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# A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **26<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2018** AT 9:30 A.M.

**OFFICIAL** 

**MINUTES** 

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Wheeler, Presiding; Commissioners Eudaly, Fish and Saltzman, 4. Commissioner Fish left at 11:17 a.m.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Susan Parsons, Acting Clerk and Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council at 9:40 a.m.; Lory Kraut, Senior Deputy City Attorney; and Ovie Griggs and Christopher Alvarez, Sergeants at Arms.

Item No. 1009 was pulled for discussion and on a Y-4 roll call, the balance of the Consent Agenda was adopted.

		Disposition:
	COMMUNICATIONS	
1000	Request of Angie Jenkins to address Council regarding crime and advocacy in Parkrose and Portland (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
1001	Request of William Keller to address Council regarding crime and advocacy in Parkrose and Portland (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
1002	Request of Annette Stanhope to address Council regarding crime and advocacy in Parkrose and Portland (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
1003	Request of Marilee Dea to address Council regarding Costa Rica delegates from Partners of America (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
	TIMES CERTAIN	
1004	<b>TIME CERTAIN: 9:45 AM –</b> Appoint inaugural members to the Portland Committee on Community-Engaged Policing for staggered terms set to expire June 30, 2019 for youth members, September 26, 2019 and September 26, 2020 (Report introduced by Mayor Wheeler) 45 minutes requested <b>Motion to accept report:</b> Moved by Fish and seconded by	CONFIRMED
	Eudaly. (Y-4)	

The meeting recessed at 10:03 a.m. and reconvened at 10:05 a.m.

September 26, 2018	
<ul> <li>TIME CERTAIN: 10:30 AM – Amend marijuana business regulations to implement the Social Equity Program (Ordinance introduced by Commissioner Eudaly; amend Code Chapter 14B.130 and Portland Policy Document ADM-20.01) 30 minutes requested</li> <li>Motion to accept amendments offered by Bureau of Development Services to clarify their process (1) replace the word "reductions" with "credit" (2) replace the word "reimbursement" with "credit" (3) add 2c and 3c "Requests for credit should be directed to the Office of Community and</li> </ul>	189183 as amended
Civic Life. All such credits will be deducted from the Marijuana Regulatory License Fees": Moved by Eudaly and seconded by Fish. (Y-4) (Y-4)	
CONSENT AGENDA – NO DISCUSSION	
Mayor Ted Wheeler	
Office of Management and Finance	
Pay property damage and bodily injury claims of Tara Karki in the sum of \$30,210 involving Portland Bureau of Transportation (Ordinance) (Y-4)	189177
Pay property damage claim of Nordstrom in the sum of \$28,999 involving the Portland Bureau of Environmental Services (Ordinance)	189178
involving Portland Police Bureau (Ordinance)	189179
Increase contract with Miller Consulting Engineers, Inc. by \$250,000 to provide additional on-call engineering consultant services to the Spectator Venues Program (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30005601)	CONTINUED TO OCTOBER 3, 2018 AT 9:30 AM
Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with Metro to contribute \$25,000 in cooperation with Metro and other agencies to study the needs and develop a plan to address the lack of available trade-based skilled labor to work on government projects in the Portland region (Ordinance) (Y-4)	189180
Portland Children's Levy	
Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with Portland State University to conduct qualitative research on the Portland Children's Levy grantmaking process and to identify needs,	
solutions and recommendations to improve the process, not to exceed \$49,924 (Ordinance)	189181
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	Commissioner Chloe Eudaly	
	Bureau of Transportation	
*1012	Authorize application to Oregon Department of Transportation for a grant in the amount of \$3.7 million for Safe Routes to School Competitive Infrastructure Grant Program (Ordinance) (Y-4)	189182
	REGULAR AGENDA	
	Mayor Ted Wheeler	
	Bureau of Police	
1013	Authorize sale of usable surplus Mobile Data Computers pursuant to City Code 5.36 for approximately \$12,250 (Ordinance) 15 minutes requested	PASSED TO SECOND READING OCTOBER 3, 2018 AT 9:30 AM
	Office of Management and Finance	
1014	<ul> <li>Authorize charitable organizations eligible to participate in the City's 2019 Charitable Campaign and authorize exemptions for charities not meeting the 25% overhead cost cap requirement (Ordinance) 15 minutes requested</li> <li>Motion to remove emergency clause: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Saltzman. (Y-3; Fritz and Fish absent)</li> <li>Motion to add directive to provide a link on the enrollment form that shows what each charitable organization reported as administrative and fundraising expenses to the Oregon Department of Justice as part of their Annual CT-12 Report: Moved by Saltzman and seconded by Wheeler. (Y-3; Fritz and Fish absent)</li> </ul>	PASSED TO SECOND READING AS AMENDED OCTOBER 3, 2018 AT 9:30 AM
	Commissioner Chloe Eudaly	
	Bureau of Transportation	
1015	Vacate NW Terminal St between NW 17th Ave and NW Upshur St subject to certain conditions and reservations (Hearing; Ordinance; VAC-10119) 10 minutes requested	PASSED TO SECOND READING OCTOBER 3, 2018 AT 9:30 AM
1016	Authorize the Bureau of Transportation to acquire certain permanent and temporary property rights necessary for construction of the NE 148th Avenue: NE Glisan Street to NE Halsey Street project, through the exercise of the City's Eminent Domain Authority (Second Reading Agenda 993) (Y-3; Fritz and Fish absent)	189184
DUE	TO LACK OF AGENDA THERE WERE NO 2:00 PM MEETINGS WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26-27, 2018	

At 12:17 p.m. Council adjourned.

September 26, 2018 MARY HULL CABALLERO Auditor of the City of Portland

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By Karla Moore-Love Clerk of the Council

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### September 26, 2018 9:30 AM

**Wheeler:** The morning session of the Portland city council, we are now in order. Sue please call the roll. [roll taken]

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

**Wheeler:** Colleagues, commissioner Fritz is excused today. She is out of on city business. She's attending the league of Oregon cities on behalf of the city of Portland. She is our designee there, so I just wanted to make sure that people understood that that is her reason for not being here today. Good morning.

City Attorney: Good morning.

**City Attorney:** 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 have a welcome, comfortable, and safe. To participate you may sign up in advance with the council clerk's office for communications.

**Wheeler:** Could you speak always more loudly? There is some people having troubles hearing, and maybe could we turn up the mic a bit?

City Attorney: Sure. How is this?

Wheeler: Thank you.

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

**Wheeler:** Thank you very much. Sue, my understanding is the first three individuals for communication would potentially like to come up together. Is that correct? **Sue:** Correct.

Wheeler: Very good. Why don't you call the first three people, please.

**Wheeler:** Welcome and thank you for being here. You have three minutes and if you could state your name for the record, please.

**Angle Jenkins:** Are we going to have three minutes individually? **Wheeler:** Three minutes each, you have got it.

**Jenkins:** I am angle jenkins with automotive and tires, president of parkrose business association. Am I starting? Okay. So I am here to potentially beg for assistance. I have

been to several different organizations. Every meeting. The business association meetings, the -- several other organizations. We are in desperate need of your assistance. The citizens of Portland are -- we are dying. We are drowning in fines. We are drowning in lack of support. Businesses are now getting taxed more on their trash bills to pay for litter cleanup from the homeless camps. And nobody signed up for this. I want you to simply address the behavior. If somebody is doing crime, enforce the laws. If somebody is hungry, feed them. But we have got to start addressing the behaviors, otherwise things are not going to change. When I moved here from Oregon, or from idaho, I chose Portland over seattle. I came here and I spent eight hours walking around downtown, and I watched a guy drop something on the ground, a perfect stranger, chased him a half a mile -- or half a block to give it back. I walk around downtown now, and I am stepping around hypodermic needles. I am hearing from my business members that they are actively trying to get people to stop defecating on their patios. This is a burgerville. That takes a totally different means to having a burger with your kids. They are actively saying please, use the restroom inside, and they fail. And there is no support. So I go to these meetings and I hear from the officers, our hands are tied. I am hearing from the park rangers, our hands are tied. Certain laws are not being enforced. And we need to come to the city council. I am also hearing the city council has no idea what Portland is going through. I encourage you all to come to parkrose, walk downtown, and is this the city that you want to be remembered for? This is not the city that I moved into 15 years ago. I will be taking it back and I am asking for your help.

**Wheeler:** Could I ask You a couple of if you will questions, and just so you know this is an issue I approach with urgency. It's one that I understand is a complex issue. I have walked around parkrose, and I am familiar with the issues around homelessness, camping, trash, litter, and needles, and defecation. And graffiti. I have now been here for about 22 months. **Jenkins:** I am sorry, here, where?

**Wheeler:** Mayor, for 22 months. During that time I have fought very hard to increase public safety, park rangers, police officers, I just announced a trash collection initiative that I will be working with business districts and the neighborhood associations and volunteer organizations like solve on. We have significantly increased funding for homelessness prevention, for shelter, for services, and we have been very aggressive in terms of, as a council around supportive housing to get people who really are vulnerable people with mental health issues, people with addiction issues, off the streets. So we are working very, very hard but it is not going to be quick. In the near term what specifically do you need from us? We are all in agreement. I went out to breakfast before this, and this will be the issue. The issue is, I will go to an Event tonight, and this will be the issue that's talked about. I am on a radio show on sunday. What I am told for two hours, people are going to yell at me about the homeless crisis, so the question that I have is what should we be doing that we are not doing with the resources, the finite resources that we have. What is if you need from us specifically?

**Jnekins:** I need you to enforce the laws and address behaviors, so if somebody has mental health issues, there is resources for that. But if -- how in the world can I take a video of a drug deal, of heroin going down, I called the officers and they say oh, that's just a little bit of heroin. That's not okay.

**Wheeler:** Let me address that issue. Using or dealing heroin is against the law. I want you to hear it from me in an open council chamber. If a police officer or a firefighter ever tells you that I tied their hands, they are not telling you the truth. So if any -- and I said this the other day in a different neighborhood association meeting. If an officer ever tells you that, get their name. Get their name. I want to know. I am saying this in front of the whole world, the what you said will be enforced and I am directing they be enforced and I made it clear

the laws will be enforced while I am the police commissioner so if someone says the mayor or the city council Has tied our hands, or somebody has told us that we cannot enforce the law, it is flat out is not true. So I want to nip that right at the bud, right now. So if you hear that again, please let me know. So I am sympathetic. I would be happy to continue this conversation with you about parkrose. We are in agreement. In terms of the problem, we may not be on the same page in terms of how the resources are allocated or the finite nature of the resources are, but we have got a budget coming up again, and would love to get your help for the kinds of things that you just described. I appreciate you being here very much. Thank you. Good morning.

**Annette Stanhope:** Good morning mayor. Good morning city council. I am actually not cathy morris. I am annette, chair of the parkrose neighborhood association, cathy could not be with us this morning, and I am glad, I am grateful that you allowed me for speak this morning. While I am not officially representing the neighborhood association this morning, I am familiar with the concerns and the issues that face our neighborhood, and issues that have been expressed by the parkrose business association. Crime and safety is one of the popular topics, and I hear many accounts of how residents feel disappointed and angry and how things are handled or aren't by the police bureau. Many realize that their frustrations stem from short staffing in the police bureau, so I am speaking today to ask you to prioritize the staffing increases in the bureau. My understanding based on information from the public safety action committee is that we have 100 fewer officers than 20 years ago but nearly 300,000 more residents. This combined with the large size of the precincts and the amount of the ground that the officers have to cover is spreading our police too thin. And one anecdote that illustrates this, and this is just one story of many that I have heard, but I only have three minutes this morning. One parkrose neighbor called police after a man came to her door, tried to force his way in. And she managed to push him outside but had to wait 15 minutes anxiously while the man lurked on the premises. When the officer arrived, he was dismissive and did not offer to take a police reporter, and while she was frustrated with this interaction and rightly so, she also observed that he looked completely exhausted and overwork, and this is coming from an e.r. Nurse. Mayor and city council, we need to stop our police bureau to levels where they can do their jobs competently and confidently. Not only this but if we have enough officers they can take the time to do community policing, walk beats and build relationships, something I hear residents would like to see. Which they are able to build Relationships and community they know more about the people living when. They feel vested in the community and they have more success in their work. I have seen the examples of the success when police were able to work closely with the neighbors to secure the vacant homes that have been the source of chronic criminal activity. So I am sure that you have heard this request before but I am adding our emphasis for the need for better police staffing. Thanks for listening. Good morning.

**William Keller:** Good morning mayor wheeler and commissioner, I am william keller, a cpa, and I have my own practice in parkrose. I am the treasurer of the business association. And I am here to talk about the security and the theft and whatnot as well, and on that but my focus is more of how, the way that I see my clients and investors of how to improve housing and affordable income. The rules right now have made it really tough for landlords to want to give advice or welcome in new or low numbering tenants. I have in my own experience, five years ago my neighbor passed away, she had a son from alaska, and had no job down here. She lost her house because it had a reverse mortgage, and the property tax was deferred so the bank, what was owed was worth more to the house. He had no place to go, I offered him a year to stay at my house and to get familiar with the area and to find a job. It took four years before he Moved out. I had to -- I eventually had to evict him. That was the only way that I could get him to leave. But it took a long process for

that to happen. That's gotten worse now that it's now a 90-day, no cause eviction. I would love to be able to help out -- I can afford my house by myself, I would love to help someone and say you can live with me for 30, 60 days to get on your feet. The problem is that if they don't, I have another 60 days or 90 days to get them out. And I was burned out after him being there for four years. It takes a mental toll on me. Now I don't want to have a tenant. My next, hopefully, if I have a so in terms of investors, the ones that I have seen, with my clients, they are no longer making the decisions based on the finances of having residential rental properties. Their issue is the time it takes to be a landlord. They can't -- they can't -- I am trying to find the best way to phrase this. They can no longer -- it's harder for them to determine how they want to have their residents. Their tenants. It's just that they don't -- they are coming to discuss the legal issues of being a landlord and not how to -- the finances of being an investor, and that's been the biggest issue, and most of them now, they have to talk to talk to a lawyer before they become a landlord. And most people, as I said, they are trying to -- that's their investment. Is their residential rental properties, so that's, that's what I have to say.

Wheeler: Thanks, I think that commissioner Fish had a comment.

**Fish:** I have a question. First of all, we are appreciative that you took the time to use the communication slot to come in and testify. Is this the first time that each of you has been before council?

Jenkins: For me it is.

Fish: Angie?

Jenkins: I've been before.

**Fish:** You've been before on other matters, is this the first time you used the communication spot?

Morris: No.

**Fish:** And you are not cathy but you are the head of the neighborhood association. Is this your first time?

**Stanhope:** I was along with somebody else once but this is my first time testifying on my own.

Fish: And mr. Keller?

Keller: There is my first time.

**Fish:** So we have a small number of people that talked to us a lot during the communications. It's their right. They sign up every time that there is a slot, and it's often struck me that as a result we don't hear from lots of other people. Do we hear from a small number of people all the time, which is their right, and there is a lot of people we don't hear from. This is, this has been probably a ten-minute or more period at the beginning of council. We have our complete attention. And one of the things that angle said and probably the only thing that I would disagree with that was part of her remarks is she said that the impression that she has is that we either, as a council don't spend time on parkrose or don't care. And that -- nothing could be farther from the truth. Parkrose is like lots of other communities and neighborhoods within Portland. There are similarities in terms of what you are experiencing. But one of the things that the mayor didn't mention, for example, is we put ongoing money into the catalytic investment initiative to help the parkrose business association and district prosper. We have a staff person who is working on that.

Jenkins: We might want to have a separate conversation about that.

**Fish:** Fine, happy to. I was at a parkrose local and we kicked off the first governor roberts inaugural scholarship, and we awarded it to a young woman of color who is very promising. I was at the american cancer society's fundraiser the other day, and I spoke, which was in parkrose, so I want you to know that we care deeply. The mayor has given you a sense of the things that under his administration he has tried to do, and you are

challenging us to do better and more but I want to go back to what I said in the beginning. Thank you for taking the time to come out and the communications and share your views. We need to hear from more people On a broader range of issues than we do, and it is, from your point of view, I think time well spent because you have our complete attention. So thank you.

Wheeler: I want to put a thanks as well. I have no reason to doubt at all the passion you brought to this issue and the importance of the issue, and I want to be very clear about that. This council did make a principal stand around increasing the police officers. During the budget this year. We ultimately got 58. It was a very controversial decision as you are well aware, and I agree with you on the staffing. I was just down in san francisco talking to the mayor. They were talking about homeless issues and livability issues and which loom large in san francisco as well as here in Portland and up in seattle with the mayor durkin. They have over twice as many police officers as we have here in the city of Portland. But their population is only about a third larger. If you go to a city like new york where they have 28,000 police officers, you start to realize that at some point you are asking for too much from too small of a group of people, particularly given we have a lot of mental health and addiction issues on our streets. Police officers are forced into that first responder position. And we all agree, you know, darrell turner. I. The city. The county, we agree that that's not the right first line of defense. We want the police enforcing the law, and we want to find ways to have more interactions with the social service providers to provide those other services. And I view the business district as really important allies in helping us to move in that direction. So I am hoping that you will bring that passion and maybe some of your colleagues into the budget process as we get down to the brass tax of the budget decisions next year. I predict again as we did this year we are going to hear from hundreds of people who will tell us not to increase the police at all. We will hear from very few people who will say what you just said, which is we need more cops. So we can get back to the community policing, which is my top priority. We need to get back to that community policing model because it reduces the crime. It increases the trust between the community and the police who serve the community. I am appreciative of much of what I did heard here today. Thank you for being here. Next individual, please. Carla, welcome back. Jenkins: Thank you. I had some written ones.

Wheeler: Just give it to Karla.

Item 1003.

Wheeler: Very good. Welcome.

Wheeler: Thank you for being here.

**Marilee Dea:** Thank you very much. I am marilee dea. And I want to introduce carlos, who is a lawyer from costa rica, and we are part of the partners of america. It was started 50 years ago by kennedy to improve our relationships kind of on a grassroots kind of like people to people. We go down to costa rica for a month, and a year, and stay with different people, and different areas. And they come up here, and they are in Portland this week. And I am going to turn this over to carlos.

Wheeler: Great, thank you.

**Carlos Jimenez:** Good morning mayor of the city of Portland. Good morning council members of the city. I am carlos jimenez from costa rica. And I am here and my group has a program of the partners of americas. You also know that Oregon and costa rica are city, two sister cities. I want to say something. I am concerned about being global warming, and costa rica hopes to be carbon neutral by the year 2021. It is coming by incorporating the most renewable resources in order to produce energy. We will probably be the first country in the world to get the carbon neutral. I appreciate so much your attention. Thank you very much. [applause]

**Fish:** Who did you bring with you today?

**Dea:** Oh, well I brought the rest of the delegation from costa Rica.

Wheeler: Could you please stand? Thank you. We will suspend the rules.

**Dea:** They are teachers and microbiologists and nurses and doctors and we go down there, and wear the same kind of regular people, and get to know them and get to learn about what they are doing in costa rica, which I really invite you to come to costa rica. You will be amazed. It's very much like Oregon. But moving faster in the area of being carbon neutral and saving the biodiversity.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. And we're very inspired by the work that you are doing in costa rica. I was just in san francisco representing the city of Portland at the global climate action summit. And there are cities from all over the world that are taking your leadership as an example of a community that can make real progress on reducing the carbon emissions and we, too, are proud of the work that we have done here in the city of Portland. As a nation we have a long way to go. In the united states.

**Dea:** And not much time.

**Wheeler:** And not much time. And so it's really important that nations like costa rica have taken this leadership role to show the rest of the world how to do it. And we appreciate you being here to share that message with all of us here. We thank you and we thank your delegation for being here. We are honored by your presence. Thank you.

**Dea:** Thank you very much. [applause]

Wheeler: Okay. Very good.

**Wheeler:** Do we have time for a photo with the delegation? Why don't we come right down in front and colleagues we will take a quick photo with the delegation.

Wheeler: Which items were pulled?

Wheeler: 1009. Please call the roll on the remainder of the consent.

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

Wheeler: Aye. The consent agenda is adopted.

**Fish:** Mayor wheeler, just as you are going through and managing the agenda can I point out that because I have an excused absence around 11:00, you might decide after the time certains to move a couple things up that are emergency. Just so that if you want to get them passed or shift them to or take out the emergency clause but I will be leaving at 11:00.

**Wheeler:** Thanks for the heads up and I will take a look. Let's go with 1004, please. **Item 1004.** 

**Wheeler:** Colleagues, I am particularly excited about the first item on the agenda today. During the past two months i've been incredibly energized by the Progress of the Portland committee on community engaged policing otherwise known as pccep. I am proud to bring these appointments before my colleagues and have the inaugural members of the pccep here today to introduce themselves to the community. Nicole grant from my office is here to present this and introduce the 13 new pccep members. Good morning, Nicole. Nicole Grant: Good morning, I am nicole grant, senior policy advisor to mayor wheeler. I am here today for the appointment of the 13 inaugural members of the pccep. The Portland committee on community engaged policing of the of the 106 applications we received the mayor has chosen to appoint the following outstanding individuals to the pccep. Sebastian, a youth member, yolanda clay, lakesha, robert, sharon, andrew, michelle, patrick noland. Sam, zachery thornhill a youth member. Prior to introducing you formally to these members, I would like to provide a brief overview of the selection process for the record. Earlier this year the selection advisory committee comprised of five appointees was formed to develop the selection criteria and assess the candidates. Outside of the development of the written application neither the mayor's office nor council offices were involved in any part of the selection advisory committee's selection process. Discussion around who to Interview and final recommendations to the mayor were the sole responsibility of the selection advisory committee. When reviewing the written applications and interviewing candidates, the selection committee --

Wheeler: This is an interruption violation of the council rules.

Joe Walsh: We will shut you down:

Wheeler: We will take a two-minute recess. [recess taken]

Grant: of the selection advisory committee's selection process. Discussion around who to interview, and final recommendations for the mayor were the responsibility of the selection advisory committee. When reviewing written applications and interviewing candidates the selection advisory committee focused on the following areas when assessing applicants. Lived experience as a member of a marginalized community, and lived experience with mental or physical health issues. And inter-personal skills, and experience working with or advocating for marginalized communities. And experience utilizing social services and engaging in government processes. The selection advisory committee provided the recommendations to the mayor, listing at the candidates they believe should be on the pccep along with alternatives. The mayor's office consulted with commissioner offices before the mayoral interviews and met With the selection advisory committee and council offices on thursday, september 6, 2018, to discuss the candidates. In addition to the mayor, of course, each mayoral interview was attended by Nicole grant, me, jared hager from the u.s. Attorney's office, a pccep facilitator and one member of the advisory committee. Mayoral interviews with adult candidates were conducted on august 23 and 24 and 28. They were 15 minutes each in length. And mayoral group interviews were conducted on august 29 and 30, the mayor made a final decision on friday, september 7, the mayoral staff made a personal phone call to dr. Leroy havnes of the amac notifying him of the appointments on monday, september 10, and the city attorney's office sent a written list of the appointments to the attorneys for distribution to membership. As the mayor said in various settings, suffered from an embarrassment of riches in the candidates recommended by the selection advisory committee. In a process fraught with skepticism by many members of the public, we were heartened to see such a high level of interest in the pccep and then to meet with such stellar individuals during the interview phase of the selection process. We are aware and want to be mindful of concerns around the diversity of the board. Every effort was made to balance the gender and racial diversity with lived experience. The advisory committee also took into consideration a candidate's Professional background to the extent mental health advocacy or social justice work were involved. For anyone interested, we have published on the mayor's office website under public records the demographic breakdown of the pccep applicants. We have also included a full description of the selection process along with the descriptions of the mayoral adult and youth interview structures. individual demographic information about the candidates was not disclosed during the selection process. The mayor has also selected four adult alternatives and two youth alternatives who are welcome to attend all pccep meetings and the orientation. And this friday actually marks the first day of an orientation for pccep members, and although the agenda is being finalized, the orientation will include a training on institutional racism, the history of the settlement agreement, and offered by the amac and mental health association, and pccep member responsibilities as public officials offered by the city attorney's office, and a coab panel discussion, and a ppb panel discussion. The pccep members will have an opportunity to debrief, brainstorm and work with the facilitators on their work plan for the year. During the succession, pccep members will also have an opportunity to participate in the community academy and the ride along. Outside of the formal application process, to serve on the committee, when will be additional opportunities for interested Portlanders to engage the pccep and participate in this process. So I encourage folks to get involved in the subcommittees that will be formed. And participate in the quarterly community gathering. And engage pccep through civic life

and district coalitions and the coalition of communities of color, and the Portland commission on disabilities, and the human rights commission, and the new Portlander policy commission. All entities that pccep is required to consult per the blan. -- plan. Commissioners I would like to give you the doubt to hear from several members due to work and scheduling conflicts if you were able to attend this morning, they are yolanda clay, sharon gary smith, , michelle lang, patrick noland and zachery thornhill so I will work through their biographies and I will invite the members who are present to the table. Yolanda clay began to advocate for individuals' mental health issues by completing peer support specialist training. She's gained knowledge about the effects of poverty and in particular generational poverty on individuals and families by participating in the communication across barriers. Poverty institute conference. A self described introvert she believes in the power of empathy for easing society a. I also. Sharon gary smith, for five decades she has been a grassroots activist, agitator and organizer for educational equity, community economic development and racial and social justice. She's held positions in corporate america, community-based organizations, and national and local Philanthropy. She served as the executive director of the foundation, Oregon's leading racial, social, and environmental and economic justice funder. Sharon also co-chairs the metro committee on racial equity, core, that is responsible for review, assessment, monitoring and recommendations to metro's strategic equity plan and guide the metro council in insuring the organization embeds equitable operational practices throughout serves as a peer mediator for years. He's also a mentor for disadvantaged youth in southwest Portland, organizing events to foster a stronger sense of community, promote self-esteem, and make relationships between the youth, he provides guidance to high school aged teens and creates support systems to improve achievement and success in education. He believes it should be focused on developing stronger strategies and conflict resolution regarding individuals with mental health conditions. Moreover the pccep should work to enlist mental health experts and develop comprehensive training to heal the relationship between law enforcement and people with Mental health conditions. Michelle lang is the director of campus ministries at warner pacific university and serves as a pastor at amago dag community church. She has a career in urban development and advocacy. Specifically in areas related to youth, and the african-american community. In 2015 after being shaken by the michael brown case, in ferguson, missouri she set out to combine her extensive background in theater and community engagement to create an interactive workshop entitled the art of tough talks. A multi-media project that utilizes the arts and foster conversation, education, and action on matters of social change and justice. Patrick noland, due to untreated mental health issues, patrick was homeless in Portland off and on from 1990 to 2011. Since he's been both a board member and community organizer at sisters of the road cafe, a board member empowerment initiative, in an advisory council member for the mental health association of Portland. His ongoing interest includes public healthcare, the housing crisis, and homelessness, and local politics, and reading nonfiction books, especially history and meeting new people. And finally zachery thornhill. Zacherv currently is an adjunct professor at Portland state university and a social worker with Multnomah county's mental health and addiction services division. He's worked with individuals across the life-span and areas Of public health and social services, and has a special interest in social work practice at the intersection of public safety, aging and behavioral health. He's previously worked at a variety of community-based mental health agencies and served on the ambassador council at our house of Portland. Now to those who are present who I would like for you to engage directly, I will invite the first group, and the mayor, if you could please invite the second and the third, and I will come back at the end. Do you have any questions? I would like to introduce you all to sebastian, lakiana and kalonji

Wheeler: Welcome, gentlemen, thanks for being here. It's good to see you again.

**Lakayana Drury:** Good morning mayor, thank you for having us. It's our turn to speak? So I work with word is bond, lakiana drury, executive director of word is bond and teacher at rosemary anderson high school.

**Kalonji Williams:** I am kalonji williams, a junior at poic and a member of word is bond. **Sebastian Chevalier:** Sebastian chevalier, a senior at lincoln high school and a member of word is bond.

**Drury:** We are very excited to be a part of this project. I think it's very important work. We look forward to engaging the community and particularly for me engaging the youth and making sure that their voice is heard in this process.

**Williams:** I am excited to get my hands dirty and make a change and address the issues going on as far as the institutional racism, and all the issues pccep is going to be participating in.

**Chevalier:** Yeah. I joined this work simply because I was born and raised in Portland. I wanted to give back to the community that molded me, and I am very excited but I also recognize that it's not going to be easy work. I am ready for a tough, bumpy road.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. And I just want to say to my colleagues, and I probably said this and I will say it again here, the youth that applied for the two youth positions were really outstanding. And they had harder interviews because they did not what the questions were going to be, and so I got more of a chance to really understand them personally and what skill sets that they bring to the table and what their current perceptions are. I think that the overall committee will really benefit from the youth voice, and I appreciate the interest of you young gentleman that participate, and lakiana, I think you demonstrated a signature commitment. Could I ask you quickly one question.

# Drury: Yes.

**Wheeler:** At the end of the day, when all is said and done, and you have served your time on pccep, what do you hope to have accomplished?

**Drury:** I guess like the main Accomplishment is to change somebody's life or their outlook on whatever that need be like, you know, if, I don't know, I mean this is a very liberal state. And I think that everyone should be able to voice their opinion the way that they see fit, and I don't know. I don't know my main objective, and build my leadership skills, and my integrity.

# Wheeler: Thank you.

**Chevalier:** I would say at the end of the day, I would want the city of Portland to be an example for the rest of the country in regards to how the community and the police interact with each other. I think that we should be the first step because you know, word is bond started in Portland, and we don't know if any of their organizations like ours, and any other state, so this is just a smaller step in a bigger journey. That's what I want Portland is to be an example for the country.

**Wheeler:** And you have a relationship with both these gentlemen through word is bond, and you are instrumental, could you tell people watching this a bit about what is word and bond?

**Drury:** Word is bond is a nonprofit that works with the black men and law enforcement to build positive relationships and really what we try and do is empower the youth, the young men who are part of this organization, we call them community ambassadors to take the forefront of this issue and lead it in a way where rather than coming from the police to The youth, it's the youth coming to the police, and engaging them in meaningful work, and a variety of ways looking at like he had said the racism pieces but also the overall interactions, and we believe in the power of story-telling, that ultimately that's what's going to change perceptions and what's going to change views between the two groups is when we share stories and find common ground, and that's really what I am hoping to do out of

this process. Is to help connect the community and make them feel a part of the process of pccep. There is a lot of marginalized groups from folks with mental health, to individuals and communities of color that don't feel connected. If they can feel a part of this, I think we will have done our job.

Wheeler: Thanks a lot. Commissioner eudaly?

**Eudaly:** I just wanted to share with you that I spoke to the class of fourth graders last year, and they had a lot of really excellent questions for me, and one of them was what can kids do to help government, so I tried to conjure up some, you know, useful recommendations, and the next question was from a young woman who said that building on the last question . When grownups talk about diversity they talk about gender and they talk about race, they talk about the disability, and she went down the list, but they never talk about kids, why are kids or youth not included in that conversation? So I am really thrilled to See two youth members of the committee, and I would like to see more youth representation throughout all of our commissions and committees because we are stewards of the city for you, ultimately, and you have a unique and important perspective that we may have lost sight of or never experienced or understood. So I am really grateful that you are spending your free time on something that you are right, it's not going to be a lot of fun but it's really important, hard, and hopefully rewarding work you are going to be doing. So congratulations and thank you.

**Wheeler:** Thank you gentlemen. We appreciate it. Thank you, and assuming I got the names right here for the second panel, nick, it's lakesha, bob dye and andrew, is that correct? Come on down. Thank you and welcome. If you want to tell us a bit about yourself and what brought you to the pccep and what you hope to accomplish, that would be great. **Lakeesha Dumas:** I am lakesha, and I have an extensive bio, I thought that they were going to read it. But a bit about me. Born and raised in Portland, Oregon, and I am a recovering addict, and I suffer from mental health challenges. Mental illness. And my commitment to this is my higher power led me to be at more tables, to be the voice, and an advocate for change in this community. And to really help with bridging the relationships between policing community. I've been on both sides, and I just would like the young gentleman said I want us to be an example of how police and community can work together. Good morning.

**Bob Dye:** Good morning. I am robert dye. The general manager of lloyd center. I have got a broad resume of working with various police agencies across the country just in my career. But I think what drives me more than anything is I had an older brother who was a product of the prison system. And also had mental health issues. And he also died very young at age, before, a day before the 50th birthday. And in terms of my, what I am hoping to see come from my work with the pccep, is really just strengthening, bringing the community together. Regardless of what -- of what our individual opinions are. And you're values. I just -- I think that brings the city together is a very important. I wanted to say one thing, just very quickly, and that is I do applaud you, mr. Mayor, for having this committee, and you and I have communicated previously on the issues of the committee that i've been concerned about, and you've been very responsive, and helpful in that regard, and I appreciate that.

#### Wheeler: Thank you sir.

**Andrew Kalloch:** Good morning mayor. I am andrew. My folks were public school teachers who were dedicated to the public service, and put that at the heart of our family life, and the way that that's manifested in my career has been seeking justice for all manner of folks and all manner of situations, whether it was representing incarcerated folks in law school, and in-house disciplinary proceedings, or trying to fight for social security benefits or unemployment insurance for people, and to my days at the aclu as an attorney, and then as a criminal justice policy advisory to a new york city public official. So

I am honored to be part of the panel, I am looking forward to learning an enormous amount from my colleagues on the panel, and hopefully pushing for meaningful change here in Portland. So thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

**Fish:** I have a question. Just was curious. I just got back from a two-day trip to new york city and was catching up on everything going on. Which president did you serve? **Kalloch:** The manhattan bureau president, scott springer at the time, later became the controller.

**Fish:** I am -- you came out of harvard law school, worked for the civil air commission and now airbnb, how would you describe your career there? Forwardly mobile.

**Kalloch:** I mentioned my folks earlier and we had a sunday routine, we Would go to chump and my father would videotape the sunday morning political shows and we would come back and have a breakfast and listen to dad rant against politicians. And I could have taken that as a sign that he thought politicians were not worth paying attention to but I did it the other way and believed he thought that there was little that was more important for a citizen to be a part of. And so I have always been driven by a desire to be involved in the workings of government. My current job is the only private sector job I have ever had and it's been interesting to sit on the other side of the table but I think this will be another unique challenge in my career and one that I am looking forward to and honored to take part of.

**Fish:** We have an indirect connection, which is I know in the work that you are doing to revitalize the lloyd mall and to activate the park across the street and to do things here, you are working with dan beaterman and some other people from new york that have done similar work, and in prior life I served on community board in new york city that had dan both as a board member and later as a chair and learned from him about how businesses can ship into revitalized areas. So good luck.

**Kalloch:** We have a lot invested in holladay park, and you have a great parks department that worked together with us and we appreciate that.

**Fish:** Good to know. I am the new parks commissioner So I will get a briefing on what we are doing, thank you.

**Wheeler:** Appreciate it very much. Last but not least our last panel is sam sacks. You go to carry the table.

**Fish:** Did you bring leftovers from last night?

Sam Sachs: I did not. No. It's a little awkward. Members of the Portland city council, it's an honor to be here today. I am humbled to be here today as a citizen of Portland, as a community member whose family has been here since the 1940s. Currently I am the founder of the nonprofit, the no hate zone focused on ending racism through education and community engagement and advocacy. And one of the community engagement pieces that we do, some of you know is we have breaking bread and breaking barriers once a month where we bring specifically focused on communities of color and police together and to have dinner and to sit down and have conversations. This weekend we partnered with word is bond, which is just an amazing group of young men, and we held a peace jam, and we had probably 200 community members of color and police officers from Portland police, the sheriff's office, and the sheriff reese was there playing basketball. And the Oregon state police played basketball on the same team, and word is bond held a conversation around race and policing. I have worked in parks as a park Ranger. Worked as a deputy sheriff. I taught equity at the police academy, so I have some history in law enforcement, and public safety, and I have is a degree from Portland state university in black studies. Those are some of my qualifications that bring me here today. The reason that I am here though is having served as a human rights commissioner and the chair of the community police relations. This issue is near and dear to my heart. This is my

community. I care about the community members and I care about building relationships with our community, specifically the communities of color and the mental health community and our police. And like Sebastian said, it's our opportunity to serve as an example for the rest of the country. To create the blueprint for how we can bring community members and police officers and public safety together to build better relationships, so we have a safer and more vibrant community. So thank you for choosing me, mayor, it's an honor, and I am humbled to be here.

**Wheeler:** Thanks, we appreciate it. Thank you all. Without it further adieu I will entertain a motion.

Fish: I move the slate.

**Wheeler:** Commissioner Fish moves and commissioner eudaly seconds, please call the roll.

**Saltzman:** Well, it's an outstanding group of Individuals. Thank you mayor and nicolle for bringing them before us and providing us with the bios for the members who were not there. This is -- it sounds like it was a very rigorous process, so you should all be congratulated for occupying the seats. You are going to soon occupy with this vote and thank you for your service. Aye.

Eudaly: I would like to thank all five members of the selection advisory committee for their work to help design every stage of the process. And application to recruitment to selection. Establishing the pccep is an important step for the city and our communities and the quality of applications that we received are a reflection of your great work, and in particular I want to give thanks to my office's representative of the selection advisory committee who's efforts for the Portland police bureau to better connect with and serve the somali community. I also want to thank the mayor's office offers and nicolle grant in particular for her work to get us here today. I want to highlight how great it is to see the representation of youth voices on the committee, and acknowledge and thank andrea marguez, our youth program coordinator and civic life for her guidance on how to recruit and include youth in these bodies. And as I said before, I hope to see youth engaged in all the bodies. I want to voice one concern which was not addressed during The presentation, and maybe the mayor could shed light on. Which was raised by mr. Handelman of Portland cop watch when this item, well, at some point, I can't remember, recently raised by mr. Handelman, which was the need for a healthy pool of alternatives due to the potential of high turnover and pccep as we saw was a coab so I am just wondering what the plan is for that. Finally I know that this was a highly competitive process. And more Portlanders wanted to participate. And serve and could be included on the committee. So I am really encouraged to hear the facilitators are exploring ways to create additional opportunities for engagement especially through subcommittees. And we are lucky to have such engaged constituents who are willing to share their time and efforts and expert southeast, and it's my hope that pccep will follow through on the promise to engage as many Portlanders as possible in this work. Congratulations. Thank you for your willingness to serve. Aye.

**Fish:** So the refrain you are going to hear from us today is thank you for your service. And because you are being asked to take on, I think, the hardest assignment that we have made during my tenure on the council. And in our last time we took a look at our boards and commissions, I think that we determined that we had over 100, but one of the things that we Also learned was we did not have consistent rules and we asked people to take on big assignments without it really knowing what their function and role was. So I am really pleased that one of the first orders of business is going to be the training you are going to get, and I heard as part of that training you are going to get a briefing on your particular function as a public official, and please pay particular attention to that briefing. Because it will guide you in terms of all of your activities as a member, and will help you to understand what emails you do or don't have to save, it will save you an enormous headache down

the road if you understand what your role is, and what your obligations are. I think that this has the potential to be the hardest assignment that we have asked any citizen group to take on. It's new. So it's unchartered. And it rises from the ashes of a process that failed and left a lot of bad feeling, and it addresses one of the two key issues facing our city, which is the housing crisis and public safety. And it is an issue that the mayor actually ran on, staked his merit on. So I join with my colleagues in saying how pleased we are with the quality of the people that have agreed to take on this assignment. While we are not allowed to have favorites, since I have a ninth grader at lincoln city, I want to say sebastian, good for you. I don't know how -- I don't know how you are going to be a senior in high school and take on this role, but if you can manage it, my guess is you will be going to the college of your choice. So, congratulations. Thanks to everybody that shepherded this process to where we are today, and the council is committed to your success, aye. Wheeler: I would like to thank you for being here today and sharing your stories and your perspectives. And like my colleagues I want to thank you all for volunteering for this very, very important assignment. We already know that the pccep is a function of the settlement agreement with the federal government. It's also a testament to the community advocacy and the work done here within the city, and in my mind pccep is going to represent so much more. In terms of community engagement. When I look at our 13 new members, I am reminded the pccep is fundamentally intended to increase the community's access to government. And I want to just reiterate what Nicole had said during her testimony. There were so many good people who applied for this position, and we did not accept everybody. There were people who -- I will tell you had amazing credentials that still did not make it onto this committee. And so, we've been very intentional about creating as many on-ramps as possible to this process, and I would encourage people whether you Applied previously or did not, take up that charge if you are inspired by this, and become engaged. And commissioner eudaly raised a very fair question first asked by dan handelman. Let me just say that it is my hope that we will not need to go deep into the alternative pool. And we have three facilitators for this process. They have proven to be in a short period of time that they are exceptional facilitators and bring different skill sets to the room, and I think collectively they are going to do an outstanding job. They are already starting out with the comprehensive training, and onboarding process for all of our pccep members, and that's something that the former coab members had strongly encouraged us to adopt and so we are adopting that process. And that being said we still do have a pool of alternatives and if we start getting into in that pool of alternatives, well, then, we will obviously have the capacity to expand that as necessary. And I would encourage people, if you don't think that your voice is on this committee and you don't think that your perspective is being covered, I definitely want to hear from you. I want you to apply for a future iteration of the pccep. By virtue of the structure, it is intended to be the community's voice and conversations, and decisions around police accountability and reform. And of course, when we say the Community, what do we know? That's a guestion that I get asked a lot. We know that Portland is not monolithic in terms of background, history, traditions, language, ethnicity, race. We also know that it's not possible in a committee of this size to cover all the bases and ensure every perspective is represented on pccep. However, I am very encouraged by the depth of lived experience and personal experience and professional experience that's being brought to the table by these 13 individuals. As I said, I was floored by my interviews with the 13 pccep members. They have already, including the youth members, demonstrated a very strong commitment to community engagement and leadership. There is not a person on this committee who is not a leader in and of their own right. And they bring a lot of passion to the table. On sort of a funny side note I spent a chunk of my interview time trying to encourage people not to be interested. I knew that the pool was so large, so I was painting all sorts of very difficult scenarios, and potential

tough points, and challenges that might realistically arise. They said I know it, and i'm in, it's that important to me this be successful. So we have highly committed individuals stepping forward. I want to thank Sebastian and colange in particular, I think it was incredibly important that we have the youth voice Represented here. And I hear a lot from young people in this community who say that it seems like so much of the conversation around policing and police accountability and police reform is taking place around tables full of adults, but the conversation is just as much about us as it is the adults. And so this is a really important opportunity for us to intersect youth leaders with our adult leaders to make sure that the youth issues specific are represented at this table, and I will just say that in the conversation, the interviews that we had with the youth, their perspectives in many cases were very different than the perspectives of the adults. And I think that in and of itself was an important learning moment for me as the police commissioner and the mayor, and I think that it will be an important perspective for the members of the pccep to hear. Over time I hope that we will see more of Portland communities represented on this committee because more voices are always welcome and needed at the table. Finally, it's important that the community hears from those who have been chosen for the work and those individuals are going to be accountable to the community. I stand there with you to be held accountable by the community at the same time. So, I want you to know that my support for your efforts will continue to be unwavering. Finally, I want to thank Nicole grant. Nicole grant, where did she go? There she is, hiding over there by the column as she often does. She knows I am going to try to embarrass her. Nicole you outdid yourself, thank you. This is great work. Great efforts working with our facilitators and the doj and our partners in the settlement agreement to get to yes on this important issue. This is a very important milestone for all of us as a community. I vote aye. The report is accepted. Thank you everyone. [gavel pounded]

Karla: They requested to do a photo.

Wheeler: Sure. Why don't we come right down in front?

**Wheeler:** We only have one emergency item and I believe it will have the emergency clause taken off. And that is item 1014, let's do it after the next time certain item and we can get commissioner Fish out here on-time for his important appointment so let's take up 1005 next, please.

#### Item 1005.

**Eudaly:** Thank you, mayor as the commissioner in charge of the office of community and civic life, I oversee the cannabis program. And I am really proud. Improvements we have made since 2017. And pleased to bring forward a package of code changes that will further that good work. The changes before us today represent a handful of commonsense measures we can take to support our local industry with a special focus on addressing the communities harmed by Cannabis prohibition and on our ability to support mico and small businesses. I will have more toys on my closing so I will turn it over to the staff and the cannabis program, and grand and [inaudible] and Jeffrey. Please come forward, who will walk us through the proposed changes. After they are done, I will invite our four invited speakers to the testimony table. We have asked our staff to condense the presentation in order to take a vote by or before 11:00 a.m. Welcome. Good morning. Brandon Goldner: Thank you. wheeler, commissioner Eudaly, commissioner Saltzman and Fish, thank you for your final today. I appreciate it. As you said the, in the interest of time I will keep my comments brief. A brief overview of where our program is now, where it was and where it's going and Jeffrey will get into the changes of the ordinance that we have here today. Can you go back one slide? So back in 2015 when the program was established, then mayor hales made very clear these regulations ought to adapt and change as we learn more. He was absolutely right, so today's changes reflect an important and a needed step, but just one step in that ongoing adaptation and change, I think it's fair

to say that there are a lot of uncertainties both in Portland and in Oregon and in other states that have regulate The cannabis about the impacts, and I think that it's incumbent to constantly be evaluating what we could do to make sure that we are doing as good of a job assess we can especially if small businesses and for those impacted by cannabis prohibition and that's the intent of the changes today. To reiterate the work we have is not done, and these changes today will allow us to gather data to make changes moving forward. They are going to allow us to see exactly how many businesses, cannabis businesses in Portland are small businesses, how many owners and staff may be impacted by cannabis prohibition, and we will provide the relief. Right now, in the shortterm while positioning ourselves for more changes in the future you know. I think that the goal here was pretty simple. It was to bring forward changes that were needed, but prudent steps to kind of move ourselves in the right direction, the financial impact of the changes, we know that our program could absorb those costs, and just to briefly speak to a couple of things in the future, when will be an independent market study done in Portland's cannabis industry to better calibrate our fee schedule and make sure that we are not taking in more money than we need. The public advisory body for cannabis policy here in Portland will restart in 2019. And other things are coming, too, that we are excited about but for the changes today I am going to leave it to jeffrey who will briefly walk you through the specifics of the ordinance Here considering today. Thank you.

Jeffrey Van Kent: Thank you Brandon. It's Jeffrey van kent, the program specialist for the cannabis program. Recognizing our time limitations today I am -- I was going to get all wonky on you but I will not. So instead I will go over the six key amendments that we have, and then after I give those summaries, I am happy to answer any questions about the specifics of those changes. So the first one here, the licensing fee reductions, this is going to be a fee reduction across the board for all license types. To provide some sort of financial relief for the industry. But we also are providing targeted financial relief specifically to those license types associated with smaller businesses and are seen as an entry pointed for certain businesses in the cannabis industry. And the next element of the code change is going to be the deferred payment plan, so recognizing that many of our applicants are paying both state and local licensing fees within weeks if not days of one another, we'll be offering an option for the licensees to pay for the bulk of their license fees, six months, six months after license issuance, in order to allow that offsetting of state and local fees. The next amendment that we are proposing is a social equity program. Now this is a new program that we're very excited about. It is providing financial assistance to small businesses and those cannabis businesses that are either owned or staffed by individuals with prior cannabis convictions. Those businesses will receive simply fee reductions for all license types and additionally processors and producers will receive reimbursements in the form of a credit towards their fees for any costs incurred at the bureau of development services for early assistance meetings, so these are meetings that help kind of streamline the building permitting processes for these businesses. The next two elements that we have are our permitting requirement changes within our own code. And as well as our permitting enforcement procedures. Now both of these are simply ways of streamlining our licensing process while at the same time making sure that our building permit requirements within our code more closely reflect the higher risk profile of certain process types, specifically, extract processors, while also providing some relief in the form of a streamlined process for all other processors and producers. The permitting enforcement and procedures that we changed are simply to make sure that our applicants that have any sort of compliance issues with building or fire code are actually working with those bureaus rather than working in tangent with the civic life so that they can have a more streamlined communication with the expert agencies. And finally the last element of the code change that we are proposing would be an addition of a micro-tiered processor

endorsement. Now what this does is it is mirroring an endorsement that already exist and is available at the stated level, and the difference is that the code change will allow us now to provide the endorsement without it requiring applicants to pay for an entirely new license at the local level so again, mirroring something that's available at the state for micro-tier producers, and making it available here at the local level at no cost to the applicant. With that brief summary, I am happy to open with any questions about the specifics of these and have slides, I can go into if you have any specific questions. Thank you very much. **Eudaly:** I am a little sad you don't get to see that entire presentation because it was quite lovely. Thank you brandon and jeffrey. I am going to call up our invited speakers, jenette ward from new leaf. And adam smith from craft cannabis alliance and takara shaw from green hop and casey call han from Oregon cannabis retailers association. If you can limit your remarks to three minutes since we are trying to get to this vote, we need a quorum of four people to pass an emergency.

Jenette Ward, New Leaf: I am jeanette ward from new leaf and I want to start by saying thank you, new leaf is an organization that takes the tax dollars that the city of Portland voted on, on november 2016 to fund into the community's most disproportiontly impacted. We started because of that, I said I was not going to get emotional but I will not make t I wrote the language the city voted on. This is super close to my heart. And I am so appreciative of the work that you continue to make here in partnership with the community. So thank you. This amendment I am in favor of, I am in favor of the changes, and this is a critical second part of that work so you have to invest the tax dollars back into the communities that were disadvantaged. You have to do that in step one, and this equity program that helps to reduce the licensing fees is step two. Because then you have the opportunity for people who are small businesses, across the board, but that's always going to be a place where the businesses of color start, they start undercapitalized and without it the networks and the resources, so when you lower the bar here, to make it just more level for he everyone, and I mean lower it by lowering the financial bar, that's the one that I am talking about and everyone can play. And you really are doing the right thing, and unless it's super thoughtful, legislation, that is just going to create more innovation from these small businesses, that's where that will come from and you will see the advancements and I think a cannabis market in Oregon that's going to outpace the others, Because it's going to take advantage of that diversity. So I think that it's a great start, and I think that it's a really comprehensive, thoughtful approach.

#### Eudaly: Thank you.

**Takara Shaw:** I am takara shaw, also known as miss Oregon. I work in the cannabis industry and I actually run my own company called ambay. I do social communication development. For different employers here in Portland, and I am hired by green hawk to train their employees and also doing community engagement. I get three minutes, so I have picked three points that I feel are important to address at this time. I also want to say thank you guys for having me here. I know a couple of you are more in-depth and I like what you are doing for the community so good job. These policies are definitely moving us in the right way. The first policy to bring up is whether jeffrey and brandon, one of the policies that they were talking about is the fee changes. I just want to emphasize how important that is, and as of right now I will put a personal aspect on it, as I said I am helping the green hop which is a dispensary here in Portland, and a minority owned business, and what we're seeing by the fee cuts, we just paid some fees as you know, the fees are so high that we had to stop ordering product. Which is going to reduce our customer base. And basically can make us look like we are not as -- not on the same tier as all the other dispensaries because we don't have the financial backing as everyone else. These fees are the same no matter as of right now they are the same no matter the financial backing for the dispensaries. Taking a look will help us so I want to say thank you for noticing that. And because it does hurt everything from employee schedules to ordering products in the store, and to the lights. Thank you very much for taking notice on that, and I want to say that I am in favor of that. I also want to say that as we are developing some things, something important to me, as I have said before is social communication development. I feel like if we make sure that, in these policies we're also having diversity training, and communication trainings for the owners, I think that that's going to be really, really important with community engagement and reaching everybody. Is the poor people of color that we do get involved in on these new boards that are coming up, the more -- the easier it will be for everyone to know the best way to reach everyone because trying to just have one brain or two brains say everything, you know, can be difficult. So actually, having people who are engaging in these fields that are of color, being a part of the boards, and having a say so in the new policy changes, I think is going to be important for this path. And I also want to say the reason why I think that that's important, I believe that empowering people of color to be a part of the things and changes that's going on with these policies, I think that that's going to empower our communities, and when you find that people are feeling empowered and like they are on the same scale as everyone else you will see a lot more community engagement benefits for the community being engaged as well as lower crime rates, and people are empowered definitely or less likely to commit crimes, and do things like that. So I want to say that that's important. And last but not least I would like to say that just keep it on the path of making sure that we are getting people with convictions in their backgrounds, make sure that we are getting that erased especially the business owners. Even my own personal experience, i, as of right now have literally was -- I have something in my background over marijuana found in a purse like ten years ago, a crumb, not a smokeable amount at all but it is on my background and I am a business owner. And as a professional every time my background is looked up I don't want anything that's going to, you know, fault by me or make me look less than what I am or less than capable of what I am for this city so personal recommendations of letting the city know who is being issued the money to erase these things. I understand you are making the Changes but making sure it is put out there to the city of who they can contact to move forward. I think that that's going to be a really big step. Mr. Saltzman are you still with us? Awesome. So I think that that's really important when. Because I know that there is a lot of stuff going on but the information on how to receive it. I would like to see that being able to reach the people on how to get the information so we can keep moving forward. Eudaly: Great, thank you.

Adam Smith: Good morning mayor wheeler and commissioners. I am adam smith, I am the founder and executive director of the craft cannabis alliance, we are a mission driven trade association, our mission is cannabis companies that are a major Oregon owned that made a commitment to sustainability, ethical business and policy of community engagement and social justice. When Oregon legalized cannabis, we legalized the industry that we had. The state reached out with a targeted advertising campaign to existing producers and urged them to go legal. Note the campaign didn't say bring your corporate dollars to Oregon and buy a farm or a brand. We understood that Oregon had and has for generation as local cannabis community serving both medical and recreational marks here and let's be honest for export. That existing industry is Important to know has been producing some of the best cannabis and products found anywhere in the world. Oregon cannabis already has a global reputation to that. This instinct to legitimize and support an industry deeply engaged in the culture and economy was a good one, and thousands of Oregon producers did just that. They went legal. Investing hundreds of millions of their own and their friends and family money putting up homes to participate in Oregon's new legal marketplace. And they plugged along through multitude of rule changes, plugged along as state and local officials did their best and in some isolated

cases their worst to navigate the unchartered waters of an industry being brought out into the light of day. And they plugged along now as oversupply and crashing prices have put the hundreds of millions of dollars of capital at imminent risk and made grim the calculus for those looking to enter the market. Let me reemphasize that this is not like nike's local capital that we are talking about or intel's capital. These are thousands of growers and producers and small business owners and local investors and they are for the most part all in. So what Portland is doing today is visionary. It represents a lot more than simply lowering the fees and easing entry into the legal market. What Portland is doing is Recognizing the history, and if we are part, the best possible future of the Oregon cannabis community will be born out of the small and the local and all of the artisanship and biodiversity and care and dedication and community enrichment that entails. It reflects the Oregon cannabis industry reflects the Oregon brand. That brand where tens of billions of dollars worldwide is the same whether we're talking about beer or water or distilling or food or anything else. That is authenticity. It's people with their hands in the dirt making something they love as well as they possibly can for themselves and their friends and to share with others who love it too. Today we are in danger of losing the Oregon cannabis brand, losing ownership. The economic crisis of crash and crisis means hundreds of businesses that should be viable and thriving are at risk and others are being forced to sell out for pennies on the dollar to large out of state and multi national corporations and those deep pocketed foreign corporations are not expecting to get rich selling cannabis to Oregonians. They are here to capitalize on the eventual export market and ownership of that Oregon brand. So to Portland today I say yes, please reduce cost of setting up and doing business in the city. Please support the efforts of businesses owned by individuals and members of community disproportionately impacted by 80 years of failed prohibition. This is extremely important. But also I challenge you to look further as I know you will and to expand your vision of, by and for Oregon one who claims I plates at the center of world class cannabis. Portland shines brightest when it brings the best of Oregon to the world so stand up for social consumption so cannabis lovers everywhere can spread our fame and our brand. Stand up for the burgeoning efforts to move toward interstate export while there's still a local industry to capitalize. Today Portland is taking responsibility for leadership and supporting everything is that is great, good and valuable about Oregon cannabis and the potential of this industry. With your continued leadership we can have the kind of industry here that Portlanders and Oregonians and canabis lovers everywhere can be proud of.

**Casey Houlihan:** I'm casey houlihan here on behalf of the Oregon retailers of cannabis association which I serve as the executive director. Our association represents over 300 cannabis businesses cross the state. Many of whom are located within the city of Portland and directly subject to the policies created by the city and office of community life. Our members include retailers, processors and several ancillary businesses operating in the fastest growing economic sector. We're here to express our support to the city code changes being proposed. It should make it easier and less time-consuming for folks to become licensed and start operating safely. We strongly urge the move by the city to bring retail licenses in line with other types. This will help prevent money to out of state business interests from monopolizing the industry and pushing out the mom and pop businesses in the process. The social equity program should provide meaningful and tangible benefits. This can help assure that people who suffered the greatest harm from criminalization of cannabis are not participating from the economic growth and limitless opportunities we see today. This is an area where the city has been an incredible leader statewide and nationally and driving the conversation how to implement legalization the right way, not in a way that perpetuates the damage done to marginalized communities. Our state government has lacked capacity thus far. It's why it's so important the city proceed with

these changes so we can be a model for others that follow. Thank you to commissioner eudaly and folks in the office of community and civic life for their hard work in the city's cannabis program. We thank you for your time and your focus on these important issues. **Eudaly:** Thank you. I'm very sorry to rush everyone through their testimony and presentations. Takara I wanted to address the expungement issue you brought up. City of Portland funded metropolitan public defender to do expungements. It's my opinion that the state should be paying for those expungements and it should happen statewide and it should happen as soon as possible. I have three very slight amendments to offer. Simply to clarify code language and these were offered by the bureau of development services in order to just distinguish who is responsible for what. Amendment number 1 is replace all instances of the word reductions with the word credit. Amendment 3 is add language as 2 c and 3c, stating requests for credit should be directed to the office of community and civic life all reductions will be deducted from the regulatory license fees. **Fish:** Second.

Wheeler: Moved and seconded.

**Eudaly:** We'll need to get the final language to the attorney because we missed a couple instances of the word reduction.

Wheeler: That's clear. Thank you.

**Eudaly:** I think it's time for public testimony.

Wheeler: Public testimony, Karla?

Karla: Three people signed up.

**Wheeler:** I'm going to ask politely that we do two minutes because I want to make sure we vote on this and the next item before commissioner Fish has to move out.

Shedrick J. Wilkins: He doesn't have to be here.

#### Eudaly: He does.

Wilkins: I will tell you why. Two minutes. Mr. Cedric. My daughter is a cancer survivor and smokes medical marijuana. In july 18 I came in here and said my daughter faces homelessness. I can do nothing to help her. I told the mayor about this. I just got an email from the -- I don't pay for the library. I don't know if city council likes the library. I get free things at the library through vahoo. I don't know if the city funds the library. My daughter is on ssi: Which means she gets \$6,000 a year. Right? I cannot help my daughter even though commissioner Fish is the only person -- which is hud. Hud says marijuana itself has thc, I can smoke in the building, and if I let my daughter stay there two days a week which i'm allowed to have a guest, right, no woman is going to come in there. Also I don't want anyone in my apartment running my heater. I have electric blanket which I talked to the mayor when he was running for mayor. I have an electric blanket, right? I am subsidized because i'm over 55 and a veteran. That's why I wear this hat. I get \$7,000 a year from the government. I only pay rent of \$1,000 but I wish I was young. But anyway the real truth is I won't risk my \$7,000 federal and the federal government does not acknowledge marijuana. It's a drug. Even though ten states do and I can't even have medical marijuana although I did not inquire about that. I won't risk it. Nothing my daughter could smoke in the building and she likes to smoke it. Right? She can smoke it when i'm not there. I won't get evicted or risk my \$7,000 because she now gets \$6,000. Her cancer treatment when she was one, she's now 21, was not done properly. She was cured by chemotherapy. There are other treatments and I ask commissioner Fish, he was cured by chemotherapy. I'm not a great fan of radiation therapy. That's why I am happy she's on ssi. She will not starve and i'll buy her a tent. She can sleep out here.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good morning.

**Leland Berger:** I'm leland burger, i'm a lawyer, 62 years old. I have been practicing for 35 years, been a cannabis advocate for 25 years. I'm undercover today. That's why i'm

dressed this way. My law firm along with the soul district had applied for the grant that for the expungement. First I want to to speak to the requirement that the fire marshal office have issued the necessary permits for the processing. I know this is an issue at the state level, and that I know the city's fire marshal appeared at the rules advisory committee but I don't know that that's been resolved, and I don't know the thing that you're requiring the fire marshal to do is something the fire marshal can do. Of greater concern to me because again I have been working on these issues, helped write the medical law, lobbied, I have appeared here before on various matters. I don't understand an equity program to have to do with prior convictions particularly when and i'm not sure you're aware of this, commissioner eudaly, but a fact of the city's having said we're going to take some of this 3% money and spend it on expungements. There's an effort in the legislature this session to do what happened in seattle this last week, where the mayor -- excuse me, the city attorney authorized dismissal of the last 15 years' worth of marijuana convictions. I emailed district attorney underhill and chief criminal judge albright. Albright wrote back that these things are under consideration in the legislature. When green hop and green leaf speak to communities traditionally harmed by the racist war on drugs, that's the way the equity program should read. That's -- equity program should read. I'm concerned that by tying it to prior convictions when the legislature is looking at mass expungement senator frederick is introducing legislation on this issue, that we're going to wind up in a situation in six months where we have equity program that's meaningless and doesn't address these issues. The last thing I wanted to say, I do appreciate -- I still think the fees are way too high. I think the city's application process is unnecessary. I have had terrific conversations with him and his office but I do think the level of regulations are unnecessary. The fees are too high. I appreciate the reductions and the effort to pay it off slowly as at lowering entry point but I just don't think it's enough. I don't understand frankly --Wheeler: Thank you.

**Berger:** I don't understand why it's an emergency. In the same way I don't understand that the appointment of the supreme court nominee is an emergency.

Wheeler: Let's do that after the testimony. We'll get to your question. Good afternoon. Charles Bridgecrane Johnson: Good morning. Charles bridge crane johnson for the record. It's appropriate that you do go ahead, emergency language is just a formality to give us faster relief. It's better on this than most because especially the minority businesses, employee people with criminal records I would like to see them get relief and aid as soon as possible to implement this program. I think in the bigger context of a city that has a blackmail achievement initiative and stuff like that we need to make sure that equal time is going in to assisting especially impacted communities to be able to get into real estate and banking and everything else. We don't want to say, oh, because this was a business that thrived in some marginalized communities we're going to create extra opportunities here. It should follow in the footsteps of the mayor, going to stanford. That can blend. Oregon cannabis is a legal, thriving business so there will need to be mbas and professionals. As the federal government comes to its senses normal channels available. Just pass this as an emergency but also make sure that you're looking at the bigger picture pushing the state legislature to expunge all past marijuana related crimes and be able so that barriers are open to people to go into health care, everything. Thank you very much.

#### Wheeler: Thank you.

**Lightning Super Creativity Disruptor Watchdog:** I'm lightning with super creativity disrupter attack dog. I don't smoke marijuana. I'll make that very clear right now. But I was one of the individuals fighting for the rights of the cannabis industry to have your permit at the waterfront park to explain your position. I am in support of legalization of marijuana. I have some issues here. I think everyone sitting in front of me is doing nothing but looking

at the tax dollars and the fees. You have agreed to reduce the fees. I'm asking for zero fees for the cannabis industry, zero taxation on the cannabis industry. The reason is we already are seeing a saturated market. The city's position is strictly to make fees and taxes. And their position needs to come back and subsidize this industry, not set up the entrepreneurs for failure, which you know you're doing, you know you're doing, because we're in a saturated market. Subsidize these industries like we do the farmers. Like we do the farmers. Zero fees, zero taxes, and maintain the survival of all these people that have put their money in this industry hoping to live a better life and you knowing, you have allowed it to become saturated. The big players will come in and buy these people out and they don't have a chance to survive. Zero fees, zero taxes, and protect the interests of these entrepreneurs that have invested in this industry. Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Appreciate it. So any further -- commissioner eudaly wanted to comment.

**Fish:** I've got to leave. Mayor, I was going to ask you to allow me to vote first on each item because commissioner eudaly will want to give closing remarks.

Wheeler: Why don't we do that. Call the roll on the amendment.

#### Saltzman: Aye. Eudaly: Aye. Fish: Aye.

**Wheeler:** Aye. Amendment is adopted. Please call the roll with commissioner Fish first to the main motion.

**Fish:** I'm very pleased to support this good work, commissioner eudaly and your newly branded bureau. Congratulations for your good work. It seems thoughtful. It seems responsive to community concerns. Frankly that was one the most powerful panels I have witnessed in a long time of key stakeholders thanking government for being responsive and accountable. I think we're on better path. I look forward to following your lead. Aye. **Saltzman:** I also appreciate commissioner eudaly's leadership on this on the office of civic life too. Aye.

Eudaly: I just want to thank commissioner Fish for bearing with us. We went guite a bit over time with this item. First of all, to mr. Lightning's comments, we can't charge zero fees because we have no way to fund the cannabis office and no way to serve cannabis businesses. So that's out of the question. As far as why we focused on expungement other than I guess other indicators, it's because it's actually a measurable way to address communities who are disproportionately impacted because we know the law has been shall we say unevenly applied to communities of color in particular the african-american community. I don't believe that a change of the state level would prevent us from continuing with this program. If it does we'll address it when it happens. My understanding is individuals receive a certificate of expundement so they could still demonstrate they had a prior conviction that they have been impacted for this number of years. I have been -- up until the expungement and they do qualify for the program. It's undeniable that we have historically created discriminatory public policy that has disproportionate, seems like not strong enough a word, impacted communities of color. As jeanette spoke to code changes may sound really boring but it's a big deal. I'm really pleased to be able to advance any kind of remedy. This is not enough. We're not done. But I think it's an important and meaningful step in the right direction. The cannabis industry offers us the opportunity to both support small businesses and restorative justice efforts, which is why this will continue being a priority for the cannabis program moving forward. There's an incredible opportunity for Portland to work with community partners and the industry to create an ethical, sustainable world class industry. I'm really committed to supporting our local businesses. That is a high priority for me as well. In order to ensure this the cannabis program has a responsibility to constantly evaluate practices and policies to make sure it's advancing that vision. Our work is not done but I hope we have demonstrated our commitment by ensuring fairness for retailers, equalizing the cost of licenses,

strengthening permitting requirements, incenting micro businesses and the utilization of women, minority and small business contractors and creating additional relief for those who hire employees with cannabis related convictions or they themselves have such convictions. I look forward to gathering more data and working with our many partners to bring additional policy solutions forward. I thank everyone who has worked with us so far, especially our presenters today. I congratulate jeffrey on his first presentation to council and the successful completion of his first policy assignment in his new role as program specialist. Of course I want to thank brandon goldmer and winton from my office for their work. Finally i'll say we asked for an emergency clause because voting on this is a nonemergency means that the final vote wouldn't happen until two weeks from now, and during that time a number of businesses will have to pay these fees and would have to pay thousands of additional dollars. So passing it today means immediate relief to those businesses. I obviously vote aye.

**Wheeler:** I think this is a fantastic work. I share my colleagues' respect for the people who testified today. I think it's highly informative. Commissioner eudaly, thank you and your team and all the good folks in the bureaus who worked hard on this, all the people in the community who pulled this together. I am very happy to support this. I vote aye. Thank you. Colleagues, we have some sticky problems. Let's talk logistics for a minute. Somebody has pulled item 1009. May I ask who?

Karla: Mr. Lightning.

**Wheeler:** Unfortunately, we do not have a quorum for an emergency item. So michelle, looks like you have a recommendation on this.

**Michelle:** We do have staff to present on the item to be able to hold a hearing now then move the vote to next week when you have quorum.

Wheeler: You recommend we pull the emergency clause off of it?

Michelle: No. I recommend that we have --

Wheeler: Just continue it. Let's do that. Let's do 1009. Good morning.

**Karl Lisle:** Good morning. Pretty simple. It's an existing contract that the spectator venues program holds with miller, a structural engineering firm in Portland. We have been using them on various projects for the last year plus. This is expensive work. We're engaged currently in a number of projects with them and we need to increase the amount of the contract. I would also note that in the time since we awarded the original contract, the dollar limit has been increased on these contracts that are available and we probably would have set it at this amount in the beginning if we had had that opportunity at the time. If there's a specific question you want to know, please let me know.

**Wheeler:** I don't. Let's take testimony from mr. Lightning. Perhaps that will provoke a question or two. Thank you. Was it just mr. Lightning?

Karla: I have a signup sheet.

Wheeler: Welcome.

**Lightning:** Yes, my name is lightning super creativity disruptor attack dog. The only concern I had on this item and why I pulled this item is that I think we get into the mindset of any time you throw out that term seismic upgrade, it's grab those dollars. Get those consultants out there and grab those dollars because they are waiting to go your direction. The reason why I say that is as you know the original contract was at \$100,000. Then you did an amendment which you have to do when you're asking for more, you got another \$150,000. That took you up to 250,000 from the original hundred. Now you're asking another 250,000. Now we're at 500,000. A lot of what I saw on this report was this is really for seismic analysis to complete projects currently under way and we're asking for that additional money. I just pulled this item for the public to be aware that when we're starting to hear this seismic upgrade it better start making you very nervous and you better start looking at where that money is being spent, who the consultants are, who the engineers

are and how much they are increasing their original contract amount because of that. So this number jumped out at me. It's a little alarming to me but again, you're going to vote yes on this. But again I just wanted to put this on record, on the regular agenda for the public to start looking and understand, get nervous. The seismic upgrades is going to cost a tremendous amount of money to the taxpayers. Get ready. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it. Very good. Call the roll.

Karla: It's an emergency. We'll continue it --

**Wheeler:** I'm sorry. Thank you, Karla. That's what happens when you turn my age, I guess. We'll continue this to next week. The next item is 1014, it's my understanding michelle we're going to take the emergency clause off of this. Is that correct? Very good. Why don't you read 1014.

#### Item 1014.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Colleagues, I would like to move that we remove the emergency clause from this item.

Fish: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion and second. Call the roll, please.

Saltzman: Aye. Eudaly: Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. Very good. Welcome. Thanks for being here.

Carmen Merlo, Office Management and Finance, Chief Deputy: Thank you. I'm carmen merlo, office of management and finance. I'm with the ordinance to authorize participants for the 2019 city-wide charitable campaign. The charitable campaign is an annual benefit to raise money for local, national and international charities by allowing city employees to donate to participating organization through a payroll deduction. This year the campaign will begin on november 5th and run through november 30. We have received 20 applications from organizations wishing to participate this year. Eight of those are city partnered nonprofits. 12 are umbrella organizations representing nearly 400 individual charities. After reviewing the applications the charitable campaign advisory committee made up of your appointees recommended all 20 be approved to participate. 47 of the umbrellas individual charities require special exemption as they currently are ineligible based on the city's 25% overhead cap requirement. Those organizations are listed in the handout we have provided you. All costs incurred for the charitable campaign are paid for by the participating organizations and there's no cost to the city for this campaign. Employees that wish to participate can select either a one-time pay error deduction or can contribute each pay period. We expect that donations will begin with the first paycheck in january 2019 and for your reference last year we had 496 employees that contributed more than 260,000. The city-wide charitable campaign represents an important way for city employees to give back to their community. I'm so pleased to bring this forward for your approval. I would like to turn it over to the campaign coordinator, janet storm, for more background on the committee's work.

**Janet Storm, Office of Management and Finance:** Good morning. I'm janet storm. I'm with omf business operations, the city-wide charitable campaign coordinator. I wanted to say thank you to the advisory committee. They did an amazing job. They are mary broderick, trayvon meyery, polly ann burge and jeanine gates. They were a pleasure to work with. If the ordinance is ultimately approved the 2019 charitable campaign will begin november 5 and run through november 30. Eight city partnered nonprofits and 12 umbrella organizations representing nearly 400 local, national and international charities have applied for this campaign. The charitable campaign advisory committee is recommending approval of all eight city partnered nonprofits and the 12 umbrella organizations. During the application process, the campaign advisory and business operations conducted review of the campaign eligibility requirements and then we did an analysis of each of the more than 400 organizations that's applied for participation. The analysis involved checking the

licensing status in the state of Oregon, examining each organization's mission, their delivery services, board membership, nondiscrimination policies and audited financial statements and irs 990 forms. As a result of the analysis we discovered that more than 50 organizations at the time appeared to be ineligible for participation based on the city's 25 overhead cap requirement. That means the overhead includes the charities' administrative expenses such as office staff, computers and fund-raising expenses and when you measure that against their total revenue it cannot exceed 25%. We notified the umbrella organizations and as a result several charities were able to submit more recent financials showing that they were in fact in compliance. So now the total number of ineligible organizations as of this moment are the 47 that are listed on the handout. Most of these charities are small organizations. They support elimination of prejudice and poverty. They provide services for minorities and underprivileged, support public arts and work to protect the environment. The committee then deliberated on this issue for more than a month and conducted extensive best practices research. They discovered that the state of Oregon, metro and Multhomah county annual charitable campaigns don't contain any such limit on overhead expenditures, and they also learned that the state of Oregon enacted a consumer protection law in 2013 whereby a charity's license in Oregon can be revoked if the three-year average of their overhead expenses exceeds 70%. So that is a statewide protection. The committee then consulted with the Oregon association of nonprofits, the better business bureau wise giving alliance, guide star and charity navigator. All are of the opinion that using overhead ratios to determine soundness is a major contributor to what they call the nonprofit starvation cycle which occurs when organizations attempt to meet donor overhead expectations by underfunding vital infrastructure. All of them have stated other factors such as transparency, government leadership and results offer a more accurate indicator of a nonprofit's health. As a result of what the campaign advisory committee learned from this research they are of the opinion that the city's 25% overhead cap may not be in line with current best practices but that the committee will need more time to arrive at appropriate recommendation. So the committee is recommending that the overhead requirement be waived for this year only to allow those 47 organizations to participate then the committee will come back and make a more specific recommendation to you in time for the 2020 campaign. So in closing, the committee and business operations would like to thank council for hearing this today and for your consideration and we would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Wheeler: Very good. Thank you.

**Saltzman:** I was very impressed with the thoroughness of the committee's work. Very impressive track record. But i'm opposed to this because I feel it just goes against the grain of common sense. You were confronted with a problem. My god, 47 organizations have a higher administrative rate than 25%. You know, in my world I would say sorry, you're out of luck. I think we owe it to our employees who are taking advantage of this campaign to give to these charities and probably don't have time to investigate the administrative rate on all these. We need to be that beacon that's looking out for them. So instead of saying sorry, you're out of luck, over 25%, we're proposing to waive it altogether so organizations spending as much as 50% or 70% on administration can get money from our employees. Sure, some of them are small nonprofits doing good work, but if you're a \$100,000 budget and spending 50 to \$70 on a staff person what are you doing in the way of any concrete programming? Chances are the one person who works for that organization is just fund-raising and fund-raising and fund-raising and I would really hope -what is the real work getting done, particularly the small ones where over half or 70% of the money is going for administration? This just -- given the committee's extensive work, and well qualified people i'm just totally baffled that we're moving backwards on this from what I think most people would say keep your administrative rates low. People look with

that. I don't care what do or best practices are. What they tell you are best practices. They don't want to be bound by administrative rates. We're telling consumers, ordinary people, that's a big thing. Watch tv, some charity is spending 90% on administration. They come all the time on tv. This is what matters and it's understandable to a layperson. I'm opposed to it and baffled. I would point out finally that we ourselves hold ourselves to much lower administrative rates and we do that to get voter approval of our bonds, the Portland housing bond has a 5% administrative rate. The metro housing bond has a 5% rate. Portland children's levy has had a 5% rate for 15 years. That's going away i'm convinced, but it's just we are talking constantly to our voters about keeping administrative expenses low. On the other hand we're saying to our employees, you know, never mind, don't look at that. It's not a best practice. All the other charities are all against it. They say it's not best practice. It defies common sense. That's why i'm going to vote against this. I really -- you talk about having another year to look at it. To me this is the first sign. It's gone if this ordinance passes because you'll come back a year from now. You want to solve the problems. You'll have the same dilemmas, the same 47 organizations leaning on you. It will be a permanent waiver of the administrative cap.

**Eudaly:** Thank you for your work on this. I want to say that first glance I was of similar mind to commissioner Saltzman, but once I delved into this item with my staff I realized the issue. We're looking at nonprofits as if they all serve the same purpose or function the same way. It's one thing to say to red cross, who is gathering money from individuals to give to people in crisis, you need toll keep your administrative costs low. It's another thing to say to an organization such as Oregon public broadcasting that you have to limit your administrative costs to 25%. Well, they are not gathering money from the public saying that they are going to do charitable giving with it. They are gathering money from the public to fund their nonprofit and their programming and organization. There's other organizations that i'm deeply familiar with or previously involved with, Portland gay men's chorus, g center, street trust, 350 pdx, Portland institute for contemporary art right around Portland. These are vital, up standing professional well run organizations. They are not misusing their funds. They are simply not collecting money from one set of people to give it to another. So it's very understandable to me why we need to make this change. The alternative is we continue to make special exceptions for charities that our employees want to give money to that don't meet this pretty arbitrary criteria that we have set. What is the alternative? I'm asking staff.

**Storm:** That's what the committee wants to take time to decide. There were many ideas looked at in their meetings. They realized that they were running out of time because the campaign is typically in the fall. They did not feel that they had anything that was solid enough to bring to you at that time but they also wanted to make sure that the due diligence that they had done was understood. That's why they suggested a waiver for one year. Then coming back and possibly -- I can't put words in their mouths, but perhaps they would come up with another figure that might feel more reasonable.

**Eudaly:** Maybe a way to distinguish between different types of organizations because it's absolutely understandable why some of these organizations would have high overhead costs. It's a performance venue. Their biggest cost is going to be that maintaining that venue. Also it's not really fair to compare charitable efforts that are run through the city to these nonprofits because they are not -- we are funding them. The children's levy is funded through a tax, not through someone who is paid to sit in their office and do fund-raising. There are nuances to this conversation that I think are being lost.

**Saltzman:** I would be remiss if I didn't say one option ought to be considered is we have how many employees? 600 that gave last year?

Merlo: A little under 500.

**Saltzman:** And we raised \$266,000. That's for a city that employs 6,000 people. That's not very robust. I would suggest we probably take a cut; united way takes a cut then the organization gets something. I would suggest maybe one of the options be considered that we do away with the employee giving program altogether and urge our employees to contact these well-meaning organizations directly and save them money by contributing directly rather than through the city, united way or whatever.

**Merlo:** If I could, I think one of benefits of this program is the ease with which we enable employees to contribute so they are not making perhaps a one-time donation which many people may not afford. They are able to do it over the course of the year through payroll deduction. I think it would be a huge loss if we took away the program altogether. **Wheeler:** Commissioner? Public testimony?

Karla: Three people. Four people.

Wheeler: Name for the record, please.

Shedrick J. Wilkins: Cedric Wilkins. I was to announce this that I consider the use of the temple Beth Israel as a shelter for homeless people as a contribution. A charitable contribution to the city of Portland, the use of resources. When I was homeless every feeding center shut down except in 2011 the community center near temple Beth Israel, the synagogue was the first largest synagogue west of the Mississippi. Okay? I actually have been there. I had an 8th grade Jewish teacher named Mrs. Barren stein at Madison high school. My relatives are all Christian. I was a veteran. My dog tags I could have said Jewish but I decided to say Christian. The real truth is because commissioner Saltzman is openly Jewish, I will announce that I am Jewish where the Jewish faith thinks I'm Jewish. Okay? My son one time said I'm a Christian. I'm pushing the Christian religion. I'm Jewish. I will talk if commissioner Saltzman thinks, who is openly Jewish, that the Jewish opinion is not represented and it is because I also respect the commissioner's development of the art stacks, which to me is a way to make sure that children despite cuts in the k through 12 state budget kids can still get exposed to the arts and can learn to read at least. So that's important whether they learn science or not that's a different opinion. I'm now Jewish. I think that's one of the sad things that commissioner Saltzman he has provided the city council for at least 20 years a Jewish influence. So I'm Jewish, and I will do that because I just heard that was it this fall or this last winter the temple Beth Israel allows -- how much would it cost the city to put 100 people in a homeless shelter? That's a charitable contribution. How much would it cost for the city of Portland to have a Christmas party and feed homeless people? That's a charitable contribution with no overhead staff. Okay. I'm Jewish.

**Windy Hovey, RACC:** Mayor wheeler, commissioners Eudaly and Saltzman, I'm Wendy Hovey, at the regional arts and culture council. As advocates rac is in full support of waiving the 25% overhead cap that excludes some funding groups from representation in the charitable campaign. Our funded groups in jeopardy are small to mid-sized organizations combined they serve more than 115,000 kids and adults each year through substantial arts education programs, equitable access to airports and culture experiences and performances and programs that nurture diversity of thought and self-expression. These organizations deserve to be represented in the charitable campaign. Rac does not consider overhead percentages as part of our grant making processes. Commissioner eudaly was correct a moment ago in stating that there are myriad ways in which nonprofits can legally report their program, administration and fund-raising costs and every organization does it differently. That makes overhead ratios a poor indicator of an organization's community impact and financial efficiency. Overhead is the life blood of nonprofit organizations encompassing the staff who run the programs, staff training and professional development, strategic planning, evaluation and audits. Technology and fundraising so they can support and grow the programs and services on behalf of our

communities. There are nonprofits across many sectors in the campaign affected by this cap. They are organizations working to end environmental degradation, racism and poverty. They fight for social justice and provide services for our community members who live on the streets. They mentor our youth, strengthen families and prevent child abuse. The work that our funded and member groups do is more important now than ever. They need our advocacy and support instead of barriers and burden. For their thoughtful discussions and recommendations to waive the overhead cap, to janet storm, campaign coordinator extraordinaire, who has pulled together no small amount of information and kept us informed. And we are grateful to each of you for empowering city employees to connect with and support causes that are meaningful to them through the charitable campaign. We are proud to be your partners in this work. I hope that you will vote in favor of waiving the 25% administrative fund-raising cap for this fall's campaign and rac looks forward to further conversations that will lead to changes in the code for future campaigns. Thank you.

#### Wheeler: Thank you.

Meghan Humphreys, Earth Share: Good morning. Mayor wheeler, commissioners, i'm megan humphries, director for earth share Oregon, which is one of the umbrella organizations in this campaign. We work with more than 100 nonprofits to bring them into annual workplace giving programs like the city of Portland's. We ensure that the organizations on earth share's list represent not only a wide range of environmental and conservation work but they are also responsible, accountable organizations that make a difference in the lives of Oregonians. They protect our most precious resources, our air, drinkable water, wild lance, farmlands and the livability that we currently enjoy in our cities but they can no do the sophisticated work to fill that role or be good stewards of the funds donated to them without so-called overhead like experienced staff, working computers, financial accounting and auditing services and suitable office space. These are things most take for granted but nonprofits are penalized for being professional organizations. It's because people have heard in recent years that nonprofit overhead is a momolithically bad thing and nonprofits should have little to none of it. But recent academic research refutures this assumption. One university study published this month in the journal of nonprofit management leadership found lower overhead rates do not equate to efficiency. Their analysis of more than 600 habitat for humanity affiliates determined it was the exact opposite. Researchers concluded that using low overhead rates to measure efficiency is potentially misleading to donors and should be avoided. The myth that it indicates a good nonprofit starves nonprofits of the resources they need. Expectative stewards are of our donations. They can't keep track if hiring a bookkeeper or conducting their annual audit is out of the question because it would increase their overhead ratio. They can't be effective if they can't hire a gualified director. For many even something as small as buying one laptop computer can push overhead beyond what this particular city code governing the campaign has temporarily decided is an unacceptable number. It would allow important nonprofits providing services that we all count on for the health of our communities to participate in this giving campaign this fall. Thank you so much for providing the employees of the city with this effective and important opportunity to give back to the nonprofits that been fit from it. Thank you.

#### Wheeler: Thank you.

**Lightning:** My name is lightning super creativity disruptor attack dog. Absolutely agree with commissioner Saltzman. We were talking the 25% overhead cost, well, from my position I guess I would have said, well, maybe we can do a little bit better. Let's just go 50% but what you did, you did a complete waiver across the board. Said, I have 75% like the state. Why not even higher? That doesn't even make sense when this 25% overhead cost was implemented and now you just want to completely do away with it. Another issue

I have is that when we're talking about these nonprofits, who is really doing the detailed research if there's been any complaints filed against them? Let's use an example from someone I have a lot of respect from. Commissioner smith at Multhomah county. She has made a claim publicly and it's in print that jo ann hardesty embezzled money from the naacp. With that being stated, mayor, you be a state treasurer, knowing the complaint has been filed at this time, do you want your city employees giving money to the naacp until we have an understanding what is really happened in that investigation is finalized or would you put them in jeopardy as the mayor of this city where their money may not go to anything. It might disappear. Would you do that without at least setting them a disclaimer out first and saying do the information I received. From various other media newspaper outlets, I have a concern and i'm going to address that. Here's a disclaimer. Make sure you understand I have done a disclaimer. From commissioner Saltzman's position, get out of this. Don't do it any more, city. There's too many issues and it's right in the publication from tuesday that if you can't read this and if the city club this friday you're going to hear about this over and over from the public on this issue. Do you want the city employees taking a chance with their money when this is in publication? If I was the mayor I would say no. I would not even have this within the city. Push it off to the side. The employees are very intelligent people here. I have the greatest respect for you even though I want to put a freeze on your salaries, and I know they have the ability to make the right decision where they want their money to go and they don't need the city of Portland involved in this in any way. As commissioner Saltzman stated, get the city out. Look at this issue between commissioner smith and jo ann hardesty. Get the city out of this mess. Thank you. Wheeler: Thank you. Thanks all three of you.

Karla: Two more.

Wheeler: Welcome. Thanks for being here.

Terri Theisen, VP Strategic Planning All Hands Raised: Good morning. On behalf of all hands raised partnership I thank you for the opportunity to speak with you. I'm terri tyson, vice president for strategic planning for all hands raised. I'm also the parent of two pps students, one a graduate, one a current student. The all hands raised partnership has been fortunate to be included in the city of Portland's employee giving campaign since 1999. During that time city employees have contributed nearly \$292,000 to the school districts in the city of Portland. And the schools, When we were first invited to participate in the campaign we were known as the Portland schools foundation. It included all of the schools in the Portland public school district. As of 2011, the leadership commissioner chair ted wheeler we expanded our mission to include all public school districts in Portland. That includes centennial, david douglas, reynolds, barlow and the education school district. This has become increasingly relevant to improve out comes for kids of color and in poverty. The workplace giving campaign is significant and impactful. Not only does it provide resource for schools and the students, but equally importantly it gives us an opportunity to talk to city employees about the work we are doing at all hands raised partnership which leads to economic mobility in our city. On behalf of the partnership I want to thank you. I want to thank the employees of the city of Portland and janet storm and her team for their focus and effort that you have put on giving back to this community and supporting your nonprofit partners in making Portland a city where community health and well-being is a clear priority. Thanks for having me today. Wheeler: Thank you.

**Diana Ogaz:** Hello. Good morning. I'm diana. I am very fascinated by this specific topic. Our city has a lot of wonderful nonprofit organizations that are helping our citizens really thrive, and I think that when we have the 2019 charitable campaign that's a huge benefit because we are encouraging our fellow communities to give back and to help each other out. Helping each other out is what makes us a strong, strong community where we come

from very different backgrounds and it unites us. There are 47 nonprofits that didn't make the cut. Although I do wish all nonprofits could make the cut because I think that it's absolutely important, I think that it is very important to maintain the integrity for the people who are going to expensing their own finances out of their paycheck. When you have people who work really, really hard it's difficult to draw that line on where the cap is. For me and myself i'm currently trying to create I missed that cap this year. But that just gives me hope for next year to really get my ducks in a row, to learn what it is that I need to do in order to qualify and hopefully be one of the 25 next year. I will agree with commissioner eudaly in the fact that maybe we create a special bracket those people who didn't make it into the top 25 have the opportunity to continue to promote something that is going to help enrich our community but it is imperative for anyone who is expensing their money to know exactly where it's going and to also know what they are paying for. Because the fact that 25 people did make it shows they are doing the things they need to do. It's not a fault on the 47 that didn't make it. It means we need to tighten it up. If we could create a special bracket so employees know that these 47 charitables, community here, nonprofits, if they are wanting to expense they've money at least know what they are giving it to so everyone has an option. To falsely say that someone maintained the cap when they didn't it's going to create a problem for next year and for people trying to do the right thing it's very discouraging to see that get pushed forward.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Appreciate it. Does that conclude testimony? **Karla:** That's all who signed up.

**Wheeler:** Could I get carmen -- either of you. Sorry. You probably both have the answer. The question here, this isn't public resources, this is the employees own funds and we're creating a platform as we have for a gazillion years for them to make a holiday contribution to a nonprofit of their choice. As I understand the current context, we are obviously seeking to eliminate the cap on administrative overhead --

Merlo: For one year.

**Wheeler:** Which would bring us into alignment with other jurisdictions who do not have this cap. I agree that this will create attention on the question of administrative overhead. During this time of year there are always lots and lots of news stories about administrative overhead. Is there a way through this campaign -- my view on this is i'm honestly of the opinion that we're providing the platform and I would admonish our employees to do their research before they make a charitable contribution to any organization. You should not willy-nilly give money to anyone just because you heard their name before or know what they have done in the past. Be thorough about where you choose to put your precious dollars. Is there a way through our campaign that we could list some of the basic information, the name of the organization, what the organization says their mission is based on their own words, and their own disclosure of what their overhead is, and let our employees decide? Is there a way to do that?

#### Merlo: Absolutely.

**Saltzman:** That's a great idea. I would carry it further and suggest we amend this ordinance to require that. But every nonprofit has to file with the department of justice. It's a form 990?

# Storm: CT10 I think.

Saltzman: Every nonprofit in the state must file that form and they do an administrative rate as the department requires. Why don't we just list the administrative rate per the form 990, whatever it is, on the enrollment. Let employees make their own decisions accordingly. I think the mayor's idea is great. I would propose that as an amendment.
Wheeler: I'll second it. My view is let's not exclude organizations. Let's give our employees that information, transparency. Let them make the calls, do the google search, let them answer the questions they want answered.

**Eudaly:** What information would this provide to the public that's not already available to them?

**Wheeler:** This information is already available to anyone who chooses to look. As commissioner Saltzman said there are required state filings. I think some percentage you lose your ability to file with the state. I want to say it's like 70%. This is a question regularly raised and I think it would engender good conversations between potential donors and the organizations if they say, you appear to be on the higher side, why are you on the higher side? Let them have that conversation. From my perspective since we're not using city funds this is actually employees making their own decisions about their own funds. I would go one of two ways on this. Either say let's put the information out there or put no information. Just tell them --

Merlo: Do your own research.

**Wheeler:** You're on your own. In this case I think it's a legitimate point of discussion for nonprofits. I know that when I make a contribution, I always am curious to know where the money going and how is it being spent. I contribute to organizations that give considerably

-- that have overhead considerably higher than 25%. I know why it's higher than 25%. **Eudaly:** So our statement, if i'm understanding this correctly, is 70% so there are safeguards at the state level, and i'm expecting we have some guarantee that all of the organizations who participate are in compliance with all state and federal requirements. **Storm:** Yes. They have current licenses with the state.

**Eudaly:** We're effectively raising our cap from 25 to 70% by doing this. Anyone over 70% wouldn't qualify.

**Saltzman:** We simply make the information available to our employees like a link, name of the organization, share, whatever it is. Here's a link to the form 990 to see what they told the department of justice their administrative rate is for that year. Link or in print. Most people do this online now.

Merlo: It's online. Correct.

**Saltzman:** We should put a link to the form 990 at the department of justice. Or publish the rate.

Eudaly: Which is effectively raising the limit to 70.

Saltzman: We're just providing information.

**Wheeler:** I'll take that as a friendly amendment. I like linking to the form that everyone has the same information. I'll accept that as a friendly amendment.

Saltzman: Aye. Eudaly: Aye.

**Wheeler:** Aye. The amendment is adopted. Any further discussion on any of this? **Merlo:** Thank you.

Eudaly: The amendment to the item then the item has to come back?

**Wheeler:** It's a nonemergency. So this is a really important program. As mayor I want to do everything I can to help support it. I'm a little disappointed with the number, dan just threw out a very small percentage of our employees participate. Maybe there's some value added -- [audio not understandable]

**Eudaly:** People donate outside the program.

**Wheeler:** I'm grateful as an employee of the city to have this option and I appreciate the good work that you have put into this. Without further ado this is a first reading of a nonemergency ordinance. It moves to second reading as amended. We're going to fly through some stuff here, folks. 1013.

# Item 1013.

**Wheeler:** I'm limiting public testimony to two minutes. I will be absolutely ruthless about two minutes. Good afternoon.

**Bob Del Gizzi, Portland Police Business Operational Manager:** Good afternoon, mr. Mayor, commissioners. The item before you is to dispose of usable surplus equipment

pursuant to city code. You may recall the police bureau is replacing all of the mobile data computers in its patrol vehicles and several of -- a number of nonpatrol vehicles. As a part of this, this particular set of materials which are cards which allow two factor authentication of users becomes obsolete. The units selected currently being rolled out to vehicles has this as a native part of its technology. So what we have done is we have worked with the vendor and looked at what the appreciable value is bureau of technology services has worked on this. The most economic and ecologically sound way to dispose of these is to sell them back to the provider of the equipment, which is posh. So the motion before you is to authorize the disposal of this surplus equipment according to city code.

Wheeler: Great. Any public testimony?

Karla: Just one person. Cedric j. Wilkins.

Wheeler: Come on up.

**Wilkins:** I disagree with that statement. I don't think you should sell it. Give to the library, this new shelter, the pearl district shelter so homeless people can have access to the internet. Or whatever it's capable of doing that. Number 2 I want to tell you I made a derogatory statement against x-ray therapy in favor of chemotherapy. At the st. Jude's children's hospital they are experimenting with proton beam therapy. The st. Jude's children's hospital in tennessee does not charge money for treatment. They have this advanced proton beam --

Wheeler: Thanks for that clarification. Stick to the contract.

**Wilkins:** I'm saying I actually do not pay fort internet. I could walk into any shelter and access this information about the st. Jude's children's hospital. Won't cost me anything. Therefore, we do not have proton beam therapy in the state. You have to go to Seattle or san Diego. It is basically being experimented for free on children maybe cancer children therapy should be sent here. I suggested this to Jefferson smith. We should bus people who can't pay for cancer therapy to St. Jude's so they can have access especially effective with children with brain tumors because it's focused on the tumor, not the rest of the brain. **Wheeler:** Thank you.

**Charles bridgecrane Johnson:** Good afternoon. Charles bridgecrane johnson. I think I wish I had time to delve into this more. The city has long standing partnership with free geek. We have had the regulatory commission talk about digital vibe and internet access. In the public comments we haven't talked about the specific dollar amount. How much money does the city recoup into the general fund or into the police budget by selling these computers back to their manufacturers. So it's very hard to give fully informed public testimony without that data in front of us to know whether that money is the best public expenditure. Would it be better to donate the computers to the Multnomah county library system, Portland public schools, free geek, create a new pilot program with the mount hood cable regulatory commission. I'm not sure that you have more data in your packets but of course there's probably time sensitive issue about will the purchaser pay less next month. I think that the package in front of you if you're tempted to vote no there's strong reasons because you haven't balanced your fiduciary duty with your community interest duty to reduce the digital divide for so many in our community. Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. I don't know if you wanted to respond to that or not. **Johnson:** Just with respect to one aspect. The units that are being disposed of are an additional piece of hardware that is attached to the computer. The computers themselves are not part of this. It's a separate card which is installed which allows to factor authentication in the current set of mdcs which did not have that as a native capability. **Wheeler:** A what does it actually look like?

Chad Lublin, Bureau of Technology Services: Chad loveland, bts. It's a square about this --

Wheeler: That is it? I wish I could blow this up. This is not a computer.

Lublin: No.

Wheeler: It's not a screen. It looks like a chip reader.

**Lublin:** That's all it is. It serves two purposes. As he said, first communication which we're required to do by the fbi and state. The other thing that it provides is an automated way for officers to scan driver's licenses and that can be added to cad calls or their reporting. We have both embedded in the new technology. Therefore, we don't need them going forward. **Wheeler:** Any further questions? This is a first reading. It moves to second reading.

Appreciate it. Next up, 1015.

# Item 1015.

Wheeler: Commissioner eudaly.

Eudaly: Oh, boy.

Wheeler: We just have one more second reading after this.

Eudaly: We're moving the other emergencies to next week?

Wheeler: We have taken care of everything else.

**Eudaly:** Sorry. That's consent. I see. All right. Thank you, mayor. I would like to introduce lance Lindahl, a right of way agent with pbot here to explain the street vacation request. Thank you for being here.

Lance Lindahl, Bureau of Transportation: Thank you. I'm lance Lindahl, pbot right of way acquisition. The street vacation was petitioned by a private property owner. Park office LLC. Back in the fall of 2015 to support development of a multi story commercial building known as field office. The area is a 30 foot wide platted street running parallel to the burlington northern santa fe railroad tracks. The street was unpaved and not open to vehicle traffic. Since november 2015 pbot has leased this to park office llc for construction staging. With construction complete it's been approved with privately maintained walkways and stormwater facilities. This property has contributed approximately \$700,000 to construct public sidewalks along adjacent northwest front and northwest 17th. They are contributing approximately 1.1 million to the local improvement district improved by city council in january of last year. I was just informed by jonathan, representative of the applicant, that they are completed installation of a new bike town station adjacent to the vacation area and they picked up the tab for that as well. That was \$35,000 for that. The lid project that was approved by city council will add bike lanes to better connect this project area to old town, so it will construct bikeways between northwest 9th and northwest 17th on front. The planning and sustainability recommended approval on may 8. As a condition easement will be granted for continued operation of the west side big pipe. This easement area is just a small portion of the vacation area at the southern tip of that area. If you have any questions, let me know.

Eudaly: Sounds great.

Wheeler: Any public testimony?

Karla: No one signed up.

**Wheeler:** This is a first reading of nonemergency ordinance. It moves to second reading. Thanks for your patience. 1016.

# Item 1016.

**Wheeler:** This is a second reading meaning there's already been a staff presentation and public testimony on this item. Colleagues, is there any further discussion? Seeing none, please call the roll.

#### Saltzman: Aye. Eudaly: Aye.

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

# Council adjourned at 12:17 pm