thanks to the planning and sustainability commission, design review commission and historic landmarks commission. Thanks to brett horner and parks bureau staff. Thanks to claire Adamsick and tim crail on my team, formerly tom bizeau who has been doing this for a really, really long time. Finally thank you to all the community members who served on strategic advisory committees for the original quadrant plan which informed this. Thank you to community members at large who took the time to sit in testimony throughout these past nine months and past four years. Thank you in particular for those of you here today to observe this hour. With the adoption of of the central city plan today we will increase housing supply by 2,000 units and that's in addition to the 37,000 units of capacity that

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currently zoned in the central city. This brings a total zone capacity city-wide to 249,000 units city-wide. 39,000 of which are in the city, that's additional units. Another accomplishment of the central city plan it will allow density transfers from open zoned properties thanks to Joe Zehnder and Lauren King and others in the city attorney's office and everyone working on that project. This opens up a marketplace for city-owned properties and pairing with developers seeking to purchase additional floor area ratio or building capacity. This program is in development, will include a community stakeholder conversation about what community benefits should be included in density transfer agreements. I'm very excited by that. Concerns were raised by the community about conflicts of interest on the stakeholder advisory committee. My staff and I did a careful explanation of conflict of interest around zoning changes and height allowances for whether any developer represented on an advisory body was inappropriately rewarded with height increases. We found there were no conflicts with the possible exception of the Morrison Bridge head property. Thank you to Mindy Brooks and Sally Edmunds for your work allaying council's concern about conflicts of interest. But for the changes made this year I would have been happy to support whole plan. Sadly, the latest amendments to the plan over the past five months have the appearance of supporting particular property owners to the detriment of others. We are in dire need of affordable housing options that serve all Portlanders, particularly those who are low income and at risk of displacement. These options need not come at such a high price as the destruction of the unique cultural and historic assets of the new Chinatown/Japan Town historic district and the Lan Su Chinese Garden. Council's decision to increase height on five of the ten historic district blocks undermines years of public process and recently developed design guidelines to right size the district, guidelines designed with 125 feet as the maximum height in mind. Thank you to the planning and sustainability commission for recommending the 125 feet. This action violates the comprehensive plan policies regarding historic and cultural resources specifically or including policy 4.48, encourages development that fills in vacant and underutilized gaps within the established urban fabric while preserving and complementing historic resources. 4.49, refine base zoning in historic districts to take into account the character of the historic resources of the district. It also violates number of central city policies including 5.19, historic resources in districts. Enhanced identity of historically, culturally and architecturally significant buildings and spaces while promoting conceptually sensitive infill development on vacant and surface parking lots. Old Town Chinatown district policy 1.0T-3, Cultural Assets, support protection and enhancement of the rich cultural and multiethnic history and diversity of Old Town Chinatown including its unique physical characteristics, cultural and arts institutions, community organizations and mix of businesses. To be clear, this is not just about garden visitors enjoying late afternoon sun. This is about the health and sustainability of a fragile botanical collection with 270 special and rare species. It's about allowing enough sunlight on the Koy Pond so the fish can thrive and the lotus flowers don't go dormant. It's also about protecting a unique cultural aspect and an urban sanctuary for humans, birds and other life forms. The time to protect Lan Su Chinese Garden for sure was now. Considering the council has changed its mind on three significant zoning issues in the past five months I have no confidence that no future council will dare to say no to a 200' building shading Lan Su Chinese Garden. Commissioner Saltzman even proposed an asterisk not allowing the design or landmarks commission to deny an application of 200 feet. Ironically, with our sister city presentation tomorrow I believe this gesture disrespects our friendship with our sister city. This final catering to single developer request erodes the city's investment in the historic Chinese and Japanese American community in Portland. Undermines the role of the historic

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landmarks commission and ignores the guiding principles we supported for this fragile historic district. So therefore, I'm sorry, I cannot put my name down as supporting it. No.

Wheeler: I would like to read a prepared statement then I'm going to go off my script and share some personal thoughts. Central city 2035 lays the groundwork for Portland to continue to be a thriving economic, cultural, educational and recreational hub for the region for the next 20-plus years. It carries on the tradition of previous plans that resulted in transforming harbor front drive into waterfront park, a parking garage into the pioneer courthouse square, and brownfields into the pearl district and south waterfront. What this plan does differently is that it sets the stage for more affordable housing. Increased resilience in the face of climate change, more and better jobs through a synergistic mix of old and new industry on the central east side, better protection of our iconic scenic views and deeper focus on our greatest natural feature, the willamette river. I want to thank the bureau of planning and sustainability for guiding the city through a thorough planning process over the past seven years from concept plan, quadrant plans and several drafts before the one before us today. You spent a lot of time working with stakeholders and the community to make sure that central city 2035 embodies the best thinking and planning that Portlanders have to offer. I appreciate staff's knowledge and experience of the central city. And their understanding of the issues that need addressing, their creativity, their research, analytical skills that allowed us to find the best solutions to address the issues and their ability maybe more importantly than anything else to work through these issues, many of which are complex, many of which balance different competing values, many of which are highly charged and often emotional. You worked through those issues with the public, the planning and sustainability commission, and the city council. In particular, I want to express my gratitude to Susan Anderson. She's at a conference this week so could not be here today, and her team, Joe Zehnder, Sally Edmunds, Rachel Hoy, Mindy Brooks, Troy Doss, Nicholas Starin, Mike Raggett, Mark Asnis, Debbie Bischoff and Brandon Spencer Hartle. Thank you very much for your dedication to this process. I also want to thank all of team Wheeler past and present, especially Kyle Chiseck, Nathan Howard, Andrea Valderrama and Michelle Plambeck. Thank you for your leadership on this. Now I'm jumping off my script a bit. I can already hear my team cringing. To Commissioner Eudaly's point, if we all agree on everything you should be very concerned. I think it is actually very important that we bring different life experiences, different perspectives, different points of view to some degree maybe even some different constituencies to the table. So I second what she said. I think it's healthy for the democracy and healthy for the debate that we have these conversations. That's thing number one. Thing number two, people always say where are the leaders? I will except myself because I want to shout out my colleagues here, there's nothing about this plan that any elected official would ever voluntarily step up and do. There are some jobs in politics where you get to pick your issues. Pick your battles, pick your messaging then you stick your head up and you do what you need to do and then you go back down. You can avoid a whole bunch of incoming mortars and bombshells. That doesn't happen here particularly in a planning process where we are defining the future, the look, the feel, the character, the priorities of this city for the next 20 years. Every decision we made in this plan was controversial. The process itself in many regards was controversial. And yet people all across the country and frankly we have had people coming from other parts of the world to watch this process and see how it unfolds and how you create not unanimity but a community consensus on the direction, the path forward. I think that's really special about this process. Yes, the Lan Su Chinese Garden issue dominated the last few conversations, but think about this for a moment. This started off with a big picture. We are growing as a city. We cannot stop the growth. People are going to continue to come here. This is going to continue to be a bigger city. But we all

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acknowledged there are better places than others for height and density. That's as far as the happy talking points go. After that it's all tradeoffs. It's all making tough decisions. It's all about vision. It's about selling that vision. I want you to know this about the lan su chinese garden. I'm a little sad about something my wife said the other day. She said we're probably not welcome there anymore. The reason that's sad to me is I chose that location of all places in this city to ask her to marry me. I care deeply about the lan su chinese garden. I have an honest disagreement, honest disagreement about all of these checks and balances and codes that prior city councils created to help us answer these questions. Our legal team. Our planning and sustainability bureau, zoning experts. I trust them. They are experts. And I sent to you, colleagues, a letter, and nick hit on many of the finer points and i'm appreciative of his putting these on the record. There are many checks and balances. We as a council I hope have made very clear it's an important asset to all of us. Commissioner Fish used the term vigilance. I second it. Commissioner eudaly said this was important to her. I second that. And I respectfully disagree with my colleague who said we are destroying the asset. I do not buy that. I don't agree with that. I want to say one more thing. It's important that we hear each other. I will again offer to come and speak to the board at the lan su chinese garden with our legal team, with our planning and sustainability team and walk you through why I feel confident and you may at the end of the day still disagree with that, and that's fair. You have to be you and take the facts and weigh them and come to your own conclusions, but let's acknowledge a reality here. Before this process started we didn't really know what we had, did we? I don't think most people in this city knew before this process started you could build a building next door to lan su that was 425 feet tall. After I cast my vote in a second, you can only build a 200 feet. We are more than reducing by half the height, and yet i'm being told i'm destroying an important historic asset in this community. I don't buy it. Not for a second. Nor should you. I vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Next let's vote on river place ordinance. [laughter] Karla, please read item 611.

Item 611.

Wheeler: Any further discussion before I ask to call the roll? Any further questions? Seeing none, Karla, please call the roll.

Fish: We have had extensive discussions about this and we have all made extensive statements on the record. I think the particular feature of this action that I appreciate the most is the requirement of a master planning process. I think that's our insurance policy that we have a chance to get this right. Aye.

Eudaly: Aye.

Fritz: The council elects to make a decision based on the promise by a particular development proposal by a particular property owner, ignoring adopted policies regarding stepdown to the river. No.

Wheeler: I vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Next item, 612, the ordinance that applies to the area outside of the central city. Karla, could you please read that ordinance.

Item 612.

Wheeler: Any further discussion?

Fish: You introduced this as being outside the central city?

Wheeler: That's correct.

Fritz: Not all of them.

Fish: I want to make sure we're voting on the same thing.

Wheeler: 612.

Fish: Adopt the Central City Plan Vol 2A.

Moore-Love: Yes, that's the one I just read. 612.

Wheeler: Correct. Any further discussion? Nick, do you have a question.

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Fish: I thought I understood you to say this applied to outside of the city 2035.

Mindy Brooks, Bureau of Planning and Sustainability: Yes. In order to implement some of the policies around vegetation management we needed to address some of the codes that will affect areas outside of the central city as well as inside the central city. So since these codes affect everywhere in Portland that's why it's called outside.

Fish: That's very important because the title would not lead you to that conclusion. The mayor's introduction does. Now you've reconciled them. Thank you.

Fritz: It does include the changes on the scenic resources within the central city.

Brooks: It does. It includes both.

Wheeler: Any further questions?

Wheeler: I think we're good. Could you please call the roll?

Moore-Love: For clarification I believe the substitute has a different title on it and that should have been on the agenda. Is that correct? Okay.

Fish: Thank you for throwing me a lifeline. There is a lot in what we have worked on together that is really visionary around the environment. It may or may not be in this section but since I want to do a tip of the hat to the environment, bird safety design. Mandatory eco-roofs. A pretty aggressive policy on greenways and setbacks and the public benefit of access to the river and the list could go on and on. I appreciate the values that my colleagues have brought to this discussion. I appreciate the briefings from the bureau of environmental services and from planning and sustainability. I appreciate people like Mike Houck and Bob Sallinger who for a long time have really been pushing us to do more and better. I know that on a number of these things we won't end up being number one on the biophilic cities list but we'll be in the top ten. I think it's important that we continue to lead and not follow if we really want to become the most sustainability, healthy, livable city in the country. I'm very proud to vote aye.

Eudaly: I share many of Commissioner Fish's remarks and I'll just say that serving on city council is one of the few times that I allow my competitive nature to fully emerge, and I do like being number one and I do like being first and I do not like hearing from constituents about how much better other cities are doing. So I was really excited to introduce the green roofs amendment, which was at the time, perhaps, the most -- the strongest policy in the country. Someone may have beat us by now. But I'm still proud of it. Aye.

Fritz: I'm glad that Mindy Brooks came to the microphone to answer our questions because her skill along with the team at planning and sustainability in identifying the view corridors nothing short of spectacular. Absolutely amazing. I'm in awe of your ability to not only tell me the information but to make it clear to me. Thank you for that. I also appreciate the work of Brett Horner and other staff at the parks bureau working with community partners to address concerns from the greenway setback and shallow water habitat to the necessary tree trimming to preserve views of Mount Hood from the Japanese Garden. Thanks in particular to Bob Sallinger from the Audubon Society who was particularly helpful providing conservation focused policy suggestions which is a polite way of saying pushing us all in the right direction and telling us exactly what should be in the code. I appreciate the Audubon Society and all their supporters. We failed to protect a view of Mount Adams also from Upper Hall. Doing so would have had very limited negative development impacts and it's currently the only view of three mountains accessible on foot from downtown Portland. The reason I can't support this is because the plan fails to designate a single protected view of Mount Hood from the waterfront. There are currently many and there will be none. This is a missed opportunity particularly at Salmon Street Springs to protect one of the key cultural and way finding assets named in the policy. No.

Wheeler: Thank you for the hard work, great work. I think this fundamentally moves the city forward in many positive ways around the environment. Commissioner Eudaly, I share

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your sense of competition. We can always catch up in need be the case. I vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Sorry. Have to say that. Next item, could you please read it up 613, the resolution that relates to the action items and urban design framework.

Item 613.

Wheeler: Thank you. Could you call the roll unless there's any other questions? I don't see any. Please call the roll.

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

Fritz: I'm very happy to enthusiastically support this one. I really do appreciate the work you've done. In fact it's not coincidental this is the one that I can most enthusiastically support. It's attention to detail, setting out the action charts, performance targets, the design diagrams. It's a really detailed and necessary addendum to all the other work that's been done. Thanks to your entire team for your good work. Aye.

Wheeler: The legislative process for central city 2035 is complete after this vote. There's a lot of important work that is obviously ahead in order to complete the plan. Volume 5a, the exciting volume 5a, which I know you have read or may be waiting for it to come out on dvd, either way it lists hundreds of actions that are necessary to carry out the various components of this plan. I'll certainly be working with my staff to help prioritize those next steps. I vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Karla, could you please read item 614, the green loop resolution title.

Item 614.

Wheeler: Karla, could you please call the roll on the resolution.

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

Fritz: Thank you to the community partners, commissioner Saltzman and his staff, director Leah Treat and the Portland bureau of transportation staff for your leadership and vision. This project has been a great community collaboration. I look forward to seeing it come to fruition. Aye.

Wheeler: As I said last week I think the green loop is one of the key legacies of the central city 2035 plan. It's not only going to provide safe route around the city for pedestrians and bicycles but I think it's also going to create many new iconic places for people to gather in our community. I'm very excited about it. I vote aye. The resolution is adopted. Okay, so that concludes our work on the central city 2035 plan. Council was first briefed on this project last July. We have now held seven public hearings on a variety of subjects. Altogether the plan has been in front of us 15 times including today. That says nothing about the thousands and thousands and thousands of hours of work that our bureaus and interested folks in the community have put in that led up to this day. Thanks again to the bureau of planning and sustainability and all the other incredible city staffers who worked so hard on this. To all of the Portlanders out there who contributed their time and energy into creating this amazing blueprint for our central city. Thank you to all of you. With that, we are adjourned. [applause]

At 2:53 p.m. Council recessed.

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Wheeler: June 7th afternoon session. The year being 2018 of course. This is the meeting of the Portland city council. Karla, please call the roll.

Saltzman: Here. **Fritz:** Here. **Wheeler:** Here.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish is at a meeting. I know he intends to join us later in the session. I guess we need to do our usual greetings.

Heidi Brown, Senior Deputy City Attorney: Thank you, Mayor. Welcome to the Portland City Council. The city council represents all Portlanders and means to do the city business. The presiding officer preserves order and decorum during city council meetings so everyone can feel welcome, comfortable, respected and safe. To participate in Council Meetings, you may sign up in advance with the council clerk's office for communications to speak briefly about any subject. You may also sign up for public testimony on resolutions or the first readings of ordinances. Your testimony should address the matter being considered at the time. When testifying, please state your name for the record. Your address is not necessary. Please disclose if you are a lobbyist. If you are representing an organization, please identify it. The presiding officer determines the length of testimony. Individuals generally have three minutes to testify unless stated otherwise. When you have 30 seconds left a yellow light goes on. When your time is done, a red light goes on. If you're in the audience and you want to show your support for something that is said, please feel free to do a thumbs-up. If you want to express you do not support something, please feel free to do a thumbs-down. Disruptive conduct such as shouting or interrupting testimony or council deliberations will not be allowed. If there are disruptions, a warning will be given that further disruption may result in a person being ejected for the remainder of the meeting. After being ejected, a person who fails to leave the meeting is subject to arrest for trespass. We want to thank you for helping your fellow Portlanders feel welcome, comfortable, respected, and safe.

Wheeler: Thank you for that. Our first item today is item 615. Can you please read that, Karla?

Item 615.

Moore-Love: Accept the 2018 annual report on sister city activities.

Wheeler: Well, first of all, I'd like to welcome our international delegation from Osan, South Korea and our international delegation from Kaohsiung, Taiwan. I've just come from hosting the annual sister cities and Royal Rosarians Rose festival reception where we celebrated the fantastic work you all do to promote Portland as an international city. It's so exciting to have you here. Portland sister city relationships connect us all at the cultural, educational, and economic level. And it makes our big planet seem much, much smaller when we share these relationships. I want to welcome the delegations that have been visiting from other sister cities, as I just mentioned, Osan, South Korea and Kaohsiung, Taiwan. You're our honored guests today. We want to welcome you to the city council chamber. I look forward to hearing your reports as part of the annual sister cities

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requirements. I also want to extend my sincere appreciation for the work that our sister city program does to strengthen cultural awareness in international relationships. It's not lost on me or my colleagues here on the city council that this is an important time in history. And fostering those cultural and educational and economic ties is probably as important today as it has ever been, so I want to thank all of you both individually and as part of larger delegations for your commitment to those principles. Please welcome Office of Government Relations and international relations associate Sydney Odell. Sydney, you're going to introduce the speakers and manage the run of show. Is that correct? And just for the record folks as you speak about-these are very sensitive microphones, so about six to eight inches is fine. They'll adjust the volume as necessary.

Sydney Odell: Thank you, mayor, commissioners. My name is Sydney Odell. I'm the international relations associate in the office of government relations. As part of my work, I support Portland sister cities, a committed group of volunteers who work together to put on an incredible variety of intercultural events throughout Portland to better engage with our international community. Before inviting my colleagues to speak, I would like to provide some background on the sister city program. Portland's sister cities are a member of sister cities international, a nonprofit organization that was initiated by the Eisenhower administration in 1956 to foster mutual friendship and understanding internationally. True to the spirit of sister cities international, Portland's nine sister cities and one friendship city help us to facilitate many cultural, educational, and economic exchanges. This year, we're happy to celebrate four sister city anniversaries, and we've just come from the sister city reception where we honored those guests. The sister city initiative has greatly enriched our Portland community, and I encourage you to work with them. Today the leadership of Portland sister cities associations are please to present their annual required reports on their efforts and activities undertaken in the 2017 calendar year. Thank you for taking the time to listen and accept this report. First up, I would like to introduce James Autrey, who is the president of the Portland-Ashkelon sister city association.

Wheeler: Thank you.

James Autry: Yes, i'm James Autry, President of the sister city association with Ashkelon, Israel. We've been around for 31 years. Small Israeli city on the Mediterranean coast. We have Israeli beer factories there. We have the largest water desalinization plant. We have many creative entrepreneurs. Ashkelon is an ancient city. It's been around for 5,000 years, and it is right there on the coast. It is also one of the 100 resilient cities with the Rockefeller foundation. Our city is led by Itamar Shimoni. Our city is like a bedroom community for the Jews and Arabs in the silicon forest where Intel has a plant as well as Microsoft and other inventors of all the different technologies and medical breakthroughs and environmental technologies we are part of. We're working currently with different businesses in Portland and Israel to build relationships between those companies that are not yet connected in those three areas of medical, electronic, and environmental. We're beginning to pair them up. Our role here recently is to rebuild our leadership. We're planning a tour in February of 2019, and we are currently helping all the other sister city associations with creating a website, a Facebook page, and then coordinating and hosting our annual reception and grand floral parade. This is our new website for the sister cities coalition. It is just a group of folks working together. We have a page there highlighting our reception, the relationship with the city role rosarians as well as this is our Facebook page. It is a pleasure to be with you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it.

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Phillip Potestio: Thank you. I'm Phillip Potestio. I'm president of the Portland-Bologna sister city association. Thank you, mayor wheeler, and councilors, for inviting the sister city coalition to once again present this year. It's now been 15 years since the Portland-Bologna sister city association was formed, and our formal relation with Bologna was cemented in 2004. In two weeks, we'll be hosting a group of 16 and 17-year-olds from Bologna. Our youth exchange now in its eleventh year uses host travel reciprocal model that has benefitted almost 200 students by allowing them to share their own city and discover a wonderful new one on alternating years. Since this is reciprocal, students from both cities have the opportunity to really get to know their host guest partner and their travel companions. This program is definitely on a positive trajectory. We now receive more applicants than we can handle. We now can provide scholarship financial aid for students with need. Many of our fundraising efforts, in particular our annual Sagra a great party by the way are directly tied to this initiative. We have successfully instituted a documentation component to our program that has really allowed us to share in and track the impact of this experience. Last year when our youth ambassadors returned to Portland, we were treated to films, collages, presentations, and even miniature oil paintings expressing what the trip meant to this fine group. We at Portland-Bologna are blessed with a talented, diligent board of directors as volunteers with full time jobs, this group gives all it can to our cause. Through our dedication and skill set, we get a lot done on a minimal budget and with limited members. When there is a special interest or area of expertise in a particular arena, say wine, we marshal our efforts and are quite productive. You may notice and perhaps be irked by the fact that I am once again presenting for the PBSCA. We are a bit strapped. We need board members and additional resources, particularly of the human sort, which would allow us to expand our efforts and influences. I don't need to be president for life. When I think of our charge to deepen economic development with our sister city and its region, I'm a bit overwhelmed. It should have not -- it should not have to be generated by our borderline overworked board. I ask the City's help in direction, guidance and resources. Inspiring trade between our cities and regions, for example, has gone greatly untapped. We don't have the bandwidth to tackle these sorts of initiatives. We also appreciate through events like today's the opportunity for increased exposure to the city at-large. Our sister city Bologna and its region Emilia Romagna has just been named the number one destination in Europe for 2018 by the lonely planet travel guides. We are hardly surprised but nonetheless take pride in that fact. Bologna is a beautiful, vibrant, moderately medieval, forward-thinking with its ever apparent tradition. Our group is planning a tour of the region focusing on food and wine along with a visit to Piemonte in October. Go to our website for more information. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Ivette Flores Schmidt: Good afternoon Mayor, Commissioners. My name is Ivette Flores Schmidt and I'm the president of the Portland-Guadalajara sister city association. This year, we're celebrating thirty-five years of friendship. We're very happy, and we're going to honor planting a rose bed in July. Hopefully, you can join us. Firefighter academy. Bomberos Latinos Internacional Academy. Portland Latino firefighters have spent over two years of planning between Portland bomberos Latinos and the ciudad Guadalajara. fire departments. Members of the fire and fire rescue led by PGSCA board member Jose Truncoso created a training school in Guadalajara where 40 Latin-American firefighters from the US, Mexico and Guatemala participated in a week long course involving the latest equipment and life-saving techniques. Recently, bomberos students

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were among the first responders to the September 19th Central Mexico earthquake. They played an important role in the initial relief effort. Stemming from the success of the training, PGSCA will meet in October 2018 with Guadalajara officials to formalize the creation of the international center for training of firefighters and civil protection in Guadalajara. Guadalajara-Portland sister city association, GPSCA, board creation. In collaboration with the director of international relations for the city of Guadalajara, a complementary board was established last October 2017 with a goal of furthering the mission of the association and elaborating the sister city collaboration. 20 new board members were selected from the Guadalajara-based board to have a persistent presence in both the cities of Guadalajara and Portland. The goal of the sister city -- sorry, the goal of our sister board will increase productivity and expand our networks and resources within the city of Guadalajara. Last February, we attended the sister city international summit held in Guadalajara on February 15, 16, and 17. It offered the opportunity to strengthen the relationship between Mexico and the United States as well as endorse the bonds of friendship and historically woven between these two nations, which has been marked throughout history with a trace of immigration the bicultural and commercial relations. The summit offered the opportunity to explore newfound cooperations between the cities and countries. To achieve a specific and innovative project that benefits our community. I would like to thank the ****, Sydney Odell, and James Autrey the invaluable support to our associations. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Mike Bostwick: Good afternoon. I'm Mike Bostwick, president of the Portland-Kaohsiung sister city association. For 2017 and 2018, we've had a very busy year, starting with having to find new locations to store our dragon boats and equipment. We found one last month, but we have to pay four times what we were paying before. In February, we supported the ccba Chinese language school at their Chinese new year's dinner celebration and agreed to have the ccba administer our \$1500 scholarship again this year, which will be awarded this Sunday to a Chinese student in the area. In March, our trip to Kaohsiung, with the Portland-Kaohsiung sister city board members, the rose festival queen, Michaela Canete, and Rosaian prime minister Adam Baker and his wife, the Sellwood jazz band, and Chito del *** from the city of Portland. 28 delegates in all was very successful. We presented Kaohsiung with a glass trophy and rose planting celebrating our 30 years of sister city relationships and friendship. Some of the delegation stayed longer and went to the Taiwan BangZi opera company and got into the spirit and costumes. We hope to invite the company to Portland in the future. Our visit was short this year but exciting. As usual, 7,000 students are out greeting us as we come into the school. During the visit, the Portland rose festival association, the royal rosarians, and the Portland Kaohsiung sister city association, presented the students with two \$500 scholarships to help the students with their trip to Portland to enhance our rose festival celebration with their continued presence. The ceremony on March 31st went very well. And as lots of people say, we know that spring and the rose festival is right around the corner when they see the dragon boats on the river. We're ready for our annual rose festival dragon boat race this weekend, June 9th and 10th. We hope to see all of you there. And there's 101,600 participants with 250 volunteers. Each team has four races or more, if they win. Plus, we have special events again. The Susan B. Komen race where cancer survivors fill the boats for their race, the Sciutto high school friendship race, and again we have the university challenge where three universities will be rowing against each other. The dragon boats are symbolic of our continued commitment to the

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relationship between Portland and Kaohsiung to promote the friendship through cultural exchange. We had a float in the starlight parade. One of our older boats is decorated with lights, and each year we choose a different team to be on the boat. We are hosting 62-person delegation from Kaohsiung. They're composed from city government and students and staff from sciutto high school. We met with the mayor this morning. We walked to pioneer square to show them the Portland front room. And then they were at the mayor's reception. Kaohsiung delegation will be attending the rosarian knighting ceremony tomorrow where director general chen will be knighted. Saturday, members of the delegation will be in the ground floor parade with the pksca float and the scuitta band and dance team. Sciutto high school students again are hosted by local families with great cultural exchange between both. The sciutto high school and david douglas are sister schools in our two cities, and this year, we're hoping to reinitiate a greater connection between Portland state university and the Sun Yat-sen university in Kaohsiung. We have a meeting tomorrow with the president of Portland state so that the delegation can reinitiate better communications and more exchange of students and teachers. For the remainder of the summer, we're looking to make more contacts with the local companies and connect with Kaohsiung and Taiwan. I'd also like to thank the following companies -- alaska airlines, daimler, 7-eleven, Stewart Sokol & Larkin, US Bank, Bang Industries, Washmen, norwest design and construction, Banner Bank, precision plumbing, and the Portland rose festival for supporting the Portland-Kaohsiung dragon boat races. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it.

Alan Ellis: My name is Alan Ellis. I'm president of the Portland-Khabarovsk sister city association. We're celebrating our 30th anniversary of the partnership. It is located just north of Manchurian china. It is a city where two rivers come together. It's an inland port. A lot in common with Portland. It was begun back in the Gorbachev glasnost period. Some prominent Portlanders were instrumental in getting it started. PSU business professor Dr. Earl Molander, Mayor Bud Clark, commissioner Mike Lindberg, and commissioner Gretchen Kafoury, all of whom traveled there as goodwill ambassadors and had a great time. A sister city delegation just came back from Khabarovsk last week. They attended the day of the city festival which is equivalent of the rose festival here. One of the activities that goes on during their rose festival, their day of the city festival, is an international children's art exhibit. And this year, Portland was represented by the artwork from fifth graders at kelly school. These fifth graders are in the russian language immersion program, and they did a great job. You can see a couple examples in the photos. Their teacher, elena gregerson, not only got the kids motivated but they got the families involved, the community. The theme was "peace and friendship among the children of the world." not only was the artwork sent but also a letter of friendship. The kids felt that the key to peace and friendship internationally is kindness and that was their theme. The teacher and I will be representing Khabarovsk in the grand floral parade tomorrow. Mayor Alexander Sokolov of Khabarovsk wanted to be here today with the delegation. It didn't work out. There have been some diplomatic complications as you might imagine, but he did send a couple beautiful framed photographs which I hope you'll find a prominent place in city hall for. One of a park. They have beautiful parks just like Portland, and one of the cliff museum which overlooks a river. He also sent a personal letter to mayor wheeler and to the city government as well as myself and the sister city association. An excerpt from the one I got said, during these 30 years of the Portland-Khabarovsk sister city association, the sister city association has always played a pivotal role in the development

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of relationships between our cities. We particularly appreciate of the fruitful work of your members in the realization of numerous joint projects, among which are the successful initiative to enhance this region's water purification and garbage recycling systems as well as the initiation of travel exchange programs in the areas of education and music. That water purification program, we had the head of the water bureau go over there several years ago. As a result, one of our delegates said that he could actually drink the water from the tap, which is quite an achievement. In closing, we have ongoing projects. Franklin high school is linked up with gymnasium #5 in Khabarovsk. Franklin high school group going over there at the end of this month to Khabarovsk and the gymnasium #5 coming here in September. We are continuing our music exchange program. We've had a jazz blues group. We've had a rock group. And now we're sending over a bluegrass group from Portland, Scratchdog Stringband. We were able to get a \$15,000 grant from the state department to send them as goodwill ambassadors. We also celebrate two national holidays in Russia. One is the international women's day, which is a -- they'd have a day off from work. It's a national holiday in the country. We celebrated it at Kachka restaurant. We also celebrate victory day, defeat of hitler where 20 million soviet citizens died. We had that at 5th Avenue Cinema in coordination with PSU. Finally November 4th, we're going to have our 30-year anniversary gala, bridge to Russia, at the old church where the bluegrass band, Scratchdog Stringband, is going to be coming back and performing for us as well as some local russian musicians. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

***: Mayor wheeler and commissioners, thank you so much for having me today. I'm with the Portland-Mutare sister city association. Mutare is in Zimbabwe which is on the southeast side of Africa. The sister city has evolved much over the years since its inception in 1991. We are very humanitarian in nature in addressing the needs of Mutare as they are great. What started out as a response to apartheid in 1991 changed over time to address the HIV/AIDS crisis. Portland-Mutare has fundraised to help build a clinic, a woman's waiting shelter, and support several schools and orphans as well. Today we still help support health and education. We have been about those person-to-person connections to help foster those friendships to help support peace and growth between our two cities. This last year, our small all-volunteer group has been working on a new strategic plan in fundraising for a needs assessment in Mutare for a trip in 2019. One of our main sustainable projects are busying art panels from the family AIDS support organization, or FASO. These art panels are sewn by women affected by HIV and AIDS in Mutare. We buy those panels and sell them here. We help to invest in educational and health projects in Mutare. This year, we have displayed and sold these panels at several different places, including the african film festival, the Marimba concert. We'll be at this year's zim fest in monmouth over the summer. We've helped support a school this year with supplies. We're holding our annual bowl-a-thon, another fundraiser near Halloween on October 22nd. Prizes will be given out for costumes so we'd love to see all of you there to help support our causes and help us grow. Thank you for your time.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it.

Fritz: I'm interested there's a zim fest in monmouth. Do you know what the connection with that community is?

***: It is through the college there, Western Oregon University. It was one of the spaces they were able to get. It was held there every year, and it's been every other year now. Now it's being held this year. I'll let you know the dates.

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Fritz: My son went to western Oregon. Such a beautiful place to have it, but not one I would necessarily connect with Zimbabwe.

*****:** I'm sure the price was good.

Fritz: I'm sure it will be very enjoyable. Thank you.

Michael Bacon: [speaking Japanese] Honorable Mayor Wheeler and Commissioners, my name is Michael Bacon. As the president of the Portland-Sapporo sister city association, I'm both honored and humbled to provide you our brief annual report. As I am sure, most of you know, the sister city relationship between Sapporo Japan and Portland is one of the longest standing sister city relationships in the US beginning in 1959 and continuing with regular, plentiful and meaningful exchanges that have built and incredibly strong bond of friendship between our two cities. Both Portland and Sapporo share common reputations as being highly livable and vibrant cities that attract many visitors and new citizens every year. Clean water, abundant local produce and beer, a strong culinary culture, great access to the outdoors, beautiful gardens and parks, and mass transit are among the many shared aspects of our cities resulting in this recognition. We are excited to be celebrating our 60th anniversary next year. To that end, we're kicking off our celebration efforts starting this summer on Saturday, July 14th with the Sapporo night at the beautiful Portland Japanese garden, a treasure of Portland and the world that was inspired and built upon the developing relationship of Portland and Sapporo. This event will feature Japanese cuisine by chef Naoko who incorporates local ingredients from the northwest into traditional Japanese dishes and sake from northern Japan selected and introduced by sake samurai a title bestowed on only 50 or so people in the world by the Japanese government. Marcus Pakiser, who is the vice president of the sake category for young's market northwest here in Portland. We would be honored to have mayor wheeler and Portland commissioners attend this amazing event. Tickets are on sale. There is a special invitation. The new mayor of Sapporo, Mayor Akemoto, visited last year, and the vice mayor will be visiting this July to collaborate with the mayor's office, Japanese consul general, and the PSSCA to begin preparations for 60th anniversary exchanges and celebrations. We expect mayor Akemoto to arrive in June 2019 with a large citizen and city commissioner delegation similar to the ones we've seen from our other sister cities this year. As part of that visit, we are pleased to announce the movement and rededication of the large Japanese bell gifted to the city of Portland from Sapporo to commemorate the 30th anniversary and placed in front of the Oregon convention center. You can see it here in the slide. With the addition of the new convention hotel by Hyatt Regency and the renovation of the convention center, the Oregon convention center plans to move this important symbol of the relationship between Sapporo and Portland to the southeast corner of the convention center grounds. Initially, our board expressed concerns, but the OCC and their architecture team in collaboration with the Japanese gardens and our association worked to turn this move into a great opportunity to rethink how the bell is situated, signed, and rededicated to represent the past, present, and future of our ongoing connections to our good friends across the Pacific Ocean. As you will see in this draft drawing -- whoops, if you go back -- the proposal includes incorporating both totem poles from the indigenous Ainu of Hokkaido and those of our local community, trees native of Japan, and a new platform base in the same style as the most recently completed ancient Japanese stone walls featured in the Portland Japanese Gardens crafted by the 13th generation castle wall builders from Japan. The Oregon convention center and the Japanese Gardens are working to have this stone work be the demonstration site for the international stone artisans conference to be held at the Oregon convention center next

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may or june. The bell will also become more accessible to the public to be rung on momentous occasions promoting peace. Both sapporo and Portland recognize that investment in our youth as critical to the longevity of our relationship and the prosperity and vibrance of our cities. Over the past seven years, we have established annual youth exchanges that leverage the partnership with japanese immersion program in Portland public schools to send a delegation of advanced level speakers and writers of the Japanese language from Grant high school to Sapporo for an intensive summer institute. The themes of the sapporo summer institute are to be humble, to endure and to respect. This past summer we sent 15 student to Sapporo and this summer we are sending 18, including my own son. In turn, each spring in march sapporo sends a delegation of two representatives from each of their eight high schools to Portland to spend a week living and going to school in portland. Meeting our Mayor and commissioners is always a highlight of their visit. We also sent our 21st year snow sculpture team to compete in the annual Sapporo snow festival. Gratitude to our corporate sponsors, Columbia sportswear and *** as well as many individual sponsors. Thanks for allowing me to highlight some of the endeavors of our association as we join you in continuing to build Portland as a livable and vibrant city. I would like to recognize the incredible efforts of my fellow board members and our partners in Sapporo. The relationship thrives because of the talents, hard work and dedication of many.

Fritz: I have a question for you. Why does the bell say it can ring without warning?

Bacon: That's a very interesting question. The bells over there-we didn't know this until just this last year, that there was a composer who actually put together a sinking of the three bells. There is the one from taiwan and the one from korea and then one from japan. Supposedly, those are set up in some synchronized way. They are rung and automated. They have recommissioned the composer to set that sequence or whatever it is to -- honestly, I haven't talked to the composer, so I don't know exactly what the actual sort of nature of the composition is, so they're going to ring automatically. We, as a part of this negotiation, asked for it to be -- because it was originally intended to be a bell where people, when they were feeling like they wanted to celebrate or mark a momentous occasion or probably in terms of trying to in sorrow or grief about expressing feelings of peace to make it a little more accessible. It won't be behind two fences now. As it moves, it will be more open. Does that help?

Eudaly: I've been wondering about that sign for decades, so thank you. It was very interesting.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Bob Fraser: Hello. My name is Bob Fraser. I'm president of the Portland-Suzhou sister city association. We're having a lot of fun this year celebrating our 30th anniversary. This is a pictorial presentation because my board members just love to take photos, but this pictorial presentation will be with words. Suzhou was founded in 514 b.c., a little older than Portland, is known as the Venice of Asia with its beautiful canals and garden. Only 20 minutes by speed train to shanghai. One of the programs that touched my heart was the children at Chinese Hope charter school last year who had great fun with a contest entitled painting your home and dreaming your future, hosted by the Suzhou province Jiangsu broadcasting company. They actually won first, second, and third prize. While I was in china last year, I had the opportunity to receive the award on their behalf in Nanjiang. Hosford middle school, one of nine Portland area sister city schools, takes up the entire assembly in welcoming the students from their sister city school Lida of Suzhou. The suzhou urban planning department visited with Portland planning and also restoration

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and historic preservation department and the Mayor's office this past May. This delegation coming and going could not exist without a strong Portland international relations office. We wish to thank Chido Dhliwayo and Sydney Odell for their absolute tremendous support. Thank you so very much. April 22-27 PSSCA hosted a mayoral delegation with Suzhou on the occasion of our 30th anniversary with mayor wheeler and 30 delegates representing business development, culture, and trade. The trip began that week with an exhibit of 20 paintings by PSSCA board member and artist francis lee, depicting our beautiful Portland area of our so many natural wonders. The delegation could not visit suzhou without visiting a number of the UNESCO world heritage gardens. Portland art museum Brian Fariso and Mary Gray Belt came to suzhou to discuss and MOU with the Suzhou museum for a possible sister city partner. Mayor wheeler met with Suzhou mayor Lia Ping reaffirming our longstanding sister city relationship, honoring our 30th anniversary. Mayor Wheeler and delegation visited the singapore suzhou industrial park a base for many international fortune 500 companies which was most impressive. Jeff Miller and Jeff Hammerly with Travel Portland hosted a luncheon and seminar for 40 suzhou travel professionals on our world class destination of Portland. Kristen Lennard, chief affairs officer, represented Portland at our delegation visit with the delegation on the port of taishan. Lisa James with the Lan Siu Chinese Garden represented Portland at our visit with the serial development company, which build our garden. Interview of mayor wheeler sharing with Suzhou television and print media. He felt very much at home in suzhou visiting another city with so many beautiful gardens and beautiful environment. A tree planting ceremony with both mayors honoring our 30th anniversary of the sister city. David Kojo Hakam, curriculum specialist of the mandarin immersion program and japanese, spanish, as well as russian and vietnamese. While in Suzhou, his students engage in field studies, home stays, produce bilingual videos --

Wheeler: This was the most amazing table I've ever seen. That's water.

Fraser: Wasn't that amazing? That was absolutely incredible.

Wheeler: It was the most fascinating table. It had water, and then it had flowers sort of floating around in the middle of it. It was extraordinary. Sorry to interrupt, but I just had to point that out to my colleagues.

Fraser: Suzhou is known as the water city. Our business breakfast seminar organized by Business Oregon's global trade specialists and our suzhou business partner Catherine Zhao with eco KMC Oregon's green technologies. We wish to thank elizabeth edwards and Jennifer Arguizani from the mayor's office for their fine assistance when this delegation visited suzhou. I want to thank lynn macintyre, our immediate past president, who is sitting back there somewhere, raise your hand, who really set this program to foot last year during our delegation visit. This could not have happened without her help. Lastly, I invite everyone to join us and the mayor at the Lan Siu Chinese Garden Saturday evening, July 28th. Thank you so much for this opportunity to present.

Wheeler: Thank you, sir.

Jane Mauk: I'm Jane Mauk and I'm president of the Portland-Ulsan sister city association. Today, we have five delegates from Ulsan. They are here representing the trade and international relations as well as the greenery and parks division. Their visit here is after we sent a delegation of five to Ulsan celebrate their 12th annual rose festival, which they fashioned after us. We went there, and we were able to be in one big row and hit a button. And we started their festival. It was really fun. We also were able to visit their city hall, and we were able to see both of those divisions, where they work, and also meet the counterparts that we have here with Portland parks and recreation. While we were there,

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we were able to visit s.k. Energy, their petrochemical plant. It is the fourth largest in the world. It was very interesting. We couldn't take any pictures. But we were very well informed about how they are doing in all of Korea but also globally. We were able to visit the Ulsan city museum where the petroglyphs are replicated inside the museum. What we are working on now is Dr. Shin their director is working on an MOU with Portland art museum for our 35th anniversary in 2020 so a three kingdoms exhibit will come to Portland art museum for extended stay. Our majestic made of art exhibit can be displayed there for their city. Today, their visit here is to really work with the Portland parks and recreation and their greenery division. We're focusing on the international test garden and Hoyt. We're actually working -- they've brought people here that are species tree and flora specialists, research, and also their urban landscape specialist is with us. They are looking for how we can get seeds from Ulsan to come so we can propagate the Korean forest collection we started in Hoyt. That is one of our main things this trip. We have a great relationship with the international trade and relations division and the greenery, and we're looking also to continue the relationship we have with the port of Portland. We visited Dr. Jim Wong Kim's office. He calls it his Oregon cabin. We went there with our royal rosarian Kathy Fastenau and her husband. We were able to say thank you to him on behalf of the city of Portland and the sister city association for that relationship in Korea for our port of Portland. So we thank you for your support of the sister cities associations, and we thank you for today. It was a really good celebration. Thank you very much.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it.

Rindert Schutten: Good afternoon. My name is Rindert Schutten and I'm the president of the Portland-Utrecht network. Apparently, we're not family yet. We're just friends but good friends. The community, apart from meeting every month and having a beer, we have two yearly events. Every year, Sinterklaas, which is a Turkish bishop living in Spain, he brings presents to the Dutch children. Although he is very busy that time of year, he comes to Portland every year on December 5. The second annual event is our Kings Day celebration in late April at Oaks Park wearing orange, eating Dutch foods, and playing traditional children's games. In fact, more and more non-Dutch people actually show up for our party as well. This April, we had over 500 people attending. In previous years, we have focused on economic collaborations resulting in collaborative beer brewing, always good, and import/export of locally made goods. For 2018, our focus is on cultural exchanges between the two cities. The first initiative is called Hout, which is the Dutch word for wood. Three Utrecht artists ship locally grown wooden blocks to three Portland artists and vice versa. Then the artists create their art from their wooden blocks and later in the year the artworks will be shown at our exhibit here in Portland as well as in Utrecht. Here we see our design. This is a local Portland wooden metal design studio trying to figure out what they're going to do with their block of wood. Our biggest project for the year is what we call "bringing the style to Portland" project. The style is a global art movement that started a hundred years ago in the Netherlands. Utrecht artists played a key role in it. You may not know the art movement or the artist listed here, but you probably recognize the style, the imagery, the black and primary colors, et cetera. Not only will you find this art in world-renowned museums, including the Portland Art Museum, but you'll find its influence in the architecture, furniture and fashion all over the world, specifically contemporary Dutch design has deep roots in this art movement. Last year, the Netherlands celebrated the style, the special exhibitions, all over the country. Even the Keukenhof Gardens, the famous tulip garden, had a special styled flower bed. We are working closely with the Portland Art Museum, the Studio Theater at Lincoln Hall, and a local theater company

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called Hand to Mouth, as well as the Pacific NW Colors of Art to create a series of events that share with Portland the cultural treasure of the style. For these events, we're bringing an Utrecht art historian, an amazing actress, who will perform a show both in english as well as in dutch here in Portland, and a graphic artist to Portland. It is all happening mid october, so check our website and register to stay informed. We've been very fortunate we have received generous grants from the city of Utrecht and the Dutch government to make this all happen. We are working closely with RACC for additional funding because stuff like this takes money, as you know. Yes, you can help. We actually have a wonderful thing you can buy. How Portland, a mason jar, but handmade here in Portland that you can buy if you go to our website.

Wheeler: Fabulous.

Schutten: If you do that, you get one of these buttons. We threw it in for free for you. You can be in style. In october, we will have cake and we will party definitely in style. Thank you.

Wheeler: That's great. Thank you. Thank you, everyone. Thank you for those great presentations. Colleagues, I don't know if you have any further questions. If not, i'll entertain a motion to accept a report.

Saltzman: So moved.

Fritz: Second.

Wheeler: Karla, please call the roll.

Saltzman: Thank you as always for bringing us the good news of what's happening in our sister cities across the globe. It's always very impressive the work you're doing and the work going on in all of our sister cities. Very happy to be here. Aye.

Eudaly: Thank you. This is always a fun day of the year when we receive our sister cities report. I may be headed to italy this summer to visit my ancestral home. Perhaps i'll swing by balogna. Aye.

Fritz: This is very refreshing, especially in these times, to hear of friendship and people working together and finding commonalities where there's always going to be differences. I was particularly moved by the guadalajara report and knowing how much turmoil is going on, and yet you're still working to create those friendships. I appreciate that very much. We don't have our english sister city nor do I have the energy to start one. It is interesting to know the history of some of the relationships. The oldest one is nearly as old as me, so i'll be very interested to see next year what the 60th anniversary does, but I do remember it was jim Francesconi who was most influential in getting the balogna relationship going. Each one of them has a special place in your hearts, a special place in our hearts. I know we have over 80 different immigrant and refugee communities here in Portland. Wouldn't it be lovely if each one of them had a sister city relationship and we can just keep growing this? I don't know what it takes to get from Utrecht to being a friend to a relative, but whatever it is, I hope it continues to happen. Aye.

Wheeler: This is always a very informative presentation as well as just being a lot of fun. As I said right up front, these relationships are very, very important to the city of Portland. We appreciate all of those who are committed to maintaining these relationships, both in the cities themselves, the delegations, that take the time to come here and share with us as well as paving the way for the youth of our city to be able to exchange with the youth of our sister cities to foster understanding and appreciation for each other. I want to thank you personally for your commitment. I'd also like to thank our city staff. Sydney, thank you for helping to organize this. Chido, thank you for your continued leadership. Thanks to all of you who have engaged in this exercise. We're delighted to have you here at this very,

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very important time of year for our city. I vote aye. The report is accepted. Thank you. Chido, did we want to do a photo or are they photoed out for the day? Good. Thank you. Appreciate it. Thank you all so much for being here.

Item 608.

Wheeler: All right. Very good. The next item is one we carried over from yesterday, 608.

Moore-Love: Amend the business license law to increase the tax rate and increase the owner's compensation deduction.

Wheeler: Thank you for being here yesterday, and again, I want to apologize, Thomas, for the cross communications and having you being here for a presentation that didn't take place, so I want you to hear my personal apology for that. I'm not really sure what happened, but I don't like to waste anybody's time, yours in particular. Thank you for being here today.

Thomas Lannom, Director, Revenue Bureau: Thank you Mayor and Council. I'm Thomah Lannom, the director of the revenue division. I'm just shocked that nobody wanted to listen to the tax presentation. Everybody left. I'll keep this very brief. The ordinance before you today raises the business license tax rate from the current 2.2% to 2.6% effective for tax year 2018, which is due in april of 2019 for most taxpayers. It also raises the owner's compensation deduction from the current \$103,500 to \$125,000 effective also for tax year 2018. 47,000 businesses currently pay the business license tax. We have 105,000 businesses that are in business in Portland, but 47,000 of them actually end up paying our tax. 1700 will pay less. These are predominantly the smaller businesses that the council desires to shield from this tax increase. 16,000 will pay the same, so typically the \$100 minimum. 29,000 will pay more. This change is in accordance with your fiscal year 2019, 18/19 budget, which you'll hear later this afternoon. The increased rate is expected to generate about \$10 million for fiscal year 18/19 and 15.3 ongoing. There are no increases to the administrative expenses for this change. I'll stop there.

Wheeler: Very good. Thank you, thomas. Colleagues, any further questions? Commissioner Saltzman.

Saltzman: You mentioned something about protecting the smaller businesses from the increase. What are we protecting here?

Lannom: The increase in the owner's compensation deduction typically will help smaller businesses.

Saltzman: That's what you were referring to.

Lannom: That small subset. The majority of businesses certainly will see an increase.

Saltzman: But everybody's paying same tax rate?

Lannom: Right. There are some that will pay less despite the increased rate, and those are typically the smaller businesses.

Saltzman: Got it. Thanks.

Wheeler: Very good. Is there any public testimony on this item?

Moore-Love: No one signed up.

Wheeler: I would like to read a statement into the record prior to moving this to the second. It is not related specifically to this ordinance, but it is probably the most logical place for me to read this into the record. In my proposed budget, I announce that I would be seeking to increase the business license tax and unlike in past years, I would be doing this in partnership with the business community as they step forward to help us achieve shared citywide goals. In the spirit of partnership and because continued economic growth benefits from a stable tax environment, I proposed a budget note that expressed my goal

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of avoiding further blt increases for the next ten years and articulated my intent to present a proposed budget in future years if the tax environment in Portland changes significantly. While I thoroughly respect my colleagues' decision to strike that budget note, i'm taking this opportunity to state on the record that my personal commitment to the content of the budget note remains unchanged. Thank you all. This is a very first reading of a nonemergency ordinance and moves to second reading. Colleagues, commissioner Fish would like to participate in the vote. He will be here at 3:15. Is there any objection if we take a 15-minute recess? We are in recess until 3:15.

Items 616, 617, 618, 619, 620 and 621.

Wheeler: We are back in session. Commissioner Fish has joined us for the record. Karla, could you please read items 616 through 621?

Moore-Love: 616, conduct a proposed use hearing on state shared revenue. 617, certify that certain services are provided by the city to establish eligibility for state shared revenues. 618, approve accepting funds from the state of Oregon under state revenue sharing program for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019. 619, create and rename various funds and update the fund statements of purpose for various funds. 620, adopt the annual budget of the city and establish appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019. 621, approve levying taxes for the city for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2019.

Wheeler: Very good. Director Scott.

Andrew Scott, Director, City Budget Office: Great. Thank you, Mayor, and Council.

Andrew Scott, Director of the City Budget Office. I'm joined by Claudio Campuzano, assistant director. Good afternoon. We're here to adopt the budget for fiscal year 2018/19 today. As usual, there are a number of procedural steps we need to go through. We're also going to just briefly, once we get to the adopted budget ordinance, show you the new adopted budget dashboard that we're putting on PortlandOregon.gov website, that gives a little better access to the information so we're excited to show you that as well. Mayor, we start off with a proposed use hearing on state-shared revenue. There's a statement that you can read into the record.

Wheeler: This hearing is being held by the city council of Portland, Oregon in compliance with the provisions of the state sharing revenue regulations. ORS 221.770 It is to allow citizens to comment on the proposed use of these funds in conjunction with the annual budget process. As proposed for council adoption, the fiscal year 2018/90 budget anticipates receipts totaling \$20,031,436 from state revenue sharing under ORS 221.770. As has been the case in prior years, it is proposed that this revenue be allocated in equal parts to support fire prevention and police patrol services. Is there anyone here today who wishes to be heard on this subject?

Moore-Love: No one signed up.

Wheeler: Very good. I'm closing this hearing to discuss the proposed uses of state revenue sharing.

Scott: Great. Thank you. After that hearing, council considers a resolution to certify the city meets eligibility requirements for state-shared revenue, and state law requires we provide a number of services as a municipal government. This resolution certifies we do so.

Wheeler: Do we take a vote on the resolution?

Scott: Yes, we do.

Wheeler: Do we take testimony on the resolution?

Scott: Yes, I believe we do.

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Wheeler: Is there any public testimony on this resolution?

Moore-Love: I didn't have a sign-up sheet for that one.

Wheeler: Is there anybody here who would like to testify on this resolution? Seeing none, please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: The resolution is adopted.

Scott: Great. Now the third and final step in receiving our state-shared revenue is to consider an ordinance that accepts the state-shared revenue. After holding our hearing, and certifying we are qualified, we just now need to accept it.

Wheeler: Is there any further discussion on this item? Is there any public testimony? Seeing none, call the roll.

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

Fritz: It is good we get some shared revenue from the state, even though Portland gives to the rest of the state more than we get back.

Wheeler: The ordinance is adopted.

Scott: Great. Thank you. The next stage, this is an ordinance that creates and renames various funds and updates the fund statement of purpose for various funds, so within the city, we budget in a number of different types of funds. Again, under local budget law, council needs to take action to create or rename those. This particular ordinance this year approves the following fund closures and creations. It creates the cannabis licensing special revenue fund, which will allow for more transparent tracking of can cannabis licensing fees and penalties in relation to program costs, allow for multi-year management of the resources by the fund manager, and facilitate the overall management of the program. The ordinance renames the recreational marijuana tax fund to the recreational cannabis tax fund. It adopts and makes changes to the fund's statement of purpose for these two funds and several OMF funds to reflect a reorganization of the bureau of internal business services. In addition, comprehensive financial management policy 2.04 states that each fund shall have a statement of purpose. This ordinance updates those statements for a variety of funds.

Wheeler: Very good. Is there any further discussion on this? Is anyone signed up to testify on 619? Seeing none, Karla, please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: The ordinance is adopted.

Scott: Great. Thank you. Now we are to the actual heart of the adopted budget process. The next ordinance you have in front of you will adopt the 2018/19 budget. I'm going to walk through in just a few minutes changes to the adopt -- sorry, changes to the approved budget that have been filed now as the adopted budget. In addition, we can take any amendments at this time as well. As with the approved budget process, any amendment needs to be moved and seconded for consideration and discussion. There will be public testimony, and then we will adopt the budget. I want to take four or five minutes to walk you through a dashboard that we have created with this adopted budget information that is intended to make it much more easily accessible for the public to understand what's in our budget, to be able to drill down a little bit into specific budgets. You may or may not know, if you haven't picked one up recently, the printed budget document is about 600 pages. That's just volume 1. There's also volume 2. We eliminated volume 3, which is good, but not surprisingly, very few people ever pick up the printed adopted budget. We print 15 or 20 of them every year. We give them away for free. And even free we can't get rid of them. Most people do access the budget online. However, accessing a 600-page

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document online is somewhat challenging as well, so we've been looking for ways to create new and better tools that people can access that information. Aaron is here to just walk you quickly through that dashboard which I think you have on your screens in front of you.

Aaron Kaufman: We're excited to show you our new, interactive adopted budget dashboard, which is available on the city budget office's website. We built this as a learning tool for the city staff and the community I hopes of greater transparency and accountability. We were also inspired to build a tool like this in part because of What works cities and PDX improvements we spoke to you about yesterday. The dashboard begins with an overview of the budget process and ends with program-level budget details. We'll give you a brief two minute demo of the product today. First, how is a city budget developed? You can hover your mouse over these different steps and learn more about the budget process, including budget monitoring. When does the city budget develop? This is an interactive timeline. You can see today's date down here. And actually today, June 7th, council action to adopt the budget. Scrolling down a little bit more, we wanted to explain the difference between general fund and non-general fund. You can hover over and see which bureau is interacting with the general fund and non-general fund based on percentage. Give a little more information about it there. Going forward, you can see all the bureaus by service area, and you can also hover over there and see a little bit more information about what bureaus fall under what service area. You can also filter by fund if you want by clicking on this up here.

Scott: Aaron, could you actually show them that real quick? That's all funds right now, if you switch it to general fund.

Kaufman: Sure.

Kaufman: Yeah, we can see the public safety. Then non-general fund down here. Public utilities is the highest.

Fish: Do we have to draw so much attention to public utilities? Maybe shrink that one a little bit.

Kaufman: Going forward, this says -- you might recognize this. This is based on the mayor's proposed budget dashboard that we released about a month ago. This is updated with the adopted budget information. It is by mayor's priorities. You can click on the priority here, increasing housing options and reducing homelessness, and see what decision packages are going to that priority area. You can select by bureau to see which bureau, like the housing bureau, for instance, all their decision packages going to that particular category. Moving down, what are the city's revenue sources? You can see the different revenue sources -- taxes, service charges, beginning fund balance. You can also check by bureau. Going to housing bureau, we see -- let's go to fire rescue. You can see general fund discretionary is most of their resources, and you can hover over and see a little bit more about where they're getting their revenue. Next one is city's expenditures. This is the same as above but on the expense side. You can also go by bureau as well and fund type. You can sort that way. Lastly, this is I think the best part of the dashboard where you can see program-level budgeting. It is by bureau. You can't do the whole city because it would get a little messy, so we have it by bureau. Portland housing bureau, their biggest expense is on affordable housing and homeless services. You can hover over those to see what those actual programs are. Historical budget trends and then also staffing levels, you can see those patterns as well. That's the dashboard.

Fish: Can you go up to the top for a second? Andrew, under the number one, how is the budget developed. First of all, this is superb and easy to read, so kudos to everybody that

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worked on it. One thing that a member of the community may be most motivated to learn about is in this fairly complex and convoluted process, where is my voice, how do I use my voice. Is there a little primer sheet that says you can join a citizen's budget committee or testify before the bureau budget advisory committee or whatever? You can reach out to the mayor on the proposed budget. There's a period of time where you can go to the mayor or any member of council before they're approved and get somebody to champion your cause on the adopted. Is there a citizen's guide in how to use your voice on these features?

Kaufman: We have some of those features that you just mentioned. On the timeline you can see public engagement opportunities. Here all the different public hearings, public community forums, things like that. There's a link to the cbo's website that has more information, but we can fill that out a little more.

Scott: If you can to get involved, click. There's a page on the cbo website, but it is a great point. Figuring out different ways to highlight that for people, there are different places. We want to make it really easy for people to be involved. One of the things I want to stress, I won't call it a beta because I think we've been working on it a while, but we are rolling it out this year and really looking for feedback. Feedback from your offices, bureaus, and the public. It is relatively easy to make tweaks and adjustments and changes to it, which is one of the benefits of this, so we hope to improve it moving forward.

Wheeler: It's fantastic.

Scott: We'll be monitoring how many people use it, and advertising a little bit as well when we talk to community groups. We get a lot of calls and people ask questions and directing them to this and seeing if they are able to get the information they need. And getting feedback about information they are not able to get that we may be able to add to future versions. So with that overview, let me go into some of the specifics of the adopted budget. We won't take a lot of time because we've been through a whole process here. But what I want to highlight are some of the major changes from the approved budget into the adopted budget. You can see this in attachment B of the ordinance, there is a change memo. The vast majority of things in this change memo are purely technical, and are just adjustment to IA levels or technical changes that the bureau has made. We do list them and can take questions on those if you have them. I want to run through three or four items of note. I wasn't over here because we were preparing for this but I do believe you approved the business license tax increase, is that correct? We do note here in the change memo that there was an adjustment in terms of the amount of business license tax we'll be receiving in the first year from that because of how tax years fall with fiscal years and the assumptions in terms of when business will pay that tax. However, we are fortunate that business license taxes are running high in this current year so we were able to make a technical zero adjustment, but I do want to call attention to that. Page four of the change memo. There are two OMF related changes that again are not – I want to highlight them for the decisions you'll be dealing with in the future revolving around the Portland building. There is a decision package in here for technology in the reconstructed Portland building. What the action does is it draws about \$2.7 million of out of contingency, you know, making it available for the technology project. Council hasn't approved that yet moving forward so what OMF plans is to draw \$258,000 while they work through the early steps. They will be coming back to Council in the latter half of 2018 to request the approval for and funding of the overall project and do not intend to spend more of the \$258,000 draw from the contingency prior to that council approval but they are moving those funds, and we wanted to highlight that. Similarly, there is a similar decision

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package for the development of an integrated print management system for copy and print at the Portland building, and again that's listed in the change memo. But they would be drawing some funding out of contingency to start that project, again not planning to spend more than \$25,000 before they come back in the latter half of 2018 to get formal approval. That is a change to note because council has considered the package to date. Again, OMF will be coming back on that, and I think they are here to answer any questions you might have. I did want to note within the office of neighborhood involvement, there is a change to add a program specialist position and redistribute just under \$72,000 from neighborhood coalitions, other neighborhood coalitions to the east Portland neighborhood office, and in addition, commissioner eudaly, is taking money out of her current year budget, and transferring it and carrying that money over to help fund some of those, those offices in next year's budget, as well. I believe those were all of the substantive changes, again there is a number of other technical changes, and we are happy to answer questions about those, but given this is what the adopted budget was filed, and now if there are any council amendments now would be the time.

Wheeler: Very good. Colleagues, I have a number of amendments that I would like to make. I'm happy to have the budget office discuss any of these if you have follow up questions. First, I would like to offer a motion to increase funding for the special appropriations competitive grants fund. This would increase the special appropriations budget by \$350,000 in the recreational cannabis fund resource for competitive grants. The funding source will be an increase in the beginning fund balance resulting from underspending on those grants, in the fiscal year 2017-2018 year. This amends attachments b, c, and e as necessary.

Fritz: Second.

Wheeler: A motion and second. Karla, could you call the roll.

Scott: We should see if there is any Testimony. Sorry.

Wheeler: You are correct. That's right. Is there any public testimony on this amendment? Thanks, director scott. Please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. The motion carries. Colleagues, I would like to also offer up an amendment, a motion to increase the position authority for the Portland bureau of transportation. This increases the position authority for the Portland bureau of transportation through the transportation operating fund by 29 fte. The funding source for these positions includes internal reallocations of existing appropriation and a reduction to the bureau contingency of \$289,554. The positions were approved by the council in the fiscal year 2017-2018 spring supplemental budget, but were inadvertently excluded from the adopted budget change memo. This amends attachments b, c, and e as necessary.

Saltzman: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion and a second. Any further discussions, questions? Is there any public testimony on this amendment? Seeing none, Karla call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. Motion carries. [gavel pounded] next item motion to amend the bureau of development services budget. This reallocates \$58 million from unappropriated ending fund balance in the development services fund of the bureau of development services to contingency in order to facilitate an inter-fund loan with the housing capital fund. This amendment does not result in an increase to either funds 2018-2019 budget. This amends the attachments b, c, and e as necessary.

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Fish: I will second it. Is there some reason that the commissioner in charge isn't seconding it?

Eudaly: Sorry.

Fish: He's throwing another \$58 million your way, just wanted to make sure.

Eudaly: No, no.

Fish: I am kidding. We're looking to you as the commissioner.

Eudaly: Ok, well, we are happy to help and to be clear, we will be getting this money back, and it's money that I have learned that I can't really spend on anything at all, so I am glad that it can temporarily benefit the housing bureau.

Wheeler: Easy come, easy go. We have a motion and second. Any further discussion on this? Would anybody like to testify on this item? Seeing none, Karla please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. [gavel pounded] motion carries. Item 4, motion to amend attachment d specifically to add a budget note regarding the office of community technology. In accordance with the budget note, the fiscal year 2017-2018 adopted budget an external consultant was engaged to evaluate options and make recommendations to council on the optimal location and structure of the office for community technology, oct, within the city's organizational framework. Based on these recommendations and consultation with the city staff, council directs that the office for community technology be established as a stand alone office beginning in september of 2018. The council directs the revenue division and oct staff to bring forward budgetary and position changes in the fiscal year 2018-2019 fall budget monitoring process for council consideration. Council further directs omf facilities to develop options and plan for the physical relocation of oct staff with the relevant budgetary actions also brought forward during the fiscal year 2018-2019 fall budget monitoring process.

Fritz: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion, a second. Any further discussion or questions? Would anyone like to testify on this item? Seeing none, Karla please call the roll.

Fish: Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

Eudaly: I am happy to see this move. I was -- i've been curious why oct was in revenue, and would have been happy to host some, in one of my bureaus but regardless, I am looking forward to getting to know them better and working with them on digital equity. Aye.

Fritz: One of the best bits of news that I have heard all week and I am very excited about it. Thank you, mayor, I appreciate you doing this to make sure it happens. Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The motion carries. [gavel pounded] director scott, that concludes my amendments. Anybody else have any amendments? Great.

Scott: At this point we take testimony on the entire budget if there is any and after that council can move to a vote.

Wheeler: Very good. Public testimony?

Moore-Love: No one signed up.

Wheeler: Very good. Any further discussion?

Wheeler: Commissioner Eudaly

Eudaly: I just want to apologize for being slow on the draw with my second, I am so used to having to race to second every item, with others on the council that I have just given up on seconding at all.

Fish: We were just looking to see if there was any creative tension between you and the mayor on this, as the Commissioner-in-Charge

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Eudaly: Oh, there is always creative tension between the mayor and i.

Wheeler: As well there should be. Good. Karla, please call the roll.

Fish: We have had an opportunity to give statements about the budget prior to today, and I guess at the penultimate hearing that we had a chance to make statements on the record so I will be very brief. First I want to say to the mayor, it is an accomplishment in our form of government to pass a budget with the concurrence of all your colleagues. I have served on this council when the budgets passed with less than five votes, and there is nothing in the charter that says that you have to get five votes. But in my opinion, when a mayor goes the extra mile, to meet as many of the priorities and values of his or her colleagues, we end up with a stronger document and we end up with a better budget process, so I want to start with the mayor and thank him and his team for going the extra mile to get to the consensus that it produced a 5-0 vote on the budget. I think that's very important.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Fish: And this budget balances a lot of competing demands. It reflects a lot of the council's shared values, and it includes a number of, many of the priorities that each of us as individual office-holders have been working on. I want to, in particular, just acknowledge how pleased I am that we're making progress on the low income discount program. It will be welcomed news to cost of burden renters. A lot of people in the community and at the water bureau have been working on this issue for a long time. And I want to compliment them for their perseverance. I'm grateful that we are continuing an innovative program launched by venture Portland to build capacity in business districts, particularly, in outer east and north Portland. I am pleased that we are continuing to fund our partnership with elders in action. I am thrilled that we have put in record funding to address what I think is morally the most urgent issue of our time, which is homelessness, and the record funding for the joint office and for addressing other aspects of this crisis. I think that this council should be very proud of. I am pleased that we restored cuts at the parks bureau, as a former commissioner in charge of the parks bureau who used to see cuts, you know, taken out of parks to fund housing. I know that any cut to that bureau causes heartburn, but I am pleased that we softened the impact of some of those cuts, and I am, again, thought that the process that brought the council together around a final budgeted was a positive one. While we are raising the business license fee in this budget, an aspect of that, that has not gotten enough attention is that we have finally honored a commitment that at least dan and commissioner Fritz and I made, I forget how many years ago, but I believe that it was by resolution or ordinance, we made a commitment over time to raise the business owner's compensation deduction to \$125,000. I don't consider that a hard floor or ceiling, I should say, but it was a commitment that we made, and I am very pleased that we have had the opportunity to honor it. There are many other things in this budget that I like, and there are some things that I don't like, but in the crafting of a budget, the name of the game is to balance a lot of different competing needs and reach a consensus, and on balance I think that this is a good budget. This is the last budget that we will work with andrew scott on. He will be moving onto another job, and we will be giving us confidential information about the deliberations of metro through a back channel. The same way that liam frost has been so helpful in not having us understand what's going on in the chair's office. Andrew, it has been an absolute pleasure to work with your over these years. And our relationship has survived the fact that on a regular and somewhat alarming basis you have said negative things about my budget requests. So I think that it is a function of -- it is a function of the regard that you are held by your

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colleagues here that when we create, when we created this Independent budget office, we knew that it was -- it meant you will call it the way you saw it, and sometimes, frankly, caused heartburn in discussions you have had with us. But it's exactly what the system was designed to do. And you were the perfect person to deliver sometimes the bad news. Cherished things that we were trying to get in the budget. So thank you, and we wish you well in your next assignment. The city has been very fortunate to have your service. So thank you very much. I want to thank on my team my chief of staff, sonia, jamie dunphy, todd, amirra, everybody in my office who has been working on the budget, and because in one way or another everybody has touched this budget and been involved in helping to get to this moment. Even if it includes communicating with constituents when we used to get emails or compiling documents. So everyone on my team, I want to say thank you. Finally, I am very pleased that we have collectively made a commitment to thinking through in the next few months how we can engage the public more dynamically in the budget process. I think that we have had, for some time, some frustration about trying to find that sweet spot of how we engage the public and act on what they have to say. I think it reached the point that we are looking at making some significant changes. That's not a criticism of anyone who has guided our budget process to this point. I think it's also a recognition the world is changing and there is different ways of communicating, and how can, how can we engage the public in a more dynamic way. So what we're not hearing exclusively is what people don't want to see cut, while engaging people in crafting our priorities in our budget. So I am very pleased that we'll be working on that, and I hope that it changes the tenor and the tone of our public meetings that we have when we engage the public a little differently and not just invite them to tell us what we should not cut, but help us to imagine how we, we invest a limited pot of funds. So with all that said, again, thank you to everyone who has worked on this budget and to my colleagues. I vote aye.

Saltzman: Thank you mayor wheeler, and all of the council for the hard work that we have done in getting to this point. And I want to recognize the hard work of the budget office and all of our personal staff as well. And I want to wish director scott the best of luck, and as deputy coo of metro. It will be a dynamic place to be, and I am sure that you will enjoy it and you will bring a lot of good insights that you have gained here over your ten years as budget director that will serve metro well. Under the new leadership, as well. So I do think that this also is my last budget. So I just wanted to take the opportunity to sort of echo the observation commissioner Fish just made. I do hope we find a better way to do our budget processes because it only brings out, and there is nothing that you can do about it to change that, but our budget processes only attract people that don't want to cut their programs. They don't -- our public doesn't want to engage in many of these broader discussions we like to have at the lofty level of goals and visions and opportunities. Instead they are responding to an email alert that they get from somebody within a bureau or budget advisory committee that says you know, we're going to cut everybody, everybody will have to cut 5%, you know what that means. We're going to get all these dynamics, and we see as a result the same constituencies, at virtually every budget that i've been through, and in almost 20 years of doing this. So we have got for figure out a fresher, more relevant approach to engage our people. And to engage our residents. And to structure our hearings differently. One thing that I told our bill farber, the mayor's consultant on this process of how to refresh our budget process is maybe we need to look at the way that the county does it. Which is they hold their public hearings after the chair has put forward a proposed budget in this case the mayor putting forward a proposed budget because then people really know whether they have to worry or Not. Right now

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people, they are reacting, as I said, they get an email alert and they think I instinctively have to show up, and wear my red shirt or whatever, and be against a cut. That's all they know or come to say. But if they know, if you have a proposed budget, a proposed budget, I would argue is probably 99% of what the actual budget ends up being. Then they know if they have to worry or not and I think that's a better dynamic to engage our residents on, so I do hope that that's a change this council will consider making and you mayor will consider making that, too, is have the public hearings after a proposed budget. Make a lot more sense, I believe. And I do hope that we will revisit the financial policies. I would like to have this body adopt that would bring more transparency to how we conduct our bump processes and more accountability on our parts about how we spend major sources of general fund revenue, and that we do it as part of the budget process, not as part of the bump processes where nobody knows what the bump is, we have no public involvement on the decisions regarding our bump or budget committees, nobody looking at it, and so I think that we have got to bring that stuff in the light of day and foster, I believe, a better decision-making environment, and a better ability to wave the trade-off we are making so I have not given up on that. I was hoping to have them done here by your last day, Andrew, but keep watching. I hope to get that done in the next few weeks. So again, thanks to everybody. Pleased to vote aye.

Eudaly: Well, this year's budget process was certainly more challenging than last year's. And also more satisfying. I realize now that's because the mayor and I came in about halfway through the budget process, which is basically a year-round event. It may be the most important part of our job, setting this budget, balancing needs with wants, current needs with future needs. And setting our -- expressing our values and setting our priorities for the city. I think that, as most of you know, I certainly didn't get everything that I hoped to get, and I compromised on things that I felt strongly about but I remain cautiously optimistic that our increase in the police budget is going to result in a decrease in response time as well as a decrease in the reliance on overtime in the next 18 months to two years. So I will be watching that closely. Very pleased we increased our commitment to keeping people in their housing through eviction prevention as well as providing more shelter to people experiencing homelessness. I think we are the only west coast city that saw a decrease in homeless individuals on the street, not homeless overall but on the street, which is something, something to be proud of. We were able to soften the blow to our neighborhood coalitions in our redistribution of coalition funds to bring equity to ethno, and I appreciated that. And finally, probably the most meaningful thing was we fully funded our portion of the universal defense project to help protect immigrants and refugees from unjust removal and deportation, and I would like to share with you all today a victory that -- for all sanctuary cities in that the city of Philadelphia obtained a decision in the city's favor against the justice department on its unconstitutional efforts to require cities to adhere to the demands to renounce their sanctuary policies towards immigrants. The court concluded section 13-73 amounted to commandeering under the *Murphy versus NCAA* decision, and that DOJ violated the Administrative Procedures Act in its efforts to amend policy by fiat. The court essentially found for the city on all the claims, and the city of Portland has been supporting Philadelphia's litigation efforts. So this is the controversial issue, and I certainly faced my fair share of criticism for standing up for our immigrant and refugee community members, and that decision only strengthens my resolve. I am also looking forward to changes coming in our budget process, especially around public engagement. I think that this year's experience was frustrating for everyone involved, and I believe the public wants to participate in a more meaningful way but we

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have to do a better job giving them adequate tools and with communications, so thank you to the mayor and my colleagues, and to Andrew Scott and the budget office. We are going to be saying goodbye to Andrew later today, and I heard there will be a dunk tank, which even I feel like is a little bit mean to do to Andrew.

Andrew: Nah:

Eudaly: I will not be in the dunk tank just in case anyone is grabbing their keys and rushing down to city hall. I want to thank my staff, especially my chief of staff, Marshall and my policy team, Jamey Duhamel, Winta Yohannes and Pollyanne Birge and most of all I want to thank the community members who weighed in on the budget through written or oral testimony or, you know, stalking me on Facebook. Duly noted, and I am looking forward to better engagement next year. Aye.

Fritz: I am going to start by thanking Andrew Scott. Your leadership of the city budget office, the independent city budget office, taking it from a fledgling to a soaring success has been outstanding. And I think, I know you have shown there is no question, the independent city budget office is needed, and have begun to show exactly what it can do. The latest dashboard is another example of that. And you have expanded it beyond just the budget period but throughout the year looking at performance management and how can we do better, and you have paid attention to equity in every way that I have been hoping, and have set it on the way of that, and so thank you very much for your leadership. I gave a long speech in May when we approved the budget, so I won't repeat what I said then. I do keep hearing about how the budget process is broken this year. I don't share that perspective. The independent city budget office did fantastic work reviewing the budget, the bureau budget submissions and making recommendations on how we could balance the budget, and even when I disagree with those recommendations, I greatly value the insights and analysis. The budget forms may not be fun. They are a necessary part of the budget process. There must be opportunities for the public to weigh in on the budget decisions that we are making. While contra dancing may sound like a trivial pursuit to some people, to seniors who build their week around it and find companionship and great joy in participating, it is a big deal and they need to be heard. This is true of everybody budget decision we make. There is a constituency and we need to hear their concerns. And then there is the council action on the Mayor's proposed budget. We have a responsibility in our legislative roles to review the proposal and negotiate changes. That's why I disagree with my colleague, Commissioner Saltzman, I don't think having the budget, the hearings after the proposed budget is the right way to go about it. The involvement of council has happened in every budget I participated in over the last ten years and should continue to happen. When I keep hearing about the broken budget process, I don't buy it. I look forward to hearing the recommendations of the consultant reviewing our budget process. If the recommendations diminish the role of the city budget office, if they limit the opportunity for public input, give more power and authority to the office of management and finance, if they undermine the responsibility of the four commissioners to help shape the final budget, and try to make the city budget process more like a so-called strong executive system, which we are not, I will strenuously oppose those changes. I hope others will join me. Even in the so-called strong mayor city manager form of government, all elected officials have power in the budget process, and I know that Mayor Wheeler respects that. And that's how it needs to continue to be. Yesterday the mayor called for the bureaus to work more collaboratively to make this city function better. That will only happen if the council is also working together collaboratively. This budget process was a good example of the council working together including the

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second floor's full partners and I hope that we can build on this output. Thanks to tim on my staff for all your work throughout the ten years i've been here. All of my staff also, and I associate myself with commissioner Fish's comments. So clearly the, one of the key questions moving forward is the parks bureau. It needs to be said that one of the reasons park has been challenged in recent budgets is that the city is starting to pay many of the park's staff that ranks closer to living wages, and I am proud of that. We should not be saying because we are paying you \$15 an hour you no longer have a job because we can't afford you. These services are services people need, and I am glad we funded the long range plan and fiscal sustainability plans in this current budget. I will begin talking about that with folks over the summer what can be funded and what cuts do we need to make for the ongoing financial sustainability, and that's how it should happen. It should happen outside of the budget process and not within it. Or southwest within it. I hope to guide that process and not within it or as well as within it. I hope to guide that process, whether or not I am the commissioner in charge, I will always support parks. I did before I was elected and I did before I was assigned to be the commissioner in charge and I have for the past five budgets, I will continue to vote to support the parks for the remainder of my time in office. Parks and community engagement make Portland special. Funding them is necessary. It's important, as well as public safety housing, transportation, utilities, and the other things we do. Everything is important to somebody. Parks are important to almost everyone. And I believe that we need to respect that and continue to figure out what services Portlanders want to buy and how we want to pay for them. That's the discussion we need to have over the next several months. Aye.

Wheeler: First of all I will take this opportunity to thank a lot of people. I spent a lot of time reflecting on what it means to be mayor, what it means to be entrusted with this privilege of serving in this capacity. And it's, actually, really exciting to be able to be engaged in a process where you really can make a difference in addressing and reflecting the needs of the community. And we couldn't do that work without the community's active engagement and participation in this process. I first and foremost want to thank everybody in the community who took the time to be engaged regardless of what side they were on, on any particular budget issue or item, a few days after a california election which only drew 13% of the total population in a state where like Oregon they make it super easy to vote demonstrates to me there is a lot of skepticism and apathy about, perhaps, in the relationship between government and the people that government is supposed to be serving so I want to thank everybody who was not apathetic. People who are passionate and in many ways emphatic about their engagement in this process. I want to thank you. Second I want to thank my colleagues. I want to assure the public that we don't always agree. As commissioner eudaly and I had a fun back and forth yesterday, and we, you know, both stated that it's actually really important that we not agree on everything and have open discussions and dialogues about differences of opinion on policy or differences of opinion on solutions or differences of opinion on priorities. I can tell the public when we are meeting personally behind closed doors there is a lot of differences and nuances and ideas that get exchanged throughout this process. I can tell you that the final product here changed from the initial proposed budget, and I want to be very clear with my colleagues. You strengthen this budget. Your participation and engagement and the engagement of your teams and your staffs made it a better product. And that's really important to me that we have that level of engagement, and I want to thank each and every one of you for that opportunity. The budget team, it goes without saying, you are guys are rock stars. Andrew we are going to miss you, and I have said this three times. You keep showing up again. I

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think we stop paying you effective tomorrow, so I probably won't have too many more opportunities. This is your last budget, you've been here longer than I have in this position. I hope you hear the respect being expressed both by myself and my colleagues. Claudio your you are stepping in as the interim, and we are appreciative of that. We know you will continue the good work, and I want to thank the work of the budget team and thank you all personally for the many, many, many hours you spent with me. That could not have been fun. But I hope you found it meaningful, if not fun. To the department heads, bureau heads, there is a number here today. I am gratified to see you here today. You don't really have to be here today. This is a bit pro-forma, when we get to the final vote. The fact that you are here demonstrates an interest and a commitment in the overall enterprise, and I want to thank you and your leadership teams for coming in and sharing your thoughts and ideas and frankly your candid criticism of some of the early proposals put on the table. In many cases you were able to provide compelling arguments or a different approach that got us to the same solution by doing something smarter or better or in a more innovative or cost effective way. That's super important. Definitely want to thank my team. I just had an a-plus team working on this. I don't know if anybody is left in my office, I think they all came down here. Which is great. I think that each and every one of my team were in some way invested in this budget process. I want to thank all of you. I particularly want to acknowledge kristin dennis who even with a lot going on in her life, exciting stuff, being a new mom and everything else, she committed to this budget process with resolve and tenacity, and maurice henderson, my chief of staff, the other guy, who is leaving, that I am sorry to see go, but like Director Scott is going onto bigger and better. I'll say this about you, Director Scott, we don't want people who other people don't want, so the fact that both of you are going off to higher responsibilities in the community, that's a win for all of us and it will strengthen the relationships, and as commissioner Fish says that gives us some spies in important places, and we definitely need that. I am just going to jump to the end and say thank you to everyone in the room had something to do with it, everybody watching on tv had something to do with it and everybody in the community had something to do with it. And it's another step along the path to making our city a better place. I vote aye and the budget is adopted. Now for the fun part.

Scott: One more ordinance before you, to levy taxes, and again this action includes the levy nonprofit taxes accruing to the general fund, children's investment fund and the fire and police disability and retirement fund and it also include property tax levies for general obligation bonded debt and 16 urban renewal areas.

Wheeler: Very good. Again, this is an ordinance. Is there any public testimony? Is there any further question on the part of the council? Karla call the roll.

Fish: Aye.

Saltzman: Well I wanted to take this opportunity to thank Portland voters for the fact that there is a line item in this budget and will be for the next five years for the children's investment fund which we all know as the Portland children's levy, which was renewed by 83% of Portland voters on May 15, to keep it going for another five years, and it will be the same amount that you are paying right now 40 cents per thousand of assessed value for the next five years beyond this year's budget, so thank you Portland voters. Aye.

Eudaly: Aye.

Fritz: When I run for office in 2008 and then again in '12 and '16, I promised to look out for the basic services, for education and jobs, and to spend taxpayers' money wisely, and that's what this budget does and what I think about every day since i'm in office, taxes pay

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for services and it is our responsibility to spend these taxes as wisely as possible and listening to the community and deciding how to do that. So thanks everybody for paying all your taxes and fees and other things that help provide the money to provide these services. Aye.

Wheeler: I will echo my colleagues. Nobody likes taxes. It's always a downer to vote on this. I feel like maybe we should move this first. I hope as the public that we represent, evaluate this budget and I hope they use the budget tool that you outlined earlier, they will see that the priorities that are funded in this budget, I believe, are highly consistent with the priorities and the people who live in this community who pay the bills around here. We focused on the homeless issue. We focused on livability issues. We focused on affordable housing issues. We focused on public safety issues. We focused on the parks and critical transportation infrastructure. I believe we focused on things that the people in this community expect us to focus on. In fact I have a great deal of confidence that that's the case. I vote aye. The ordinance is adopted, and we are adjourned.

Adjourned at 4:09 p.m.