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A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **18TH DAY OF JULY, 2018** AT 9:30 A.M.

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

Commissioner Fish arrived at 9:40 a.m.

Motion to suspend the rules to hear item 771 at the end of the morning Regular Agenda: Moved by Eudaly and seconded by Saltzman. Motion withdrawn.

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

Item No. 748 was pulled for discussion and on a Y-4 roll call, the balance of the Consent Agenda was adopted.

The meeting recessed at 10:10 a.m. and reconvened at 10:11 a.m.

PORTLAND CITY COUNCIL AGENDA City Hall - 1221 SW Fourth Avenue WEDNESDAY, 9:30 AM, JULY 18, 2018		Disposition:
THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Wheeler, Presiding; Commissioners Eudaly, Fish and Saltzman, 4. Motion to suspend the rules to hear item 771 at the end of the morning Regular Agenda: Moved by Eudaly and seconded by Saltzman. Motion withdrawn.		
COMMUNICATIONS		
738	Request of David Kif Davis to address Council regarding City sponsored political terrorism (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
739	Request of Charles Bridgecrane-Johnson to address Council regarding #AbolishIce and drop 16-CR-20322 #BlackLivesMatter (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
740	Request of Edith Gillis to address Council regarding a proposal for permanent public art/historical displays/interactive museum (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE

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741	Request of Donelda Weiss to address Council regarding comments made by a Sargent and police officers (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
742	Request of Sylvia Mitchell to address Council regarding homeless issues (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
TIMES CERTAIN		
*743	TIME CERTAIN: 9:45 AM – Amend Human Resources Administrative Rule – 6.04 Sick Leave to increase calendar year maximum for dependent care from 40 hours to 104 hours of accrued leave (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler; amend HRAR – 6.04) 15 minutes requested (Y-4)	189067
*744	TIME CERTAIN: 10:00 AM – Amend Human Resources Administrative Rule – 6.03 Vacation to reflect necessary changes as recommended by the Vacation Leave Workgroup, effective the beginning of the first full pay period of January 2019 (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler; amend HRAR – 6.03) 30 minutes requested Motion to add emergency clause to allow planning process to begin sooner, speed up the administrative processes and let the partners present at the meeting see their work come to fruition. No change is made to the effective date of the first full pay period of January 2019: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Eudaly. (Y-4)	189068 AS AMENDED
*745	TIME CERTAIN: 10:30 AM – Initiate foreclosure action on four properties for the collection of delinquent City liens placed against the properties (Previous Agenda 703; Ordinance introduced by Auditor Hull Caballero)	RESCHEDULED TO AUGUST 8, 2018 AT 9:45 AM TIME CERTAIN
*746	TIME CERTAIN: 10:35 AM – Authorize purchase of certain real property located at 5827 NE Prescott St at a price and closing costs not to exceed \$558,000 to develop new affordable housing (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler) 15 minutes requested for items 746 and 747 (Y-4)	189069
*747	Authorize Portland Housing Bureau to assume certain contracts that will be assigned to the Housing Bureau in connection with acquisition of real property located at 5827 NE Prescott St (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler) (Y-4)	189070
CONSENT AGENDA – NO DISCUSSION		
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<p>748</p>	<p>Reappoint Gustavo J. Cruz, Jr. and William Myers to the Prosper Portland Board for terms to expire June 30, 2021 (Report)</p> <p>Motion to accept the report: Moved by Fish and seconded by Eudaly.</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p>CONFIRMED</p>
<p>Office of Management and Finance</p>		
<p>*749</p>	<p>Pay claim of Claudiu Milea in the sum of \$10,000 for bodily injuries sustained in a motor vehicle collision involving Portland Police Bureau (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p>189058</p>
<p>*750</p>	<p>Pay property damage claim of Kathryn Venator in the sum of \$9,679 involving the Portland Water Bureau (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p>189059</p>
<p>*751</p>	<p>Pay settlement of employment practices lawsuit of Kathleen Preston in the sum of \$25,000 involving the Portland Parks Bureau (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p>189060</p>
<p>752</p>	<p>Extend term of franchise granted to Northwest Metal Fab & Pipe, Inc. to construct, operate and maintain a conduit system within City streets (Ordinance; amend Ordinance No. 180044)</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING JULY 25, 2018 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>Commissioner Dan Saltzman</p>		
<p>Bureau of Transportation</p>		
<p>*753</p>	<p>Amend an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Department of Transportation in the amount of \$20,700 to fund work by City staff on the Pedestrian Master Plan (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30006077)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p>189061</p>
<p>*754</p>	<p>Authorize a license agreement and its renewal with InfoGroup and pay an invoice in the amount of \$15,000 for the purchase of mail lists (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p>189062</p>
<p>*755</p>	<p>Authorize a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the St Johns Truck Strategy, Phase II project, total project cost is \$4,143,000 (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p>189063</p>
<p>*756</p>	<p>Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Department of Transportation to build bicycle and pedestrian crossing improvements at SE 130th and US26 Powell Blvd for \$47,500 (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p>	<p>189064</p>
<p>757</p>	<p>Authorize a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the Highway Safety Improvement Program Bike & Pedestrian project for an estimated \$1,463,940 (Ordinance)</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING JULY 25, 2018 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>758</p>	<p>Authorize a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the Marine Drive Path: NE 112th Ave-185th Ave project (Ordinance)</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING JULY 25, 2018 AT 9:30 AM</p>

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759	Authorize a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the NE Columbia Blvd at OR 99E/MLK Jr Blvd project (Ordinance)	PASSED TO SECOND READING JULY 25, 2018 AT 9:30 AM
Commissioner Chloe Eudaly Bureau of Development Services		
*760	Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Oregon on behalf of Portland State University, for the use of parking permits and access cards at the 4th Ave Garage (Ordinance) (Y-4)	189065
Commissioner Amanda Fritz		
*761	Authorize the position of Deputy Program Director under the Open and Accountable Elections Program within Special Appropriations (Ordinance) (Y-4)	189066
Commissioner Nick Fish Water Bureau		
762	Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement for \$60,000 with Portland State University to research future extreme rainfall and large-scale meteorological patterns over the Bull Run Watershed (Ordinance)	PASSED TO SECOND READING JULY 25, 2018 AT 9:30 AM
REGULAR AGENDA Morning Session Mayor Ted Wheeler		
763	Appoint Ted Wheeler and reappoint Julie Young for terms to expire June 30, 2020 and reappoint Dan Saltzman for a term to expire December 31, 2018 to the Portland Children's Levy Allocation Committee (Report) 15 minutes requested Motion to accept the report: Moved by Fish and seconded by Saltzman. (Y-4)	CONFIRMED
Bureau of Police		
*764	Accept and appropriate a grant in the amount of \$30,000 and authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Department of Transportation, Transportation Safety Division, for the 2018 Motor Carrier Safety Action Plan for commercial motor vehicle inspections by the Police Bureau Traffic sworn personnel (Ordinance) 15 minutes requested (Y-4)	189074
Office of Management and Finance		

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<p>765</p>	<p>Accept proposal of Gresham Ford for Mobile Data Computers for the Portland Police Bureau for an initial term of five years not to exceed \$2,000,000 (Procurement Report - RFP No. 0000658) 15 minutes requested Rescheduled to July 18, 2018 at 2:00 PM. Motion to accept the report: Moved by Saltzman and seconded by Eudaly. (Y-3)</p>	<p>ACCEPTED PREPARE CONTRACT</p>
<p>766</p>	<p>Accept bid of Corpac Construction Company for the NW 20th Ave LID Project for \$4,012,488 (Procurement Report - Bid No. 00000894) Rescheduled to July 18, 2018 at 2:00 PM. Motion to accept the report: Moved by Saltzman and seconded by Eudaly. (Y-3)</p>	<p>ACCEPTED PREPARE CONTRACT</p>
<p>*767</p>	<p>Amend price agreement with G4S Secure Solutions USA, Inc. to increase contract by \$2,972,799 to provide for Uniformed Security Officer Services (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 31000537) 15 minutes requested (Y-4)</p>	<p>189075</p>
<p>*768</p>	<p>Authorize a five-year lease agreement for office space located at 1001 SW 5th Ave to accommodate increased staffing and operations of the Bureau of Transportation estimated at an average annual cost of \$612,500 (Ordinance) 10 minutes requested Rescheduled to July 18, 2018 at 2:00 PM.</p>	<p>CONTINUED TO JULY 25, 2018 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>769</p>	<p>Authorize limited tax revenue bonds to provide up to \$18.3 million to finance tenant space buildout and furnishings in the Portland Building (Ordinance) Rescheduled to July 18, 2018 at 2:00 PM.</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING JULY 25, 2018 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>*770</p>	<p>Authorize a Development Agreement with Portland State University, Oregon Health Sciences University and Portland Community College for the development and creation of a new commercial multi-level condominium building, known as the Jasmine Block at 401 SW Harrison St (Second Reading Agenda 730) Motion to accept technical amendments in Bureau 7/17/18 memo: Moved by Fish and seconded by Saltzman. (Y-4) Motion to add emergency clause to prevent delays in proceeding with the project: Moved by Fish and seconded by Saltzman. (Y-4) (Y-4)</p>	<p>189077 AS AMENDED</p>

At 12:32 p.m., Council recessed.

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A RECESSED MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **18TH DAY OF JULY, 2018** AT 2:00 P.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Wheeler, Presiding; Commissioners Eudaly, and Saltzman, 3. Commissioner Fish teleconferenced for the vote on item 771, 4.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Lory Kraut, Senior Deputy City Attorney; and Andy Bacon and John Paolazzi, Sergeants at Arms.

The meeting recessed at 4:01 p.m. and reconvened at 4:11 p.m.

<p>*771 TIME CERTAIN: 2:00 PM – Rename the Office of Neighborhood Involvement to the Office of Community & Civic Life (Ordinance introduced by Commissioner Eudaly; amend code Chapter 3.96 and other titles, as needed) 45 minutes requested for items 771 and 772 (Y-4)</p>	<p>Disposition:</p> <p>189078</p>
<p>772 Convene a Code Change Committee to update City Code Chapter 3.96 (Resolution introduced by Commissioner Eudaly) (Y-3)</p>	<p>37373</p>
<p>REGULAR AGENDA Afternoon Session</p> <p>Mayor Ted Wheeler</p> <p>Portland Housing Bureau</p>	
<p>*773 Amend Inclusionary Housing to make technical corrections to the fee-in-lieu payment following the implementation of the 2035 Comprehensive Plan and zoning code and to clarify that the calculation is based on gross residential and residential related square footage (Ordinance; amend Code Section 30.01.120) 10 minutes requested Rescheduled to July 18, 2018 at 9:30 AM. (Y-4)</p>	<p>189071</p>
<p>*774 Amend Joint Office of Homeless Services Intergovernmental Agreement with Multnomah County to authorize FY18-19 budget allocation to the Joint Office of Homeless Services (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30005335) 15 minutes requested</p>	<p>CONTINUED TO JULY 25, 2018 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>*775 Authorize eleven subrecipient contracts totaling \$4,190,763 for services in support of providing affordable housing (Ordinance) 10 minutes requested</p>	<p>CONTINUED TO JULY 25, 2018 AT 9:30 AM</p>

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*776	<p>Authorize twelve subrecipient contracts totaling \$4,323,463 for services in support of providing affordable housing (Ordinance)</p>	<p>REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION</p>
<p align="center">Commissioner Dan Saltzman</p>		
<p align="center">Bureau of Transportation</p>		
*777	<p>Authorize a solicitation for Asphalt Concrete supply contracts estimated at \$15,500,000 for use on street maintenance and preservation projects (Ordinance) Rescheduled to July 18, 2018 at 9:30 AM. (Y-4)</p>	<p align="center">189076</p>
<p align="center">Commissioner Nick Fish</p>		
<p align="center">Bureau of Environmental Services</p>		
*778	<p>Authorize contract with GSI Water Solutions, Inc. for CERCLA and Risk Assessment Technical Assistance at the Portland Harbor Superfund Site for \$500,000 (Ordinance)</p>	<p align="center">RESCHEDULED TO AUGUST 15, 2018 AT 9:30 AM</p>
*779	<p>Authorize contract with GSI Water Solutions, Inc. for Source Control Technical Assistance at the Portland Harbor Superfund Site for \$300,000 (Ordinance)</p>	<p align="center">RESCHEDULED TO AUGUST 15, 2018 AT 9:30 AM</p>
780	<p>Authorize a contract with Brown and Caldwell, Inc. for professional engineering services for the Asset Management Program for Continuous Collections System Planning Project for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$1,249,498 (Second Reading Agenda 734) Rescheduled to July 18, 2018 at 9:30 AM. (Y-4)</p>	<p align="center">189072</p>
<p align="center">Water Bureau</p>		
*781	<p>Authorize a competitive solicitation for utility bill presentment at an estimated cost of \$7,500,000 (Second Reading Agenda 737) Rescheduled to July 18, 2018 at 9:30 am. Motion to add emergency clause to ensure ability to produce and mail utility bills including during disaster recovery: Moved by Saltzman and seconded by Fish. (Y-4) (Y-4)</p>	<p align="center">189073 AS AMENDED</p>
<p align="center">DUE TO LACK OF AGENDA THERE WAS NO 2:00 PM MEETING THURSDAY, July 19, 2018</p>		

At 4:38 p.m., Council adjourned.

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MARY HULL CABALLERO
Auditor of the City of Portland

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'K. Moore-Love', is positioned below the name of the Auditor.

By Karla Moore-Love
Clerk of the Council

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9:30 AM

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

Saltzman: Here **Eudaly:** Here **Wheeler:** Here

Robert Taylor, Chief Deputy City Attorney: Good morning. 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 the 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 counselor 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 it. Individuals generally have three minutes to of it unless otherwise stated. When you have 30 seconds left, a yellow light goes on. When your is done a red light Goes on. If you were 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 that further disruptions may result in the 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. Thank you for helping your fellow Portlanders feel welcome, comfortable, respected, and safe.

Wheeler: Thank you, Robert, and thank you everyone. As you well know this is a very busy council agenda today. We have a number of items here that impact lower income folks who are seeking housing. I want to make sure that we get to that. We have a number of our labor partners here today to talk about the important labor issues that are before the council. Due to quorum issues we have had to shuffle things around a bit so we have a full agenda. I want to thank people who have accommodated those changes, particularly some of the bureau staff who have worked hard to make this work. So thank you for that. With that, communications, Please, Karla.

Eudaly: I would like to make a motion before communications. I would make a motion to suspend the time certain item to the morning agenda, so I move the rules be suspended to take the time certain item 771 from the afternoon agenda and place it at the end of this morning's agenda.

Wheeler: Yes.

Taylor: You will need four votes for the motion to carry.

Wheeler: Can you defer that for a few minutes? I know commissioner Fish will be here. Can you defer that?

Eudaly: Okay. Thank you.

Wheeler: First communications, please.

Item 738.

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Wheeler: Good morning.

David Kif Davis: Ted I would like to start off with saying you can't grow a beard. You can't grow a beard, ted, so give it up. You are looking like a little teenager with that little scruff on your face. I wanted to tell you a quote from someone that you said that you had admired in the past, Thomas Payne. Are you an admirer of him? He said politics is a trade at only the most despicable scoundrels and swindlers can hope to succeed. What do you think of that quote, ted? Are you a despicable scoundrel can hope to succeed? What do think about that, Ted? Are you a despicable scoundrel? How about you, Chloe? How about you, dan? Okay. So this is about the political terrorist attacks by the Portland police against cop watchers. You've been issuing stalking order against cop watchers. Your the chief of police. Chief outlaw got a stalking order put on eli richie for asking her a few questions. Your nazi cop mark krueger, who is the head of the vice unit, which is, you know, a wet dream for a nazi that likes to wage war on minorities and the lower classes, and I also saw your buddy who recently gave you a 10,000 donation for your campaign right? The hotel owner of Portland, how he got elected as the ambassador for the e.u. By trump, so you and donald trump have something in common. He got a million dollars in his campaign, and you got 10,000, and now one of your buddies is an appointee for the trump regime. That might explain your war on cop watchers and how you have no respect for the constitution, and how you are just a little harvard rich boy that is out of place, out of time, totally irrelevant to what's going on in 2018. Yeah. You are a seventh generation proud boy, right. Seventh generation proud boy of Oregon, proud Oregonian colonizer. What's up, ted. Do you like this ice camp that is city sanctioned?

Wheeler: Time is up, next communication, please. Next individual, please. Next individual, please. This is in violation of council rules. You will be asked to leave. You are in violation of council rules. You will be asked to leave.

Wheeler: Excuse me folks. Next communication, please, Karla.

Item 739.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Charles Bridgecrane Johnson: Impressive that you can say that.

Wheeler: Another day in paradise.

Johnson: We will clarify that in a moment. My name is charles bridgecrane johnson. On the authority of the Portland police association, I greet you all cesspool lords. Obviously that's that the president of the union representing the police, when facing facts that, unfortunately, your administration didn't discover on its own, we had to rely on the Oregonian. We had to rely on the fricking Oregonian to tell us that over half the people processed by Portland police are homeless. And as of yet we know that the independent police review is doing an investigation that will go on while probably hundreds of other homeless people are processed through the jail, and I hope that when the brilliant leadership that darrell turner gives the Portland police association is fully processed with this investigation, we'll see that it probably wasn't the best idea to throw another million dollars at them just because permit patty is concerned about the 9-1-1 response time when she calls to Complain about black people having a barbecue. So please, you know, there are people that engage with the community well in the Portland police department. Help chief outlaw get them to the top. Be honest with officers. You know, there is many people that will tell you about races and problems in the Portland police department, so maybe the answer is just honesty, and when we see these mostly white men that are still the Portland police, we can just ask them, was your election of darrell turner to be the president some kind of racist joke? It should be clearly put on the record right here that the guy who represents our finest is more concerned about the businesses possibly having poop in their doorways than the fact that thousands of our neighbors have nowhere else to poop. You even locked the bathroom right there, three armored steel jailed toilets that can be

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used 24 hours a day but you lock them up. So thoughts and prayers, what else is there, I don't know. We need action. And of course the people need to step up and guide you in the right way. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Next individual, please.

Item 740.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Edith Gillis: Thank you. Since June 18 I have tried to be on the agenda to have us consider and commemorate how our past, present, and hopefully Future decisions as city council and other Portlanders can educate and inspire our city, state, nation, and world. I don't know why I have had so many repeated technical problems on my part, but I want to think ahead, our council clerk for her incredible patience and forgiveness, her grace under pressure, and her ability to keep possible details as well as the bigger picture, so that finally I am here and I just am so grateful. What I want to do is have us share a vision of what, of what we can do in learning the lessons from our past and our current adversity and do this to not only recognize how we are leaders, for good or bad and how we can make that for the better. Imagine with me an outdoor permanent the installation interactive museum and a tourist in training designation. We would go from southwest bancroft at moody, one lot south, along the east side of the bike path, the riverside that is now currently the abolish ice encampment. After we hopefully successfully and positively succeed in the purpose of the camp. Let's have it be monarchs, migration at Multnomah camp at which we look at not only the monarch butterflies that traveled between canada and mexico, and the ways in which the city of Portland has harmed the environment, killing our milk weed, but now is cleaning up our superfund and other toxic sites, and is bringing back the monarch butterflies as we are looking at this is a migratory Route of salmon and beaver and elk, and this also is a migratory area, a gathering of people and ideas. We have had over 30,000 years of first nations coming to the Portland area from east of the mississippi as seen from the other side, to the gulf of mexico, buffalo, carved walrus tusk, so we can show how we have had people sharing ideas, the same route that lewis & clark were led by a young woman, and how we can see how we have had centuries of the united states purposely moving people unfairly and how we can change that to respect and to stop the separation of families, and how we can right the wrongs of our past and commemorate the ideas from monarchs from Russia, japan, Hawaii, France, great Britain united states, and how we cannot have that kind of railroad Barron mentality here, and commemorate all of the awesome and wonderful things that the city council and the people in Portland have been doing at Multnomah to show the world a better way in which we can self-govern and right injustice.

Wheeler: Thank you, appreciate it. Next individual, please, Karla.

Item 741.

Wheeler: And Edith thank you for acknowledging the good work of Karla and the clerk staff. They do a fantastic work so thank you for shouting that out. Good morning.

Donelda Weiss: Good morning. I am the visible woman from a community overlooked. I am a low-income residents of Multnomah county. I am here to talk about the lack of effective communication between the officers and low-income people. I live in project housing. I am a domestic violence survivor that was one of the first in the program called divert. Divert placed me in low income housing to ensure my safety. But in actuality am I truly safe? I was told by a supervisor at Portland police department that we are short three bodies, and I don't have the time to deal with this. And I should be grateful that an officer was there handling the situation. The reason why I called the supervisor was because the officer was judging me by past 9-1-1 calls, by saying oh, I know you. I dealt with you a few months ago, and the officer was talking about a domestic violence situation and acting like I was the problem caller. When in fact, I am a community leader. I am someone who sticks

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up for my community and values the area that I live in. I walked away to never return, I am raising three sons, and I hold responsible for their actions so when I see the police officers not following the law and making discriminating statements, I will hold them responsible, too. A mother trying to protect their children be ridiculed by domestic violence calls from a police officer? Should I be told that they are Shorthanded, and I should be grateful? No, I am a resident of Multnomah county. I have the right to call the police and not be harassed. I have the right to ask for a supervisor and not to be told to be grateful. The police are not here just for the elite they are here for everyone and anyone in need of assistance. I do not call the police often, but when I do it is because of the safety of my family or myself is in jeopardy. And I am tired of feeling like I live in a community that they do not police. Or that they can ridicule. The stereotype of low-income communities are that they don't call the police. And how can you judge them? And blame them? If you want to clean up the areas from gangs, drugs, shootings and other kind of crimes, train your officers to protect and serve the vulnerable. Have the community that feels safe when they call the police and not only like they are being judged. Let my son see the justice system, not only work for the elite crowd, but teach our children that it is safe to call the police, and in order to do that you have to ensure my community that discrimination and bullying does not exist within the police force or that the city of Portland is trying to understand the communication gap happening when low income people call 9-1-1 and the police Respond. Portland police department needs to be reminded they are here to protect and serve everyone because right now in my community they only see the police and their ineffective abilities to communicate and protect everyone. We, too, want to feel safe.

Wheeler: Thank you. First thank you for coming in and sharing your story. It's a powerful story. And it's one of perseverance which I appreciate. I would love to be able to share that with chief outlaw. Could I possibly get a copy of your written statement today?

Weiss: Yeah, I can email it.

Wheeler: That would be fantastic, so Karla could you just get that email content? Thank you for coming in. Next individual, please.

Item 742.

Wheeler: Is miss Mitchell here today? I don't see her. Have any items been pulled from the consent agenda, Karla?

Karla: Yes, we have had a request for 748.

Wheeler: 748, could you please call the roll on the remainder?

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

Wheeler: Aye. The consent agenda is adopted. Commissioner Eudaly.

Eudaly: Thank you, mayor. Sorry about that. Thank you, mayor. I move that the rules be suspended to take the time certain item 771 from the afternoon agenda and place it at the end of this morning's Agenda. Today there are two agenda items that pertain to the office of neighborhood involvement. Agenda item 771 is an ordinance that authorizes the bureau to use its new name, the office of community and civic life. 772 is a resolution to convene a committee that will make recommendations about the future direction of the bureau. The new name was selected with considerable public process, which included a public survey, focus groups, and interviews of key internal stakeholders including commissioner Fritz and me. This name changes, or a name change has been requested by the community for years through bureau advisory committee meetings, the 2008 community connect report, and countless conversations with community partners in order to better reflect the scope of work the bureau has been charged with. I am requesting that we proceed with this as an emergency item to prevent continued confusion about the name internally and externally. Anyone who wants to discuss the bureau's priorities should reserve their testimony for afternoon session when we will be taking, talking about the code that governs the bureau.

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Saltzman: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion and second discussion. I would like to raise one question. I am torn because I want to provide you with the courtesies, in other words, I know there are people who want to testify this afternoon. Is there any chance that we could keep it in the afternoon and just have it be served as a first reading for the afternoon and take up the second vote next week?

Eudaly: Then it takes 30 days to implement without an emergency clause, and the reason that it's happening after July 1 is when we rolled out the new name and the branding is that we struggled to find a time certain on a date when four of us would be here. So, I would strongly prefer not to do that. The fact is we have done the public engagement and this name change is happening. And I mean, this is a formality.

Wheeler: From a practical, and I am not disagreeing but from a practical stance it's been my understanding that the name change had already happened. The rebranding had happened. Does this, having the vote, having the ordinance go into effect 30 days later, or the code change 30 days later, does that change anything in terms of the actual rollout of the branding?

Eudaly: It's just confusing, and I mean, we have -- name changes of other bureaus have also happened on emergency basis. I am just having a real hard time understanding any reluctance here since we have engaged all of your offices on this issue.

Wheeler: And to be clear, my certain -- my concern is when people say where is the opportunity to testify, I feel I need an answer for them.

Eudaly: So this is a motion to suspend the rules, which I am allowed to make, and we are allowed to do. But I need the support of all three of you.

Fish: I have a question. If we agree to suspend the rules when would we take this up this morning?

Eudaly: The end of the morning session.

Wheeler: End of the regular agenda.

Fish: And since I am partly responsible for this train wreck because I have a doctor's appointment this afternoon would it make any difference if I were to call in this afternoon for the vote on the name change? Does that change -- in any way make it easier to accommodate the mayor's office request?

Eudaly: It would. I would hate to ask you to do that.

Fish: I am trying to reconcile two things where a commissioner has said that it's important that we take action today. And the mayor has said that he wants to make sure that the people have a full opportunity to testify. Mayor, if -- what if we were to say I called in at 4:00 for the sole purpose of voting on the ordinance, and with the council, I would offer that not as an amendment but an alternative to the motion made, that the council allow me to participate by phone at 4:00 to vote solely on the council item 771.

Eudaly: Thank you, commissioner, I will withdraw my motion and I deeply appreciate Your willingness to take the time to do that.

Fish: It's the way of reconciling two interests and keeping your motion on track. If that's acceptable?

Wheeler: Sounds like we all walk away happy and I appreciate your flexibility commissioner Fish so Karla could we make that a time certain at 4:00 p.m.? It does not have to be noticed at this point.

Fish: The time certain remains at 2:00, mayor, the vote will be held on 771 at 4:00.

Wheeler: I see what you are saying, very good. That works. Thank you.

Joe Walsh: Illegal.

Wheeler: Could I go an opinion from legal counsel?

Taylor: That's acceptable.

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Wheeler: Thanks very much. Next item -- he works for all of us. Next item, please, is item 743.

Item 743.

Wheeler: Colleagues this ordinance increases the amount of sick leave an employee is eligible to use for qualifying family medical leave act, fmla, and Oregon family leave act, ofla, dependent events. The current rule allows an employee up to 40 hours of accrued sick time to care for a qualifying dependent. That's a spouse, a child, a parent, etc. This ordinance increases the amount to 104 hours of accrued sick time to care for a qualified dependent. The changes aligned with the overall employer of choice Strategies approved by the council. Supporting employees during qualifying events is important. I hate to talk about this as qualifying events. I realize this is legal but what we are really talking about is allowing our employees to care for loved ones when they are experiencing a very serious or potentially terminal health event. Only allowing an employee to use 40 hours of sick time can be a hardship to the employee if they don't have sizable vacation or comp time banks or significant personal savings. This change is already in place within the pte-17 collective bargaining agreement as the request to increase this offering for pte17 members originated through collective bargaining. Changing this within the administrative rule to support non-represented employees and then also offering this to other union groups through a memorandum of agreement is appropriate to consistently apply the rule across all city employees. With that I would like to pass this onto health and financial benefits manager Cathy bless. Thank you for being here today.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Cathy Bless, Manager Bureau of Human Resources: Good morning mayor and commissioners. There is not a lot of, a lot to add to your talking points. We support and want to recognize employees who really are struggling to balance a serious health condition of a dependent and eligible dependent and their work, right. These are protected benefits under federal family leave laws, and the Oregon family leave act, and it is, it isn't additional time, right. So employees earn sick leave as part of the benefits that they receive, and so this doesn't increase that. It just changes the way in which an employee is allowed to use the time that they accrue.

Wheeler: Very good. Thank you. Colleagues any further questions? Commissioner eudaly. Very good, public testimony.

Karla: Yes, one person signed up.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Rachel Whiteside: Thank you for the opportunity to speak, I am a union representative for pte local 17 members. I am here to speak in support of this ordinance. As was already mentioned, we have received this benefit through our negotiations. While I am here to speak in support of this, I wanted to let you know that during course of our research for negotiations, we could not find any other public employer that placed any limitations on the use of personal sick leave for the care of dependents. I strongly support any step towards making the city an employer of choice, but I do think that if you are really committed to that, you could go a step farther. I support this as a good step. We wholeheartedly support all employees receiving the benefits that we negotiated on the path of our employees. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. We appreciate that. Good morning.

Joe Walsh: Good morning. I am joe Walsh. I represent individuals for justice. A long time ago in the 1990s, I was a chief union steward for the ibew, and a federal worker. We did not have any limitations on sick leave. We accumulated sick leave, if I remember correctly, 8 hours a month. It was four hours a payday. So if you were not very ill, over a long period of time, and then you became ill, you pretty well were covered. You were covered with our medical, which was pretty good, but also sick leave. Any limitations on sick leave should

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be rationale. This is not rationale. 40 hours max, if I understand what you are saying. It's not rationale.

Fish: It is not 40 hours.

Walsh: Please explain.

Fish: It has been increased from 40 hours to 104 hours.

Walsh: 40 hours now.

Fish: We have to vote on that, which would increase the ceiling to 104 hours.

Walsh: I know. But what you have now, what is it now?

Fish: It's 40, and this will increase it.

Walsh: That's what I said. 40 hours is irrational. That's where you are now. You want to go to 120, right?

Wheeler: 104.

Walsh: Well, I am just saying to you that we support you on this one. We don't have a problem, and we are pointing out to any opposition that it is illogical to put a burden on your employees over 40 hours. That's crazy. That's not good policy. You should take care of your employees. And you are going to go and step by step. I hope that someday you do what the feds do. And you do it eight hours a month. I think that it's eight hours a month. Two paydays, eight hours a month. So anyway, I am sorry I confused you commissioner. I am not feeling that well.

Fish: I am easily confused these days. You are doing great.

Walsh: Pardon?

Fish: You are doing great. And you are supporting us.

Walsh: Our argue is that it should be the most generous that you can possibly do. I know that you are restrained by money. And you have lots of employees, so every time you do something it is really expensive. But this is money, I think, well spent. If you take care of your employees.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it.

Eudaly: I have a question for staff. Hi. So just so everyone is on the same page, could you tell us how many hours people accrue sick pay on a monthly and annual basis?

Bless: Absolutely. So they do accrue four hours of sick time per pay period. It's 104 hours per calendars year, and it accrues in an unlimited basis. So employees can save that time, and just also to clarify kind of the sequence of how employees use the time, this ordinance, obviously, changes the use of access to sick leave accrual for dependents from 40 hours to 104, so that's initially right out of the gate. After that 104 hours, the employee can move to access their vacation time and their comp time, and if they are out of all other paid time, they circle back to being able to use their sick time. And then if they exhaust all time, they would also be eligible to apply for catastrophic leave. So we have a number of ways in which we will continue to support the employees through the process.

Eudaly: So I think that I understood what you just said, but if they can circle back and use the rest of their sick time, why wouldn't we just allow -- do we let them roll over the sick time in perpetuity?

Bless: Yes.

Eudaly: Okay.

Bless: They do.

Eudaly: So why wouldn't we allow them to exhaust the sick time up front and then move on?

Bless: That would be an amendment to the ordinance, certainly.

Fish: Not just an amendment to the ordinance. This is what was bargained at the table.

Bless: It was. Oh, yeah, that was my next thing.

Fish: We can amend any ordinance, but I would be reluctant to get in the middle of collective bargaining once we have struck a contact.

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Bless: And this was bargained through the pte contract. This ordinance allows us to offer it to all of the other unions through a memorandum of understanding, and it allows us to rule this out to non-represented employees. So we can absolutely talk with council about how to move forward later in negotiations, but at this point in time this is the ordinance that's here today.

Eudaly: Great, and I am not suggesting an amendment. I just thought that there was some legitimate questions raised.

Fish: What was the answer about the question of rolling over? How much can be rolled over for how long?

Bless: You can roll over on an unlimited basis for your career.

Fish: I have to say having done, represented labor organizations, 25 years ago, and, you know, joe walsh was talking about his experience with the ibew, it was not that long ago that the standard clause that I am familiar with was use it or lose it. There were strict limits on rollovers so we have now boosted by about 2.5 times the amount that you can use, accrue and use in a calendar year, and we put no limits on rollovers, so I think that we should be proud of that, and as someone dealing With a health challenge, I think that the more freedom, the more flexibility that we give the workforce to deal with health issues away from work, safely so they don't have to come to work when they are not feeling well is important. And I think that there's been a suggestion that we may want to enhance this benefit the next time that we take it up. I would be interested in knowing how other cities and counties have addressed it. But you know, 25 years ago the standard was not even close to this. And there was a use it, you lose it in a lot of the contracts that I had a hand in. And so I am -- I think that we're on our way to becoming a model employer and maybe we need to do better but I think that we should celebrate this is a big step forward, and this was achieved at the bargaining table through demands made by our labor partners so credit to them.

Bless: Correct. And protective leave was not in place up to 25 years ago, either. There's been a lot of enhancements over time.

Fish: A shift in thinking. Thank you. Appreciate it.

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

Wheeler: Thanks for your hard work on this. I vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Thank you. Next item. 744, please. This is in violation of council rules. You heard the rules. You are going to be asked to leave. We are going to take a three-minute recess. the committee came to find that the city of Portland was not competitive in regard to their current vacation accrual and made three specific changes, three specific suggestions for change that they wanted us to take up. Our bhr director endorsed one of those suggestions and is here to present that today, good morning.

Serilda Summers-McGee, Director Bureau of Human Resources: Good morning. For the record, I am Serilda summers-mcgee, the bureau director for human resources. Thank you for allowing us to speak before you today. Never in the history of the city of Portland has a committee of this nature come together. It was comprised of leadership and employees, to explore the city of Portland vacation accrual rate and determine if it was competitive or if not make a recommendation to me. They came to go, and I have to say that there was suspicion. We did not know if this was a real thing and yet they still showed up. They put their thinking caps on and they went into deep research to determine what the market would suggest our vacation accrual rates should be to remain competitive. They came up with three depending on how competitive that we wanted to be. Do we want to be above the market, meet it or just beneath What the market would suggest the accrual levels should have been. It was well thought out, which you have the data on. I was convinced the midpoint, more moderate accrual rate was in the best interest of the city to allow us to be competitive especially as we compete both inside the city and as well as

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with external, regional competitors for talent. So what you have before you is an exhibit a, my recommendation which is a, an adjustment to the vacation accrual table for the hr, ar6.03. Any questions before we do public comment?

Fish: Could you summarize what the changes are?

Summers-McGee: So the change generally is the change happens with a new higher comes onboard for the city of Portland. Currently we max out at 80 hours a year that you can accrue towards at the city of Portland. You are not able to accrue at a higher rate for four years. Well, that's not as progressive as the market suggests it should be, and today's market employees move around more frequently than four to eight to 12 years, so in order to incent them to stick around we are allowing them to accrue at less of a stair step every four years to each year they can accrue at a higher rate. So we initially bumped up the maximum accrual rate at year one. To 112 hours up from 80 hours and then it increases four hours every subsequent year that they are here, which is a signature change and shift from where we were historically which is every four years you would receive approximately six hours more.

Wheeler: If I could chime in on this, one of the things that really struck me about this was how non-competitive we were for new employees. And particularly for our departments that have technical support, engineering support, specific skills, we just weren't competitive with the private sector, and that was clearly impacting our ability to recruit quality talent, so I think that your thinking on this and the logic you used is spot on.

Summers-McGee: Absolutely.

Fish: So we bumped up the accrual in the early years, and you said instead of -- we used, what was that metaphor, a staircase?

Summers-McGee: Every four years a step up but that was a gradual incline each year.

Fish: Okay.

Summers-McGee: And we were not just competitive with the for profit but with metro. Tri-met.

Fish: The only way we knew we were not competitive is we were in constantly in search, in the searches being asked to approve a greater accrual for candidates that expect, the candidate was saying the industry standard is x. And we had to, in effect, give that additional benefit in order to land the candidate of choice.

Summers-McGee: That's right. We were asking for exceptions with the bulk of our hires.

Fish: Okay, good.

Wheeler: Any questions before we move this on?

Summers-McGee: I would like to ask if we could send this to an emergency ordinance for a vote today since we have so many of our union representatives before us?

Fish: And you want to implement this on an expeditious basis?

Summers-McGee: It would be implemented in January. We have to actually change the sab system. We need a bit of a runway to get it adjusted so the accrual rate is impacting the entire city.

Wheeler: Happy to, so moved.

Eudaly: Second.

Wheeler: A motion and second. Please call the roll on the motion.

Taylor: You should state on the record the emergency so it can be recited.

Wheeler: The emergency is that it allows us to begin the accrual process sooner, speed up the administrative part and not insignificantly the partners who worked very hard to help to craft this proposal are here in the room today, and I would like to see them actually see their work come to fruition.

Fish: I think that we have a second.

Wheeler: A motion and second. Please call the roll.

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

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Wheeler: Aye. The amendment is adopted. Any further questions before we move to public testimony? Thank you. Thanks.

Rachel Whiteside: We have four people signed up.

Wheeler: Very good.

Wheeler: Good morning again. Good to see you.

Whiteside: Once again I am rachael whiteside, union representative for pte local members here at the city of Portland and in the interest of disclosure I sat on the work group that made the recommendation to our hr director. It is my opinion that if it weren't for my local 17 members we would not be here before you today with the progressive recommendation that you took a look at, but I also want to fully acknowledge it required the participation of our union brothers and sisters, many of which I have seen in the audience today. Thank you very much. And a compliment.

Fish: Why don't you ask them to stand so we can acknowledge them, the people involved in this. [applause]

Whiteside: And I would like to acknowledge the partnership with the city, if it were not for the city staff at the labor relations staff we would not be here, as well so thank you. [applause] this is a unique partnership, formed to examine a specific issue outside of the formal bargaining process. All parties entered with no preconceived notion of what the final outcome would be, but with the willingness to define our shared interests and work from there. We were able to review data without the carefully choreographed dance that you have in a formal negotiation, and I believe that this latitude allowed us to present the sweeping changes that are before you today. This will reposition the city of Portland within the marketplace and demonstrates a deliberate intent to be the employer of choice, which I mentioned earlier. It's a real passion of mine.

Wheeler: I want you to keep mentioning them. I think that's great. I am in full support of this recommendation and I consider this to be a genuine success, and I hope that council will support similar endeavors in the future, maybe we can take up that sick leave usage issue. And thank you for your time. You already voted yes, thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Elliot Levin: wheeler and members of the council, I am -- sorry, I am elliott, the director of research in the Oregon legislature advocate for pte local 17 and I wish to speak in favor of the ordinance before you this morning. In addition to improving the work of balance and job satisfaction of the current employees we believe the ordinance, a major step forward in attracting the next generation of talent. The engineers and planners and technicians and information technology professionals that we represent have many employment options in the current labor market. And in recent years we have seen an increase in the competition for top tiered talent in many Specialized fields. The ordinance will make the city of Portland significantly more attractive and less competitive labor market. We find the younger employees place a high value on the quality of life aspects of their job, and the vacation is a signature factor in comparing the job offers. In the early years, it is compelling with local employers, will help the city attract the next generation of talent into the workforce.

Addition professionals are often taking considerable loss from vacation to change jobs and work for the city, but we believe this ordinance will help to ease the transition considerably, so specifically by increasing the accrual rates at each year of employment rather than the five-year blocks. And new city of Portland employees can expect to return to the previous levels of vacation accrual faster under this system. And this removes a barrier to attracting the experts and the skilled professionals that Portland will need as the city continues to grow. And embracing this model for vacation accrual, I wish to thank the city council, and I look forward to seeing a positive impact of the action on the future work. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you very much. We appreciate it. Good morning.

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Paul Cone: Good morning. Mayor Wheeler, members of the council, I am Paul Cone, the President of the Portland chapter of PTE 17 and also a city employee with 15 years of experience in several bureaus. I just want to also, before I read the rest of my remarks, acknowledge Amy Bowls, who championed this at the bargaining table last year and has now moved onto the, to be one of our executive directors for the union in Seattle. As a representative of planners and technicians, it specialists like myself and other professionals represented by PTE local 17 I want to speak today in favor of the vacation ordinance before you. For years local 17 has heard that increasing the vacation accrual is a priority for our members and we pulled them prior to bargaining about 50% of them responded which was an amazing response, as we have spoken to the members across the city we have heard several themes that fit with a changing workforce and assumptions about the relationship between work, life, and family. As employees across the economy, families are stretched to find time together, and we continuously here at work life balance is a crucial concern, and workers often struggle to find time during busy work weeks for friends, family, and personal pursuits. More vacation time will allow the members to be more connected to their loved ones and communities and strengthens our society. Rest time away from work is important for the morale and effectiveness of a workforce. After time away employees come back to work more productive and effectively. In addition, additionally, medical research has shown that employees have, that have access to adequate and vacation leave have lower rates of heart disease and depression and stress and high blood pressure, and in fact, they showed a 31% decrease in the death from coronary heart disease. And while many of our members are fortunate enough to take leave for leisure activities, we find our members increasingly, need to use vacation time, something that Cathy alluded to, to care for children, spouses, and parents, you know, sometimes if those folks have healthcare concerns. And vacation leaders no longer only used for travel and relaxation but it has become a crucial element of family safety nets and employees rely on this benefit to be able to provide the care without making burdensome financial sacrifices. As well as childcare and elder care, becomes ever more present part of the workers responsibility, vacation leave allows employees to bridge the gap between work, financial and family responsibilities. By adopting this ordinance, you will have a tangible impact upon thousands of city employees, satisfaction with their jobs, and their quality of life, and their ability to care for their families, and our members take pride in their work, and the professional services that they provide for the people of Portland and the benefits that we hope that you extend today will improve their ability to provide these services. So we thank you for your support.

Wheeler: Thanks all three of you, we really appreciate it. Mr. Walsh did you want to come up, as well? Come on up.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Ted Bryan: Good morning. My name is Ted Bryan, and I am a representative of the labor local 43, also a member of the vacation leave work group, and the first thing that I would like to mention today, I would like to underscore the remarks that the director McGee made about the process that the work group went through. It was really refreshing for all of us to go through the process where it felt like a collaborative effort. It was fact-based, and it didn't involve the usual song and dance that we sometimes find in bargaining. Right now when there is an attack on the rights of public sector workers across the country, it's important that the city of Portland really be leading in terms of the labor relations, and I think that we are seeing a big change in terms of the relationship between labor and management here and that's really encouraging for us. I think the ordinance is impeccable, a real substantial commitment by the city to the health and wellbeing of the members, and they appreciate that. And I wanted to say that I would be remiss if I did not mention the hundreds of so-called casual and seasonal employees who work for the city, who are out

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there maintaining our parks and community centers, who unfortunately at this point many of them don't have vacation leave or paid holidays. But I just want to say that in the past few years we have seen council make real commitments to those workers as well. So I am hoping that going forward the city will actually maintain the commitments to all of its employees, which is what we are seeing now and I just hope that spirit continues in the future.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Joanne Hardesty: Good morning, I am joanne hardesty, and I want to echo what an incredible model this city council and human resources is in a union government partnership. I think it is wonderful to see outside of a bargaining process that we were able help employees spend more time with their families and have more downtime because as we know you have to check out sometime. And I just want to say mayor wheeler this is the second time in two days that I have complimented you on something, and I would like the record to reflect that. [laughter]

Fish: Therefore the bureau is interested -- [laughter]

Hardesty: I will take whatever the mayor would like to give me.

Wheeler: Thank you for coming and expressing that. Good morning sir.

Joe Walsh: Morning. Again for the record I am joe walsh, and I represent individuals for justice. We love labor unions. We also love employees. And employees that worked with the city, we love especially. We know how hard that they work. We know how dedicated they are. In the corporate world, if you get called up at 3:00 in the morning and they come in to work they would laugh. Wouldn't happen. I get called out at 3:00 in the morning on the federal level, and then come in to work because shipyard was under a storm and we had to go in. I have some appreciation of what your employees do, and again, for joanne and i, to compliment you twice in one day. It's going to ruin our reputations. [laughter] I looked at the agenda and I am not too sure that [inaudible]. Maybe there is one thing. We applaud you. We criticize you often. We get thrown out a lot.

Hardesty: Not me.

Walsh: When I say we, I mean individuals for justice. But congratulations. If you pass this, this was kind of cool. You should be proud of it, and when we yell at you it's not personal even though it sounds personal sometimes. And that's just our inability to make an issue, it issues oriented. It's our problem, not yours. So thanks again for this. Thanks to the union. Thanks to what I used to call the iro. Or human resources. It seemed that everybody worked together on this, and came up with a really good solution, and I am proud to sit next to Joanne on this one and be on the same page. It's not that unusual, so thank you again, and write it down. Twice.

Hardesty: Twice.

Walsh: Twice.

Wheeler: History was made here today, thanks all three of you. [applause] would there anybody else, Karla?

Karla: That was all who signed up.

Wheeler: Very good. Colleagues anything else before we move to a vote since we have amended? I am sorry. Anything else?

Summers-McGee: I just need to sit here for the vote.

Wheeler: If you would like to. Go ahead.

Summers-McGee: Okay.

Saltzman: I want to thank you for coming to go and taking a good look at this very important issue. I think as many of you testified, it's increasingly difficult today to achieve that right. Many of us are always seeking to find that, and it's harder to find. With all the competing demands, including care for dependence, so I think that increasing the accrual is the right thing to do, and I am very pleased to be able to support this and say aye.

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Eudaly: Well, I would just like to thank the director McGee for her hard work. It has been a pleasure working for you, and I am really pleased with the direction that we are Moving in. And I think thank our union, our staff, and our union members, as well. Aye.

Fish: I heard three things today that warm my heart. I heard our labor partners talk about meaningful, measurable progress towards becoming an employer of choice. And we want to be an employer of choice because it means that we are recruiting the best talent, and we are retaining the best talent, and so there is things that we have to do to get there, but this is a big step in that direction. Second thing that I heard was that a number of people said that this reflects a change in the relationship between labor and management. That's very important because we can disagree on issues from time to time. But we are at our best when we are operating as true partners. For the benefit of the most important commodity and resource that we have in the city which is the workers. Who do the work. So pleased to hear that, and on the question of work life balance that dan alluded to. You know it's been important to me because you know, I have a family and a young kid who is active, and I want to be present for his milestones, but it became more important when I had a serious health challenge, and I had to begin to rethink some of my priorities. Make sure I was getting the rest I needed and the downtime. So this is a win-win-win, and I am pleased today to vote aye.

Wheeler: This is about respect. This is about acknowledgment. It's about respecting and acknowledging the people who do the work for the residents of the city. It is hard work. It is tireless work. It is often thankless work, and it is mostly behind the scenes. I want to share a story and I want to share a thought. First the story. I have never liked the negative stereotypes about public employees, and I think that they are largely cheap shots at people who care about this community, and they see the value in this community, and they see the potential inside community. And they are actually wanting to work hard to serve the community, service is the thread that holds all of our folks together. The story that I want to share is one I have told before. I remember seeing a public employee on his belly in a deep puddle of mud. Trying to year a storm drain with his bare hands. In the winter. I remember driving by just watching this guy, in the mud, in the water, and I remember thinking that that is incredible dedication. In any field, that would be defined as incredible dedication. That was a real moment of pride for me just to see that level of commitment and dedication. Now, in terms of what I want to say, when you were hired, one of the conversations that we had Was about changing the dynamic in the city, and we talked about how it was going to be hard to change the dynamic. And we talked about the employer of choice model, and we talked about labor relations. And you and I collectively had heard a lot of positive, but we had also heard some negative. About collective bargaining, in particular but generally some of the disconnect between management and our rank and file employees. And when I hear labor leaders and I hear others from the community come up and they talk about how you and your labor relations team in a relatively short period of time are already changing that culture and already are building that trust, even outside of the bargaining, it has to be exactly what you were brought on to do, and from my estimation you are doing really, really well, so keep it up. I think that this is a great proposal. It's based -- it is a data driven proposal. It is based on fact. It works within the confines of finite resources, but it's also the right thing to do both in terms of the compassion, and it's the right thing to do in terms of recruiting and retention and perhaps most importantly of all the right thing to do to say that we respect the people who work for the city of Portland and we support them in the work that they do, so I vote aye, and the ordinance is adopted. Thanks for your hard work. [gavel pounded] [applause] could you read 745? It will be moved but if I could read it for the record, please.

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Wheeler: Colleagues, at the request of the auditor, I believe, this is being moved to August 8, 2018. At 9:45:00 a.m. Time certain. Again, that's August 8, 9:45:00 a.m. Time certain. Item 746, please.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish.

Fish: It says 15 minutes for both.

Wheeler: Let's do that. Good call. Michelle, is there any reason why I should not read 747? Let's read that, as well. Thanks Commissioner Fish.

Wheeler: Please this is yet another property associated with the Portland housing bond. The housing bond promised 1300 units of permanently affordable housing, and it promised that would be created within a five to seven-year time frame of passage. In the first year and a half we have approximately half of the promised units either already purchased or in process in both new developments in the acquisitions of existing buildings. This acquisition represents the fourth project identified under the housing bond. The Portland housing bureau is excited to bring this ordinance before the council today as another step towards meeting the goals of the housing bond. The acquisition of this property will create 50 to 75 new units of affordable housing in the Cully neighborhood, a neighborhood on the front lines of gentrification and displacement. Future development of this property will create an additional family sized units, create additional family sized units for households earning zero to 30% AMI, and as well as providing more supportive housing units to the city in coordination with the joint office of homeless services. And zero to 30%, that is housing with the support services for the people that we are seeing on the streets. People are who chronically homeless, this not only allows them access to housing, that they can afford and be successful in. It will also provide opportunities for services. Phb and its partner, Home Forward, will begin planning for programming and services for this property by the end of this year, the end of 2018, which will inform future development goals. With that I will pass it over to housing director Shannon Callahan, good morning.

Shannon Callahan, Housing Bureau Director: Good morning Mayor and Commissioners. I am Shannon Callahan from the Portland housing bureau, and as the Mayor said we are here today with the force identified, Portland housing bond property and our second property acquired for new development. This property is located in the Cully neighborhood, and today I am joined by one of our five oversight committee members, Todd, of APANO, the Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon.

Fish: I am not saying he's the best committee member but I think he was my appointee.

Callahan: I believe that he was, indeed, your appointee. Thank you very much. And [inaudible] Carrington, a member of the Portland housing advisory commission and living Cully. Just a little grounding, we are seeking to acquire 1300 permanently affordable homes, 600 of which the Mayor indicated will be deeply affordable. 300 will be set aside for supportive housing and 650 of which will be sized for families. Two bedrooms or even larger. We are prioritizing the communities of color, families and households facing homelessness, or displacement, and we are investing in citywide, areas of high opportunity and areas at high risk of gentrification. We are particularly excited about the opportunity to purchase this property in the Cully neighborhood, an area of which diversity and a strong sense of community and unfortunately also with a high risk of gentrification. This is one of the target neighborhoods that we specifically sought out and are pleased that we were able to acquire this property. This particular property is being purchased for 50,000. It can hold as many as --

Wheeler: 500.

Callahan: 500,000, which is still a really very good price for this property. It can be developed for as many as 75 units but at the present moment we are counting between 50 and 75 because we don't know the mix of the bedroom size or the family size until we start to work. First with our bond oversight committee and with our community in general. If you

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are not familiar with this property, it is located on numerous transit lines and in close proximity to a grocery store, which is a huge amenity for families who may be transit dependent as they look to move into a new neighborhood. As a reminder for all bond acquisitions they are put through an analysis of our adopted policy framework. We assess the property or buildings with on-site tight visits and we have the formal review process as adopted by our bond oversight committee before we make a formal offer to purchase. This particular property began that process last december. And we moved through a formal review committee in january, started our due diligence and are now here before you to ask for your approval on the purchase of the property. And just before I turn it over to todd, I would like to just show you a brief map of the four identified properties. This property if approved would join a property in east Portland. We just purchased a few weeks ago. And also, our 30th and powell new development site which we are beginning predevelopment Activities on presently and, of course, our first bond purchase in northeast Portland, the 263-unit ellington apartments. And with that I will turn it over to todd.

Todd Struble, Housing Bond Oversight Committee: Thank you, I am Todd and I serve on the bonding house overtime sight committee. Our goal is to hold phb accountable to the stakeholder advisory committee that created a framework for this bond. With that in mind we believe that this project absolutely follows that framework. It's a good investment. It's a wise, long-term investment. And we know that it's going to be supporting the folks that are experiencing homelessness and families that are really vulnerable to displacement. So with that, I think it's an excellent investment, and I would also like to also point out that it's in an area that the city has focused resources, close to our neighborhood prosperity initiative and there is many nonprofit organizations that are doing the work on the ground that will continue to support this investment as it goes forward. So with that I would like to say thank you and endorse this. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thanks, todd.

Cameron Herringotn, PHAC And Living Cully: Good morning mayor wheeler and commissioners. Thank you for having me this morning. I am cameron harrington here speaking on behalf of the living cully partners. To express our support for this acquisition. As you have heard this property is in an excellent location in one of the most diverse neighborhoods in the state of Oregon. It's across the street from the full service grocery store, within easy walking distance of two elementary schools, it has easy transit access so it's a great location for families and other low income folks who are in need of stable and affordable homes. I wanted to share and a few words about our involvement in the bond and some experiences that we have had in the cully neighborhood, so the cully organizers, a grassroots group called the cully action access team that knocked on 1100 doors in our neighborhood to support the bond campaign in 2016. And so we were very gratified that voters approved these funds, and then we are excited that resulting in new affordable home in our neighborhood. As part of that campaign in 2016, the number of families participated in door knocking lived at the normandy apartments in cully on northeast killingsworth which those families lost their homes last year when an investor purchased the building and doubled their rents. Five of those families found stable, affordable homes, which was the first bond acquisition. I thought that was an important connection between folks involved and grassroots affordable housing advocacy on the ground who themselves are facing a crisis in their own housing and this bond has directly supported them in Finding permanent, stable, affordable homes. But that does -- we need to note that this -- the bond in all the acquisitions being made with it are, as I know you have all noted, are one piece of the affordable housing puzzle in Portland, and so building on this momentum in the cully neighborhood, we are excited that the manufactured housing park zoning proposal is coming to council very soon, and which will prevent the displacement of 3,000 households in the city, which is more than twice as many as served

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by the bond itself, so those two things go hand in hand, make a lot of sense. We encourage you to take up the vote on that, zoning proposal, as soon as possible so that more property owners of manufactured housing parks do not file permits to redevelop before the zoning is changed. We are concerned about that. And then the last piece that I wanted to mention for the cully neighborhood is our ongoing work led by community development to develop affordable housing on the former sugar shack property that living cully was able to acquire in 2015. So this bond acquisition is very exciting news for our neighborhood, and we are very eager to work with the council and the housing bureau to keep that momentum rolling into the next steps for preserving affordable housing, building new affordable housing, and preventing displacement in the cully neighborhood and across the city.

Wheeler: Thank you. Commissioner Fish first.

Fish: So director Callahan thank you very much for your presentation. The materials that you gave us say that there is -- we're planning up to, up to 13 units of permit supported housing. We'll call that the ceiling. What's the floor?

Callahan: Commissioner I don't know that I can say that there is a floor. We are looking to maximize our supportive housing wherever we can and in any particular project. Each project would have supportive housing, contained in it but I think that it depends on the mix of whether it's focused on families or single, so I would not be able to get an answer on that right now.

Fish: In the context if the council has adopted with the county a very big goal of 2,000 units of permanent supportive housing, between now and 2027, when you come back with a development proposal, I will be keenly interested in where we land. We had prior testimony about the sugar shack. Now I think it's wonderful that we are acquiring land in cully, in effect land banking and allowing us to do future development, but the sugar shack development site has been a top priority of this council for a long time, and it goes back to when there was a strip club across the hacienda housing and a tremendous blight in a neighborhood that was struggling to move forward. Fortunately the land and the building has been acquired by, by a number of partners, including hacienda, but there is a gap in the financing, and one of the reasons that there is a gap is the trump tax overhaul plan has had a negative impact on our tax credit market, and this is not the first time in the last ten years that we have seen the value of tax credits come down a bit. What assurances can you give council that we continue to be committed to helping our partners close the gap on sugar shack and move forward?

Callahan: So commissioner I, myself, and the mayor's office staff have all had conversations with hacienda. I think that we would all like to find a path forward to develop the sugar shack, and we did have initial conversations with them about bond resources, and I believe that it was not the right fit for the property with the current bond restrictions. But we are really seeing a notice of funds availability later this month with the direction of the Mayor and we believe that would be a top contender for those resources.

Wheeler: We are seeing a signature inflation in the cost of the building things, so that's a big cost driver. We are seeing a drop in the value of tax credits which makes these things harder to pencil out. But mayor I hope when the [inaudible] issues and we get a chance to look at ways we can help our friends in cully, that we're not shy of about using hif resources, other gap resources, and it is vitally important that we jump start This development, and it's been a council priority for a long time. And I would be very aggrieved if this stalled out.

Callahan: Thank you, commissioner.

Fish: Thank you.

Saltzman: I think you had it on the graphic but how many, two or three bedroom unions will there be?

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Callahan: We don't know yet. In terms of the family sized units with the bonds, half of the bond resources are to develop family sized units. And with this particular property, we have not yet had a dialogue about what we think the property would be best suited for. Our first stop for that is the bond oversight committee. We are looking at the property itself, the makeup of the neighborhood, and the other goals that we have under the bond. Each property we need to make sure that we are meeting our over-arching goals when we reach 1300 or greater units that we do hit all of the other properties. Each does not look the same as each other. Meaning some are slated for, more slated for families and some we look at, we'll be looking at for more individuals or couples who may live in a smaller unit and may need more supportive housing services. So we don't yet know but we are, we are looking forward to having that dialogue with our bond oversight committee and the cully neighborhood as well.

Saltzman: So similar to commissioner Fish's discussion you just had about the permanent Supportive housing, what's the floor and the ceiling. Is it safe to say that there will be some family sized units?

Callahan: I would imagine that this would be a building. We would be looking to prioritize family sized youth, but I have not had that conversation. I would not be able to definitively say that or not. But yes I think that that would be our sense is that it would be a very good site for the family sized units.

Saltzman: Thank you. Very good. Thank you.

Wheeler: Does that complete your presentation, Shannon?

Callahan: Yes.

Wheeler: Public testimony on this, Karla?

Karla: Yes, three people are signed up. Please come on up.

Wheeler: As a reminder this is for 746 and 747 if you will like to testify. Good morning.

David Sweet: Good morning. Mr. Mayor and commissioner, I am David sweet, I am the land use transportation chair for the cully association of neighbors. And I am remiss in not handing you our inclusive cully policy, which was adopted 2.5 years ago. And it's our attempt as a neighborhood association to address the problem of displacement in cully. I want to read you just a small portion of that. We value the economic and ethnic diversity of the neighborhood. We are aware that the economic forces that threaten diversity by displacing many of us. We acknowledge that the people of color face higher barriers to finding housing and employment and are particularly vulnerable to displacement. And improvements to our parks and transportation infrastructure and the growth and enhancement of the commercial areas are needed and desirable are making our neighborhood more attractive to developers and investors and home buyers driving up the prices and exacerbating the displacement. It is our vision that improvements in the cully will benefit existing residents and encourage them to remain in the neighborhood as we welcome and make room for new residents. And so because of that we encourage affordable housing in cully and we're delighted to learn of this new development that will join the more than 300 units of affordable housing owned by hacienda cdc, the many more development units that will be developed on the property formerly known as the sugar shack. The 59 units, that's being built by a local developer and in conjunction with neah and narra on 42nd avenue. This is exciting for us. And one thing that we would like to make sure of is that these affordable units do benefit the people who, in cully who are at risk of displacement first and foremost and we hope that the housing bureau can find a way to reach out to folks like the residents of the Normandy apartments who are being displaced by economic forces, and we don't want to lose those Folks from our neighborhood. So we urge your support for this acquisition. Thank you to the housing bureau for looking in cully, and please help us to prevent displacement of our current residents.

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Wheeler: So, I have to say, I have seen a statement before, and love the cully neighborhood. This statement for me is a really excellent statement that should be applied citywide. There is a couple of things that I want to specifically call out, and I have noted this before. It's very positive. It starts out by expressing a mutual pride in the neighborhood and acknowledging the uniqueness of the neighborhood, and then going on to talk about the specific action steps in terms of how to make the neighborhood or keep the neighborhood accessible and affordable and vibrant and safe and all of the things that we want to see for the city at large. And I just really appreciate the way that you and your neighbors have come together in what I think is really positive and productive way, and you have worked with the city council, and you have worked with the housing bureau to help make your vision a reality. We need more of this. At times when we are struggling with the growing pains and with social problems, I appreciate the fact that you guys push your chair into the table, and you provide concrete solutions, and you provide a positive vision, and you put your time and your energy and your money behind it. And we are proud to be your Partners in cully so thank you, and please take that back to the cully neighborhood. We are proud of the relationship that we developed.

Sweet: Certainly will.

Wheeler: Thank you sir.

Sweet: Thank you, mr. Mayor, and I would be remiss if I didn't mention the many other very active and able community organizations at work in cully, that our neighborhood association works with and in support of. They are the ones pulling the laboring oars here, and we will support as best we can. But we are really -- we really appreciate the cully living partners, hacienda, habitat for humanity, neah and the others doing such great work in cully.

Wheeler: What's going on in cully I hope is contagious.

Sweet: Yeah.

Wheeler: It's just a really positive example of the community coming together to make the community work. And I am proud to be mayor and have a community like cully. So please call on me often. This is one more example of what I think is a great work that we can do together. Thank you. Good morning.

Edith Gillis: I am edith gillis and I would like 50 to 75% of this property be for those that are below the poverty line. I would like us to have a diversity of types of units, studio, dorm style, single rooms with a shared living space, multiple bedrooms, four to six bedrooms per unit with multiple space for multiple beds. I would like it to be ada, with food growing on the green roof and I would like to have a composting toilets as an option. To pay for this I would like to take a look at the police budget as part of preventing crime and cop calls.

Wheeler: Thank you, good morning.

Johnson: Good morning, charles bridge crane johnson. Part of the motivation behind the housing bond in this particular property in cully is because we need to try and try even harder to have a city where there will be no more karen lee bats killed by us. It was a very rough introduction for the mayor and his term that the city and the county and a particular judge and a particular nonprofit housing corporation murdered karen lee bats by hypothermia in a parking garage on 10th. Fortunately, commissioner Fritz did mention supportive housing. But having spent time visiting people in northwest powers, beaverton hillsdale highway where there's another unit, the city needs to be clear and frequently explicit about what is the safety net for people that are on disability struggling with mental illness, possibly causing uncomfortable situations for their neighbors also in public and subsidized housing, how are we going to have a vision zero so that none of these people get evicted? That's actually what happens to an unknown percentage of our public housing residents. They are sent and turns out to be a death camp. There used to be a woman who testified here frequently. She killed herself in northwest tower. When people go to a

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publicly funded university, part of the budget is set aside to do a crime report. Should be a general liveability report but at least a crime report, but we don't talk honestly and openly about the challenges of keeping people struggling with mental illness and compounding that with the situation of living in public subsidized housing alive. So when we look at the great decision that's happening here in cully, the need to move this project forward as fast as possible, we also need not rush past the issues of how we will eventually build a system where almost no one has to get evicted from these. Some people when they get housed and stabilized are going to be able to trend to lives that are more richer and more productive but challenges come up and we need to have a solution other than saying, oh, this crazy person didn't pay their \$138 rent. Let's go to court and put him in eviction. There has to be a better way. We have to talk about it often and clearly and communicate it to those dealing with those issues.

Wheeler: Thank you for mentioning that. I'm pleased with not only the direction this project is taking in terms of support, the nofa that the housing director mentioned is the first of its kind that combines the infrastructure and the housing with the mental health services needed to help people be successful in that housing and stay in that housing and be healthy in that housing. I just want to acknowledge that I agree with what you're saying. That is in fact the direction that we are moving and we're moving there aggressively. So thank you.

Johnson: Exactly. We're also seeing progress with cascadia's garland development. People need to know to see where they can see this in black and white like Portland, Oregon.gov/smart, which you all fixed. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thanks to all three of you. Good morning.

Lightning Super Creativity Watchdog: Good morning. My name is lightning. I represent lightning super creativity watchdog. I do like this project. I like your price on this project. I like the fact you're going for the new development. Again, when we're talking permanent supportive housing, I want it to be made an amenity in any public housing facility, but I also want to have a clear understanding, it's the most important amenity, for mental health services. Must be included in every project. That means when we're these buildings we need to develop a certain amount of space to be utilized for that specifically. Then we need to develop ways to fund the resources for that amenity to be ongoing and geographically located through the communities, and also working alongside the unity center and being advised from the professionals on what they think would be advantageous in these buildings and to work alongside of them if something becomes very serious they go to the unity center. How do we transport them to the unity center? This all needs to be included in the plan. Again, I prefer family size units as you know I prefer the zero to 30% mfi. But again, I like this project. I like everything I see. I want to see the number of units expanded. That will stabilize over all rents and that's what you're doing here, building more units, not buying seasoned units, holding those units not developing out. I like everything on this project. Again, stay focused on the zero to 30%. My understanding permanent supportive housing could be implemented to all these buildings for every unit if the service is needed as an amenity. Everyone should be able to use those services. Anyone should be able to use that amenity. Anyone should have a right in that building if they are having any type of mental health crisis, feel free to go to the professionals. We provided that amenity in this building in work alongside our professionals. That's an amenity that needs to be included that's never been done in the city of Portland. There should be no limitations to anyone in that building wanting to use that service, that amenity for mental health reasons, addiction services to better themselves. Thank you.

Wheeler: Agreed. The corollary, of course, just to be clear, not everybody in zero to 30% needs the supportive component either.

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Lightning: Everyone like I stated should have the option to use it or their relatives that visit them or people in their units at the time that might need that assistance at the time. This is a great service to have. A great amenity. It's kind of going into the settlement agreement plan. As you know, geographically locating, which again that's what you're doing by doing this in working with the unity center. Thank you.

Wheeler: Good testimony. Thanks, everybody. So with that colleagues any further discussion or questions? Karla, could you call the roll on 746.

Saltzman: Well, I want to congratulate the housing bureau and the cully -- all the active groups in cully including the neighborhood association for identifying yet another site to develop affordable housing for our residents. It sounds like a great piece of property. I'm sure it will be a great thing we put on that property too. Aye.

Eudaly: Thank you to the housing bureau and thank you to living cully for being such great community partners. Aye.

Fish: Really excited about this acquisition. Mayor, I also want to say I think you and director Callahan have come up with a new way of talking about the bond and how we're getting money out the door, which is an improvement over how we used to communicate the progress. It allows people to see that we're actually well on track to meeting the commitment that we made to the community. I'm very pleased with that. We have institutionalized about permanent housing. To lightning's point it's now embedded in all new construction and preservation. Lightning and the others are exactly right our challenges is twofold. One, to have the will to put the units aside and subsidize them. The second to provide the services. A combination of the subsidy plus services is approximately \$15,000 a unit per year. Do the math on the 2,000 units we have committed to we can't get there without robust partnership with the county, with the state and at some point with a partner in Washington. I'm very pleased with this action and proud to vote aye.

Wheeler: Well, I have speechified enough on this. I vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Please call the roll on item 747.

Saltzman: I also want to thank mayor wheeler. Aye.

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

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Thank you, everybody, for your hard work. Next item we're going to do a little magic to accommodate the quorum. Item 773, this is being moved from the p.m. Agenda. This was noticed in the Tuesday memo. If you could read 773, please.

Item 773.

Wheeler: This ordinance is technical in nature. The ordinance replaces and adds a few key words for clarity and purpose of section f of the inclusionary housing fee in lieu. The ordinance changes a grammatical error, changing they to the, and adds residential and residential related. These are technical challenges following adoption and implementation of the 2035 comprehensive plan that went into effect May 24, 2018. New Americas mixed use zones were adopted that need to be reflected in the document. The fee in lieu schedule must reflect the incorporated land use and zoning changes. These technical changes are Portland housing bureau's response to feedback and requests to clarify the fee in lieu section of inclusionary housing. Director Callahan.

Shannon Callahan, Housing Bureau Director: Thank you, mayor, commissioners. As you have said, we are doing two things with this ordinance. One is clarification regarding the fee in lieu applying only to residential portions of a building. This came up when we had a building to calculate their fee we realized based on various portions of the code that we had confused the intent, the original intent of council, so we are clarifying that today. Secondly, in response to the comprehensive plan adoption and change in the underlying zoning for the city as well as a simple consolidation of the fee. Matthew sheibold and I are here to answer any particular questions you may have.

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Wheeler: I don't see any. Let's go straight to public testimony. Karla is getting the list for us.

Karla: Two people signed up. Charles bridgecrane Johnson and brian owendoff.

Wheeler: Come on up. Good morning.

Brian Owendoff: Thank you, commissioners, to allow me to speak on behalf. I'm brian owendoff. I work in the city of Portland and have been involved in commercial development over 30 years, a third of that in Portland including six mixed use towers in downtown Portland. I'm here today to express my full support of the changes to the ordinance. I have been heavily involved in the design of large-scale mixed-use projects in downtown Portland and the project that was mentioned is a potential development of a 35-story tower which has three components, an office component, hotel component and mixed use or residential component. The way the ordinance is currently written we would actually have to pay for a fee in lieu of almost \$29 million to offset just 28 affordable housing units which would kill the project. I think it's fair to have this payment attributable only to residential units. This will kill a lot of mixed use projects absent this change to just have it applied to the residential side. This site currently today throws off about \$160,000 of real property taxes and income taxes. If this project moves forward it would raise that number to close to 10 million per year on this full block. So over a ten-year period over \$100 million of net new income to the city to fund vital city services. The other point I wanted to make is that this will like I said make large mixed use events like mixed use tower not be economically feasible. So I hope you will support this amendment because in my opinion this was not the intent of the original legislation.

Wheeler: Thank you. That is correct, by the way. This is tuning it back to the intent. Thank you, sir. Good morning.

Charles Bridgecrane Johnson: Good morning. I'm charles bridgecrane johnson. I have a developed zero mixed use towers. Whether or not at 2:00 a.m. All the bathrooms were locked and had to urinate in one, fifth amendment. It's good to have a developer come in and engage in this. When we talk about this we also want to talk about we only had a partial victory in salem. We need to be looking at both ends of the spectrum, ways that we can fine tune inclusionary zoning so that develop can bring forth units that will have affordability within them and also to get developers and the state legislature to understand that zero to 30 mfi people are not going away. We'll have them forever. We need to have an inclusionary zoning statute that addresses every type of resident in this city.

Wheeler: Thank you both. We appreciate it. Any further discussion? Karla, please call the roll.

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

Fish: I'm really glad mr. Owendoff came today because one of the things we heard beyond people saying we should make technical changes to strengthen i.z., was that i.z. Effectively prevented a development from proceeding. He has essentially clobbered that issue by indicating that with this technical change that we're making he is prepared to proceed with a very robust development proposal and nowhere in his testimony did he say it prevented this from penciling out. We look forwards to lots of other developers following the law as well because as dan Saltzman famously said, i.z. Is not going anywhere. Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. 763, please.

Fish: I thought we were going to do the seconds on 780 and 781 while I'm here.

Wheeler: Hold off for one moment. Happy to do that. Please call 780.

Item 780.

Wheeler: Colleagues, this is a second reading of an ordinance. It's already been read in council, a presentation has been provided, testimony has been given. Please call the roll.

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

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Wheeler: And just to clarify this is one of the items we're bringing off of the afternoon schedule to the morning schedule for quorum purposes. It was noticed in the Tuesday memo. I vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. 781, please. Also, second reading.

Item 781.

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

Karla: There's an amendment request for this.

Wheeler: Very good.

Kathy: Good morning. We would like the council to declare that an emergency exists because the city needs to issue a competitive solicitation to ensure its ability to produce and mail utility bills including doing these activities during disaster recovery. Therefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect after the date of passage.

Fish: Second.

Wheeler: Somebody has to make the motion.

Saltzman: I'll make the motion.

Fish: Second.

Wheeler: Please call the roll on the amendment, Karla. Sorry to have you running around. I apologize.

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

Wheeler: Aye. So to the main motion, second reading. Please call the roll.

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

Fish: Kathy is here. Thanks for your great work. Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted as amended. Thank you. Thanks for your help. Thanks, commissioner Fish. Next item, 763, please. Commissioner Saltzman.

Item 763.

Saltzman: Thank you, mayor. Today I have the honor of asking my council members to join me in renewing the term of Julie S Young as the city representative for the Portland children's levy. The children's levy has a five-person oversight board composed of a city and county commissioner as well as three representatives appointed by the city, the county, and the Portland business alliance respectively. Julie young has been an invaluable member and a wonderful colleague on the allocation committee. She has brought wisdom and dedication to her role as we oversee funding decisions for the levy. This year alone we invested nearly \$21 million in programs and early childhood, after school, mentoring, child abuse prevention and intervention, foster care, and hunger relief. I'm very pleased that she has agreed to serve an additional two years and I look forward to working with her for the remaining months of my tenure as committee chair. Julie is in the audience. I would just like to maybe raise your hand, so we can acknowledge you. Thank you. I'm also asking for reappointment on the allocation committee through the end of December as my city council term winds down and then I will pass the baton to mayor wheeler, who will take over in January as the Portland children's levy allocation chair. I'm very grateful for his decision to do that. It's validating to me to be able to leave the allocation committee in such good hands. The mayor is very familiar with the levy, having served as an allocation committee member while he was county chair. He's been an enthusiastic supporter of our mission and is happy to return. So as I said earlier, I thank him for his continued stewardship of the mission and I know he will be an inspired leader. I also want to use this opportunity just to once again thank city voters and all of our backers who overwhelmingly renewed the Portland children's levy in may for another five years by a resounding 83% approval. The overwhelming approval speaks to the confidence that the public has in the levy's 15-year track record of investing in proven programs that make a difference in the lives of children and doing it with a 5% administrative cap. So I ask for adoption of the appointments.

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Fish: Mayor, I have two questions. So the first question is, commissioner Saltzman, the irony in this is that upon your retirement from the council you're going to have extra time. Given your passion for this work, it would seem to me that the council would be wise in soliciting whether you would continue to serve in some official capacity on this children's levy. Is the principle obstacle to that that the levy language requires that there will be an elected official from both the county and the city, or is it some other impediment?

Saltzman: Well, yes, the language does require that the city or county representatives be an elected official and I'll no longer be that.

Fish: You could serve at some point in the future as a civilian?

Saltzman: Yes, that's possible.

Fish: The other question I had for you, mayor, because historically a member of council other than the mayor has served as the city's designee, I wonder why it is that you are locking into a term through June 30, 2020 rather than a term of, say, february 1 of 2019 in order for you and council to determine if there's another member of the council who would want that or is well suited for that position particularly in light of the fact the mayor has a full plate of other responsibilities. Is there anything that would preclude us from shortening your term just to give you that opportunity to decide whether you or someone else is best suited?

Wheeler: No, there's nothing that I'm aware of that precludes that.

Fish: Is there any reason why?

Saltzman: I prefer it stay as it is. You can change the appointment at any time but I think the term runs through 2020 as we have identified in our bylaws. I would prefer we just leave it that way.

Fish: We are reappointing you for a limited period of time.

Saltzman: Right.

Wheeler: Let me break the stalemate. I think it is important that we have a very clear transition for the children's levy, and commissioner Saltzman isn't picking me just because i'm the mayor, he's picking me because I have done this before and there's a clear transition point. In the interests of collaboration, I will work with my colleagues on the city council just as we do with other bureau assignments and to the degree that the council would rather have somebody else or feels that it's more appropriate for somebody else to fill that role --

Fish: Or you may feel its more appropriate, mayor.

Wheeler: With other commitments and priorities, I will certainly remain flexible on that front. I don't see any reason for me to -- I agree with commissioner Saltzman for now let's approve it but I'm making a public commitment that I'll work with all of you. If we find a path that works better for all of us let's do it.

Fish: The thing I want to keep the door open to is if at some point a new member of council is a champion for children or you determine that you're overextended and would rather have someone put more time and energy into this, I want you to have that option. It isn't foreclosed by agreeing to a term through 2020. What I'm hearing from you is the term does not preclude that.

Wheeler: In my opinion it does not preclude that.

Fish: Thank you.

Wheeler: I'll accept a motion.

Fish: So moved.

Saltzman: Second.

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

Saltzman: Again, thank you for your service, Julie, and continued service. Thank you, mayor, for your upcoming reappointment to the allocation committee. I appreciate it very much. Aye.

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

Wheeler: So this is -- I want to tell a story again then I'll get to the specifics. So when Barack Obama was running for president the first time whether you like the guy or don't like the guy, he was having a fund-raiser at my house, my wife was very supportive and held an event called Women for Obama. Nancy Pelosi was then speaker of the House of the United States House of Representatives, was the speaker who came to Portland, Oregon. She walked up the front steps and saw a sign in our front yard supporting the children's levy. She asked, what is this all about? We told her that this was a community response to needs for youth in our community and it was driven by the public and it included a broad coalition of community service organizations and volunteers and others. It was a joint effort between different governments and the private sector had an important role. She was fascinated by it. She asked lots and lots of follow-up questions and said, wow, this is great to be in a community that puts its youth first in a really visible and tangible way.

Commissioner Saltzman, your leadership on this over the years and your inspiration to do this I think has really been one of the most important milestones in a long career. I'm honored to provide that transition and I'm mindful of what Commissioner Fish has said. I'm committed to working with this council to make sure it continues to be successful whether I'm there in that role as chair or whether somebody else on council is determined to be more appropriate at a future date. Thank you for your immediate trust in me. Aye.

Accepted. Next 764.

Item 764.

Wheeler: Colleagues, the goal of the motor carrier safety action plan is to reduce accidents involving commercial motor vehicles and to reduce injuries and fatalities resulting from accidents that involve them. Vehicle inspections occur on state, county and municipal highways without in the official limits of the city of Portland. This provides 30,000 towards completing on-road inspections during this fiscal year. The city has participated in this grant program since 2012 and this program supports our vision zero mission. This would help fund the staffing necessary to complete the on-road inspections from July 1st, 2018, to June 30, 2019. Inspections are completed by certified police bureau traffic division sworn personnel. Good morning.

Kathy Linzey: Good morning. I'm Kathryn Lindsey with the fiscal division of the Portland police bureau. I'm here to answer any questions. The mayor already explained the grant ordinance. We ask that you accept that so we can do this great work.

Wheeler: Do you have a sense of how many of these inspections we do on an annual basis?

Linzey: I do not. I'm sorry for that. I do know about the grant. Unfortunately, our traffic division is in regional training so I was requested to stand up.

Wheeler: This is funding that we are receiving from the state to conduct these inspections. Is that a fair way of characterizing this?

Linzey: Exactly. Yes.

Wheeler: Thank you. Any further questions before I open this up for testimony? Is there anyone signed up?

Karla: I'm sorry, I didn't have a sign-up sheet for this one.

Wheeler: Would anyone like to testify on the state grant? I see one person. Who would like to testify? Come on up.

Shedrik J. Wilkins: Can I ask what's this about? I just have an experience recently about motor vehicles. I work for a Target store and one of our employees was riding a bicycle and was hit by a driver, and he's in the hospital, and he's Hispanic. It's just kind of I wrote Commissioner Fritz about this. He's a young guy, and he's in the hospital. Motor vehicle safety is an interest to me. Just want to say that.

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Wheeler: So my understanding of this, and I don't know if Katherine has a different perspective, it's actually related to the safety of the vehicle itself. In the ordinance what it says performing inspections of commercial vehicles, drivers including licensure, general cargo and/or hazardous materials and this is being done on behalf of and at the request of the state. This is the state basically paying us in our jurisdiction to conduct these inspections and having certified, trained personnel do those inspections. Is that a fair interpretation?

Linzey: Correct, sir. These are sworn traffic professionals who understand what the safety parameters are. They go ahead and they make an assessment of commercial vehicles. Those are vehicles doing commercial business. They then do these inspections to ensure that safety of individuals like the gentleman's friend are being taken care of.

Wheeler: It says here that it actually authorizes us to either take the cmv, the commercial motor vehicle registration or the driver off duty if they are deemed not fit to be able to drive a commercial vehicle safely.

Linzey: Exactly.

Wheeler: It gives us that authorization.

Linzey: Correct.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Joe Walsh: Good morning. I'm Joe Walsh. I represent individuals for justice. We were not going to speak on this at all, however, the conversation stimulated some questions that we hope we can get some answers to. This does not involve a normal person in a car going down a highway. We can assume that. Is that fair?

Linzey: Correct. This is for --

Walsh: I like that word commercial. However, are we taking the place of the state and they are reimbursing us for the cost? Is that what we're doing?

Linzey: They are assisting us in defraying the costs --

Walsh: Assisting. Are they covering the cost?

Linzey: They are providing 30,000 in grant funds towards that.

Walsh: What happens when you exceed \$30,000? What happens?

Linzey: That is a question I'm not able to answer at this moment.

Walsh: Okay, that's one of our concerns. It sounds like you have these commercial vehicles like trucks going down the state highway, then being stopped by the Portland police?

Linzey: If they are within our jurisdiction I'm going to say that that's a possibility.

Walsh: Then we would be reimbursed but we're not being reimbursed past \$30,000. Why the limit?

Linzey: That limit was coordinated between the traffic division and the -- program manager and the org department of transportation.

Wheeler: And the state legislature which provides the funding. Mr. Walsh, this relates to three areas, the driver, the vehicle itself and the condition of the vehicle as well as hazardous materials.

Walsh: It's four. Four.

Wheeler: I'm looking --

Walsh: You're forgetting the citizens. They are paying for this some way.

Wheeler: Here's the deal. If there's a truck going through our city and the driver is either not fit to serve or the truck is not in a safe condition or the materials on board which are hazardous are not being carried appropriately, we should pull that vehicle over, and sort out the details later. The state is reimbursing us up to 30,000. Could it cost us more than this? Yes. We're still going to do it, though. Do you want the 30,000 or not? That's the question.

Walsh: No. I want what it costs. [speaking simultaneously]

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Wheeler: She said she doesn't know.

Walsh: If the state is responsible for that truck driving on our freeways and highways and they set up a check stop, then why are we doing it? That doesn't make sense to me.

Wheeler: We want to protect our public. If you don't like the structure --

Walsh: If you do it two miles outside of Portland -- you take a truck two miles outside of Portland do you think they are going to sneak really bad stuff in the next two miles to get to Portland?

Wheeler: If they do we'll be ready for it.

Walsh: That's paranoid.

Wheeler: No, it's protecting the people who live here. Come on. It's not paranoia. Thank you for your testimony. Is there anyone else who would like to testify?

Walsh: There you go again. I was doing so good today.

Wheeler: You were indeed.

Walsh: We are on the record opposing this.

Wheeler: You oppose safety inspections for vehicles and drivers --

Walsh: We are on the record.

Wheeler: Your time is up. You're done. [speaking simultaneously]

Wheeler: You're opposed to the ordinance.

Walsh: Let me get the motion in and on the record.

Security: Your time is up. The mayor said your time is up.

Wheeler: You're walking --

Wheeler: You're the one in violation of council rules.

Walsh: You're in violation.

Wheeler: Good morning. Just to be clear, the ordinance is very specific.

Malcolm Chaddock: I got that part.

Wheeler: Safety inspections.

Chaddock: We understand what you said.

Wheeler: The state is offering to reimburse us up to \$30,000 for doing that. I think it's a great idea. Tell me i'm wrong.

Chaddock: Actually --

Walsh: You're wrong.

Wheeler: You're off. You testified.

Walsh: Oh, sorry. [laughter]

Chaddock: So I don't think that you're wrong. I would just like to know the difference. We got 30,000 up front to help defray the costs but how much are the total costs? [speaking simultaneously] are we getting financially stung?

Wheeler: The person representing the police bureau says she does not have that information today.

Chaddock: How can we get it?

Linzey: That's a good question.

Fish: Could you direct your questions to the council? We don't allow witnesses to interrogate other witnesses. What's the cost. We have asked -- [speaking simultaneously]

Wheeler: Let's say it costs 40,000 and the state is only offering us 30,000. Should we take it or not?

Fish: I'm reserving my right to ask a question.

Wheeler: Fair enough.

Fish: At some point when you get an estimate will you send the council an email?

Linzey: I sure will.

Fish: We'll share it with any member of the public that wants it.

Chaddock: Thank you very much. That was all.

Wheeler: Already, please call the roll.

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Saltzman: Well, I think this is a very important function that needs to be continued to provided by Portland police and the state too. I don't know what the state is doing but if they are doing something it's important. It's really frightening when you hear the results of these inspections. As I recall from past years when we voted on this I think something like over 50%, maybe 75% of trucks that are pulled over are taken out of service as a result of that being stopped and inspected for either driver or vehicle issues. It's pretty frightening and very important to have this continued enforcement. Aye.

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

Wheeler: This is common sense. Of course, I support it. I vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Next item, 765. Could you just read it? We're going to move it.

Item 765.

Wheeler: So, 765 has been moved to the p.m. Regular agenda this afternoon. It was noticed in the Tuesday memo. Please read item 766.

Item 766.

Wheeler: 766 has been moved to the regular p.m. Agenda almost agenda. Also noticed on the tuesday memo. 767.

Item 767.

Wheeler: Very good. So we have dorothy elmore and david longly, our facilities construction project manager, to walk us through it. Good morning.

Dorothy Elmore, Office of Management and Finance Construction Project Manager: Good morning.

David O'Longaigh, Office of Management and Finance Facilities Services: Good morning, mayor, city of Portland commissioners. I'm here today in the company of Dorothy Elmore, the security manager. We are here today to present the price agreement, a contract which extends for five-year term. It was solicited in 2014 and was won in a competitive process against six other firms by g4s secure solutions. The contract is scheduled to expire in 2019.

Fish: I want to be very clear about something. The action item before us today has to do with a cola for the workers represented by one of our local union partners. It is not a question of whether we're going to extend this contract. Is that correct?

O'Longaigh: That is correct.

Fish: Existing term through 2019. The question today is whether we are going to grant a cost of living increase to the represented employees of seiu local 49 who work with us. Is that correct?

O'Longaigh: Along with some other measures too.

Fish: Okay.

O'Longaigh: Here's a list of facilities and buildings that currently have posted security services in them it. Portland building, Portland city hall, 1900 building, southwest 4th. The PBOT maintenance and operations facility, union station, and the emergency coordination center and Portland communications center. We are here today seeking authorization to amend the contract not extend it and to increase the limit to accommodate additional incurred services for the remainder of the fiscal year. Here to talk about those will be Dorothy Elmore to talk about details and additional services.

Elmore: Good morning, mayor, commissioners. I'm Dorothy Elmore. I'll give you a breakdown of specific funds that we are requesting. It funds in the amount of \$570,995 was approved in the fall bump of 2017 for services at city hall for the term September 2017 through June of 2018. The funds in the amount of \$815,097 is to allow for additional security services requested by the bureaus and provided in the 2017-18 budget year to include the following locations or facilities. 400 southwest 6th, Amtrak at Union station, water bureau interstate office, pbots Albina yard, the 1900 building including the bds portion, and dispatch services. There are funds -- we're requesting funds to allow for

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continuation of services in the 2018-19 budget year and that was the cola that commissioner Fish was speaking about. Funds in the amount of \$555,105 was approved in the adopted budget to 2018 to allow for the continuation of services at city hall and the 1900 building. We're asking for contingency funds in the amount of \$400,000 to allow for unanticipated event requiring security services. Lastly we're asking for funds in the amount of \$50,000 to allow for future escorts at city secured facilities like the police bureau, boec, and water. That is when we talk about escorts sometimes the contractors are not allowed, contractors who service our elevators, hvac systems, are not allowed into the high secured buildings. We need to have security escort them while they do their work and stand by while they finish up their work then escort them out the building.

O'Longaigh: So facilities -- in the spring of 2019 following the next solicitation for request for proposals to present you the winter of the 2019-2024 contract for security. That completes our presentation.

Wheeler: Very good. I understand the contract is going to be rebid. Is that correct?

O'Longaigh: Yes.

Wheeler: When is that going to happen there?

Elmore: We're starting the process now. I'm actually working through that process right now for rewrite the rfp and getting the committee together for the evaluation portion of that.

Wheeler: Very good.

O'Longaigh: The present contract expires spring of 2019. By that point we will have gone through the rfp process and appointed a new contractor.

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

Karla: Yes, we have nine people signed up.

Wheeler: I want to remind people what this is and what it is not. This is not a question about extending the contract. This is not granting a contract. This is about the cola for the employees. Please keep your testimony focused on that. Good morning.

Malcolm Chaddock: Good morning. I would like to step back for a moment and let somebody else go first.

Joel Beinin: I'm joe bayen, professor of middle east history at stanford university, speaking on behalf of the Portland chapter of jewish voice for peace. Mayor, when you vetoed to end city investments in corporate securities you stated your belief the denying procurement contracts to companies that abuse human rights was a more effective way to get a company to change its behavior. Today council is being asked to approve a \$2.9 million increase for g4s, the world's largest private security firm. Most of that money apparently will go to the workers who deserve the cost of living increases being requested. We have no quarrel with that. Jewish voice for peace, however, is concerned that the company in question has a long history of problematic activities. The bbc recently charged g4s with abusing immigrants at detention centers in the united kingdom. They received a \$119 million contract to provide security to build a pre-trump administration version of the border wall with mexico. G4s supplies services to israeli checkpoints and separation barrier in the west bank and to the israeli police. It also provides security systems and other services for major israeli prisons which hold palestinian political prisoners from occupied palestinian territory inside israel. This is in contravention to article 76 of the 4th geneva convention which prohibits transfer of prisoners from occupied territory into the territory of occupier. It also provides equipment for prisons and detention facilities in the occupied west bank at which human rights organizations have documented systematic torture and ill treatment of palestinian prisoners including children. Video evidence shows cars with g4s logos supplying the security systems used by the israeli government to restrict palestinian access to the mosque in jerusalem. In december 2016, g4s sold its israeli affiliate, secure solutions israel, but the firm still does business under the g4s-i name and uses the logo. As a sanctuary city, and as a city that prides itself on its

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progressive character, Portland should not be working with a company like g4s. When g4s's contract with the city expires in may 2019 we hope the city will not extend that contract and will either choose a new vendor or hire workers directly with all the protections they currently enjoy under their seu contract. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you for your testimony. To reiterate, it is being rfp'd. So today let's focus on the part which you did mention in your testimony. There will be an entirely new selection process. There will be more public discussions. It will come back to city council when we are looking at the master contract. I thank you for your testimony. Good morning.

Chaddock: Good morning. I'm malcolm chaddick. I'm here as a founding member of individuals for justice and Oregonians against war. I would like to echo what the gentleman just said about the cost of living. Of course everyone needs to be able toll keep up with the cost of their food. But i'm concerned at the expansion of services that is implied in this request. Inasmuch as we have already determined it seems pretty broadly that most likely we're not going to renew with them because they are not the right guys. So expanding their purview to me seems to be a step in the wrong direction. So I would like to, you know, ask that that be looked at. If there is indeed additional monies going to g4s, that they be absolutely tied to the cost of living, not to expansion of services of any sort.

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

Edith Gillis: I'm edith gilliss. I'm pro cost of living adjustment for seu employees and other workers. I'm totally opposed to g4s, and we can require that they spend the money for cost of living, for appropriate behavior by appropriate persons, not for the behavior that g4s has been guilty of. I want us to be consistent with past proclamations and policies and begin investigating and prosecuting the corporate police and individuals guilty of rape, treason, assault, murder, theft, international crimes against humanity. Protect our hard-earned tax dollars from being wasted on lawsuits defending us. serve our security for all people across all class, political beliefs, diversity, gender, race, country of origin, appearance and manners. Pay people to express empathy, respect. Don't criminalize poverty and protest. We need to give Portlanders fewer reasons to protest and to be poor and more hope for progress and justice for all. give Portlanders better reasons to feel secure in peace with fewer reasons to feel outrage. Properly hold contractors accountable, prosecute crimes by the wealthy. Neighborhoods and accessible locations with public transit free parking and child and elder care, more time for topic of concern for Portlanders, not just what's on the agenda. Change of policies to ensure safe housing with clean air, water, food security, education and mental health services, immigration, resettlement legal services and drug treatment, crime prevention and community security from gentrification.

Wheeler: Thanks all three of you. Next three, please.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Juno Suarez: Good morning. I'm junio suarez, a member of the Portland democratic socialists of america testifying on my own behalf, not on behalf of the organization. First, I want to say that I support pcc 399, the fair wage policy, that commissioner Fish alluded to in terms of cost of living adjustment which sets the minimum wage for security employees. We absolutely support the union collective bargaining agreement and process and the work that happens there. From the presentation from staff, the amount of this request that is going to the cola is 581,000, total amount is 2.9 million. So the remainder of that is going to expanded services as well as a 400,000 contingency for unanticipated events. When we know that the best security is a community whose other needs are being met like expanded mental health and housing services. This money would be much better spent in those ways. From the recent decision about the use of -- divestment from corporate securities one thing that didn't come out of that discussion was a corporate social responsibility screen for investments. I think it's a missed opportunity for the city not to have a corporate social responsible screen on procurement and in contracting and during

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the rfp process. That is something I would like to see because I think one of the things that happens when bureaus are making requests for services though need is that some of the values in the contractors that are chosen in the procurement process end up not aligning with our values as a city. That's something we can do better on in that rfp process. So when the contract expires in 2019 I believe that the city should not renew g4s, and with the brief remainder of my time I would like to read an excerpt from aclu of Oregon keynote speakers angela davis's speech. It represents not only the privatization of security but the privatization of imprisonment, privatization of warfare as well as privatization of health care and education. It's the third largest private corporation in the world. It's insinuated itself into our lives under the guise of security and state, from the palestinian separation and apartheid from the wall in israel to the wall and prison like schools on the u.s.-mexico border g4s contracts with ice, and it should not be contracting with the city of Portland. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it. Good morning.

Olivia Katbi Smith: Good morning. I'm with the democratic socialists of america. I'm here to register my deep concern regarding the contract with g4s. It's well known for committing horrific human rights abuses all over the world. Recent headlines regarding g4s, detainees mocked and abused. Private firms using detained immigrants as cheap labor. Deporting people to death. The bus no one wants to catch. The ends of the world for immigrants. G4s aids in torture at Guantanamo bay. Oversees forced injections and electric shock. Oversees murder of 15-year-old. Officers sexually abusing trafficked minors. Trains israeli police to abuse pale stanines this is the company that the city of Portland is paying millions of dollars. Again and again we pay lip service to Portland being a sanctuary city yet you continue to line the pockets of companies that profit over cruel policies that tear families apart. Many of our members are union organizers and we support the fair wage policy rather this afternoon give to a war profiteer why not pay the workers directly. The city has a duty to act in a socially responsible manner in who it employs. Security is a serious matter that the city should be directly accounted for. Rather than pretending your hands are clean if problems arise because the work is contracted out we have been told this will benefit 35 employees. Unless each is getting an \$85,000 raise we seem to be missing pieces here. Every dollar that goes to the company rather than the employees is a dollar funding human rights violations. It should go to employees rather than to this corporation. We're against strengthening the security state in Portland. It seems you could easily make an amendment just to put forward the cola adjustment rather than expanding services. This is not the first time we have asked you to do something and it won't be the last. You can dismiss us and tell us you're the practical ones and people like us don't understand the system but know that you are the ones with the most power to change these things. You can keep brushing us off but you will have to live the rest of you're loaves knowing you could have done something to stop them. Please do not continue to enrich this horrific corporation. Insist that city commit to terminating the relationship with g4s in 2019.

Wheeler: You raised a really interesting point, the question of in-sourcing. I have had lots of conversations with seiu over the years about opportunities to in-source services currently privatized. One of the opportunities that exists with any new rfp, as I mentioned, the contract is being put out for bid and the process is under way i'm always very interested in looking at potential proposals around in-sourcing. If you and seiu , and others want to work with the employees currently here on a proposal I personally would find that very interesting. I look forward to that, in fact. Mr. Walsh. Good afternoon.

Joe Walsh: Good morning I think. Yes. It's noon. High noon. I'm joe Walsh. I represent individuals for justice. We are against this. Not so much about the people that would be involved in this building and other buildings, some of those people that are over the last ten years I have met and I liked and I fight with from time to time. But they are pretty good

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guys. I think that's what your dilemma is going to be here. You are pouring millions of dollars into an organization that you just heard is a pariah organization throughout the international settings. You all know that. So why are we associated with them? If you say no to this and I don't expect you to do it because you have it under emergency that means all four of you have already said you're going to vote on it. You're pouring money into an organization that we are ashamed of. That it is a pariah. An ugly, ugly organization. You can find none in present day that holds it up. We came here before you and begged you not to get involved with this organization. This is a halfway decent guy. He can find a job with another organization. The bid would go out. It would probably hire you. Give you a bonus. [laughter] why in god's name would you do this? Let me understand this. This organization came to you with a bid that ends in 2019. And now they want 3 million bucks to make up for what you want to do, mayor. You expanded this security and it's building and every other building. You can't walk around this building. You can't go in the rest room without a g4s guy looking you over. And i'm not that good looking. So what is it? Just say no. What happens if you say no? Does the contract go away or you just want to do some of the stuff you want to do? So just say no. Who said that? Mrs. Reagan said that. Just say no. [laughter]

Wheeler: Thank you. [applause]

Karla: The next three.

Thorn Coyle: I'm thorn coyle. I'm representing myself. I live in Portland. I own a home in Portland. I'm a concerned citizen of Portland. I want to know as a citizen of Portland is Portland a sanctuary city or not? Does Portland want to foster community health and well-being or not? Why this emphasis on punishment whether it's sweeps of our houseless communities or hiring this horrible, horrible company? This is where we have to make a decision. I refuse this option to give this corporation close to \$3 million more. Their contract is up in may. You know what a business does when they are under a bad contract with bad actors? They ride it out. They starve the contract. They do not pump close to 3 million more dollars into the contract. It's bad business. Don't do it. Sure, figure out a way for our local workers if they need the cost of living raise. Figure that out. As we have seen testimony, that's a very small percentage of this close to \$3 million. \$3 million between now and may? For an expansion of further punitive systems. G4s profits from the abuse and incarceration of immigrants, the torture and punishment of protesters fighting for clean land and water, and the health of their own communities. Are we a sanctuary city or are we not? Are we for community health and safety, or are we not? If we're for those things, don't give them this money. Please.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good morning. [applause]

Lightning Super Creativity Watchdog: My name is lightning. I represent lightning super creativity watchdog. You used the term before, mayor, moral compass. I want you to think about that today. If I was playing poker against you, this really concerns you. I know that by looking at you, you begin to move in your seat because it's concerning you. That's good. It should concern you on this issue. This company, private prisons, transportation, various things that were stated here from the ice office to the Tacoma facility not paying the prisoners in there, which I have a big problem in a private prison. Seattle challenged that. I have a big problem with that. You can make a statement today. We have morality clauses on probably this agreement. As you know, Mr. Novick, who I called a rookie when he first came out here, not because he didn't know what he was doing, very smart individual, basically started something to where we would look into corporations under the morality issues. Do we want to do business with them anymore. Everything in this room would be an absolute no. Now, I like the people at g4s in this building. I like them. I think they are professional. They do good work. My concern is to make sure they are taken care of but you might not renew that contract, and how do you do that? That's your balance.

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These are your people also that you know on a personal daily basis, and you're concerned about this on their behalf and I can see that by the way that you're looking at this issue. All I'm asking you to look at this from a morality standpoint, private prisons, people being not taken care of, people being exploited on labor issues. The transportation of people from the ice office to the Tacoma facility, various things that go on. You could not vote yes if you believe in what your statement is, the morality compass. You can take the contingency of the 400,000 and say it's not necessary because I believe there is an issue on the morality clause in this agreement. There is an issue with you using the term morality compass. Stand by what you say. Make the change at least on the contingency of the 400,000 and take that away, and then you don't have to renew the contract when it comes up again in 2019. I don't think you are. I honestly look at you and when you made that statement you're going to stand by that statement. You're not going to renew that contract. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. [applause] good morning.

Charles Bridgecrane Johnson: Good morning. Good afternoon. Charles bridge crane johnson. I was glad to hear a lot of great testimony from the previous people talking. One thing mentioned was sort of imbalance of power. We as individuals have since testifying our power peaks at election time. You right now have the power to do the right thing right now. Mr. Lightning illuminated that. We don't usually talk about the moral compass as much as the equity lens and where this money is going and how people are living just lives. Things that matter include anti-racism, intersectional feminism so I was a little optimistic when I saw some of this money is going to go to ashley almonza. She will get some of this money. But ashley is also a boy's name. Almonza, I don't know his exact racial and ethnic identity but from the pictures it looks like he's a white south african. So why have we as a city and especially the two of you on council for a longer term, why have we not incubated minority business? Why are we not find a great way for people to work for somebody other than ashley almanza, the white south african dude in charge of the g4s terror machine? It's not just on us, ted. You have the whole city administration. You can commission a report on in-sourcing this work. We already pay 700 police officers. Probably at one time before the privatization craze every security personnel in the city was at one time a city employee back in history. So it's not just on us and sei, it's also on the city and commissioners up there. What's really happening is pimping. We're being pimped or actually this gentleman, all of them are being pimped by ashley almanza. This is the nature of subcontractors is that their job is not just to provide the best service, their job is to squeeze out as much work out of this guy, make him harass joe as hard as he can without -- vote no on this and institute right now a system to bring these people in-house. Find a way to create a co-op of security workers that we don't have this weirdness of Portland patrol and ex-cops running things. There's got to be a better way in Portland than g4s. Thank you.

Wheeler: Very good. Thank you for your testimony, everybody. Commissioner Fish.

Fish: I have heard a lot of interesting testimony this morning and this afternoon about potentially having a socially responsible screen on our procurement. I have heard significant community interest in how we handle this procurement and the values that we apply. I have heard a lot of shout-outs to the work there's are actually affected by the cola and questions raised about could they still be retained if somehow, we didn't continue to use g4s in the future. I think this hearing has been enormously helpful. I think the council has enormously important decisions to make. We have a contract through 2019. The narrow question today is the additional resources to provide security services. I think it's important that no one has said anything disparaging about the people providing the services locally. Reminds me a little bit about the debate we had about wells Fargo bank where there are some bad things happening at the national level but we have had a very

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strong relationship with a local provider and work force that's done a good job. I would urge us to go forward with this vote. We have a record of concerns that people have raised about how we handle the procurement and we have further conversations as a council about how to manage that. I'm prepared to vote on it.

Wheeler: I would also like to say this. I thought the testimony was very good. Thank you. I also wrote down the socially responsible screen on procurement. I thought that was actually a really excellent idea and it's already cogitating in my feeble brain. I do like the people who work here locally in security. Our employees in the building and in other facilities like the people who work in security. They see them as reasonable and balanced and fair minded. Consummate professionals. I'm proud of the work that they do. I'm not prepared to sit here today and say that they along with seiu and other potential local partners could come forth with their own proposal because I don't want to speak for them. This is really a decision that they would have to make. That being said I think it's a really interesting idea. As I say, it's one that we have talked with seiu and other labor partners about in the past. Mr. Walsh and I finally found a good intersect here today. It's around good business practices and principles. If we can find a local solution to this, if we can create a local partnership so we're not paying additional overhead or additional costs to an out of state or even out of country contractor but still retain the same people and the same services and have our own local principles put into effect I think that would be really exciting. It would be interesting. I can't promise today that that could be pulled together but I'm prepared to lead and prepared to work with my partners and prepared to talk with Dorothy and others about what possibilities might exist. We have time here before that rfp process comes to a conclusion. Let's see what we can put together. Might be able to create both a very local solution and very cost effective solution. I would love to see that, personally.

Fish: I think we have been challenged by some folks in the community to come up with a better outcome. You don't use the term contracting in. You used in-sourcing but we're talking about the same thing whether it's contracting in or in-sourcing, avoiding that extra cost of a third party providing the service and seeing whether we can provide it internally. I think we have a lot of food for thought but I would urge us to move forward on this.

Wheeler: As you said, a good record was created today around g4s. That's a pretty tough record at the national and international level to overcome in a procurement process in Portland, Oregon. Let's see what we can do. With that call the roll.

Saltzman: I just want to say that the larger discussion about who provides security for us and other city employees will occur next year. This is really to support those who are providing security to us now. I want to take this opportunity to convey my thanks to all of them for the great job they do every day, not only in city hall but in the Portland building when it was still functioning as an office building and the many other city facilities are currently receiving security from g4s employees. I find they do a very good job. I think they are very balanced and they have a lot of experience under their belts too. Aye.

Eudaly: I want to thank everyone today for their testimony. I want to especially thank you for showing respect to our security staff who do a hard and vital job in this building and at all our buildings. I want to take this opportunity to apologize to Dorothy and Nick and Andy and for everyone else affected by the incident a few weeks ago during which multiple members of our security staff were assaulted by an angry member of the public. It happened during a session that I convened at the request of the Democratic Socialists of America, and while I don't expect any organization to be able to control its individual members, I was disappointed that they declined to not condemn that act of violence that took place during the session. I am very concerned by the issues raised by ACLU and members of the public that testified here today. I am therefore requesting OMF set a basic set of standards similar to those used in finance by which we can judge all respondents to

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the new rfp . Very sadly in my experience here it's not always possible to find another vendor who can provide all the services that we need. Wells fargo is an excellent example of that. But I cannot imagine continuing to do business with this company. [applause] I look forward to continuing this conversation and I would respectfully request that I am engaged in this matter as we move forward. This city however has a responsibility to protect its workers and protect the public who is here as well. I can definitely tell you that the request from my bureau, bds, is legitimate. You may not think a permitting office would need a lot of security support, but it is a high stress, hostile, sometimes hostile and occasionally dangerous work environment. So I can only speak to that particular request. I also support the cola and I vote aye.

Fish: I want to read a section of a letter that I received from the political director of seiu local 49, in the forefront of protecting working people in our community who as they rightly acknowledge are under attack by billionaires and corporations. I would ask that this be made part of the record. The city of Portland contracts with g4s secure solutions to provide a range of security services including to employ security officers at city buildings in downtown. G4s security officers who work on the contract with the city of Portland are members of seiu 49. With a union contract they are given predictable wage increases each year, a voice in working conditions and they have access to affordable medical insurance. On Wednesday Portland city commissioners will have an opportunity to approve the annual cost of wage increases for security workers who work for g4s. Our members hope you will stand on the side of working people and improve the cost of living increases. Seiu local 49 stands with those coming together to resist the trump administration's anti-immigrant, anti-worker policies. We hope the city will not put security officers' wages in the middle of that fight. G4s has a range the contracts across the country and the world. The city's decision this week on whether to approve cost of living wages for security workers will make a direct impact. It will provide a little more breathing room in the monthly budget for 35 working families in Portland. I vote aye.

Wheeler: I want to reiterate my appreciation for our local security folks. I'm probably a disproportionate user of those services being mayor and being me. Sometimes i'm a controversial person in this community. There are times and places where i'm very grateful for their presence. I know our employees support them. The feedback that I get from our employees is overwhelmingly positive in terms of their professionalism and the work that they do. I want to be very clear there is an expansion of this because there are expanded locations in which g4s is being asked to serve but i'm also very much persuaded by what people say here in terms of can we think about a different local innovative model that is responsive to the needs of our community. I believe the answer is yes. Let's see what we can do with it. So with that I do vote aye. But i'm also very mindful of the larger picture people have clearly raised with regard to the long term relationship between the city of Portland and this company. I vote aye. Thank you all for your testimony. [shouting] did I mention it's -- [audio not understandable]

Wheeler: Next item, item 678. We're going to be moving that. 768. I apologize.

Item 768.

Wheeler: I would like to note that item 768 has been moved to the p.m. Session to the regular agenda. It was noticed in the tuesday memo. I'll let you read 769, please.

Item 769.

Wheeler: So 769 has also been moved to the p.m. Regular agenda. That was also noticed in the tuesday memo. That brings up item 777.

Item 777.

Wheeler: This was moved from the p.m. Agenda to the morning session. This was noticed in the tuesday memo. Commissioner Saltzman.

Saltzman: Thank you, mayor. I'll turn it over to our staff person.

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Michael McGee, Portland Bureau of Transportation: Good afternoon, michael mcgee with bureau of transportation. Thank you, mayor, commissioners. One of my functions is pavement management along with solving problems for the maintenance operations. This is as stated a five-year contract with multiple vendors. The asphalt we use is to fill potholes, do routine maintenance, preventive maintenance. It's a year round operation. We need these plants to be located throughout the city so it's important that we get access to asphalt summer, winter, spring, fall, throughout the city. This is intended to give us to the asphalt to do good work. I'm here to answer any questions you have about the rfp.

Wheeler: Any questions? Any public testimony on this item?

Karla: Testimony? Yes. I have charles bridge crane johnson.

Fish: Charles, we're going to run out of a quorum.

Wheeler: Good. Thank you.

Charles Bridgecrane Johnson: Charles bridge crane Johnson. We talked about the smart city initiative. I have no qualm with you voting this money but I think that many of our neighbors would agree that part of our smart city initiative needs to be rapid deployment. Some of these potholes. There has to be a way with some impact monitoring, trimet vehicles, city vehicles that we can do better at quickly filling using this as for the purpose that was discussed ameliorating potholes. There should be a way when city trucks detect a pothole that stuff is not there for us to complain about in the four week amount of time it takes for testimony. I hope it's not part of just business as usual but an improving business strategy. Also part of that is if you have ever tried to cross the street out here sometimes asphalt doesn't work. We can have multiple inch variations of the level of asphalt and the sidewalk that impair people with mobility problems. Keep that in mind. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it. Please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. 770, please. This is second reading.

Item 770.

Wheeler: Colleagues, this is a second reading of the ordinance but i'm informed by the bureau that they need a technical amendment. Robert, could you listen to this testimony carefully? I believe we will need to pass it on again to a second reading but if that's not the case will you let me know? Do we have david? There in the front. Could you let us know what the question was? I know you want us to add an emergency.

O'Longaigh: Yes, Mr. Mayor. With me, Aaron beck, analyst. I believe our technical amendment is only the mayor has authority to authorize payment. In the previous development agreement with had listed the cio having authority. We need to correct that.

Wheeler: Let me ask a question of robert. Under current code they are basically correcting it to comport with existing code. Does that require us if we accept this technical amendment to move it to another second reading given that we're bringing it back into alignment with existing code?

Aaron Beck, Office Management Finance: There was also --

Beck: Aaron beck. There was one other thing that we removed from the original ordinance. That was the specifying the exact number of payments and amount. The reason we removed that was to give us flexibility to add on anything that we would need to pay to psu for things we specifically request. That those things are allowed under the development agreement and that we budgeted for.

Fish: What I suggest is we accept the technical amendments and put in an emergency clause because this is time sensitive and vote on it today.

Wheeler: Very good...

Fish: The technical amendment says only the mayor or auditor. Something tells me that in our code or our practice the mayor is authorized to delegate explicitly to a third person to provide that function. That would be a chief of staff in his absence, the cao. I hope we don't

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do a series of technical amendments every time we just establish somewhere that the mayor has the authority to knowingly delegate to some third party. He is still responsible, but it seems to me we shouldn't have to do a technical amendment every time the mayor wants to delegate to the cao signature authority.

Wheeler: I agree. Do you see any problem us moving the package of technical amendments in.

Taylor: No.

Wheeler: Karla, those were the two major technical amendments.

Fish: So moved.

Saltzman: Seconded.

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. Technical amendments are adopted.

Fish: I move to slap an emergency clause on item 770.

Saltzman: Second.

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. To the main motion. Second reading as amended. Please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: I want to thank everybody who has worked very, very hard on this. It's always hilarious it comes down to wrapping ourselves around the axle of small technical amendments, but to the larger issue here thank you for your tremendous work. This is a great progress. I appreciate it. Aye. The ordinance is adopted as amended. And I believe that --

Wheeler: 748 is the --

Fish: Who pulled that?

Karla: Joe walsh.

Fish: He's not here. This is a report. Mayor, I move the report.

Item 748.

Fish: These are existing board members. We have information in our packets. I move the record.

Eudaly: Second.

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

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

Fish: These are two terrific additions to the prosper Portland board. I'm very proud to support their reappointment. Aye.

Wheeler: So the council has collectively decided on a policy to put reappointments to boards and commissions on the consent agenda as they are known, they have a record, they have been previously introduced to council. That is the case here. These are two outstanding reappointments. I strongly support both of them. I appreciate their service to the community. I vote aye. The report is accepted and we're adjourned to 2:00 p.m.

At 12:32 p.m. council recessed.

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Wheeler: The afternoon session July 18, 2018. Karla, please call the roll. [roll call taken]

Saltzman: Here **Eudaly:** Here **Wheeler:** Here

Wheeler: We're going to do a little bit of juggling today. It's summer so we have had some absences and what not. Commissioner Fish is excused this afternoon but we need four people to vote on item 771, which is renaming oni. So we're not going to disrespect folks who showed up to testify. We'll do that program. We'll hear the presentation. We're going to take public testimony but we're going to have to hold off on the vote until commissioner Fish can call in at 4:00 p.m. Because we cannot vote on an emergency item with fewer than four city commissioners. Just so you know what's going on. It's my understanding commissioner Fish will be relies anything to the testimony while he's doing what he is currently doing and then he will be fully up to speed and available to vote with us at 4:00 p.m. With that preamble, please start with item 771.

Item 771.

Wheeler: Commissioner eudaly.

Eudaly: This is an ordinance to formalize the bureau's new name, office of community and civic life. This will authorize the bureau to use the new name and allowed auditor to update to reflect the name change. There was a public process and years of feedback from the community that led to this decision. What I learned from our process that is we are at an inflection point between past and future. We're deciding to move forward with a vision big enough to serve all Portlanders. We could not achieve our mission without neighborhood associations. In fact i'm very excited to see partnerships and projects that are being developed with dcls and neighborhood coalitions as well as with Portland united against hate and crime prevention which primarily work with neighborhood associations. This type of cross collaboration is exactly what we hope to inspire and for temple our bureau has been the gateway to civic engagement for the city of Portland for more than four decades. We need that gateway to be as wide as welcoming as possible and that starts with a name that reflects our inclusive expert and scope of our work. Finally I would note that adding an emergency clause means an ordinance will be effective immediately. There's precedent for this with other bureau name changes because the intention is to reduce confusion internally and with the public. Unless my colleagues have the intention to halt the name change I request we move decisively on this matter so we can continue working on areas where we still need meaningful public input, which is what item 772 is about. I would like to turn it over to our bureau director.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Suk Rhee, Office of Neighborhood Involvement Director: Good afternoon. Good afternoon, everyone. Good afternoon, mayor and commissioners. Thank you for this opportunity to speak to the ordinance. My name is suk rhee. I serve as director for the office of neighborhood involvement hopefully soon to be office of community and civic life. We submit this with great respect for the work that has come before. Our mission remains the same and is more clearly reflected in the name change. Promoting a culture of civic

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engagement bide connecting and supporting all Portlanders working together and with government to build inclusive, safe and livable neighborhoods and communities. A lot has changed since our founding in 1974 and we have learned much about our country, our city and ourselves in the process. For example, it was a decade later after our founding in 1986 that our country began to honor dr. Martin luther king, jr., with a federal holiday. It was 1987 that Oregon became the first in the nation to pass a statewide sanctuary law. It wasn't until 1990 that we passed the americans with disabilities act and it was 2007 when the city of Portland partnered with Multnomah county on the youth commission. It was only four years ago in 2014 that we won marriage equality statewide. So whenever we experience social progress you see the circle of participation expanded for greater inclusion and possibility. For many of us it's hard to imagine a society without such rights and protections but the reality is that we have only relatively recently begun to implement equal access for all communities within government. Every time we widen the circle do we not all gain something? The process? These advances were hard-earned over generations and continue to be threatened today. Today's headlines, for example, a test of the fact that we can take nothing for granted. Mayor and commissioners, isn't it our job to keep the doors of city hall open to everyone? And even more so isn't it our leadership role to open those doors even wider for communities whose participation is threatened by others who seek to make the circle smaller. This has turned out to be a meaningful moment to change the name of the bureau. We need to see more acts from government expanding the offer of partnership to every community who seeks to engage. That is why we chose the word community for our name. To include all Portlanders. Community is a concept that is quite universal. It can be translated and is present in every culture and language. We chose civic to highlight our role in engaging public with their government because this relationship is a promise to fulfill as well as a debt to pay in this country. We are asking to become the office of community and civic life. We're intentionally not using acronyms so please refer to the bureau as civic life for short when necessary. Acronyms do not translate well into other languages and more often than not they reinforce a culture of insiders. So thank you for your consideration and for your leadership on behalf of all Portlanders.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Eudaly: I think we move on to the next item then take public testimony on both?

Wheeler: That will work. Oh. You're up.

Eudaly: They all panic when Karla disappears.

Wheeler: She will be back in a minute. What we'll do is we'll also read item 772. 772 is a nonemergency ordinance so we'll move that to a second after we're done reading and hold off on the vote to 771 until 4:00 p.m.

Eudaly: Director, I'm going to call you again.

Wheeler: Karla, we're going to combine 771 and 772. Could you read 772?

Item 772.

Wheeler: Very good. Thank you. Is there anything else you wanted to add?

Eudaly: I have an introduction.

Wheeler: Commissioner Eudaly

Eudaly: This resolution authorizes the bureau to convene a code change committee comprised of members that have a wide range of perspectives who will report back to council with recommendations for updating chapter 3.96. This committee will also be expected to engage members of the general public not on the committee before their council presentation. This resolution is the first step for the bureau to achieve its goal of having a code that is representative of its full scope of programs, responsibilities and constituencies. Director Rhee is here to give additional background information and answer any council questions. After that we'll have three panels of people. So with that I will turn it over once again to director Rhee.

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Rhee: Good afternoon again. I'm still suk Rhee. We must always again by recognizing the land that we're on because before the city of Portland was built it was -- these were the traditional lands of the Multnomah Wasco, Cowlitz, Clackamas, Tualatin, Molalla and many other tribes who made their homes along the Columbia river. This is especially fitting in presenting this resolution because we seek to recognize the many communities who deserve and seek to be represented in our code and charter. Currently the purpose is to create a framework by which the people of the city of Portland may effectively participate in civic affairs and work to improve the livability and character of their neighborhoods and their city. We submit this resolution to recommend revisions to chapter 3.96 for at least three critical reasons. The first is to reflect a unified set of culturally responsive practices for engaging a diverse range of community partners. The most important part of the purpose statement is the people of the city of Portland. Yet many Portlanders do not see themselves in chapter 3.96. At best this is an unintended consequence of the way it was written but after decades of working with communities and all the ways that they choose to identify and organize themselves this could now be seen as a willful denial of all the contributions of all Portlanders and at worst when communities are not reflected in code, charter, policy or law, this poses ethical questions for government in serving all its constituents. The second reason is to update the description of the bureau's responsibilities. The council over the last eight months has received presentations from the youth commission, disability power PDX, new Portlanders, Portlanders united against hate, cannabis and liquor licensing programs to name a few programs that have come before council. These are currently represented in the code under item m, other duties as assigned. Updating the names of the programs is not what is important. It is who they represent and the social change that they represent that should be reflected. We sell ourselves short as a city that has accomplished great things when we refer to this work as other duties as assigned. A third reason to convene the code change committee is to recommend a set of voluntary guidelines that represent best practices for civic engagement. Rather than serving as a visionary inspiration chapter 3.96 has more effectively become a set of prescribed practices that reflect thinking of a different era. Parts of the code do not even reflect reality anymore and others have become an impediment to community change. Revising the code serves the very practical function of setting the broader context for civic engagement for diversifying and urbanizing Portland and allows us to fix broken systems that are limiting the ability of groups could become more inclusive and equitable in their structures and functioning. We're joined by eight presenters testifying on the resolution. The first is comprised of individuals from organizations named in chapter 3.96. These are neighborhood associations, neighborhood coalitions and business district associations. The second and third panels are comprised of individuals representing long standing bureau partners who are not represented in the code. These include partners from youth, disability, immigrant and refugee and communities of color. Thank you again, council, for your consideration and for your leadership on behalf of all Portlanders.

Eudaly: Thank you. I would like to call the first panel. We have Olivia Ellis, former board member of monte villa neighborhood association. Adam Lyons, executive director northeast coalition of neighborhoods. And heather hall executive director of venture Portland.

Olivia Alsept-Ellis: Hi. Thank you.

Eudaly: Please keep your testimony between three and four minutes.

Alsept-Ellis: I'm a neighborhood organizer. I was a delegate to the district coalition of southeast uplift and association board member for the last year. I'm here to express interest and support for the code change committee. Let me take a moment to describe the work that I have been able to accomplish as a neighborhood association organizer. While on the Montavilla neighborhood board we developed a new code of conduct to include

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language which safeguards targeted communities in the winter months when mayor wheeler declared an emergency winter weather crisis, board members opened an emergency warming shelter to serve our houseless neighbors. We organized housing and houselessness forum partnering with houseless advocates like right to survive, sisters of the road as well as local service providers and houseless neighbors themselves to discuss grass roots solutions. While I was a delegate to southeast uplift I joined a committee to revise the mission statement for the coalition. In this committee we intentionally threw out exclusive language we felt limited the parameters of our partnerships. Instead we chose a philosophy of inclusion, participation and well-being that we felt better encapsulated our work and our potential. Also, student of municipalism and participatory democracy. I in the spring we hosted an educational forum, the rosewood initiative. The room was filled with energy. I bring these up to show that as neighborhoods we are already reexamining and adapting. Many of us are already asking ourselves how we can better become an open door that we claim to be. It's not just the neighborhood associations that's having this kind of dialogue, it's the entire city. How can we build a cooperative economy that we claim to love? How can we seat everyone at the table in decision making, not just in word but in practice? Neighborhood associations have transformed municipal politics and it was this transformative history that drew me here in the first place. Now is a really exciting moment, one we can reactivate legacy and look to the future. May it be collaborative and one that supports the social and ecological wellbeing of all Portlanders. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Adam Lyons, Executive Director NE Coalition of Neighborhoods: I'm adam lyons from northeast coalition of neighborhoods. Thanks for taking the time for this testimony. I'm here to support the resolution to review code 3.96. As a district coalition we're beholden to this code. At times I indicated it can be restrictive and prescriptive. As we as we move to build more resilient and inclusive communities within the neighborhood system and outside of it, looking at this code is way overdue. Northeast coalition of neighborhoods is excited by the efforts of the office of community life, community and civic life. I'll get that right soon. To assess and adapt to the needs of an evolving Portland. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thanks, adam. Good afternoon.

Heather Hoell, Executive Director Venture Portland: Good afternoon, mayor, commissioners, i'm heather hale, executive director of venture Portland. Venture Portland is the support organization for the city's 50 neighborhood business districts. Together they contain 19,200 businesses and provide 270,000 jobs. I know from the experience of changing my organization's name seven years ago from the alliance of Portland neighborhood business associations or apnba, which just rolls right off the tongue, to venture Portland, that change is never easy, especially when it impacts a city full of stakeholders. But words matter and names are important. They signify intention, purpose and values. Oni's transition signals an intention to engage all Portlanders, a critical message that got lost with its common usage acronym. As the city continues to change and grow it's essential all Portlanders feel they are reflected in this office. I'm also here as a partner with a vested interest in any proposed changes to chapter 3.96. This code last updated 13 years ago no longer reflects the reality of the way neighborhoods and particularly neighborhood business associations function. As noted in the recent oni audit venture Portland incentivizing best practices in ways that are outside the code that is currently written, and I strongly recommend that we bring that code up to current standards and think about incentivizing the kinds of inclusionary practices that we would like to see in our neighborhoods through different activities. Finally because neighborhood business districts are included in the code although not in practice with the office, I would like to make sure that not only venture Portland but neighborhood business district leaders are included on any code change committee that is implemented. Thank you.

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Wheeler: Thanks, heather. Thanks all three of you.

Eudaly: I thank you all for being here and thank you for your service to the city. I look forward to working with all of you. I'm particularly excited about the possibility of bringing our business associations back into collaboration with our neighborhood associations because there's a lot of missed opportunities there. Thank you. All right. Our next panel is antonia mcswayne, chairman of the youth commission, co-founder let it pour poc led cross -- and chairman of the somali american council of Oregon. Please begin.

Antonia McSwain, Co-Chair Multnomah Youth commission: Hello, mayor, commissioners. I'm antonia mcswayne. I'm 18 years old and I'm co-chair of the Multnomah youth commission this upcoming year. It will be my second year. I'm here to speak on the importance of convening a code change committee to update city code to reflect the bureau's current responsibilities and to use language inclusive of all Portland's community members in ways of engaging with the city. The city has a responsibility to make sure all local policy is inclusive of everyone in the community. As elected officials you have all made a promise to keep all people in mind when making policy. Elected officials keep all people in mind when making policy, when you don't keep all people in mind they are further contributing to the history of this country being inclusive of only the majority they see fit. When the minority is left out of these life shaping policies it can create resentment directed toward the city as an institution while also creating a problem for the folks not included in the policies legally. This dynamic does a disservice to underrepresented communities by denying them the ability to gain understanding of the city's inner workings and how they can engage to make our city a better place. Lack of inclusivity perpetuates discrimination. These issues can't be minimized. We see and face these challenges every day. All people including youth have a constitutional right to make change but often youth of color are left critiquing local government versus having the ability to actually make a difference. When your community is not reflected that just furthers the issue of misunderstanding and alienation. To actually make long-lasting change every community deserves to be heard. I identify as a young black female. Three identities that are often overlooked in society. Growing up I was always proud of my identities and that never changed even when society told me otherwise. The only time I am dissatisfied with my identity as a youth of color is when adults tell me what they think is best for me because they refuse to believe I have the capacity to understand what is best for me. One can imagine how frustrating that is when adults make assumptions and use those perspectives to make rules, policies and laws. As a person living this life only I can know what's best for me. That's why a committee is important. This will be a place where youth can shape the office of community and civic life code, youth leadership brings perspective that is often overlooked based on adults not willing to accept that we as young people see the mistakes people have made before us. Youth leaders change the course of history. They have contributed greatly to many movements for change that have shaped this country and the world. Refer to the civil rights movement or protest against apartheid and the Vietnam war. It's important to have all voices present when making policy and city code and especially important to have youth voice because adults in power tend to forget the struggle that youth face while also totally forgetting the very youth experiencing adult situations that even adults don't experience. Like the daughter of diamond reynolds or the late tamir rice youth bring that unfiltered, straightforward, honest voice to policies which is a quality only youth have. Change is never ending so is youth involvement. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Myrlaviani Perez-Rivier: Hello.

Wheeler: Hello.

Perez-Rivier: Hello. I'm -- i'm one of the founders of let it pour, which is a poc-led cross disability community group. I'm here to speak -- to relay the message that we all came up

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with for support for the resolution to create a commission on the city code chapter 3.96. Our community values diversity and a sense of community. In fact, these principles guide our inner personal relationships and our social networks. We contend that the context which fosters sense of community and diversity are not mutually inclusive. Sometimes the inevitable tension demands and compels us to reach for radical acceptance where we have not been before or because we are rooted in a fundamental philosophy of inclusiveness we go with the flow. Respond to situations by coming to understand what the needs are in the given moment then to take action to get creative, innovative. Whatever that moment needs. Whatever that person needs in that moment. In our view it comes down to building trust. One way to start building trust for relationships we feel is to recognize who in our greater community. Disabled people including disabled people of color are in the community building cohesive social networks across disability lines and deconstructing particularly unhelpful silos. Now we're ready to build and realize a more cohesive Portland. We feel being recognized by our local government will foster more respect and dignity for our lives. We believe in our developing a community that is merely not segregated but rather one that is truly integrated. We believe the renaming indicates a reconceptualizing of the public sphere and appreciate both the vision and wisdom to convene the body of Portlanders to assess and update city code chapter 3.96. We respectfully request commissioner Fritz, who is not here, only in body, commissioner Eudaly, commissioner Saltzman, commissioner Fish, who is reviewing and listening, hopefully, and of course without -- foremost our highly respected mayor ted wheeler. Without hesitation and full commitment to pass this resolution so the office of community and civic life bureau can convene a commission to review and update chapter 3.96. Thank you for your consideration.

Eudaly: Thank you both for your testimony. The next panel is going to be Marcus mundy, executive director from the coalitions of communities of color, Amanda monjarez, director of advocacy for the Latino network and Michelle Rodriguez from the office of community and civic life, who is going to speak to the refugee immigrant refugee perspective since musa was unable to join us.

Marcus Mundy, Executive Director Coalition of Communities of Color: Good afternoon. I'm marcus mundy, executive director of the coalition of communities of color, an almost 20-year-old alliance of 19 specific community-based organizations with representation from the African and African American, Asian, Latino, native American, pacific islander and Slavic communities. We engage in collective action for racial justice. Efforts to improve out comes for communities of color through policy analysis and advocacy, leadership development and culturally appropriate data and research including our former reports on Multnomah county and our hot off the presses report on Washington county, a research justice report called leading with race. Among other imperatives we address socioeconomic disparities, institutional racism and inequity of services experienced by our constituents. We believe that this code change by the city takes steps to do just that. I was asked to speak about the broader communities of identity with respect to this change to chapter 3.96 of the code and whether it reflects our priorities as a coalition. This code change reflects almost everything we care about as a coalition. Within this code you underscore the need to promote the common good. Within this code you emphasize power for and from the people. The city's version of fubu, for us by us. Within this code you say that you will build inclusion into daily operations which all city departments, other Oregon governments and even private businesses should aspire and take action to do. Within this code you speak about inclusive, safe, livable neighborhoods. We embrace all of those notions of community improvement. I know your system well, know the historical good your department has done having been an organizational recipient of dcl, diversity in civic leadership funding, when I led the urban league. That led

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to their advocacy and civic engagement department. The city has also partnered with many of our members organizations on both dcl work, neighborhood work, and Portland united against hate work. So, we are strong embracers of this effort. I'm further aware that some of the pitfalls and unintended consequences of your earlier neighborhood association structures that you're proposing changing were occasionally narrowly focused neighborhood associations serving the needs of just a few homeowners and others did not reflect the greater community need. Which is why we are so heartened by the broadened, far more inclusive proposal the code change and look forward to not just a name change but a newer, more inclusive and ultimately more responsive agenda serving all Portlanders including those represented by our coalition. Thank you, commissioner Eudaly, for proposing, director rhee for moving this forward, and all you commissioners for listening and for your votes on this issue. I look forward to working with you all in the future. Thank you.

Amanda Manjarrez, Latino Network Director of Advocacy: Good afternoon. Mayor, members of the commission, I'm Amanda manhares, based in Portland, Oregon. Latino network is a Latino led and serving organization. To ensure community has access to every opportunity to live healthy, happy lives in Portland we provide culturally specific services and leadership opportunities that empower our community members to participate meaningfully and decisions that affect their lives. We're excited to be here to support the resolution and renaming to the office of community and civic life. As a long-standing partner of the city of Portland we recognize the importance of the work the city has undertaken to encourage all communities to participate in city government and create inclusive policies and programs that help people of color feel welcomed especially in this difficult time. At a time when our community feels under attack by this administration it's important to remember language matters. How we communicate and what we do matters. The proposed new name better reflects what we are today and where we are headed. We transcend neighbors to be -- neighborhoods. [audio not understandable] Latino network has participated in diversity and civic leadership program for the last decade. We have trained hundreds of emerging leaders of color through our programs on how to get civically engaged using culturally affirming practices. The first step is often familiarizing community members with government institutions and supporting and seeing themselves as leaders with a valuable voice in our community. Once they build the confidence to advocate for the issues they care about we see them using those skills to build lasting relationships across communities. I want to thank you again for giving me the opportunity to speak today. We look forward to continuing our work with the office of community and civic life and are excited to see the new direction the office will take while honoring its commitments to community and growing towards a more equitable and just Portland. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good afternoon.

Michelle Rodriguez, Business Operations Supervisor Office Neighborhood Involvement: Good afternoon. Mayor, councilors, I'm Michelle Rodriguez. I'm the business operations supervisor for the soon-to-be office of community and civic life. In the absence of one of our speakers I did not want to miss the opportunity to highlight the importance of updating the code 3.96 as it relates to the many Portlanders who identify as immigrants or refugees. As a daughter of immigrants who deeply believed in making the most of their opportunity in their new country, the united states, I learned civic engagement from an early age. We must take the opportunity now to make every stride possible to open the door of city hall and all of the windows and every other way in which people come into this office to invite all Portlanders to participate in the decisions that impact their lives today and the many years to come. Thank you for your time.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Eudaly: Thank you, everybody. Back to you.

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Wheeler: Very good. We're taking testimony then on both the emergency ordinance 771 as well as the resolution 772. If you're inspired by what you've heard and would like to testify we welcome, you to sign up with Karla over here. How many folks do we have signed up so far?

Karla: We have nine.

Wheeler: Very good. If anyone else would like to testify, see Karla. Call the first three, please.

Wheeler: Three minutes, name for the record. Let us know if you're a lobbyist. We read the full council rules this morning. They are still in effect. They say be nice and respectful. You'll hear differences of opinion. That's okay.

Ciaran Connelly: My name is Keene Connolly. I'm here today on behalf of the Northwest District Association. I'm president of the Northwest District Association and we're here today on item 771 and 772. First, I have been asked to convey that Northwest District Association opposes the emergency motion to change the name of the office of neighborhood involvement at this time because one, it doesn't appear that there's any true emergency that requires changing. There's no threat to life or safety. More fundamentally, we think the changing the name now before we go through the public process that is expected to happen through this code change committee puts the cart before the horse. We think that the -- it suggests foregone conclusions about the nature of what ought to happen at that code change committee that shouldn't happen until after that code change committee and the public outreach process has taken place. So the NWA urges the council not to change the office of neighborhood involvement's name at this time until after that public outreach process concludes. Second, on the resolution to convene a code change committee, Northwest District Association simply wishes to participate in that process. We believe that we should be part of that as a neighborhood association. We think other neighborhood associations should be included. And we think that this particularly for the bureau charged with providing public outreach guidelines, that it ought to engage in what will later be looked at as an exemplary public outreach process as part of both forming, convening and running that committee and coming up with the recommended code changes. To that end, we just urge the council to engage in the best possible public process for that code change committee. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate your testimony. Good afternoon.

Phil Selinger, Northwest District Association Board Member: Good afternoon, Mayor, Commissioners. I'm Bill Sellinger. I presently also serve on the Northwest District Association board. Concur with the comments Kieran just made although the comments I'm about to present are my own. I am also a past board president of Oregon Walks, at least under its former name. Want to use that to illustrate how some of the organizations that work hard in this city are topically based, may be representing groups or important subjects. They work hard. Other organizations are locationally based. Being a retired planner I tend to put things in a matrix where I future these location al organizations on one side and the topical organizations across the other side of the matrix. I would argue that one of the columns in the matrix needs to be other because while there's many groups representing many needs and interests in the city, there are a lot of needs that come up in neighborhoods which only neighborhood associations can take on because they lack representation otherwise. Neighborhood associations tend to get into the details that some other organizations cannot handle. When Pbot wants to know about pedestrian needs in Northwest Portland they are going to come to NWDA. When they want to know about regional policy or larger pedestrian issues it would go to Oregon Walks. There's an important role for both layers or dimensions of organizations and there's a lot of collaboration that's important. While personally I concur with the need for these revisions that broaden the field of representation I also think it's important not to lose sight of the important role that

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neighborhood associations play that no other organization is able to play. They are not exclusive. But I would concede that they could work a little bit harder to be inclusive. We're all volunteers, and the door is always open.

Wheeler: Could I ask you a conceptual question? I don't mean to put you on a spot but you hit on an interesting theme, one that I'm hearing a lot about that I'm not actually reading it in the resolution. If I could just put a concern on the table, a concern people are expressing to me is they feel that the effectiveness of neighborhood associations are being diluted by this resolution. Truthfully as I read the resolution I don't see that. Could you help expound upon that theme and help me understand that argument and attach it specifically to the resolution?

Selinger: I'll let Kieran take it.

Connelly: At this point it's more a field unknown that people are concerned about. To the extent that neighborhood associations -- the NWDA, for example, was formed before the office of neighborhood involvement was formed. It was in response to these grass roots organizations that the city formed the office of neighborhood involvement was to formalize the interaction process. I think there's a fear among some that to take the name neighborhood out of what was essentially the genesis of this is somehow disrespectful to the history that these volunteers have put in over the last 40 years. So I think that's part of it. I don't think that the fear is more -- that there is a fear it's more coalesced than that, I think that's why the -- the emphasis of our comments is on process, making sure that process includes us as well as everybody else as a stakeholder and is transparent and understandable in accordance with the city standards on public process.

Wheeler: So you -- I don't want to put words in your mouth. Again I appreciate your testimony, it sounds to me like you're suggesting you could be persuaded that this is a both/and as opposed to either/or. Is that a fair interpretation of what you said?

Connelly: That's absolutely I think a true statement. This is not a predecessor to ultimately opposing any change to the code by any stretch. This is what our board agreed to at our discussion Monday evening was that we opposed changing the name as an emergency measure after what at least in our view it was not an exemplary public process. To doing so before what we anticipate being the true meat of the matter, revising the code to understand and adapt to modern needs and the changes that may need to happen.

Wheeler: I appreciate that perspective. As I read through this, I very much read a both/and. I want to be very clear for my own part, I have a tremendous amount of respect for neighborhood associations both past and present, and not here but in another city, I actually ran a neighborhood association. That was what I did for a job. I was very proud of the work that we did on behalf of convening and bringing neighborhoods together but as I read the resolution, and I read it very, very carefully, my perspective on this, I have not been engaged in the conversations or the community engagement. I'm not the commissioner in charge but the actual work product before me seems to be a both/and. It seems to respect both the influence and the importance of neighborhood associations while trying to broaden that net to other kinds of community institutions and as Heather said and I was actually really happy to hear that, is there a way for the neighborhood associations and the business districts and others to coalesce and help represent the collective interests of a neighborhood. That is sort of what I'm reading into it. Am I missing something?

Selinger: I would reinforce pretty much what you're saying. The process should be fostering collaboration referral of these types of organizations to each other. They all benefit by each other's input and influence.

Wheeler: Sorry to put you on the spot. You raise some interesting questions.

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Connelly: I think to address your very narrow question I don't think there's anything in the language of the resolution that we have any issue with. We're just here to urge a broad and transparent public process.

Wheeler: And participation. Good. Thank you. I appreciate that. Sorry for the extra grilling there. I won't charge you more for it. [laughter] good afternoon, sir.

Robert Schultz: Hello. I'm robert schultz, father of three. I live in lentz. I have this thing I wrote. I prefer to talk but we'll go with this. I'm event planner for lentz fair to -- we see about 2,000 people at our event. I came to the event after being heavily involved in the cancer community. My son is a survivor. It's very open, definite field of community because we're all going through the same thing. I had hoped to bring something like that to my neighborhood and that's how I became acquainted with the neighborhood association system. Some of the systemic problems that are present. Last month in lentz four of our board members stepped down, over half our board. They stepped down in the face of corruption, unethical conduct, both former and current board members. They wanted transparency and accountability for board members. They wanted inclusive outreach in lentz. We're very diverse. We don't see that reflected. I have attended now ten different neighborhood associations and I often film them for open signal community access television. You see this often. You don't see a diverse representation in the neighborhood association systems. So though it sounds like i'm supporting the name change I would like to see something more than a name change. I would like to see something actually happen. Board steps down, there's zero accountability for the unearth cal conduct. The complaints get filed, they get brought to the potential of oni, to commissioners and nothing happens. The condition continues. We're saying let's bring diverse people into the system and include them when we're not actually supporting the system in place. That to me doesn't help us. It doesn't help my communities. We have 22,000 residents. We see 20 to 40 at a neighborhood association meeting. My advocacy is almost to step away from the neighborhood association or reinforce it with accountability and better rules. I love the idea of changing the code to offer more power to the office of neighborhood involvement to express basic controls over the conduct in these small neighborhood associations. There's one neighborhood association has literally one board member. That's not an accurate representation of our diverse communities across Portland. You have excellent ones well-funded, well attended, excellent volunteers. I go to some of these meetings and there's 30 people there, 20 more people waiting to be part of that. That doesn't happen in lentz. Nothing I have seen in this process has pushed for that to happen. There's no drive for accountability of board members for their conduct or to get more inclusion. For my 2 cents if that could be the focus that's what I would prefer as opposed to a name change. Spend more money for more access and bringing people in.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Wheeler: Welcome. Thank you for being here.

Laura Campos: My name is laura campos. I-am just representing myself. Let's see. Real quickly to answer your question, ted wheeler, the big difference is that the appeals to council are waived for neighborhood associations. So one concern is that if you eliminate the emphasis on neighborhood associations and you make it community wise are you going to offer the same waiver of fees to everyone. Can you do that feasibly and if not the developers are going to be dancing a hula in the street. There's going to be less people able to appeal. Lighten your workload but in the interests of community it wouldn't be served.

Wheeler: Thank you for that. I appreciate it.

Campos: I have a lot of respect for nwda, as I have been involved with sweeney, southwest neighborhood, inc. We often partner on a lot of events. I find in my opinion nwda is certainly our intellectual superior but on this one they dropped the ball. I thought I would

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fill that in. What I want to testify about is when I graduated from college in the '70s I moved to Portland to work for mayor goldschmidt. I had the opportunity to write a book, history of the planning commission. In my book I talked about land development and I want to note that the planning commission is 100 years old. It was established in 1918. It's fitting that we're making new plans. My book was published in 1979. I ran through the fact that for instance I found the olmsted plan and there were animal trails that had been improved on by native people. Then they became more established when the olmsted brothers came and they had recommended in 1903 a plan but it sat on the shelves and nobody found it until the '70s when I found it because goldschmidt fired somebody. In those days you went to lunch and they would throw all your stuff in the hallway and when you came back you realized you were fired.

Wheeler: Halcyon days, right? [laughter]

Campos: So I published in this book and what I noted I just want to read, the Portland area was inhabited by indians for thousands of years before early white explorers first viewed the willamette valley in 1805. Arrival of caucasians expanded short term self-interested planning where one portion benefited at the expense of another. Over a century before the planning commission existed decisions were being made which would significantly affect the city in years to come. So it's been kind of a gradual process of as I see it going back to native ways of looking at the community. Is that my time up?

Wheeler: Why don't you take 20 more seconds to wrap up your thoughts.

Campos: What we did in sweeney, what our equity committee, we invited daniel reiser. We have been trying to convene groups across the city to get a community base. We think they would benefit from our three years of experimenting with it and suggestions we have. One thing I want to notice that when you as I said you'll have farmland, indian land, single family then apartments. That's where I ended it but at these junctures you have to create a balance. If the renters combine with homeowners to get improvements through neighborhoods there's going to be gentrification, rents will go up but the landowners will benefit because their land value goes up. I hope that not just name change but you're thinking about balancing those interests.

Wheeler: Through prosper Portland and the housing bureau and planning and sustainability and the bureau of development services we are actually very aggressively working on those kinds of situations. [speaking simultaneously]

Campos: I worked with camilla harrington and we did some code amendments. As a native person our treaties weren't respected so we always bring that up.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Eudaly: I would just like to address a concern raised by this testimony. Fee waivers for permitting come from other bureaus. Our committee will make sure the neighborhood associations don't lose that benefit. We'll continue to support place-based advocacy and events.

Campos: Would you expand it to all community members?

Eudaly: That's what we're forming the committee for.

Campos: That would be good.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good afternoon.

John Holster: Yes. I'm john holster. I can see I made one mistake already. I shaved.

Wheeler: Oh, no: Oh, no: [laughter]

Wheeler: It's taken me three years to work on this. Don't diss me now:

Holster: I heard there was an emergency and I actually think there is an emergency. I think the emergency is like 20 years old. For those of you that don't think it's an emergency, I challenge you to read my favorite book, the color of law. Eudaly, you get an a on your book report for what you have been doing with that. I really appreciate the work that you're doing on that.

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Eudaly: I want you to know i'm going to start a book club and invite the whole city to read a book with me every couple of months. The first book is going to be the color of law.

Holster: Excellent. Excellent.

Wheeler: I have the complete annotated hollister version in my office.

Eudaly: Cliffsnotes, everybody.

Holster: Absolutely. Actually, the how I came on the -- this is what I think more should go on in this community, how I came upon that book was because when I was involved in another group there were two people that vehemently disagreed with my position. Vehemently. They even did some name calling. So what I did was I go, boy, apparently I don't understand their perspective so I called them up and I sat down with them. They were so concerned I wanted to change their mind and I didn't. I just wanted to understand their perspective. They led me to the book. Had I just allowed myself to be in one endzone while they were in the other I would never have come across the book. So I owe them a great debt of gratitude. So the thing about inclusionary aspect of what this does is the report card of oni in the past didn't get a a real high mark on that. I know you did a process and I know the words are important but it's just a name change. It's -- that doesn't really do anything. Actually, the resolution doesn't really do anything either. I mean that's kind of a bad thing to say, but really I equate the name change and the resolution into the world of sales as we just signed a big partnership agreement, and we're all excited and people are having champagne that they got this done.

Eudaly: Where is the champagne?

Holster: Actually i'm a member of aa, so I don't do that part. That's another part. [laughter] the sparkling cider. All the work is done afterwards. It's people that have opposing opinions to get out of endzone and move to the middle of the field and listen. There's no one here that i'm looking at that wants to do bad for Portland. So let's work together. I challenge everyone here to call up your office, call or write, and say, hey, what can I do to help? Rather than spending so much energy about we shouldn't do a name change, we shouldn't do this. What are you going to do to help? I'm speaking again today so I have a couple of things more I want to say to mr. Wheeler and to mr. Saltzman. Thanks.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it. Good afternoon.

Mark Velky: Mayor, commissioners, thank you for the opportunity to voice my opinion on this topic. I'm mark velke. I have to say this name change for oni that should have gone through the proper public process instead of mostly being jammed through behind the scenes and voted on today basically after the fact, just total nonsense. This has been a complete waste of time and taxpayer dollars. Instead oni should have been working on the issues brought up in the scathing city auditor's report. I as a voting citizen was not born last night on the mid watch and changing the name of have a troubled city bureau is not fooling me at all. Now as far as I know the rest of the government in this country is based on geographic representation. Like our current neighborhood associations for example. Not groups of identity like oni wants to change to. If I use oni's logic about the group I most identify with, which is retired submarine sailors who happen to be car enthusiasts and own a delorian i'm sure i'm the only one in my identity. Does that mean that I as one person have just as much say in what is going on in this city as, for example, the over 6500 people in my neighborhood association? I would hope not. Also, i'm pretty sure oni has not thought this through. What do they plan to do when a group of identity they disapprove of requests recognition and support? Refusing to recognize and support that group could result in legal action against the city. I have provided each of you with the current issue of the northwest examiner and I would strongly recommend you read if you haven't already done so the article above the fold on page 1 and the editorial on page 3 before taking a vote today. I want to be clear. What i'm asking for is for groups of identity to participate in their own already established neighborhood associations and not create a whole new

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bureaucracy that we don't need. Please vote no on this ridiculous name change. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Eudaly: Mayor? I just want to reiterate that there was absolutely nothing wrong with the process we have gone through, that there was months of public engagement and we are here today to formalize that process. I'm just curious as a submarine -- I can't remember how you described yourself, it was funny but also incredibly dismissive and disrespectful to the communities that we're talking about here today which are communities of color, immigrants and refugees, people with disabilities and youth. I have heard as a renter that maybe I shouldn't have voting rights in my neighborhood association because I'm not a property owner. I'm not going to paint all neighborhood associations with the same brush because some of them are doing incredible work and they are progressive, positive partners with the city, but it is really unrealistic to think that they are going to be able to transform their organizations and open their doors to meaningfully include marginalized populations. I'm wondering how are your needs not being met as a submarine operator and car enthusiast? That's with this is about. The general public does not understand the barriers and are not serving -- not including them. How are your needs not being met?

Velky: My neighborhood association is very inclusive.

Eudaly: How are your needs not being met as a submarine operator and car operator?

Velky: I didn't say that.

Eudaly: You just implied that your needs are as relevant and important as the needs of sizeable marginalized communities.

Velky: No, that's not what I said.

Eudaly: Okay. Well --

Velky: What I said is, you know, a neighborhood association has 6500 people in my view should have a whole lot more say what's going on in this city than I do as one person in my small group. That was exactly opposite of what you thought.

Eudaly: As I think you mentioned we have been very focused on the audit and correcting the issues called out by the audit. One of which was that we were not serving these communities adequately. Thank you for your testimony.

Velky: Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you, sir. Appreciate it. Next three, please.

Wheeler: Good afternoon. Thank you for being here.

Velky: Thank you, mr. Mayor, commissioners. I don't agree with your comments at all.

Eudaly: It's commissioner eudaly. State your name. [audio not understandable]

Velky: I don't think many here appreciate the way you took that on.

Wheeler: Folks, let's all just stick to the testimony.

Kal Toth: My name is cal toth, secretary of the ghfl, speaking as a member of the goose hollow neighborhood and as a resident. I'm a professional engineer, long time career in the high-tech industry and with universities, a few of them anyway. I'm in general agreement the changes are needed. Here are my observations. Changing the name of oni I think is premature. I think cynicism is building in the neighborhoods from the way the processes has been unfolded and reported. I think transparency and consensus is missing. I don't believe there's been nearly enough discussion over the last few people did talk about land use related issues. Zoning. Impacts on neighborhoods and sustainability. In my experience, capable organizations alone from the customers, stakeholders, and mistakes are made. They systematically make adjustments, okay, to how do reorganize perhaps organizations. Processes, policies, practices related to the identified problems. I haven't seen that. I do not believe consultations with the associations neighborhoods have been nearly enough. Another observation. I encourage city council to defer making a name change until some of these problems are addressed in a more open way. Thank you.

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Wheeler: Thank you, sir. Good afternoon. How are you today?

Nic Clark: Well, thank you. I'm Nick Clark. My major concern is that whether the renaming of the office of neighborhood involvement will strengthen or weaken the relationship between the city of Portland and the neighborhoods. If you decide to support this change how will city council ensure that the neighborhoods will continue to get the support that they need? I served as vice president and secretary of the Goose Hollow Foothills League and have lived in Portland all of my life. Here's a picture of me in the '70s. I have been volunteering since I was three. This is planting trees in northwest Portland and 23rd. There you go. I have witnessed a wide range of community involvement including parades, cleanups, central city plan, voting on critical issues, grants, parking, the new reservoir. Generally, this neighborhood forum has provided me with a greater respect for what a large role it plays in the character of the city. Its safety included. Many of the issues and subject matter that we tackle involve assistance with records, resources, counter views, strategy, insight and answers to complex questions, historic data, prioritizing our focus and balance, all of which would have been much more difficult and burdensome had it not rested on the coalition staff, Neighbors West-Northwest. Most of all I learned the great value about the public process. I applaud the coalition for their time and knowledge and the management that they have provided us. I think that I haven't heard anything about the coalition around the city of Portland and the neighborhoods and the neighborhoods that serve them today. The city treasures its neighborhoods and the coalitions that support them I know. As Wood once wrote good citizens are the riches of the city. To add to this, good citizens need neighborhoods where they may flourish. I trust you will ensure we will be a neighborhood driven city that seeks input from citizens, not just the ones with chirps and cause but those who add to our character. Even here today I have learned much about the needs of underrepresented populations and I think it's necessary that we do change the code personally. I don't know if the name change is going to affect that. That was really main concern, whether the relationship with the neighborhoods in the city of Portland is going to change.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good afternoon.

Roger Leachman, Board Member Goose Hollow Foothills League: Good afternoon. My name is Roger Leachman. I serve on the board of the Goose Hollow Foothills League, Neighbors West-Northwest coalition and on the ONI board. I'm speaking here for myself as a citizen. I would also say that I won't repeat the arguments of the two representatives from NWDA, our neighboring neighborhood association, because they are quite true and quite eloquent. They speak to the main problem here, which is the process. Rather the lack of process. Now, as my friend Stan, president of the Pearl, e-mailed me Monday as he flew off to Canada this is ridiculous, referring to the name change without process. I'm sure that was also the reaction of the unnamed taxpayer who complained in February stop wasting time and money on a name change. Assuming he or she has since learned that \$25,000 of taxpayer money went to a P.R. firm connected to the commissioner in charge of ONI, in order to produce some spiffy, fluffery and puffery here, your own moleskin courtesy of your tax dollars. I'll come back to this one later. \$25,000 would have bought a whole lot of public process. A convening of a citywide meeting for neighborhood associations and interested and affected parties. I suggested that to the director months ago. Talk about what ONI's direction should be. I'm all for inclusiveness. We are an inclusive neighborhood association. Not considered. Not happening. Why? Because I would say despite the rhetoric here, there is a complete disconnect with and I would say also expressed contempt for grass roots democracy on the part of this bureau. This puffery actually uses the phrase power for and from the people. Well, no. Not if you are a member of a Portland neighborhood association. The city's official practice through ONI is to disenfranchise its own citizens. They can't act, only a board can and hardly anything is more calculated to

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destroy participation and involvement. That's what happens in a lot of neighborhood associations that i'm aware of. That didn't happen in Charlottesville, Virginia, where I was a founding member of my neighborhood association. This is not power from the people or power coming from them. A neighborhood leader asked -- part of a city bureaucracy. Oni has answered it that it is the latter. They like it that way because actual power for the people could mean the bureaucracy could not control them and the terms of participation. That has been exemplified by the fraudulent process that has brought us -- the no process that has brought us here today. My time is up so i'll have to stop there.

Wheeler: Next three, please.

Karla: The last two.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Kora Kresin: Hello. I'm actually the second. Does it matter what order?

Wheeler: No.

Kresin: I'm cora kresin, a graduate student at Portland state university, the daughter to a peruvian immigrant. I wanted to share some of my opinions. I'm a renter I live six blocks from here and have rented in this neighborhood and I don't feel any less valued in my neighborhood. To start I want to say I hear huge focus on people of color, immigrants and marginalized communities. Engagement from government to those communities. I have to say when coming here I felt marginalized. I feel like this decision has already been made and the same people who are critiquing our federal government for not including the people and the communities I feel as though I walked in here and the decision has already been made. Much like the people in our federal government. I feel quite powerless as a student who lives here in my own neighborhood. I think this is also not an emergency, and to pass some things so fast is exactly what our federal government is doing, not letting the people have time and proper notice and are we going to be any better than them if we do the same? I feel we're sending out two different messages. Also, I want to know if you have heard about the grant to Portland police bureau from 2014, wybx004. Granted a few million dollars for the same messages and these same goals. A lot of them overlap. I want to know if you are considering those millions of dollars being poured in and how we can work with the funds already given to us. We don't have to be like the federal government. This is a chance. We can start this right by having the people that we say that you want to include but I feel just as powerless as someone -- I don't feel like I have a voice. That's the message that we're sending when we have these meetings so fast. I'm dressed like this because I didn't know this was going to happen way in advance. It got changed to 10 then switched back to 2:00. There was very little transparency. We have a chance to start this off right. We should have this starting right with full inclusion of people with the proper notice and doing this each step at a time, not in a rushed emergency.

Wheeler: Let me ask you a question. Again, I'm somewhat arm's length from the process itself, but let me get to the resolution. My question today is really about do I support the resolution or not. As I had indicated, I was somewhat prompted by some of the prior testimony and concerns expressed, I thought they did a really good job of expressing concern about the unknown and where the resolution leads and what kind of specific policies will be brought back to the council presumably for final approval. What the inclusion process will look like. The resolution itself as I read it is to my eye pretty straightforward. The categories listed in there are categories that as I read it they make good sense to me in terms of inclusion. Would you feel more comfortable knowing that we're not actually implementing code except the name change? People can debate the name change. I'm sort of in the hollister camp on the name change. But with regard to the resolution, the meat of this, it actually empowers the bureau to go out, follow the guidelines and resolution, then come back to council prior to any code. Knowing that, is that in any way

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Kresin: May I answer?

Wheeler: This is your time. I'm curious about your feedback.

Kresin: That's so fair. I'm not saying I disagree with anything in it but why are we doing exactly what our federal government is doing, having this meeting as an emergency. So many things are passed that we don't hear about in the media. If we do it right it won't be one of those things where people say, oh, if only I had known. Even speaker chloe is pushing the in groups and out groups and to attack a white male because he doesn't look - all disabilities are not visible. To attack mr. Submarine was not fair. Not all disabilities are visible. I didn't feel it was appropriate.

Eudaly: I didn't attack him and i'm going to presume confidence with everybody that appears here.

Kresin: We should not push people into in groups and out groups more than they already are. It's scary to talk here if i'm being honest. That's all.

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

Charles Bridgecrane Johnson: Good afternoon. Commissioners, cesspool director.

Eudaly: Not everyone gets that reference.

Johnson: It's so covered. All of the media is so much running with cesspool remarks. Everybody has to get it. So that actually does relate to the neighborhood associations. Different people at different places like to say derogatory things about any of you all, particularly ted or choo-choo charlie that came before him. We have thousands of people sleeping on the street. We have a police association president who is terrified some business will have poop on their doorway. The neighborhood association system is a part of that. Its brokenness is a part of that. We have had some talk about what inclusive neighborhood associations and blah blah blah blah are. I don't know exactly the nature and scope of the process on this name change from oni to occl, but something is needed. When we talk about neighborhood inclusiveness we need to actually have some facts. Like are 90% of neighborhood associations chaired directed boarded by people all above the median income and primarily white? Do recently hazelnut grove there's been some community growth and experience about including highly poverty affected people in the neighborhood associations. Something is needed. We can embrace a new name, occl, and try to build inclusion if we are just resistant and saying, oh, the city of Portland has thousands of homeless people and that happened under the oni scheme, let's just keep that. That doesn't make much sense. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Eudaly: I would like to ask director rhee back up to the table. As is frequently the case, there is some misinformation and misunderstanding in this room. I just want to make sure that we all have the facts knowing full well that having all the facts does not mean that we will all be in agreement, but it's really important to me that when we have these conversations and debates that we all have the same information. It so director rhee, if you could just repeat the public process that the bureau went through with the name change. I'll just start by saying the name change has been in conversation for several years preceding my joining city council.

Rhee: I won't be able to speak to all of the previous conversations but you could actually look at a document from about ten years ago called community connect that actually spoke to the reasons why office of neighborhood involvement does not actually reach all Portlanders and they need a more representative bureau. I'm sure those conversations preceded even that. We made the announcement that there would be a public process for the name change in january and february. We did an online community survey which was covered by many, many sources, Portland tribune, willamette week. We received many, many serious and not serious responses then we also held two focus groups to which everybody in our database and our partners were invited to. Interestingly, many of the

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presenters here today who actually talk about the lack of process participated in those processes. They submitted things online, came to the focus group then also we talked about it every meeting that we have whether it was the bureau advisory committee or any other invitation we received including specifically the goose hollow neighborhood association, thank you for inviting me to your meeting this year. West-northwest neighborhood also at the board meeting we discussed it. I was invited and we discussed that. It is true, though, that not maybe 650,000 Portlanders all received that notice. Maybe they didn't read willamette week or the tribune. Maybe they did not get an email directly to them or forwarded to them. There was an open and public process to which in people did participate.

Eudaly: Second, about our renaming and rebranding, we actually spent a small fraction of what's typically spent on an effort like that including other bureaus. So i'm actually very proud that we were able to achieve that with such a small budget. It certainly is more than a pamphlet and notebook. If you could just explain -- sorry to put you on the spot. All of what fort wick did for us because it involves all our collateral printed material, website, et cetera.

Rhee: Right. It was also a partner in actually some of the public outreach handling the focus groups. It's also synthesizing not just the input that we received in limited time between january and may of this year but also reviewing all our foundational documents going back to other community reports of which there are many and synthesizing some of those committee inputs. Fort wick was also provided a standard operating protocols, templates and many back end typical pieces of support that are involved with not only a new visual identity but also introducing the concepts of the visual identity represents. I hope that answers your question.

Eudaly: That's actually more than -- do you have a question on that?

Saltzman: Go ahead.

Rhee: That notebook I just want to say we were actually very modest in when what we chose as collateral material. Those notebooks, for example, the reason we chose notebooks is people read them and use them and we'll be integrating them in the give-aways to families, thinking about collateral returns that could be useful to community members. Notebooks and pencils can be part of back to school packages during national night out which we hope to deliver to families and communities.

Eudaly: I appreciate that. Thank you. I think finally, I just want to say if my intention was to dissolve our formal ties and withdraw support of neighborhood associations, this is the time that we would be doing that. This rumor has been around since I took over the bureau. It precedes your arrival at the bureau. It's been fomented by certain members of the media who have never actually asked me what my intention is. So now that it's on public record that I do not intend to burn down the neighborhood association system although the more it was suggested that that was my intention the more I thought maybe it wasn't such a bad idea. [laughter] I would like you to state your feelings about our neighborhood association system and how you see them working with us as partners moving forward.

Rhee: So we have said publicly many times, in writing, in person, many ways, there's no intention to dismantle neighborhood associations. In fact our recent efforts many that you did not see behind the scene I wish would be covered in the media we worked within the bureau the last several months to put our neighborhood program in a strong connection to other programs. Neighborhoods -- i'm sorry. Neighbors should receive the benefit of all of the programs that this bureau provides whether it's crime prevention, actually yesterday I believe Portlanders against hate our program coordinator met with eight or nine neighborhood associations. We have been offering from our alternative shelter a program outreach and invitations to work with neighborhood associations and coalitions addressing

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homelessness. We're asking all our programs to actually work and collaborate more together. No silent thinking. No single programs. To facilitate that we actually moved our people, our neighborhood program coordinator used to be in city hall. Our crime prevention staff, 13 of them, work with neighbors in their neighborhoods and neighborhood associations on the east side at our cully voting we physically moved our people so they could be collocated so they could think, talk and deliver services together. It wasn't just putting crime prevention and our neighborhood back together. We moved our whole neighborhood involvement center to be collocated so actually we can serve all Portlanders that are through all our programs. And I would say that do we have the capacity to actually deliver all our good work and all our great messages to everyone at once simultaneously? No. That's why we fought for strategic communications as part of our request for organizational support this year. We received that. Thank you, council, for doing that. Intentional communication has not been the strength of the bureau and that is one area where we're trying to structurally adjust it for the future.

Eudaly: Thank you.

Saltzman: Commissioner Eudaly, I think your line of questioning was similar to what I was going to ask director Rhee. What is the end game here? It's not to do with geographic based neighborhood associations.

Rhee: I will also share with you that I came up as a community organizer in my professional life, and I see the value of police-based work. I see the value of the communities coming together for a host of different reasons. And also, there is nothing a bureau or a city government can do when communities come together, and they identify strongly with each other. there's nothing a city can do to prevent but we will support that.

Saltzman: I've been here long enough to know that the best practices, for the last 20 years that I have served, so these are intended to be voluntary best practice guide lineups, not to migrate to a criteria under which a district coalition might be funded by the office of community and civic life?

Rhee: Can you restate it? You want to reclarify when we'll be back voluntary guidelines?

Saltzman: Voluntary. We've been at this a long time. Cities like to [inaudible] practice each other so I am sure it's a wealth of data out there about what's a best practice. I don't want to see that become sort of the, an enforceable funding requirement, or an enforceable rule on a district coalition in order to receive funding. They must have a, b, c, d e best practices.

Rhee: Actually what's what we are trying to correct. Right now, we are saying you must have this type of representation, follow this grievance process, and etc., and so they are codified in the oni standards and referred to in the code so we are trying to correct the situation and go towards was you are suggesting. Is that actually we have the wisdom of today, but we don't know what tomorrow brings. We, actually, could not have imagined me too, black life matters, living -- coalition of color, many forms of the way that the communities organized 20 years ago, so we are not trying to predict and prescribe, and in fact, we are trying to say that we would need to adapt, continuously, and communities will determine the right methods and approaches and their own governance, so we want to respect that, so we are trying to get to back to because they were just voluntary, best practices.

Saltzman: Mr. Velky raised a good question, what happens when some organization that we don't like seeks our, our accreditation? And approval? And support? And involvement? And access to funds.

Rhee: We don't currently do that now. Actually, the fact of the matter is that we, as a city, I would use the word recognize in quotes, we do see, we acknowledge everybody who comes, whether they are an individual arrest two people or a group or larger. We don't have to affiliate, associate, endorse. There are many ways that the city says that we see

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you, but you cannot do this type of behavior in council chambers. We see you, we may agree with you, but you may not be the recipient of funding, or we see you and we agree with you, and here's a funding support, and it's limited to this. We currently do that right now all the time. And this is the code change that will get to more of an accurate reflection of the reality instead of pretending that we can only recognize one type of group, one certain time, and we would -- and that is the extent of our ability to recognize. Did that answer your question?

Saltzman: I had one final question, that is do you see any potential charter changes coming from the guideline review, or is that something that would have to be considered, too?

Rhee: I will not predict the wisdom of this wise committee that will hopefully be convened.

Wheeler: Could I acknowledge something, and I want to get one -- as I say I have read this resolution now, I don't know, four or five times, and my first reading of it was it was very non-offensive and very easy to get my arms around, it requires a group of people to go out and consider the various issues and come back to the council. That strikes me as non-controversial, but I think that we have to go one level deeper here. And I really appreciated the gentleman who stood up and openly and frankly acknowledged fear of the unknown. I was interested to hear him say it in that way. As i've been thinking about what's going on in larger societies and we are a divided society, and people are really angry with each other, and I think that a lot of it is fear, and it is fear of the unknown. As we undertake this process, I want to be mindful that it is not a zero-sum game. By bringing new groups to the table and by broadening the net of inclusion, and I think that makes sense for a host of reasons, I think that it's equally important that we say that the process is not a zero sum game, and it will not be disrespectful of those who dedicate their time or their talent or their energy to the traditional neighborhood association. If that's the way that certain people would like to engage in their community, I am all for it. And that's how we have done it since 1974. By and large it has been a successful process. We acknowledge, Portland is changing. It is becoming bigger. It is a big city. It is becoming more diverse. There are more different ways that people would like to engage with the community, and you are broadening that net, but could you say something or demonstrate to those who have expressed concern that this is all coming at the expense of neighborhood associations? What can you say to allay their concerns?

Rhee: Well, I would, actually.

Wheeler: I saw it as a both and, but clearly not everybody agrees with me in that interpretation.

Rhee: I believe that you are reading and interpreting the resolution as intended, mayor. I don't know what actually -- I would like to hear, honestly, I can say it's already been said. There is no intention to dismantle the neighborhood associations. We respect many neighborhood associations. And we also respect all of our community partners who come in a different way, shape, or form. The fear of the unknown, I don't know what to say to somebody because we cannot predict the future. And I do not know what that fear is based on. I don't know what made -- what they may have heard to be so fearful. But what I can say is if we have not shared that directly with me, I invite you to. If you feel that the gentleman who talked about the end zone, wanted to be in the middle, if you fear that attempting a conversation, we could all come to the middle is not possible, then I am not sure what I can say to address that.

Wheeler: Let me throw out an idea, and this could be good or bad, just thinking on the fly, which is a dangerous proposition for me. A number of people talked about inclusion in the resolution process. Are there more opportunities for people to participate and have their voices heard?

Rhee: Inclusion in the resolution process?

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Wheeler: We are resolving we are convening this committee. They go out and they will set up the voluntary guidelines, etc., etc., per the -- whereas be it resolved statement in the resolution. Is there opportunity for people to participate to have their voices heard to shape that process?

Rhee: Absolutely. I think that it will also be a multi-layered approach because plane people will come to a meeting, and many people will not. And so I believe that there will be ways to participate online, or maybe through existing formats and meetings, there will be intentional outreach events, and there will also be -- but there will not be a, a committee of 650,000 people, so there will be a smaller group that represents a cross-section, and of the diversity. And who are interested, and I would also hope to attract people who currently, for whom this is not on their radar, but we would like for them to be interested.

Wheeler: And how can they find that out? Is there a website? If somebody is just tuning in and they are like, this sounds interesting, where can they go?

Rhee: Right now there is not a website. We are taking it one step at a time. We would like the ordinance to be passed. We will like the resolution to Be passed, and then we need to, actually, engage our team internally to propose the process, so at this point contact, the office of hopefully community and civic life, but the actual process and the portal for how to signify your interests, get more information, is to come.

Wheeler: Okay. Thank you.

Rhee: If there is nothing hidden about a process yet to be revealed.

Wheeler: Can we commit once that decision is made it will be on the city website for the people?

Rhee: Oh, of course. Of course. I am sorry if that needs to be it should of course. And the city of Portland, Oregon, gov website, and our Portland website, and we are trying to build our capacity to get beyond our usual circles, which are people who tune into the city and the bureau.

Wheeler: Great. Thank you. I appreciate that. Colleagues anything else? So we are going to vote on the resolution. We are going to hold off on the ordinance until commissioner Fish can tune in at 4:00 p.m., which is 20 minutes, commissioner Eudaly, we can wait for both for another 20 minutes or run the resolution now.

Eudaly: I think we could run the resolution.

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

Saltzman: Well, I am pleased to support this. I think that it's -- there is a Lot of reasons to have a fresh look at the guidelines. And how we do business with our residents and our neighborhoods. And I do believe that there is you know, a continued role for the geographic-based neighborhood associations. But I also think that there is a lot of other community interests that are sort of knocking at the door to be as involved as many neighborhood associations are, and I think that having a group look at the best practices or the guidelines is a good, healthy step that needs to be undertaken every once in a while. And I have confidence in commissioner eudaly and director reed that they will conduct this process in an open manner, and involve all the council as it progresses. Aye.

Eudaly: I will go off the script for a minute. First I want to thank everyone for coming and for testifying today. I want to apologize for the level of irritation that I reached is a few minutes ago. It's hard, it's hard not to get defensive up here sometimes, but when you get defensive, the first thing to go is compassion, and I really do strive to listen to everyone who comes here with compassion and try to reach an understanding. That said it has been frustrating the amount of kind of misinformation being spread in public about this, and i've been surprised by some of the feedback that we have received considering that this ordinance and resolution seem fairly Non-controversial and are such a positive evolutionary step forward for our bureau. I was given the bureau by the mayor, not with edicts, but certainly with firm direction to address the issues that were brought to light by

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the audit, and i've brought in new leadership, and we have undertaken a reorganization. I think that the climate of the bureau is much more positive than it was 18 months ago, and I am proud of the work that we have done. I also want to use myself as an example of how we are not serving all community members. As a mother of a child with a severe disability I consider myself an honorary member of the disability community, and over the last 17 years I have learned many hard, painful lessons about how ill equipped our city and our communities are to receive people like my son, and that at some point I realized that it was, perhaps, unreasonable of me to expect the general population to understand the unique needs and challenges that people with disabilities face if they had no direct experience. It's a really complicated -- a disability in particular, very complicated. People have varying needs and varying abilities. So I realized that, you know, part of my job as Henry's mom was to advocate for him and to try to build an understanding and acceptance and inclusion in the larger community. The goal being that one day the community is ready to receive people like my son and understand his needs and challenges. I really feel that that's what we are facing today across the city, but in particular, on/office of community and civic life. Okay. Now I will switch to my prepared remarks so I don't forget anything. So if there is one thing that I have learned so far on my role as city commissioner, it's that the people like to talk about the need for change. But really don't like change very much when it comes down to it. And if there is another thing that I have learned, it's that we really need to change. From creating a better work environment to delivering better services, and supports to the community, to setting more ambitious goals, to holding ourselves accountable for outcomes, this bureau needed to change, and we are changing it. We have not been shy about admitting our weaknesses, and have spent the last 18 months moving aggressively to implement the necessary reforms. The resolution and ordinance today move us closer towards our goal of having a bureau that will strengthen the relationship between the city and all of its residents. At a time that it is desperately needed. I believe, and this was quoted earlier, actually, that the citizens are the riches of the city, and want to express my gratitude to the Portlanders who volunteer countless hours to help us govern more effectively, and that certainly includes everyone who is involved with their neighborhood association. I feel obligated to acknowledge the mistakes and the opportunities the city has already missed because of our inability to engage more of our constituents. Our current system, which is excluded, renters, people of color, and youth, and immigrants and refugees, the disability community and people with a diverse range of gender and sexual identity is not just by default but often by design. And this means that our systemic approach to addressing the inequity must happen by design. Because it's not going to happen by default. We cannot afford to use public processes, which often have failed to include many of these populations to maintain the status quo. We as council members need to have the courage to say that we believe our civic engagement bureau has a moral and practical responsibility to engage with and recognize all Portlanders. Regardless of how they identified and organize. We need to be clear that this basic principle is not up for debate so we can begin the hard work of paving the path forward together. I vote aye.

Wheeler: I am very pleased to support this resolution. I am appreciative of the testimony that we heard today. I think it raised some important and provocative questions. At the end of the day the resolution for me is common sense. It's very straightforward. It seeks to increase and to enhance representation, and it has a focus on those who have not been included in important conversations about what our cities strategies and priorities are and how resources are allocated, but my reading of the resolution is that it does not come at the expense of others. To me it is a more expansive vision of civic participation, inclusion, and democracy in our city. And it is not inconsequential that I think also improves accountability of city government to the degree that people don't feel engaged or they feel

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that the decisions are being made without them, and that they are not included. People start checking out. As you look at democracy generally in America, and even here in Oregon, what you see is even when it comes time to cast a vote for ballot measures or for individuals running for office increasingly people say why bother? We cannot have that happen at the community level. We cannot have that happen at the neighborhood level. This is collectively all of our community, and as somebody said earlier today we need to open as many doors as we possibly can. As I said earlier during the testimony there is no way that I can read this resolution as being anything other than a both/and solution as opposed to an either/or solution. And last but not least Portland is, and I have said this and sometimes people actually think that I am just being polyanish, But I am not, world is a city looked to as an amazing city, and the facts all bear that out. When you look at the economy, when you look at the companies that are moving here, and when you look at the people who are moving here, young and old, and they are moving here for economic opportunity and moving here for lifestyle and we are growing and we are diversifying, and yet our neighborhoods are experiencing a lot of the growing pains. For those of us who have been in Portland our whole lives this city has changed dramatically, and some of those are really good and really positive, and on the other hand some of those changes are really jarring. We see, you know, increased poverty, increased housing and affordability, and increased homelessness, and we see strains on our infrastructure, and strains on our civic infrastructure as well. And cities that will be successful are those cities that can navigate this change from being a smaller city to be a much larger, global, more complex city with all of the opportunities, and believe me Portland is bristling with opportunities, that also with some of the boils that come along with that growth. And I think that as commissioner Saltzman said, that it is time that we look at this structure that was originally created in 1974, take a fresh look at it, and ask ourselves how can we keep the things about this structure that we really like and that we appreciate, and for me at the top of that list is Engaging citizens in a meaningful way to bring their collective strength, time, talent, energy, and passion to the table and expand the circumstantial of people who want to meaningfully participate in our city. In other words, it's about leverage. It's about leveraging the opportunity that exists by increasing the number and kinds of people who participate in helping other community to be successful. So I am as we proud to support this, commissioner Eudaly, I have confidence in your ability to carry this to fruition, and director Rhee I thank you for the work you have done but by virtue of the fact that this is a resolution, this is not the end of the work but the beginning of the work. It's the beginning of the brass tax work and the hard work, and I think that we had a good conversation today, and we got a diversity of viewpoints. And I know that you will internalize those and bring us back a great finished product I vote aye, and the resolution is adopted. Thank you. Commissioner Fish cannot join us for another ten minutes. So what I will do is hold open 771 and we will take that up again after 4:00 p.m. Sharp. In the meanwhile, I would like to go on to item 765. And if we are lucky maybe we can get that wrapped up by 4:00 p.m., and if not we will just take a break in the middle of 765.

Item 765.

Wheeler: Just for the Record this was moved from the a.m. Agenda to the p.m. Agenda for various reasons. It was noticed in the tuesday memo, and we have larry pelatt here to walk us through. Good afternoon.

Larry Pelatt, Chief Procurement Officer, Office of Management and Finance: Good afternoon mr. Mayor and commissioners. Thank you very much. And I will get us through 765 and 766.

Wheeler: I am sorry, larry, and 766 was moved from the a.m. to the p.m. agenda. And we will get to that in a minute. Thank you.

Pelatt: I will do the short versions.

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Wheeler: Do you want them read at the same time?

Pelatt: If you can do that, that will be great.

Wheeler: Karla, can you read 766, too, please?

Pelatt: The council for 765, the council passed 187698 in April of 2016, authorizing the services to do a solicitation from all the data computers and classified mdc's installed in every vehicle. The warranty for our current mdc's is in use expires in 2018, we've been working at this for some signature amount of time. They have sworn the staff to perform all administrative communications, investigatory and operation examines duties possible with technology, and their patrol district since sworn officers don't have to return to the office to perform these functions, they can spend more time patrolling the streets and respond faster to incidents requiring public property or citizen protection. In June 2017, procurement Services advertised an rfp for mdc systems, three proposals were received and opened, and all were responsive to the requirements, therefore they successfully completed phase one. Phase two evaluations of the rfp consist of primarily a product demonstration before the evaluation committee and the committee of technical advisors, and of the three proposals to forward phase three, you can see why this took a long time, which consisted of in-car testing. Both proposer submitted components placed in vehicles feed tested for approximately two months. The g-tac units on [inaudible] were determined to be the best proposed based on the criteria provided, and all the proposals were evaluated at each phase by a team of diverse, qualified evaluators, including members of the city's minority evaluator program. The city issued is a notice of intent to negotiate an award to Gresham Ford for the mdc mounts no protests were received. The primary contractor has a current city of Portland business tax registration count, in full compliance with all the city's contracting requirements. Gresham Ford is not a state certified mdwesb contractor. It is requested the council approve this and authorize the chief procurement officer to execute a contract with Gresham Ford with the gtac, mdc in an amount not to exceed \$2 million. If the council has any questions concerning the resulting contract I can answer those, and we do have Chad and the assistant chief Davis in the chambers if there is questions about the units.

Wheeler: Let me dispose of this first since we have people waiting. Is there any further question for Larry? I will entertain a motion.

Saltzman: Move the report.

Eudaly: Second.

Wheeler: Motion and second. Karla please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. Report is adopted. And then 766.

Pelatt: The procurement report recommending a contract to work to core pack construction for the northwest 20th avenue lid project in the amount of 4,012,488. The engineer's estimate in the project was 4,057,116. And the confidence level was moderate. And counselor passed ordinance 188244 to solicit the project. It was advertised in electronic procurement system, six bids were received in response and Core Pak is the lowest responsible bidder at 4,012,408 which is 1.1% under the engineer's estimate. Core Pak construction acting as a prime contractor identified traffic control, signage, electrical and concrete as the opportunities for subcontracting. There is a total of 927,083 identified the Subcontractor participation for the project. There are four firms, four d and one m firm, with the 927,000. The prime contractor, Core Pak is a state of Oregon certified, dmw firm, and is performing 2,344,473, or 58.43% of the work bringing the total participation of certified firms to 3,271,826, or 81.53%. Core Pak construction is located in Portland, Oregon, and they are a state certified, dmwesb contractor and have a tax registration, and they are in full compliance with the contracting requirements. And if you could please has any questions concerning the bidding process I can answer them, and because we are

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so far above the city's aspirational goal of 20%, we did not ask either the bureau or the contractor to be in chambers.

Wheeler: We have a motion from commissioner Saltzman, a second from commissioner Eudaly, please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. The procurement report is accepted. Thanks, Larry.

Pelatt: Thank you.

Wheeler: Appreciate it very much. Do we have commissioner Fish yet? Colleagues if you don't mind after we do that, I am going to take a five-minute break. Five-minute recess. I am out of water and coffee.

Karla: Commissioner are you there? Okay. Thank you.

Wheeler: Great. So we have seven, Karla, could you reread that for us?

Item 771.

Wheeler: Karla, could you please call the roll.

Kraut: Mr. Mayor, I think that you need to read the script about taking.

Wheeler: You are correct. Thank you. Thank you. That's why we have legal counsel. So I don't create a disaster. Burn to pcc3.02.025, commissioner Fish is participating by telephone because he's been attending a medical appointment. Failure to allow participation of a city council member by electronic communication would jeopardize the public interest, health, safety, or welfare. Commissioner Fish is also not physically present, but his office was contacted, and he was given an opportunity to participate by telephone today. I see how you all tried to trip me up on this script. Do any of the council members who are physically present object to having commissioner Fish participate by telephone? I see no objection. Do we have commissioner Fish? Legal counsel, yes.

Kraut: One more thing, it's commissioner Fritz, also is not available, and we need to state for the record that her office was contacted.

Wheeler: So you were not gaming you. I thought you were trying to trip me up. By thought this was one of the things where they try to stick thing in and screw up the reporter. Commissioner Fritz is also not physically present but her office was contacted and she was given an opportunity to participate by telephone today. Good lawyering. Commissioner Fish on the phone, correct?

Fish: Correct.

Wheeler: Good to hear, commissioner Fish, Karla read 771, please call the roll.

Saltzman: Aye.

Eudaly: I want to thank my colleagues for working with me today to get this heard and voted on, especially commissioner Fish. I vote aye.

Fish: Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Thank you, commissioner Fish.

Fish: Thank you, mayor. All right. We will be in recess for five minutes.

Item 769.

Wheeler: Colleagues this is a non-emergency ordinance that authorizes the city to issue up to 18.3 million in limited tax revenue bonds to fund tenant space buildout and furnishings for the Portland building and pay bond issuance costs. As you know in March of 2017, the council approved resolution 37274 directing the office of manage and finance to implement a plan for space optimization in the Portland building. The reopening of the Portland building offers the opportunity Through space design and flexible furnishings to accommodate more employees in the building, thereby reducing the external leasing costs. The financing plan for the space optimization project calls for the issuance of interim financing followed by takeout financing upon completion of the building. Debt service costs are expected to be included in the space rental rates charged to occupants of the Portland building. Good afternoon.

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Eric Johansen, Debt Manager Office of Management and Finance: Thank you mayor. Eric Johansen, debt manager. I think that you captured the essential aspects of this ordinance. I would note that the amortization period will be less than the building as a whole since the life of the assets is probably going to be something around seven years, so we will advertise that to be shorter.

Wheeler: Good. Any red flags that we should be aware of?

Johansen: I don't think so.

Wheeler: Any further questions, commissioner Saltzman?

Saltzman: I was curious, does this 18.3 million count as part of the 195 million total price tag for the Portland building?

Johansen: In addition to.

Saltzman: Okay.

Wheeler: That was a brief presentation. Any public testimony on this item?

Karla: No one signed up now.

Wheeler: We could have take a ten-minute break on this One. Thank you, and while we are moving quickly to pass this to second, I just want to acknowledge your work, Eric, and the debt management division but also to acknowledge OMF and chief administrative officer tom Reinhardt as well. He's been working closely with you, and the watch here is to make sure that we are being very effective with the renovation costs of this building, and the space optimization program is critical to that. And we worked really hard to use the space that we have when as efficiently as possible, and you just heard the reason why. Given the cost of commercial lease space in Portland right now, particularly in the central city, there more employees that we can comfortably and reasonably get into the Portland building, the better. And that has to do both with capital construction and engineering design as well as how we, actually, facilitate the work stations and other public spaces in that building, and I want to thank you for your diligence on that. So this is a first reading of a non-emergency ordinance. It moves to second reading. Next week, July 25, 2018. [gavel pounded] thank you. 774.

Item 774.

Wheeler: So colleagues, many times items are brought forth that may go relatively unnoticed by the public that underscore our commitment to providing home ownership counseling, home ownership and Rental stability, and educational opportunities associated with each. The contracts brought forth today reiterate that commitment with our community partners that the city of Portland will continue to work towards providing counseling and educational opportunities for those who look to rent or want help on assessing how home ownership may be a possibility in our city. And I look forward to the Portland housing bureau continuing to work with our community partners on this. Today we have, it looks like, a very top flight panel to discuss this with us, including interim housing director Shannon Callahan. Good afternoon.

Shannon Callahan, Director of Housing Bureau: Good afternoon mayor. I apologize. Karla may I ask what number was just read? It is 774.

Wheeler: 774.

Karla: And that is the.

Wheeler: Joint office of homeless services.

Callahan: Perfect. And mayor you also talked a bit about our next item, which is 775, which is authorizing the separate recipient contracts. So if I might, I think that christian elkin and I will talk to 774 briefly, which is the third year of the joint office iga, in which the city will be transferring more than 34 million over to the county for the joint efforts on the homeless service system. Notably, notably this year the resources will be increased specifically for three different Areas. One of which is more resources to transition individuals out of shelters and into permanent housing, and more supportive housing

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services, and more funding for shelter alternatives. And as well as shelter capital. And christian elkin is here from the joint offers budget office to answer or address any questions that you might have.

Wheeler: Thank you. Commissioner eudaly.

Saltzman: What are you going to do with all of that money?

Eudaly: It's been a long day, you all.

Wheeler: Great, any public testimony?

Karla: Yes.

Wheeler: Great.

Karla: Three people signed up.

Wheeler: Let's hear from them. Save us.

Wheeler: Thank you both for your patience. Mr. Hollister, would you like to go first, please?

John Hollister: I am john hollister. And this whole homelessness thing is just an area, actually, I am going to be spending time commissioner eudaly with your staff to talk about that, and we had, we had a spirited conversation on the phone that is saying, giving homeless people a home does not solve the problem. And I have personal experience in that. I have never been homeless. But I have two of the other big problems. I am an alcoholic and a drug addict. And I have mental health issues. And I am very fortunate to have 32 years of a sobriety. And but in that, in that 32 years, for 21 years I was continually misdiagnosed for my mental illness and given medication that accentuated my bipolar, and at 21 years of sobriety when I was properly diagnosed and given the correct medication, then it did not do the work for me, but it put my brain in a brain chemistry that made me stable enough to be able to do the work to continue on my recovery and my spiritual journey. The problem that, as I have gone around now and I am sitting down and I am talking to homeless people, and two come up as I spoke to joy and the north pearl blocks, who is this absolute wonderful person who talks about the being beaten and on the streets and things like that, and all of her things being stolen, and just a wonderful human being, and you know, just talking to her, and then I talked to jake, and jake was, was running around, swearing, and things like that, and I learned on a way to deescalate by putting my hands up and said, jake, as you know, his name at that time, is there anything that I can do to help? And he said they stole my cell phone. They stole my cell phone. He was very well spoken and put together great sentences and things like that, and it was the cafe that stole the cell phone, and I go tell me more, and then he kind of shifted and said I have an army of 600,000 mexican that at the snap of my finger Will be here and kill everyone in the building and their families. And I thanked him for the heads up. And there's our problem. And in my next testimony on the next subject, I am going to talk about the problem that 52% of our arrests are for homeless. It's not a police problem. It is the problem that they are doing that and there are not enough public health officials and people trained, and they are not funding that because we cannot give more money there, so more on that in a moment. Stay tuned.

Wheeler: Thank you, good. Good afternoon, sir.

Shedrick Wilkins: I am shedrick wilkins, and I am kind of distraught today because I have a daughter, and when she was 20 years ago when she was a one-year-old she had bladder cancer. And she was given x-ray radiation for cancer. And in england they would have not done that. So england -- and I have heard this -- I talked last year, too, somebody said that they came from england, a staff person and they don't do x-ray radiation on children. Necessity rely on chemotherapy. My daughter is breaking down, she's 21 now. She will be 21 next month, and she has to have a permanent catheter, so she is breaking down, but I have asked her if she would like to come down here and try to do her hand at public speaking, and I want to tell you about my daughter. My daughter was a

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spokesperson For measure 50, the cigarette tax for kids that failed, when she was ten she stood right near, on Oregon tv for a month, and she was standing right near governor ted kulongoski who said measure 50 was a failed first step. She was on Oregon television, and it was my idea that she audition for it because she's a cancer survivor. She got to say all children have, have the right to see a doctor. Regardless of the income. And three years later Oregon, ted kulongoski, the governor said it's a failed first step. In 2010 the first time I ever talked in city hall, we developed the term, healthy kids. Which covers 80% of all the children except for non-residents. And now the legislature may have solved that with coverall last year but we have healthy kids. And so it's kind of funny for me to think that in ten years I did accomplish something by asking her to audition, and she inspired me to get up here and talk. And I am kind of curious to know what will happen. I think she probably cannot work and she would be on ssi, but in the wintertime if she is sleeping in the open she could die. And I am going to -- I am talking about the task force because I like to talk. My ex-wife doesn't. So I like to talk, and sometimes just like healthy kids it works. I can talk and my daughter can talk on tv and things can get Going. And so I want to just say that I talked to commissioner Fritz about it because she's into children's issues, so I want to make sure that she doesn't freeze to death. She will probably going on ssi and I doubt that she can work and she has to wear a permanent catheter. And she'll be all right now if she was walking around, the weather is okay. Also I am 50 feet from the pearl district shelter that they may make this fall. My apartment is. I was homeless for a year. And because of my age I am on special programs with my job.

Wheeler: We appreciate your perspective and wish your daughter the very best, and I am sure with you as her dad, she's got great support.

Wilkins: I believe in talking. It's good to talk. Don't sit there and try to talk to somebody like commissioner Fritz, talk.

Wheeler: Get it going. We appreciate that. So this, of course, is an emergency ordinance. So please call the roll.

Karla: There is not enough.

Wheeler: You are right. We are going to put this off until next week. We will move this -- do we need -- we don't need to vote to take the emergency off? We can move this to second reading, correct? Legal counsel?

Kraut: Correct.

Wheeler: So we will do that, move this to second Reading, and just to clarify what this is, this is, of course, the iga between the city of Portland and the joint office of homeless services. This is where we moved the funds that were already discussed, deliberated and voted on during the budget process. And there is also some technical changes in there, as well.

Karla: One clarification, it's a second reading. It's as an emergency, it is not considered second reading, and we are just continuing.

Wheeler: Continuing the discussion. Thank you. The same will be the case with item 775.
Item 775.

Wheeler: Colleagues this time my talking points will, in fact, match the ordinance that we are discussing. The Portland housing bureau uses city and federal funding sources to provide a variety of services through subcontracts with nonprofit agencies, every budget year, and the contracts authorized will be funded from the php adopted budget passed on may 16 is, 2018. And these sub-recipient contracts will provide the following types of services to low and moderate income residents of the city of Portland. Home buyer education and counseling. Foreclosure prevention counseling. Home repair, including emergency home repair. Accessibility upgrades, and energy efficiency improvements. Healthy home classes. And home retention strategies. Legal aid services for low income renters to keep them in their housing situation. And renter education. Outreach and

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advocacy again for the same purposes. Relocation for households experiencing environmental hazards. With us today is the housing program coordinator dana ingram, but we also have the interim housing director Shannon Callahan. Good afternoon.

Callahan: Good afternoon. Council we are both just here to answer any questions that you may have regarding these contracts.

Wheeler: Colleagues, any further questions? Very good. This -- do we have any public testimony on these items?

Karla: One person, john hollister.

Wheeler: Very good. Thank you.

Hollister: I am john hollister, and I know it's been a long day for all of you. I am just in favor of everything that supports all of the aspects of affordable housing, and for being able to help people get off the streets. I am going to make my one comment about the -- some of the unfortunate press that all of you receive so much in your job. I cannot imagine having a job where 60% of the constituencies hate you, and that still means it's a landslide because 60% like you. I can't imagine having that situation. So I am so impressed, and you know, and especially dan, for being so long in this position to be able to put up with that for so long and be able to hang in there, thank you very much for your service. And ted, you really distressed me in your article. Even the thought that you are not going to go for re-election, that's unacceptable to me. And the I will fight you on that one to the end. I really think that the city needs you, and I think that you are a great fit. These attacks on you in the newspaper, when somebody attacks you on something that you said in a newspaper article, and that's the basis of their attack, give me a break. And to be able to turn something around and say that you don't support the police because you said 52% of the arrests are -- that's a problem, that they are homeless, it is a problem, but for them to immediately assume that you are throwing them under the bus is absolutely ridiculous. And so I am, once again, I just, you know, honor you so much to be able to stand there and continue to do that, and so say challenge anyone to say that, well, let's just say that that's enough. All I got.

Wheeler: Thank you. Just so that people are aware, I was not making any announcements about running or not running, and I appreciate. You are very gracious comments. I will just take the blame for not being very precise in how and what I say things sometimes. I've been mayor for a total of 18 months. It is premature for people to ask me if I am running for re-election. There is no reason for them to assume that I am not. But this is a decision that I will make with my family and others and the time is not right, in my opinion, at least a year. Probably longer. So I really just didn't spit it out very eloquently, but I appreciate that.

Hollister: I want to make sure that you have more fun because that seems to be lacking.

Wheeler: Yeah, and that's another thing. The reporter got it exactly right. He quoted me exactly right. The question kind of was, I don't remember the exact question but it was some iteration of how are you doing, and I said well, you know, I would not necessarily say with a straight face I am having fun. The job is not fun. But it is meaningful. And for me the whole point is the meaningful part is what makes it worthwhile, not that I am here to be entertained or -- there is other things that I can do for fun in my spare time. But then when you attach it to a headline that, you know, ted wheeler's job isn't fun, whah, or whatever the claims of vast success, when I have only been here 18 months in my first term. I really lost the narrative on that, and it just -- I have nobody to blame but myself. I need to be very clear and very precise and very to the point in what I say. I appreciate your graciousness.

Hollister: The last thing in your article when you said that anyone that expects me to be able to solve homelessness, they are going to be sorely disappointed. And the -- because ted wheeler by himself cannot solve homelessness. And I think that there are so many people that I talked to that are so willing to throw barbs and yet when I asked them what are you willing to do to help, it ends the conversation quickly.

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Wheeler: And we can make good progress. The spirit of collaboration and action that you have brought to this chamber repeatedly is exactly what we need. First of all we can build civic pride. We can build on that civic pride and bring the private sector and government and nonprofits and philanthropic sectors, together, and we are doing that. And we're executing on the strategies that I know over the long-term will show good results. Can we do more? Sure. And your call to action is exactly the right one. We have talked about the problem, now it's really -- we have identified the problem. In our let's talk about the solution and what everybody can do to help to solve it. And that's where I am.

Hollister: And I believe in the current state that you cannot do more unless we're willing to do more. If we do that, you can do more, but I personally need to step up And I plan on recruiting others to do the same.

Wheeler: Thank you. I appreciate it. It is an all hands on deck situation for sure. Thank you sir. Already, so this then, we will also continue the emergency ordinance to next wednesday, july 25, regular agenda. 776, if you could read that we are going to bring it back, actually, do we need to -- go ahead and read it just so we are fine.

Item 776.

Wheeler: So colleagues I am referring this back to the mayor's office. This was a bureau error. It was noticed to the public in the tuesday memo. Item 776 is now obsolete. It's a prior version of the ordinance that we actually just heard item 775. So that one is disappearing. 778 please.

Item 778.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish requested this item be moved to august 15, 2018 on the regular agenda. Without objection. Item 779.

Item 779.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish also requested that this item be moved to august 15, 2018, on the regular agenda without objection. Item 768.

Item 768.

Wheeler: Commissioner Saltzman.

Saltzman: I will turn it over to staff.

Wheeler: Great, thank you. Good afternoon.

Pauline Goble, Property Manager, Office of Management and Finance: Good afternoon. My name is Pauline goble, property manager in the office of management and finance in the facilities division. And I am here today with ken, sorry about that, with the Portland bureau of transportation. He's here to answer any questions that you may have regarding financing and budgeting questions. So property is currently assisting pbot with their property search in the do you want core for their needs related to increased staffing in the parking operations, regulatory and private for hire operations, and business operations.

Wheeler: Can you tell me how many square feet you are looking for?

Goble: About 13,000 square feet. Or might be 16,000. 16,000.

Wheeler: 16,000 square feet, and what are the basic requirements of that space? As you go about a search, what are the criteria?

Goble: We are looking for reasonable rates in terms to pbot, so they required it being near the Portland bureau and the city hall so the downtown area because they have, you know, bureau, they want to have that consistency with the bureaus going back to the Portland building. And which the Portland building cannot accommodate this need. Their need is immediate, and long-term. So we are looking at five-year leases, and with occupancy in the fall.

Wheeler: Great, thank you. Any further questions?

Saltzman: Is it a five-year lease?

Goble: A five-year lease, with an option to renew the five years. One option.

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Wheeler: Is there any testimony on this item? Very good. So we will, unless there is anything else we will continue the emergency ordinance to next Wednesday, July 25 at the regular agenda. Thank you both.

Goble: Thank you.

Wheeler: I was giving you cheap free advertising. So unless I got it wrong we are done with the agenda today.

Karla: Correct.

Wheeler: Very good. We are adjourned. Thank you everyone.

At 4:38 p.m. council adjourned.