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**PORTLAND, OREGON**

**OFFICIAL  
MINUTES**

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER, 2018** AT 9:30 A.M.

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

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Denis Vannier, Senior Deputy City Attorney; and Christopher Alvarez and Nicholas Livingston, Sergeants at Arms.

Item Nos. 1322 and 1330 were pulled for discussion and on a Y-4 roll call, the balance of the Consent Agenda was adopted.

The meeting recessed at 11:15 a.m. and reconvened at 11:16 a.m.  
The meeting recessed at 12:57 p.m. and reconvened at 12:58 p.m.

		<b>Disposition:</b>
<b>COMMUNICATIONS</b>		
<b>1304</b>	Request of Amelia Salvador to address Council regarding announcement of the recipients of the Portland Immigrant Statue Award (Communication)	<b>PLACED ON FILE</b>
<b>1305</b>	Request of Hai Ninh to address Council regarding Portland Immigrant of the Year Award (Communication)	<b>PLACED ON FILE</b>
<b>1306</b>	Request of Joe Rossi to address Council regarding introduction of award recipients of the Portland Immigrant Statue Award (Communication)	<b>PLACED ON FILE</b>
<b>1307</b>	Request of Stan Herman to address Council regarding answer to a question (Communication)	<b>PLACED ON FILE</b>
<b>1308</b>	Request of Scott Moore to address Council to thank the Commissioner for years of leadership on the Portland Children's Levy (Communication)	<b>PLACED ON FILE</b>
<b>TIMES CERTAIN</b>		
<b>1309</b>	<b>TIME CERTAIN: 9:45 AM</b> – Accept the City of Portland 2019 Federal Legislative and Regulatory Agenda (Report introduced by Mayor Wheeler) 45 minutes for items 1309 and 1310. <b>Motion to accept report:</b> Moved by Fish and Seconded by Fritz. (Y-4)	<b>ACCEPTED</b>

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<p><b>1310</b></p>	<p>Accept City of Portland 2019 State Legislative Agenda (Report introduced by Mayor Wheeler) <b>Motion to accept report:</b> Moved by Fish and Seconded by Saltzman. (Y-4)</p>	<p><b>ACCEPTED</b></p>
<p><b>1311</b></p>	<p><b>TIME CERTAIN: 10:30 AM</b> – Appeal of Northwest District Neighborhood Association and Tony Schwartz against Historic Landmarks Commission's decision to approve Block 162 Apartments, a five-story plus residential development, at 1727 NW Hoyt St (Findings; Previous Agenda 1215; Introduced by Mayor Wheeler; LU 18-187493 HRM AD) <b>Motion to deny the appeals and uphold the Historic Landmarks Commission decision; adopt findings with a minor revision to page 10:</b> Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Saltzman. (Y-3; Eudaly and Fish absent)</p>	<p><b>FINDINGS ADOPTED</b></p>
<p><b>1312</b></p>	<p><b>TIME CERTAIN: 10:35 AM</b> – Authorize agreement with Lloyd B.I.D., Inc. for program management in the Lloyd Business District (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler) 20 minutes requested</p>	<p><b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JANUARY 2, 2019 AT 9:30 AM</b></p>
<p><b>CONSENT AGENDA – NO DISCUSSION</b></p>		
<p><b>1313</b></p>	<p>Authorize the Office for Community Technology and the Portland Bureau of Transportation to enter into an agreement with AT&amp;T related to the permitting of small cellular technology in the public right of way to enable 5G deployment (Resolution introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Eudaly) (Y-4)</p>	<p><b>37405</b></p>
<p><b>Mayor Ted Wheeler</b></p>		
<p><b>1314</b></p>	<p>Nominate Damien Hall to serve a four-year term representing the City of Portland on the Metropolitan Exposition and Recreation Commission beginning January 1, 2019 (Resolution) (Y-4)</p>	<p><b>37406</b></p>
<p><b>Bureau of Planning &amp; Sustainability</b></p>		
<p><b>*1315</b></p>	<p>Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with Parkrose School District for \$10,000 for the Parkrose-Argay Development Study known as Rossi Farms Development Plan (Ordinance) (Y-4)</p>	<p><b>189307</b></p>
<p><b>*1316</b></p>	<p>Approve annexation to the City of Portland of property within the boundaries of the City Urban Services Boundary in case number A-1-18, on the west side of the City on the northwest side of NW Hilltop Dr (Ordinance) (Y-4)</p>	<p><b>189308</b></p>
<p><b>City Attorney</b></p>		
<p><b>1317</b></p>	<p>Clarify the required placarding and tenant notification requirements for unreinforced masonry buildings (Second Reading 1271; amend Code Chapter 24.85) (Y-4)</p>	<p><b>189309</b></p>

<b>Office of Management and Finance</b>		
<b>*1318</b>	Pay settlement of lawsuit by Marlene Acosta de Cubias in the sum of \$70,000 involving Portland Bureau of Transportation (Ordinance) (Y-4)	<b>189310</b>
<b>*1319</b>	Pay property damage claim of Charlotte Carpenter in the sum of \$6,028 resulting from a motor vehicle collision involving Portland Fire and Rescue (Ordinance) (Y-4)	<b>189311</b>
<b>*1320</b>	Amend loan agreement with Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority for the Levee Ready Columbia effort to extend project completion deadline (Ordinance; amend Loan Agreement) (Y-4)	<b>189312</b>
<b>*1321</b>	Authorize the Director of the Bureau of Revenue and Financial Services to execute special appropriation grant agreements (Ordinance) (Y-4)	<b>189313</b>
<b>*1322</b>	Amend relocation policy to allow relocation assistance in a lump sum of up to \$10,000 and utilize the approved relocation vendor to enhance the onboarding experience and maximize utilization of funds (Ordinance; amend HRAR-3.01) <b>Motion to delete words “for executive and hard to fill positions” from the title:</b> Moved by Fritz and seconded by Fish. (Y-4) (Y-4)	<b>189321</b> AS AMENDED
<b>1323</b>	Revise Pay and Park and Non-Pay Private Parking Facilities regulations to grant flexibility to the Director to determine where signs should be posted, authorize Operators to collect a parking fee, change references to the Portland Bureau of Transportation to the Revenue Division, and other housekeeping changes (Ordinance; amend Code Chapter 7.25)	<b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JANUARY 2, 2019 AT 2:00 PM</b>
<b>Portland Housing Bureau</b>		
<b>*1324</b>	Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Portland Housing Bureau and Portland State University to provide Project Management for the leadership team at the Bureau (Ordinance) (Y-4)	<b>189314</b>
<b>Commissioner Chloe Eudaly</b>		
<b>Bureau of Transportation</b>		
<b>1325</b>	Authorize a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the N Denver Avenue Pavement Rehabilitation Project from N Lombard St to N Watts St for an estimated \$1,335,000 (Ordinance)	<b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JANUARY 2, 2019 AT 2:00 PM</b>
<b>*1326</b>	Authorize payment to Carol Williamson and Associates, LTD for \$14,660 for work in retail space at the 3rd and Alder SmartPark (Ordinance) (Y-4)	<b>189315</b>

<p><b>*1327</b></p>	<p>Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Department of Transportation for safety improvements on US30BY (N Lombard) at N Greeley, N Newman, N Washburn, and N Fenwick (Ordinance) (Y-4)</p>	<p><b>189316</b></p>
<p><b>1328</b></p>	<p>Authorize a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the SW Capitol Highway Pavement Rehabilitation Project SW Multnomah Blvd to SW Texas for an estimated \$2,024,646 (Second Reading Agenda 1276) (Y-4)</p>	<p><b>189317</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Commissioner Nick Fish</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Bureau of Environmental Services</b></p> <p><b>1329</b> Revise the amount authorized to expend under the Add Work Letter Agreement with the Oregon Department of Transportation related to sewer facility adjustments by the US26 (Powell Blvd) SE 122nd Ave to SE 136th Ave Project for an amount not to exceed \$30,000 (Ordinance; amend Ordinance No. 188886)</p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JANUARY 2, 2019 AT 2:00 PM</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Commissioner Dan Saltzman</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Portland Bureau of Emergency Management</b></p> <p><b>*1330</b> Accept the FY 2018 Department of Homeland Security Urban Areas Security Initiative grant in the amount of \$2,353,665 from the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to enhance emergency preparedness through planning, training and equipping of emergency responders in the Portland Urban Area (Ordinance) (Y-4)</p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>189322</b></p>
<p><b>*1331</b></p>	<p>Authorize Portland Bureau of Emergency Management application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency for a Pre-Disaster mitigation grant in the amount of \$150,000 for an update to the 2016 Mitigation Action Plan (Ordinance) (Y-4)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>189318</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>REGULAR AGENDA</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Morning</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Mayor Ted Wheeler</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Bureau of Development Services</b></p> <p><b>*1332</b> Conditionally exempt the creation of certain mass shelters and short-term housing facilities from Parks and Recreation, Environmental Services, Transportation and Water systems development charges (Ordinance; amend Code Title 17, Chapter 21.16, Chapter 30.01 and add Section 30.01.096) 20 minutes requested (Y-4)</p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>189323</b></p>
<p><b>*1333</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Bureau of Planning &amp; Sustainability</b></p> <p>Develop a Waste Collection Access and Opportunity Program and authorize exemption as a Class Special Procurement (Ordinance) 20 minutes requested (Y-4)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>189324</b></p>

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<b>Office of Management and Finance</b>		
<b>*1334</b>	Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with Oregon Department of Transportation for State real property cleanup services not to exceed \$2 million annually (Ordinance) 30 minutes requested (Y-4)	<b>189325</b>
<b>*1335</b>	Authorize limited tax revenue refunding bonds through December 31, 2021 (Ordinance)	<b>RESCHEDULED TO JANUARY 9, 2019 AT 9:30 AM</b>
<b>1336</b>	Authorize the Second Amended and Restated Visitor Facilities Intergovernmental Agreement with Multnomah County and Metro (Second Reading Agenda 1293)	<b>REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION</b>
<b>Portland Housing Bureau</b>		
<b>1337</b>	Accept the State of Housing in Portland 2018 Report (Report) 25 minutes requested Rescheduled to December 19, 2018 at 3:00 PM Time Certain. <b>Motion to accept report:</b> Moved by Saltzman and seconded by Fritz. (Y-4)	<b>ACCEPTED</b>
<b>Commissioner Chloe Eudaly</b>		
<b>Bureau of Transportation</b>		
<b>*1338</b>	Authorize the Bureau of Transportation to acquire certain permanent and temporary rights necessary for construction of the East Portland Access to Employment and Education project, through the exercise of the City's Eminent Domain Authority (Ordinance) (Y-4)	<b>189326</b>
<b>*1339</b>	Authorize the Bureau of Transportation to acquire certain permanent and temporary rights necessary for construction of the NE 55th Avenue – NE 57th Avenue and NE Killingsworth Street LID project, through the exercise of the City's Eminent Domain Authority (Ordinance; C-10062) (Y-4)	<b>189327</b>
<b>1340</b>	Vacate N Hunt St east of N Argyle Wy subject to certain conditions and reservations (Second Reading 1291; VAC-10121) (Y-4)	<b>189319</b>
<b>Commissioner Amanda Fritz</b>		
<b>Water Bureau</b>		
<b>1341</b>	Authorize the Water Bureau to acquire certain permanent and temporary property rights necessary for construction of the Willamette River Crossing through the exercise of the City's Eminent Domain authority as a last resort (Second Reading Agenda 1299) (Y-4)	<b>189320</b>

At 1:06 p.m., Council recessed.

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A RECESSED MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER, 2018** AT 2:00 P.M.

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

Commissioner Saltzman arrived at 2:26 p.m.  
Commissioner Fish left at 4:10 p.m.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Lory Kraut, Senior Deputy City Attorney; and Nicholas Livingston and Christopher Alvarez, Sergeants at Arms.

The meeting recessed at 3:41 p.m. and reconvened at 4:02 p.m.

<b>1342</b>	<b>TIME CERTAIN: 2:00 PM</b> – Results of Financial Audit of the City Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for FY 2017-18 and related communications (Report introduced by Auditor Hull Caballero) 1 hour for items 1342-1343 <b>Motion to accept report:</b> Moved by Fritz and seconded by Fish. (Y-4)	<b>Disposition:</b>  <b>ACCEPTED</b>
<b>1343</b>	Accept the City of Portland Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for FY ended June 30, 2018 (Report introduced by Mayor Wheeler) <b>Motion to accept report:</b> Moved by Saltzman and seconded by Fritz. (Y-4)	<b>ACCEPTED</b>
<b>*1344</b>	<b>TIME CERTAIN: 3:00 PM</b> – Adopt Area Parking Permit Surcharge Allocation Guidelines (Ordinance introduced by Commissioner Eudaly) 1 hour requested	<b>RESCHEDULED TO JANUARY 9, 2019 AT 2:00 PM TIME CERTAIN</b>
<b>1345</b>	<b>TIME CERTAIN: 4:00 PM</b> – Accept the Oregon Sports Authority's annual report on national and international sports marketing activities and event recruiting services (Report introduced by Mayor Wheeler; Contract No. 30005536) 15 minutes requested <b>Motion to accept report:</b> Moved by Fritz and seconded by Saltzman. (Y-3; Eudaly and Fish absent)	<b>ACCEPTED</b>
<b>1346</b>	<b>TIME CERTAIN: 4:10 PM</b> – Proclaim December 19 <sup>th</sup> to be the day Portland honors the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (Proclamation introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Fritz) 30 minutes requested	<b>PLACED ON FILE</b>

At 4:44 p.m., Council recessed.

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THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Wheeler, Presiding; Commissioners Fish and Saltzman, 3. Commissioner Eudaly teleconferenced from 2:00 p.m. to 2:20 p.m., 4.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Karen Moynahan, Chief Deputy City Attorney; and Nicholas Livingston and Ryan Hintz, Sergeants at Arms.

<p><b>*1347</b>      <b>TIME CERTAIN: 2:00 PM</b> – Authorize new construction financing in an amount not to exceed \$15,950,000 for the Argyle Apartments (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler) 20 minutes requested (Y-4; Fritz absent)</p>	<p><b>Disposition:</b>  <b>189328</b></p>
<p><b>1348</b>      <b>TIME CERTAIN: 2:20 PM</b> – Accept the Year Three Bond Oversight Committee Report on the \$68 Million Parks 2014 General Obligation Bond (Report introduced by Commissioner Fish) 15 minutes requested <b>Motion to accept report:</b> Moved by Fish and seconded by Saltzman. (Y-3; Eudaly and Fritz absent)</p>	<p><b>ACCEPTED</b></p>
<p><b>REGULAR AGENDA</b> <b>Afternoon</b></p> <p><b>Mayor Ted Wheeler</b></p> <p><b>Bureau of Police</b></p>	
<p><b>1349</b>      Update Burglary and Alarm Systems Code with current practices and definitions for alarm permitting (Ordinance; replace Code Chapter 14B.10) 15 minutes requested</p>	<p><b>PASSED TO SECOND READING JANUARY 2, 2019 AT 9:30 AM</b></p>
<p><b>Office of Management and Finance</b></p>	
<p><b>1350</b>      Accept bid of Just Bucket Excavating, Inc. for the NE Columbia Blvd at MLK Jr. Blvd Project for \$1,083,525 (Procurement Report - Bid No. 00000643) 10 minutes requested <b>Motion to accept report:</b> Moved by Saltzman and seconded by Fish. (Y-3; Eudaly and Fritz absent)</p>	<p><b>ACCEPTED PREPARE CONTRACT</b></p>
<p><b>1351</b>      Accept bid of Brown Contracting, Inc. for the Highway Safety Improvement Program Bike &amp; Pedestrian Project for \$1,193,111 (Procurement Report - Bid No. 00000974) 10 minutes requested <b>Motion to accept report:</b> Moved by Saltzman and seconded by Fish. (Y-3; Eudaly and Fritz absent)</p>	<p><b>ACCEPTED PREPARE CONTRACT</b></p>

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<b>1352</b>	Accept bid of Moore Excavation, Inc. for Downtown Old Town: Caruthers-Mill Sewer Rehabilitation for \$2,934,730 (Procurement Report - Bid No. 00001063) 10 minutes requested <b>Motion to accept report:</b> Moved by Saltzman and seconded by Fish. (Y-3; Eudaly and Fritz absent)	<b>ACCEPTED PREPARE CONTRACT</b>
<b>Portland Housing Bureau</b>		
<b>1353</b>	Establish 2019 sale price cap for the Homebuyer Opportunity Limited Tax Exemption Program (Resolution) 10 minutes requested (Y-3; Eudaly and Fritz absent)	<b>37407</b>

At 3:12 p.m., Council adjourned.

**MARY HULL CABALLERO**  
Auditor of the City of Portland



By Karla Moore-Love  
Clerk of the Council

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**December 19, 2018 9:30 a.m.**

**Wheeler:** This is the december 19, Portland session of the Portland city council. Good morning, Karla, please call the roll.

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

**Dennis Vannier, Senior Deputy 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 that everybody can feel welcomed, comfortable, respected, and safe. To participate in the council meetings, you may sign up in advance with the council clerk's office for communications to speak briefly about any subject. You may also sign up for public testimony on resolutions or the first readings of ordinances. Your testimony should address the matter being considered at the time. When testifying, please state your name for the record, your address is not necessary. Please disclose if you are a lobbyist. If you are representing an organization, please identify it. The presiding officer determines the length of testimony. Individuals generally have three minutes to testify unless 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. And if you want to express you do want support something, 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 the person being rejected for the remainder of the meeting. After being rejected, a person who fails to leave the meeting is subject to arrest for trespass. Thank you for helping your fellow Portlanders feel welcome, comfortable, respected, and safe.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. All right. We have communications first up. Three minutes each. Name for the record. I am assuming that the first three individuals who appear to be speaking on the same subject would like to come up together. Is that correct? Excellent. Very good. Go ahead and read their names.

**Item 1304.**

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

**Amelia Salvador:** Good morning, mayor, commissioners. We are here this morning to recognize and acknowledge the recipients of the Portland immigrant award. The Portland immigrant award is an award that honors the Portland immigrant statue, which is located at the intersection of 96th avenue and sandy boulevard at the intersection of the 205. The Portland immigrant statue was commissioned in 2011 and is a bronze statue on side the traffic island, and it is there to honor immigrants that come to the city of Portland. Every year since we have awarded the award to a recipient.

**Joe Rossi:** Yes. I want to say about the project, we awarded, award it every year to an immigrant. The project is in commemoration of Portland's gratitude towards our past, presented, and future immigrant citizens. I think that this is a unique project because it has the ability to unite everybody in the city. Whether your ancestors emigrated here, whether you emigrated here, and in future generations we are hopeful that we will have the influx of immigrants that make our city great. It's unique in that aspect and also unique that it's relevant throughout all time. And like amelia said, every year we award it to a citizen who

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best epitomizes the statue. It is a window in time when the immigrant arrives, and he's walking into his opportunity to engage in America. And everybody in their past, present, and future has had that as somebody in their family have that relevant to them. It's a great project. It was privately funded. It's one of those arts projects where it's a grassroots effort and united the Parkrose community on our centennial year of 2011. I see three of you that were on city council at the time. We just want to say thank you for that.

**Hai Ninh:** All right. Good morning. And my name is Hai Ninh. I am the project -- one of the project directors. My role was primarily external in reaching out to the community to solicit nominations, and then that was the first phase of the project. The second phase was to bring it back to our voting committee, and this year there was a tie, so we are excited to be able to share and recognize two outstanding individuals. The first individual that I will ask to come up is Hussain Albiati. A talented artist, community activist, and business owner in Hillsboro. Come on up.

**Salvador:** Mayor, may we have our recipients come up to have acknowledgment?

**Wheeler:** You may. We will suspend the rules without objection.

**Salvador:** Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Congratulations. [applause]

**Wheeler:** If you could identify yourself.

**Hussein Albiati:** I am Hussain Albiati. I want to say that we all stand on shoulders of giants to build our futures, and I stand on my father's shoulders, and I want to say thank you for this sacrifice to be able to come to this land and do something with this opportunity. For that, I am grateful. So thank you. I am excited for what we could build in the future.

**Wheeler:** Beautiful. Thank you. Congratulations. [applause]

**Rossi:** One last item, I think -- go ahead. In the second, and the second co-recipient is Justin Wong. He is also a community activist. He was also a 2018 candidate for state representative, and the founder and owner of Joy Teriyaki, so may we also have Justin come up and provide some remarks. [applause]

**Wheeler:** Congratulations.

**Justin Wong:** I am Justin Wong. First of all, thank you for having me here today. And giving me such a reward. Like Hussain Albiati told everyone, without it our parent's sacrifice, I would not be here, and I would not have the chance to have this great education in the state. So all I did, all I tried to do was their hard work is not going to waste. So that's what I am going to keep doing. Hopefully, I could be a great asset for the community, and I could be a great person for the immigrants, as well. Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Thank you.

**Rossi:** One last quick item, I had somebody ask me a while back, like can we have an artistic marquette of our statue? We commissioned this, with the community to like -- is this, is this what we want to do? We had different versions. We made this, and out of this became the statue, on behalf of the community of Parkrose, historic Parkrose in our neighborhoods, and the project team, we would like to offer this. It's a commemorative edition statue, somebody in your office can put it on their desk. When people from other countries come and visit, you can tell them that Parkrose is the host community, and Portland recognizes the immigrant contributions from all countries.

**Wheeler:** Thank you.

**Fish:** Tell us when the ceremony is. I think that you do a formal event, don't you?

**Rossi:** We do a formal event on-site of which all three of you attended that were a part of the team. We did it just previously. We wanted to come here just to announce the winners. So we do it every year in November.

**Wheeler:** Great. We will find a place of honor for that. We will find a great place for it. Thank you very much. Would you mind doing me a favor and just hand that to Mitch

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Michelle. Thanks for coming in and starting this up on such a positive note. And congratulations to your award winners. Well done. Next individual, please, Karla.

**Item 1307.**

**Wheeler:** Good morning.

**Stan Herman:** Good morning. I respect your position. And what you guys do. For 25 months now, again, it's more of a political mission that I am on. Commissioner eudaly, she stated that she couldn't help me with my problem, and the only problem that I have is she doesn't answer my question. Amanda, thank you for responding to an email here last week. You said you did not know the facts of the case, but there is no case I am citing to. I just -- I just wanted an answer to my question, it seems like we are kicking the can down the road. Mr. Mayor, 91 days ago you ordered michelle to set up a meeting with the city attorney of the police department. Why wasn't that done? She should be fired for not following up with your orders. Dan, have a nice time off. I understand you deal a lot with kids. Some of the missions that I am on is to help the kids out. And mr. Fish, I would like -- I like your park position. Maybe next year we could sit to go and see how we can put together an idea for a waterfront park for the kids. And that's all that I had. Other than you probably wonder what this is. This is a medical safety device, just to prove by the fda it will go to parks, police, fire, and medical emergency people, and it incinerates, zaps hypodermic needles, so you don't have to pay that expensive waste, and I just wanted to introduce that to you. It is just coming on the market.

**Wheeler:** Excellent. Next individual, please.

**Item 1308.**

**Wheeler:** Come on up. And by the way while you are coming up, this is commissioner Saltzman's last wednesday morning session of the Portland city council.

**Scott Moore:** So thank you, for the record, I am scott moore, the executive director of ethos music center. Thank you for allowing me to be here. It's very exciting. I know many of you from my previous roles that I have held, but it's good to address you on behalf of the entire ethos community. I want to say on behalf of everyone that commissioner Saltzman, you have our heartfelt gratitude for your years of ground-breaking leadership in the creation of the Portland children's levy. You knew years ago, I feel like you probably have always known a society will be judged by how it treats its children. Your vision and leadership on the Portland children's levy has changed so many kids' lives, and I want to thank you for that. I am proud to say that ethos has been a partner with the Portland children's levy for nearly 15 years now. The partnership allows us to run our music core program, which is our after-school music education program. I should back up and say ethos music center, we are a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing music access to kids who otherwise wouldn't have it. Our music core program operates in 14 schools this year. We run after-school programs in coordination with sun school sites and are providing opportunities for music education that kids would not otherwise have. This year we were also, thanks to the Portland children's levy, able to offer 90 summer camp scholarships to kids throughout the city so they could come in and do a week long full day music summer camp. And we are hoping to do that again this year. Each year this program allows us to serve between 400 and 500 students each term in our after-school programs. This is in addition to our in-house private lessons and our rural program that we run. A study that was done with Portland public schools a few years ago shows that students who have gone through the music core program show increased -- they show improvements on standardized testing as well as behavioral benchmarks so that we know that music education really is working. It really is, improving the lives of kids who go through it. We also, aside from the numbers, we know that music really is it have the power to change lives and build communities because we see it on the faces of the kids that we serve every day. It gives students the ability to -- it gives them creativity, critical thinking, a lot of skills

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that are desperately needed, and I wanted to read a couple of quotes from the students when we asked them how their classes make them feel, commissioner Saltzman. Playing music makes me feel good because it makes me feel confident. That's from the -- Kayla says, I used to be scared of performing. Not anymore. I love it. Singing makes me feel like I am a celebrity. We give the students the opportunity to perform and to develop their skills and confidence and the ability to express themselves creatively and fearlessly. And really quick, I wanted to present you with a ukulele on behalf of the ethos community as a thanks and a token of gratitude. It's signed by many of our students. I do know that you will have to wait to get this until you are a private citizen, so I will hold onto it, and in January I will hand it over to you, along with a lesson interest form. We do lessons for adults, too, so if you would like a ukulele lesson, we would like to have you.

**Saltzman:** Great job. This is a great organization, and I really appreciate the work that you are doing to help our kids every day. And thank you for the ukulele. I will cherish that.

**Wheeler:** He probably will need the lessons, so hold a spot for him.

**Moore:** Happy to give them.

**Wheeler:** Thanks for coming in. Consent agenda, which items, if any, have been pulled, Karla?

**Moore-Love:** Item 1322. Item 1330.

**Wheeler:** And 1330, please call the roll on the remainder of the consent agenda, please.

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

**Wheeler:** Aye. The consent agenda is adopted. First time certain item, please, 1309 and could you also read it with 1310.

**Wheeler:** Colleagues on November 15, we held a work session with the office of government relations to review and discuss drafts of the city of Portland's 2019 federal legislative and regulatory agenda and the 2019 state legislative agenda. The priorities identified in these agendas align with some of the most complex problems Portland and other cities are working to address. We have Elizabeth Edwards, Nils Titstrom, Eric Newell, from the office of government relations here to present the updated versions of both these reports for our consideration. And Director Edwards, I understand that you are going to start us off today, is that correct?

**Elizabeth Edwards, Director of Government Relations:** That's correct.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Jump in.

**Edwards:** All right. Good morning, Mayor Wheeler, Commissioner Saltzman, Commissioner Fritz, for the record, Elizabeth Edwards, with the office of government relations. We are pleased to talk about the updated version of the regulatory -- the 2019 federal legislative regulatory agenda and 2019 state legislative agenda that we have updated -- we updated the titles. As the Mayor referenced, I am joined by Nils, our federal relations manager, and Eric Newell, our associate. What I am going to do is walk through how we got here and discuss the events since the work session. And then I will go through the individual agendas and talk about the federal and state and talk about the changes that have occurred, and feel free to interrupt to ask questions, and there should be time at the end for questions, as well. So the long road to building this agenda, to building both the agendas started back in June for the state and August for the federal side. We put out a call for issues to the bureaus and the offices, and over the course of the summer and fall, we had concepts, both internally and externally. We worked with the subject matter experts and with the legislative and congressional delegation leaders, and other governments, key stakeholders and the nonprofit and business communities, and all that work led us to the drafts that we presented before you on November 15. So since, and I would note that we've, we posted those drafts on our website since the 15th. Now since that point in time, we have previewed the federal agenda with our congressional delegation back in D.C. in late November. We have gathered additional feedback on our state agenda over

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december, cause me, over -- yeah, december legislative days. I can't believe it's already the middle of december. And we held an advocacy 101 and town hall event in late november with commissioner Fritz and mayor wheeler. And I want to pause and talk about the advocacy and town hall event and some of the feedback that we received. So we began that evening with an overview about legislative process and got everyone on the same page, and then we had a fantastic panel discussion with senator michael, diego hernandez, and advocacy director of the coalition of communities of color, jenni lee. They provided fantastic feedback for attend east about how to effectively advocate at the state level. Once that wrapped we shifted to the town hall, and the attendees received raffle tickets, and note cards for those who did not feel comfortable speaking. And commissioner Fritz's office, then collected that information and distributed it to the council. We reviewed that, had discussions with council offices, and have incorporated some of the feedback into the drafts, and as we go through the two drafts, we will highlight those items. With that, since we are going to touch on those specific changes one by one, I will turn to the federal side and I will let neal take over from here.

**Nils Tilstrom, Federal Regulation Manager:** Thank you, elizabeth. Mayor and council, I am nil, the federal relations manager in the office of government relations. The report before you is similar to the draft considered in the work session, and as elizabeth stated, includes the feedback provided by your offices subsequent to that session, and then other feedback from the towel. This draft also is available on our website for public review. There are eight priorities in the 2019 federal regulative and regulatory agenda, leading with the affordable housing, addressing homelessness and investing in mental health and addiction services. Also included in the city's priorities for the coming here are insuring the protection of immigrants, providing for resiliency, continuing the Portland harbor cleanup, supporting federal investment in transportation infrastructure, and addressing the climate change. There were small number of changes to the agenda following our work session in the priority section, there were edits to the providing affordable housing item to include a specific reference to medicaid waivers. In the policy position section, there were two changes. We added a policy position. That was titled, next gen emergency communications grant programs to assist the Portland bureau of emergency communications in identifying the federal funding opportunities for systems and facility enhancements. And then finally, we edited an item, the willamette river restoration project to be retitled as the lower willamette river environmental dredging system project study and include language regarding the legislative history of the project. At that point, I will turn onto any questions that you have.

**Wheeler:** Colleagues, any questions?

**Fish:** Let me just say, the last thing you referenced was on page 12, and thank you for adding the lower willamette river environmental dredging and eco-system restoration study. There are probably three people in Oregon, if you asked them what's a worda or project, could answer the question, because it's a fairly obscure part of the federal government, but Portland has been a conspicuous winner in getting funding through worda, and we are looking forward to the tryon creek the sanctuary project, so thank you for putting some meat on the bones.

**Tilstrom:** Thank you, commissioner.

**Edwards:** So we can move to the stateside. So I want to acknowledge the woodwork of eric knoll and dan, the state government relations manager and stacy coven the state lobbyist. They are not able to be here today but put a tremendous amount of work into developing the state legislative agenda. So similar to the federal side, it's very similar to the prior version you saw back in november. The top priorities for the state agenda are affordable and stable housing, followed by mental health and addiction services, help the environment, public safety, and accountability, and resilience, and local funding and

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authority, and these priorities were made unchanged. I will note during the town hall at the very end, attendees had an opportunity to vote on what items they felt were most important and helping the environment and affordable and stable housing were at the top, followed closely behind by mental health and addiction services and public safety and accountability. So those items that were priorities for the city seemed to align with the priorities of the attendees of the town hall. Now on the policy position side, there were a small handful of changes. First was the addition of an educated workforce for a strong economy under the economic development. That's on page 12, this came out of the discussion and was strongly supported at the town hall conversation, as well. The next is the removal of the non-disclosure of 9-1-1 audio tapes, which will need a bit of additional work before moving forward. After that is a small addition to the auto theft policy position on page 16, that further clarifies the impact on the low-income Portlanders of auto theft. And finally, there were two changes to the transportation section. First was adding a reference to the e-scooters based on the conversation before council, and next was a new policy position on jurisdictional transfer. This was added based on the feedback that we received at the town hall and follow-up conversations with council offices. That's on page 18.

**Wheeler:** I have a couple of questions.

**Edwards:** Please, yeah.

**Wheeler:** I want to make sure, I assume it is implied in this legislative agenda that we continue to work with the county and others to secure funding for 02 low income housing. That is an ongoing effort through our housing bureau, and I just want to make sure that we prioritize that. I believe that that is in the agenda, but I wanted to clarify that.

**Edwards:** Yes, absolutely, mayor.

**Wheeler:** And we are working with Multnomah county on their request of the legislature around mental health and addiction services, and so we still have a good collaboration there, and I will seek your continual guidance during the legislative sessions to know when and best how to plug us in, and how to plug me in, and how best to help move that joint and important legislative agenda item forward. You mentioned just cause. The auto theft loophole it, sounds like we have a legislative champion in salem in jennifer williams?

**Edwards:** And representative jeff barker.

**Wheeler:** Of course. Thank you. And we thank them both for their leadership and will continue to support them in any way that we can. I had sort of -- oh, and with regard to our environmental agenda, you mentioned that the environment filtered up to the number one item at our town hall meeting. And obviously, we just passed our diesel procurement policy here for the city of Portland, but we are still under a broad, statewide preemption around the diesel policy, and I assume that we will continue to fight to have that preemption lifted.

**Edwards:** That's correct. And diesel was one of the items under the environment that rose up to the top. Also related to that was the infrastructure, which is included under the healthy environment priority, as well.

**Wheeler:** Mayor, should I just clarify, in past years, we have had a blanket statement of objecting to preemptions. Do we have that comprehensive list? Is that a similar approach?

**Edwards:** Yes, commissioner, it's located under local funding and authority, which is the final priority position.

**Fish:** So that's page nine?

**Edwards:** Page nine.

**Fish:** We've been consistent, regardless of what people may feel about how we exercise local authority. We've been consistent about saying that we should not be handcuffed in terms of taking these issues up, and that's, it looks like a comprehensive list of issues that we object to the preemption.

**Edwards:** I am sure that there will be more.

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**Fritz:** I actually have one, and I think it be worth having a discussion, and that is the zoning code. The speaker wants to preempt cities over 10,000 from having single family zones, and we already are working on the residential infill project. We may choose to do something in some areas. I don't believe that the state should be telling us what to do. If you could add that onto the list.

**Fish:** I would object to that. We have got taken that issue up.

**Edwards:** That's the pointed. We want to have the local -- we don't want the state telling us.

**Fish:** The speaker has said it's on the agenda. Two, we have not had a public conversation about it. We have not had a council conversation about our local piece of that, which the planning bureau is working through, so I would object to adding anticipatory preemptions. I would welcome a discussion about the speaker's proposal if and when it becomes, you know, a legislative action item. But I don't think that we should, we should get in front of that until we understand what's in play.

**Fritz:** How does that jive with what you said about local preemption?

**Fish:** The speaker hasn't put it on the table and we don't know what is being proposed. I think it's respectful to her to anticipate that she is going to do something. I think that we should wait for her to do and we can amend the agenda.

**Wheeler:** Can I ask one more question? I know that we have a blanket statement with regard to police accountability. I think that we all support the police accountability. The question that I have is regarding legislation that I know has previously been introduced, which is specific to discipline and arbitration related to public safety specific to police officers. Has legislation been introduced this year with regard to that issue?

**Edwards:** Legislation will be introduced this year with regard to that.

**Wheeler:** I want to make sure that when we talk about officer accountability in a broad sense, that includes our ability pending seeing that actual legislation, our ability to support that legislation.

**Edwards:** Absolutely. And the intent of the language is to capture that on page 7.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. And I figured that. I just wanted that clarification. Thank you. Any further questions.

**Saltzman:** I just wanted to thank my colleagues and thank you for including a policy position on improving the foster care system. This really is in such a state of crisis that it demands a hands-on response from every government. So I appreciate having the city of Portland resources there to help work on packages that I predict will be introduced to improved resources for foster parents, as well as other issues related to kids aging out of the foster care system, so thank you.

**Wheeler:** Commissioner Fish.

**Fish:** Could our team remind us and by extension, the public of what the calendar is? So we are about to adopt a bold agenda both in terms of priorities and policy positions, and then we are going to unleash our crack team to go out in d.c. And salem to advance this agenda. Could you remind us what the calendar is?

**Edwards:** You are reading my next notes. This is perfect. Thank you, commissioner. So we will be back in salem next month for organizational days. Those are three days when the committees will meet, but also when we will see the live bills, so that will begin on january 14. What's different this coming session is that the legislature is, has moved up the start time, so it used to be that we would have organizational days. We would see the first round of bills, and over the course of a long session, we see around 2,800 bills. The first big lump is ballpark 700 bills coming in, so we would have two or three weeks to review, send those out to bureaus and council offices for the first round of input. This time around we will have organizational days on the 14th, and we will have the shortest -- the start on the 22nd, so a week later, there is no downtime between the organizational days when we

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see bills in the beginning of the session. The session will run constitutionally limited to 160 days, and part of the reason why the legislature moved it up was so they could complete the entirety of that time before the fourth of July holiday. So right now it looks like June 30 is the constitutional fine day, when they have to be out. We will be heading back to D.C. At the end of January, as well, to do lobbying, some hill visits and work with agencies and work with leaders from across the country that are coming in for the U.S. Conference of Mayors. So we will be off like a shot in the new year.

**Wheeler:** I will entertain a motion to accept the report.

**Fish:** So moved.

**Fritz:** Second

**Wheeler:** The federal legislative and regulatory agenda, a motion and a second. I would also like to put the state legislative agenda on the table.

**Fish:** Second. I mean, so moved.

**Fritz:** Second

**Wheeler:** And a second. Karla, with regard to the federal legislative and regulatory agenda, please call the roll.

**Fritz:** Thank you, first of all, for doing the at all with me and the 75 or so people who came to it, and it was really an excellent input session, and I appreciate that you have adjusted the agenda to reflect what we heard. If you are interested, you can go to the block on my website, and I have got it nicely highlighted like you put it, color coded what was added, so it's really clear, and thank you, Neal, for your work on the federal agenda and the cross country travel you do. And I really feel good about having our delegation in Washington knowing that they will do the right thing to the best of their ability in these challenging times. Aye.

**Fish:** I want to thank the office of government relations and our superb team of professionals who every year outperform in a tough environment. I want to thank the mayor and commissioner Fritz for feeding the town hall and soliciting public feedback. And I want to thank you, Elizabeth, for the changes you made to strengthen both agendas, and I look forward, along with my colleagues, to being tasked strategically to do some of the things you know, meetings with legislators either in Salem or Washington or both. Thank you, as always, for your good work. Aye.

**Saltzman:** I want to thank you in advance for all of the long hours you are going to be working, at least over the next six, seven, eight, nine months. We know how hard you work in Salem and in D.C., so thank you, aye.

**Wheeler:** Well, first of all, I want to say that I appreciate the great work you have done on this, and I appreciate our federal lobbying team in Washington D.C., as well. Similar hopeful that the next Congress will prioritize more investments in housing, particularly, very low income housing and infrastructure, local governments, of course, were bearing the brunt of the investment since the 1980s. The support for low income housing through HUD has declined by nearly 85%. That means that the city has been prioritizing these efforts to meet the needs of vulnerable people in our community. And so we certainly look forward to a more productive partnership with our federal partners to help those in our community, and frankly, communities all across the nation who need that support to be successful, in their communities. And the city is going to continue to meet the challenges put forward by this administration, including the stripping of environmental protections governing clean air and water and removing the protections for the most vulnerable members of our community, and retreating from the global threat of climate change. Finally, I am very eager to continue to work with the EPA and other parties around the Portland Harbor Superfund cleanup. Commissioner Fish and I expressed to the EPA how important it was to provide as much certainty in the process as possible and facilitate other parties stepping up to the plate. We also need an open and transparent process that encourages strong community



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involvement. We are very supportive of the epa's effort to get things moving as quickly as possible. I am pleased to vote aye on this agenda. The report is adopted. With regard to the state legislative agenda, Karla, please call the roll.

**Fritz:** In addition to thanking elizabeth edwards and to eric and mayor wheeler and michelle for participating in the town hall. We need to call out my staff, Claire, Cynthia, Yesenia who worked together really well. I was really happy with the engagement that we did there. Very happy to be supporting many of the same priorities at the league of Oregon cities, which I serve on the board. There are 260 in Oregon, and many of them are small, but some of them are larger than 10,000, and I think that I know that their number one priority is to avoid preemption of local authority. We have differences in Oregon and a common desire for our communities to make decisions that most affect us. I am really happy to work with Multnomah county, as well, dr. Sharon has done a great job on the mental healthcare services. That's also a high priority as is affordable housing that everybody is really struggling with houselessness and how to help. It's good to be united in that. Thanks to everybody for your work. Aye.

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

**Wheeler:** Once again, affordable housing is filtered up to the top of our legislative agenda, and we are eager to work with our colleagues in the legislature to be successful there. And, of course, funding for behavioral health continues to be a priority for the city and the county. All of us believe strongly that this is going to impact our work on homelessness and the housing issues, and we want to continue to support additional investments in mental health and addiction services. As I just mentioned, we are eager to stand as a strong partner in addressing the environmental issues and carbon emissions and air toxics, there are many other priorities for the city, some of which we have not talked about, that are equally important around seismic resilience, public safety, and local funding, and as commission, commissioners Fritz and Fish mentioned, authority. These challenges are taken up every day by us here, but they are bigger than we can solve alone. So, it's very important that we develop these partnerships. I look forward to continuing to work with my colleagues and the office of government relations to change policy, acquire funding, and fight off preemption to help Portland continue to be livable, vibrant, safe, and economically prosperous community for all. I am very pleased with the work that you have all done. And I vote aye. We are ahead of schedule so I will shuffle things around.

**Fritz:** Elizabeth.

**Wheeler:** Oh, I apologize.

**Fritz:** Second

**Edwards:** I want to say thank you for your leadership. I look forward to tapping your talents down in salem and in d.c. As you are available and looking forward to pursuing this ambitious agenda on behalf of the city.

**Wheeler:** As they say, and by the way, you just have done an exceptional job in the last couple of years in your role. Planning is everything. Plans are nothing. So let's see what we can executed on. Could you please call 1336. Commissioner Fish.

**Fritz:** I am have happy our director of tribal relations is helping us to understand the need to protect the tribal serenity, thank you very much.

**Wheeler:** Thank you, commissioner Fritz. 1336, please.

**Item 1336.**

**Wheeler:** Colleagues, this is a second reading, there's been a presentation and testimony. Any further discussion? Karla?

**Fish:** I thought you were bringing this back.

**Wheeler:** I am sorry, I apologize. I am actually not reading the right statement. Thank you for everybody staying on the ball. Colleagues, I am referring this item back to my office. I will read the following joint statement into the record. This was prepared by the three

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principles in these conversations. The president of metro, tom hughes, chair kafoury for Multnomah county and myself, the mayor of the city of Portland on what is the iga. "we had a substantive and productive discussion on monday about how the visit's facility trust account can deliver improvements across our city. We agreed on the tremendous opportunity before us to make an investment in homeless services and also to modernize our visitor facilities. This is a complicated intergovernmental agreement, and we will continue meeting in the new year to finalize the details and arrive at a revised visitor's facilities trust account agreement that helps us to improve our visitor venues while providing critical support for the people living in our streets. That is the joint statement we issued that I want to personally thank metro president tom hughes and Multnomah county chair deborah kafoury for continuing this conversation and agreeing to carry this into the new year. It is a very, very complicated issue, but I am hopeful that we can reach some sort of a mutually agreeable resolution on this, so I am -- I am going to refer this item back to my office. Thank you. Item 1340, please.

**Item 1340.**

**Wheeler:** This is truly, honestly a second reading, please call the roll.

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

**Wheeler:** Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Next item, please. 1341.

**Item 1341.**

**Wheeler:** Second reading, call the roll.

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

**Wheeler:** I have to say, I thought that this report was really, really fantastic. The presentation was given, and people did not have a chance to see it, I encourage you to go back and look at it on video. It was fascinating just from the perspective of the scale and the complexity of trying to do large capital construction projects like this, so if you are looking for the greatest hits of the Portland city council, I thought that it was one of the more compelling this year, and I vote aye, the ordinance is adopted. Next item. 1322, 1322 was pulled off of the consent agenda. And we will take it up right now.

**Item 1322.**

**Wheeler:** Commissioner Fritz had requested that it item be pulled, and I will turn 2 it over to her.

**Fritz:** Thank you, I believe the bureau has an amendment to the title to reflect what is in there, in the policy.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Good morning. Thank you for being here.

**Ashlie Grundy, Human Resources:** Good morning. For the record, I am ashley, training manager for the city of Portland. Per commissioner Fritz's comment, we are amending the title to amend the relocation policy to allow relocation assistance in a lump sum up to 10,000 and utilize the vendor to enhance the onboarding experience and maximize the utilization of funds, ultimately what we are seeking is to increase the relocation maximum from 5,000 to 10,000, and implement the utilization of the approved relocation vendor and provide a lump sum to the relocation vendor to organize relocation for a new hire.

**Fritz:** You move to the amendment to delete for expensive and hard to full positions.

**Wheeler:** A motion.

**Fish:** This amendment is designed to make this benefit available to more employees than simply the bureau directors and senior executives, is that correct?

**Grundy:** That's correct.

**Fritz:** Which is the current policy so to keep the current policy.

**Fish:** I will second that.

**Wheeler:** We have a motion and we have a second. Any further discussion on the amendment? Please call the roll on the amendment.

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

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**Wheeler:** Aye. The amendment is adopted. Clarification from legal counsel, I assume at this point I would move it to second reading as amended. Is that correct?

**Vannier:** That's correct.

**Wheeler:** Now that we have amended it, it has to go to the next reading, does it not?

**Vannier:** I misunderstood, yes, you may vote on it.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Call the roll.

**Wheeler:** I am sorry. I am sorry. Public testimony on the amendment. Thank you.

**Moore-Love:** I didn't have sign-up sheet.

**Wheeler:** Who would like to testify on the amendment? Mr. Walsh, come on up, sir. Come on up, sir.

**Joe Walsh:** Good morning. I am joe walsh, and I represent individuals for justice. We are not sure about the amendment. Would someone please explain it to us?

**Fritz:** It means it's not limited, it's not limited only to the executive and hard to fill positions. It's any -- it's a commissioner in charge and the bureau director believe it's necessary to pay relocation costs for any employee, who is moving from elsewhere to here, and that's, that's what it does. It was -- which is the current practice.

**Walsh:** Okay. The amendment makes it more palatable. Because you are not excluding it to the upper rungs of executives, and you are including the employees, which is kind of nice. So if, for instance, commissioner, you wanted to hire somebody in new york, and they couldn't afford to fly out here, you would reimburse them?

**Fritz:** The way it works -- okay. Is it okay if we have a back and forth?

**Walsh:** Let me ask this question -- is there anything in the ordinance or the amendment that answers the question, what happens when this person gets here? And you decide what? You decide yes or no?

**Fritz:** This is not for the job interview, that's a different process. This says one -- the job has been accepted and the person is moving here, and human resources will, actually, provide -- it's not a reimbursement.

**Walsh:** You are going to hire this person?

**Fritz:** We hired the person, a signed agreement, and they are moving here, we will have a company that will move their stuff for them.

**Walsh:** So kind of like when I was in the federal service, that's what they did in federal service, if they transferred us, they would pay the expenses.

**Fritz:** Correct.

**Walsh:** So we are finally into the 19th century as far as the city of Portland when everybody else was in it a long time ago?

**Fritz:** This is a clarification, too, just, for the non-represented, the people in the unions have the rules in their contracts. So this is for the non-represented staff.

**Walsh:** These are the questions that we ask about this. We were a little bit confused exactly what you were doing, and your amendment confused it more. Even though it made it better. We like that. If you are going to hire employees and bring them out here, moving expenses, we like that. We don't like it if it's exclusion of executives, and we are a bit nervous about that, but we like your amendment. We fully -- the way it is being presented, we would endorse this as a good idea. And let's see how this works. You might want to revisit it down along the line some place and see how it is working, and maybe tweak it. The federal government has been doing this for about 100 years. I mean, this is not new stuff. So you can just -- mimic what they do. I moved around in civil service, I think, three times, to hawaii and back and stuff like that. So it's not unusual, and it's a good idea. Congratulations on this item.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Good morning, sir.

**Robert West:** Yeah. I will go. I am totally against this. I believe that the city of Portland should look within the city of Portland for people to lead bureaus and work. I don't think

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that we should be looking at -- in other areas and paying 10 grand for people to, or giving them 10 grand for moving expenses to move. Also, the other issue that I have is per person, what if the city hires a married couple? That's 20 grand right there. We need to -- we need to look at hiring within the city of Portland. I am sure that for every position the city of Portland has, there is someone in the city of Portland qualified to work that position. Portland is huge. The outline areas, they have a lot of people that are qualified. There is no reason to pay someone moving wages if they are from Oregon city, and you have got, like I said, you have got hillsboro, Oregon city, vancouver, places like that. There is more than enough qualified people to do anything in the city of Portland. We don't need to go to new york, chicago, cleveland are we don't need to bring more people into the city. We have a housing problem. What are you going to do? Throw Portlanders out on the streets so you can bring someone in from another area? That's not, that's not cool at all. More and more Portland, Portlanders are being misplaced. They are winding up on the streets because we have got people from other states that are buying up the stuff, buying up the properties and building the stuff up. Hire someone from california or new york or florida to come here and do a job that someone from the city of Portland can do is ridiculous. That's what I have to say about that.

**Wheeler:** Very good, thank you.

**Charles Bridgecrane Johnson:** Good morning, charles bridgecrane johnson. I should rename myself charles bridgecrane johnson 2.0 or something like that. It's a standard practice, I think that for a government that's trying to be supposedly trying to be transparent maximize the disclosure, it's hard to have a process where we determine an improved vendor. In the legalize I understand the vendor could be changed during the term, but it's interesting that we have an approved vendor who will channel the amounts, but we don't want to say who it is. You would think that they would ask us to say their name or reduce their price so they could be recognized assess the premiere relocation services vendor for Portland. The other thing that I thought was weak is the mandatory budget disclosure page, which is down there around seven or eight, of the pdf for the impact statement. It could vary from 7500 to 10,000, but the bigger picture is when the citizens and media get contentious about whether ted is having an awesome or terrible term as mayor, one of the issues that comes up is the ability to fill the positions, and to analyze the budget impact, we really need to extrapolate how many, ideally, if we filled every position, how many people come in, so what's the maximum number of 10,000 moving reimbursements we might be exposed to? And, of course, just the general number, you know. We can look through the Oregonian and find people complaining, but we should not be hiding that. We should say that in today's competitive low unemployment market, the city is eagerly seeking to fill x number of positions, if we gave them 10,000, it would total out to such and such. You don't have to do that so we can fill the positions, but I think it would have been reaching the highest bar of public disclosure and good governance. Thanks, you all.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Any further testimony? Very good. Please call the roll.

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

**Item 1330.**

**Wheeler:** Aye. [gavel pounded] the ordinance is adopted as amended. Colleagues, one other item pulled, and I understand staff is here for 1330. If staff is here, if you could come up, and I will start this off. The department of homeland security provides financial assistance to selected urban areas through the fiscal year. This is through their urban area security initiative grant program. This is a program that assists urban areas to build, sustain, and deliver capabilities necessary to prevent, protect against, and mitigate, respond to and recover from acts of terrorism or from natural or other human-caused disasters. We've been accepting these grants since 2003. We accept these grants on

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behalf of a broader area of the community that includes tri-met, the port of Portland, Multnomah county, clackamas county, Washington county, and columbia county, and Oregon, excuse me, of Oregon, and clark county in Washington. This is what is known as the regional disaster preparedness organization, or rdpo. The department of homeland security designated Portland as the core urban area in the state of Oregon, therefore, we are the ones who apply for this grant on behalf of everybody else. Again, the keys of this is to allow the rdpo to coordinate plan, execute trainings and exercises, procure equipment to respond to, and recover from natural disasters and acts of terrorism. There is no local grant required for the receipt of this federal grant. I don't know if there is anything else that I missed.

**Moore-Love:** I should read the titles, first.

**Wheeler:** Get to the titles. Thank you. Sorry, Karla. I jumped on you again.

**Wheeler:** Then what I said, fill it in right here. Anything else I forgot?

**Daire Elliott:** No, I think that's an excellent summary of the request. If you have any questions, I am happy to respond to them.

**Wheeler:** Great. I don't know who pulled this, but we will take public testimony.

**Moore-Love:** Robert west pulled this.

**Wheeler:** Very good. You can go ahead and have a seat, if there is further questions, we might call you back. Thank you.

**West:** Yes, I have issues with us accepting any money from homeland security. There is usually something, or from the federal government because usually something that is a little hidden people don't know about, and like for instance, Portland staying in the joint terrorist task force, which I am totally against us being involved in that anyway. Yeah, we should not be accepting the money from the federal government. We should not be accepting the money from the federal government for other counties. We are responsible for that money. If something happens, a computer glitch or whatever, Portland could be held on the hook to these other counties for that money. I am totally against us accepting any kind of money whatsoever from the federal government, and I want to bring that up.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Good morning.

**Johnson:** Good morning, commissioners. Charles bridgecrane johnson. While I agree with what was put forth about the idea that we really don't need to be, essentially having no business being part of the jtff, there is no explicit tie here. Whatever wink, wink, nod, nod, the mayor might get exposed to deals with federal law enforcement positions is different, but we want our money back. When I say that, what I mean is that all of this money is created by Oregon taxpayers. So that is why even though dhs is a bad construction from federal times when they were under-stressed way back in the Bush the second days, and a great federal government for reynaud nod, along the pre-9/11 times. We have 40 great attorneys to make sure that the strings and whatever agreements are matched. So obviously, this is a yes vote to take this chunk of money and have it available for safe communities, but also, to always be mindful of ways to disentangle ourselves from a federal government that had its issues under obama and certainly things haven't gotten better in the last couple of years. Thanks.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Any further questions, colleagues? Call the roll.

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

**Wheeler:** Aye. The ordinances is adopted. Time certain, 1311, please.

**Item 1311.**

**Wheeler:** Colleagues for the record I've reviewed the entire record. You will recall that I came a few minutes late to the first part of the hearing, including the portions that I missed on november 29. Staff needs to make a minor change on page 10 of the findings, so Karla is distributing a page showing the change. It would be my intention now to move that the

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council deny the appeals, uphold the decision of the landmarks commission, and adopt the findings with a revised page 10 as you have before you.

**Saltzman:** Second.

**Wheeler:** We have a motion and a second. Any further discussion? Please call the roll.

**Fritz:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye.

**Wheeler:** Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Legal counsel, is there any further action we need to take on this appeal?

**Denis Vannier, Senior Deputy City Attorney:** I don't believe so.

**Fritz:** No.

**Wheeler:** Very good, thank you.

**Fritz:** We have the backup attorney come flying in. [laughter]

**Wheeler:** And according to my watch, it is just rolling over to 10:35. Please read the time certain for 10:35, which is 1312.

**Item 1312.**

**Wheeler:** So we have tyler wallace from and from the ashforth company and chairman, and wade lang from american asset trust, also an esd board member. And bob dye from the lloyd center, also an esd board member. Good morning, gentlemen.

**Tyler Wallace:** Good morning, mr. Mayor and commissioners. I am tyler wallace, and I am the tax division manager for the city's revenue division. The ordinance before you today will renew the current contract between the city and lloyd b.i.d. To provide transportation, landscaping and security services to the lloyd district. This renewal is for an additional five years, this is a sole source contract, as there are no other potential provider of the services with the experience, expertise, and the capability of lloyd b.i.d. We have three members of the lloyd enhanced service district board to give an update on the district. At this point, I will turn it over to them. I am available if you have any questions for revenue.

**Hank Ashforth, President Lloyd Center:** Thank you very much. Hank ashforth, chair of the lloyd b.i.d., have been since its inception. I am the executive vice president for the ashforth company, owners here in Portland since 1995. Briefly, I want to start by saying thank you, first to you, dan. Thank you for your service. To the city, Portland, certainly, is better off and in a better place because of your hard. Thank you for that. I look forward to seeing you on the other side, for sure. And also thank you to ted and amanda for recognizing us in the spirit of Portland awards most recently. It is because of our work with right 2 dream too. We value that completely because that's what we do as a neighborhood improvement district or business improvement district. We want to solve and create solutions for complicated problems. So thank you for that. What we would like to do is to brief you on the lloyd esd and what we've been up to lately, and our accomplishments over the short and long-term. I have got the board there. This is our area, really, the river, the banfield 15th to the east, and up to Broadway on the northern boundary. A quick overview, we were started in 2001, the second esd formed in the city. It is something that we are proud of. We affect 125 properties. 99% assessment compliance. We generate 475,000 a year. 5.5 million since our inception. No small piece of change at that. We do have sector partners, also. We thank you, the city, and metro. The convention center, the city of Portland, Bonneville power. I would like to thank the state, but the state has chosen, actually, not to invest with us, something that hopefully we can work on getting 100% compliance in the future. We are very involved in Holladay park. We put a million dollars to work in Holladay park. We will talk about that later. Economic development initiatives that we're working through are creating 4,000 new jobs. We have got about 22,000 in the Lloyd right now. And 2,500 new apartment units. They are roughly 1,000 or so as we speak. The goal is to -- goals to be accomplished, 8-1 jobs to housing ratio. We are about 20-1 right now. A half a million square feet of new development that will be a net zero -- and no use, additional use to our grid on energy and other resources. An overview, brief overview, we

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have had a long and successful track record as a public-private partnership. In fact, we were a public, private partnership became it, before it became a buzz word, and we take it to heart because what we go from our neighborhood, we want to leverage with you, the city, and other agencies out there to deliver programs. So obviously, the spirit of Portland award was part of that. We have partnerships on public safety, and really since 1990, we have had a neighborhood policing program that has been in place. We are going to talk about that a bit more in detail later. Go lloyd is a partner with lloyd, the city and tri-met. Holladay park. We are partnered with lloyd and the parks bureau. Right 2 dream too, certainly we are partnered with you, the city, our eco-district, and lloyd, itself. This is what we look like as far as in the arrange. There it is go lloyd, our district attorney program, community association, and lloyd eco-district, holladay park program, and holiday street maintenance. A little better definition, wade is going to help me out here and put details on this. Go lloyd is our transportation management entity. As I understand it, one of the first, if not the first in the country. We have a focused promotion piece and a marketing campaign. We are known as lloyd now. We dropped the "the" and the "d" word, and I will get penalized if I say that word, so we are known as lloyd, and everyone will be happy. Holladay street maintenance, the eco-district is truly a triple bottom line specification working at a neighborhood level. The community association is neighborhood to neighborhood, and neighborhood to city, and our d.a. Program is public safety, which is core to our neighborhood. So what do we get for all of this? What do you get for all of this? How are the dollars leveraged in the programs I mentioned here, it is there from the district prosecutor onto branding and other promotions. We leverage about 1.27 for every dollar that is collected, so almost 30%. And truly, wherever it's leveraged the most are in transportation and security. So, I am going to hand it over to wade, and he will give you a better description of the programs and services that we've been offering for the past almost 20 years.

**Wade Lange:** Thank you, mayor and commissioner, I am wade, the vice president of regional manager for american assets trust. I serve on the board of go lloyd, the board of the esd, the board of holladay park partnerships, the board of the lloyd eco-district, and some other things I can't remember. Go lloyd, it's a transportation management association for the neighborhood. They have been a tenant in one of our properties for a long time. They provide alternative transportation options. They have a store. They have a resource center. They connect people with commuting options, and they have over the years 50 plus events to promote alternative transportation throughout the neighborhood. We contribute 275,000 plus annually to transportation projects, transit trackers, sullivan gulch bridge, and the reduction of Multnomah boulevard from four down to two lanes, and those are some of the things the dollars went for, and the universal transit pass program, which has been exceptionally well received and very popular within the neighborhood. The lloyd eco-district, again, I mention that, the triple bottom line efforts that the lloyd eco-district does around sustainability issues with business and with residents. One of the things that we're really proud of is the energy star reporting program through the city that is a requirement. Lloyd eco-district started that prior to it being a mandatory requirement. And we have about 98% of the businesses in lloyd reporting to the eco-district, our portfolio managers start information, and we meet on a monthly basis as a community to talk about the opportunities for energy savings. We are working on waste reduction as a community. You are aware of the work with right 2 dream too through the eco-district, which has been a tremendous asset to the neighborhood, as well. The a lot community association is really the recognized neighborhood association for lloyd. It has, for the longest time, been a business association, but now it is truly a neighborhood association with a residence committee, we are working closely with the residents and the businesses in the community to tie everything together in a cohesive kind of waying to things accomplished and keep

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people informed. And then our focused promotions, hank mentioned our branding, which finished up this year. We used watson creative, a lloyd business to create a brand for lloyd, and you will see it as you go through with the banners on the light poles. The logos that are on the doors and windows, and the businesses throughout lloyd. And we have created a website now for people to utilize information from that. One of the most important things that we did, and we did this a long time ago, is create the neighborhood district attorney's office. Multnomah county provides us with an assistant d.a., and we have partnered with them, Portland police bureau, businesses, and residents to create our lloyd public safety meetings. This is really where community policing was really explored and really, really worked. We have done a lot of work around that since then. We meet monthly, and it's a big meeting. We have a lot of participation in it. That is truly one of the cornerstones of what the enhanced service district provides to the neighborhood. And it's important because we, we do watch what's going on not only in the neighborhood but around the city, and we get information from the police bureau about what activities are going on. We track that. We really try to work collectively as a neighborhood with the city, with the county to help to mitigate issues that are adversely affected, the businesses are adversely effective as well as the residents. So, and with that, bob with the lloyd center has kind of a more personal perspective on some of that.

**Bob Dye, GM Lloyd Center:** Good morning, mr. Mayor and commissioners. I am bob die, the general manager of the lloyd center, I sit on the boards of the lloyd enhanced services district, bill lloyd, lloyd eco-district, and I am president of the holladay park partnership and also a committee member of the pcep. Great things happening at the lloyd center. Most recently, we launched our lloyd local initiative, which we brought out for just about every vacant space that we've been working on. We brought out local vendors, local artisans, all of our christmas leasing, our holiday leasing for the period was focused strictly on local retailers and artisans. It's a great program. My people's market has a store representative there, as well. In addition on our future projects, we have our live nation venue, which will be going up on the third floor of the former nordstrom's building, concurrent with that will be the northeast Multnomah and ninth avenue plaza remodel and our regal cinemas buildout on the east side. That being said, the challenges that we face. It's no secret Portland is becoming increasingly recognized on the national media for the protests and other unrest. The national and local conversations has resulted in economic consequences, demonstrated by a number of conferences that have withdrawn from hosting their events at the venues in the Portland area. Recently, the doubletree hilton lost a booking that was worth over 40,000 in net revenue. Is the reason given was a concern for the safety of the conference attendees. There is never a conversation, at least over the last few years that we have had with a potential tenants or a tenant renewing that doesn't include the narrative or the optics seen nationally. We are having to defend that routinely. On average localities of populations of 500,000 employ 20.07 police officers per 10,000 population. According to fbi data. Looking at the u.s. Census bureau, Multnomah county's population is 807,555, which equates to 1671 police officers. We currently have, I believe, 925 sworn officers. Now while our law enforcement officers are working tirelessly to keep the community safe and we love the work that they are doing, and we support everything that they are doing, they are severely outnumbered. In fact, Oregon is ranked 48th in the nation in having the fewest law enforcement officers per capita. The strain is felt in the lloyd, which has two full-time police officers dedicated to the entire district. Comparatively, the hawthorne business district has two full-time police officers covering we believe about six city blocks. The biggest thing affecting us currently is the organized retail crime. It has become an epidemic, and these professional shoplifters, known as boosters, are in the mall every day, and often will return to the mall the same day after being arrested. The case in point, we had a booster hit a store last week on monday, stole an outfit from a



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store, assaulted a security officer, and that was on monday. On tuesday, he came back, shoplifted from macy's but was caught and arrested, and came back in on tuesday night shoplifted again, security intercepted him. Asked him to leave. He became verbally abusive and then assaulted one of our officers and then the police arrived. He was arrested. He then arrived back on wednesday and thursday and friday, and he's been in the mall on monday, tuesday, and wednesday of this week. That's one. Last week our surveillance picked up a large group of youths at holladay park who encircled an individual who appeared homeless, and circled him, started taunting him, and then attacked him. Then attacked him again pushing him out into Multnomah boulevard right into the traffic. Now the traffic stopped. Our security went out to try to assist. A week after that, an elderly woman was, and she was 81 years old, was circled, same thing. Taunted, harassed, and was injured. A week after that a 76-year-old man, same thing. Had a group that encircled him, assaulted him, and then stole his iphone that he had purchased at the mall about 20 minutes prior. That was later put on a local website for sale. Now, the lloyd center law enforcement and other stakeholders have worked collaboratively to address these issues. One such example is our innovative neighborhood district attorney's program which was addressed earlier, which has been recognized nationally and provides a model for neighborhood coordination cooperation and proactive approach to the community safety. The lloyd center has also partnered with the naacp to develop a program to educate youth on the impact of shoplifting that it has on businesses and employees. Some of the employees that live in their neighborhood. While these programs have proven successful, we need further assistance in helping to keep the community safe. This will not happen without it the presence and the participation of the Portland police bureau, which has neither the staffing levels or the resources to do their job to the level that we need. We respectfully request you reconsider the overall budget of the Portland police bureau. Now we also recognize and applaud mayor wheeler for his efforts to improve the police bureau, including what we feel is a courageous decision to bring in an outside, chief daniel outlaw to lead the bureau as well as forming a pcep, the Portland committee for community engaged policing, which we hope will have a lasting effect on bringing law enforcement into the community together. Mr. Mayor, your participation in the two public meetings to date is not lost on the community and is very much appreciated by the committee. Finally, we request that we work -- that we all work together with mayor wheeler on a program that respects the right to protest, but ensures the safety of the residents and guests and respects the boundaries of all so that we may avoid the images shown nationally of innocent people being blocked from driving home or to a store or to a hospital or being attacked because they disagree. Then, again, these images being broadcast locally and nationally. It is hurting our community, our businesses, and ultimately, will result in jobs lost. Thank you.

**Fritz:** Just as a point of information, we have 90, 90 vacant police officers positions right now. It's not the budget. There is a national challenge in being able to hire police officers and competing with people all over the country as you may have seen earlier, we just have expanded our ability to provide relocation assistance to people coming here, so we are aware of the challenge. It's a matter of getting the positions filled.

**Dye:** And we appreciate your efforts.

**Lange:** I think that's the main message here is we appreciate your efforts. I hope that you want to -- you should recognize what we are doing, as well, and you certainly have done. So with that, with the right, our work with the right 2 dream too folks, we want to deliver the message to you that we are engaged at a neighborhood level and safety is a huge part of the baseline services that we provide. Without it that, we don't get the job grossed, the extra 4,000 jobs, which we all know adds to city revenue, and just outright, you know, Portland livability. So we are -- we are for working with you. We are a partnership. We

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know that exists. Our real ask here was really to deliver the message of what is happening in our neighborhood and ask again of your assistance. You will get it. We'll roll up our sleeves. We create problems creatively, and just want to continue the partnership that we fostered for almost 20 years to come. So thank you again for your time, and any questions. We have a bit of time. We would be happy to answer that, if you have them.

**Wheeler:** Thank you for your presentation. Colleagues, commissioner Fish?

**Fish:** Two things. One, bob, when you gave some data, I think it was very helpful to have some comparative data, you used some national data on police per capita. You compared the national data to Multnomah county. I just want to be clear, we don't, actually, police a portion of Multnomah county. We just police within the Portland boundaries, so let's sharpen that data so that we get the Portland only and not include that -- we have lost the fight in terms of incorporation. We are not going to blend Multnomah county and Portland any time soon. There is a big chunk of Multnomah county that, you know, as you know, you already know this, so that may change the number a bit. Your point is well taken in terms of the quality of life crimes and how we get upstream on them. I couldn't help as I was listening to the excellent presentation that make a little plug for something. My office is working with restore Oregon to find a home for the jantzen beach carousel. Hank, maybe as a child you remember that, but it was lost and then found and now it's being restored. It's probably going to end up near the rose garden. It may end up near omsi. It could end up in the lloyd district if someone thought you know, with appropriate investment it was an amenity. We have got this historic carousel that's looking for a home. I just put it on your radar and restore Oregon is leading the way in restoring it. It's looking for an appropriate home. It's a family-friendly activity, and I am not sure where the best location is, but lloyd would certainly be a contender if there was an interest. So no need to respond to that. Just wanted to have it on your radar.

**Lange:** We are chuckling because we have experience with the carousel and lloyd for sure.

**Fish:** And thank you for your presentation.

**Wheeler:** Commissioner Fritz.

**Fritz:** I enjoyed watching you twitch when the commissioner said the "d" word. And I support you changing the terms to just, lloyd. Like other neighborhoods in the districts have just the name. And I want people who may be watching at home to recognize lloyd is a fabulous place to visit and shop. It's been my favorite -- the lloyd center has been my favorite mall since I got here 32 years ago, and I will be shopping there later on today. So yes, all over Portland we have some challenges. All over this country we have a lot of challenges. And it takes people who want to go shop and invest and play, populating a community to help make it safe, also, and I think that we appreciated the efforts and the achievements of others for assisting in your patrols. But thank you for providing the programming at holladay park that has returned it to the community.

**Ashforth:** Yeah. We have a ways to go there. We are working on it every day, and really, these two really do yeoman's work. Again, a coordinated effort. A million bucks has been put into the park already over the last number of years.

**Dye:** Four years.

**Fritz:** Yeah. And a lot of volunteer time by 1145 and others.

**Ashforth:** It's a terrific place to be.

**Fritz:** Thank you for all you do and all the boards you're on. You go to as many meetings as we do sounds like.

**Lange:** It's very incestuous over there.

**Ashforth:** We all have a focus. The focus is a community effort. Community-wide effort to make it the place to shop and live and work and all the rest of it.

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**Fish:** I have one more question. Hank, I forget when it was the state or federal government that has been reluctant to join the bid. Which was it?

**Ashforth:** State office building.

**Fish:** Even though you have a 99% compliance rate the state would bring you to 100%.

**Ashforth:** Yes. Actually it's been so long since they paid, we have stricken them from the list quite honestly.

**Fish:** Clearly they reap the benefit of the investment. We should have this conversation off line. It doesn't sound like their contribution would be that substantial.

**Ashforth:** It's a fairly large office building that would certainly add to our services. Absolutely.

**Fish:** Thank you.

**Ashforth:** And it would be priced right along like the rest of the improvements in the neighborhood. I would love to have dialog, take it to salem.

**Fish:** Thank you.

**Wheeler:** My thanks for working with them and having a very collaborative relationship and finding a place for them in the mall. Working with the youth specifically regarding issues in holiday park. I want to encourage you to continue to engage in that community conversation. We very much appreciate your help. We're not even on the regular agenda yet. We have at least ten items by my count after this. So we'll have two minutes of testimony going forward. How many are signed up for this item?

**Moore-Love:** Seven.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Please call up the first three.

**Wheeler:** Good morning.

**Charles Bridgecrane Johnson:** Good morning again. Charles "bridge crane" Johnson. I think it was commissioner Fish who made the point about per capita policing. I appreciate that diligence. I hope that all of you whenever we have these struggles about neighborhoods asking for policing especially in the context of business it's a shame I haven't worked harder with Dan Handelman. The first thing you need to know is all policing data is skewed. New York City has huge, highly funded double the national ratio police number, so that should be thrown out. We should compare to peer cities at around 600,000. Also it's silly to talk about policing numbers without having matching crime data. If the Lloyd district is actually having less crime per citizen, not necessarily less crime per dollar of economic activity, police resources should be encountered where police are having the -- actually suffering violence or property loss. And have their own district attorney's office. I'm sure with a little good will on everybody's part we can increase safety and especially the weird thing of repeat shoplifters. That talks to the structure of our society. If people are getting released on conditional release that they don't go back to the Lloyd Center and wear not getting the district attorney's office to flag those people to have an extended holiday that they qualify for for contempt of court, that's where the problem is, not in the budget of the city of Portland. No amount of budget can fix that problem. Really the Lloyd Center is not really even an area of problems. It's an area of success we're trying to hone. It was great to shop there during the holidays with many spaces filled with local people who normally couldn't make the there's hole of mall run. There were great people there. Let's work on the positives without thinking it's in any way connected to the police department budget.

**Wheeler:** Thank you.

**Maggie:** Okay. I guess I'm going to talk about the discriminatory behavior of the private security companies. When I was at Fred Meyer there was obviously a mentally ill guy who comes there frequently, and the security guys there were talking about how much they hated him after he left, and then they proceeded to have a conversation about what long guns they owned and the caliber of bullets they used in them and wanted to sell and the

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long guns they wanted to buy and the caliber of the lead they would need to use for them. I find that very offensive. Also pioneer square, the security officers there dressed very similar to state troopers. I think that's wrong. They put their mall time way down at the bottom of the glass in white where in tiny lettering where nobody can read it, so I had security coming up and talking to me after I had bought an ice cream and was sitting at a table reading a book to tell me I had to leave. I had no idea they closed at 8:00. 9:00 is usually about the time malls tend to close. I just think there's this elderly, disabled, transgender, there's a lot of discrimination by these private security companies.

**Johnson:** I forgot to say thanks to everyone in China for your local investment.

**Moore-Love:** Next three.

**Dan Handelman, Portland Cop watch:** Good morning. I'm dan handelman with Portland cop watch. We participated in a news conference a few months ago that was headed up by the people working on the homeless bill of rights. It was about business improvement districts and how they create their own mini-fiefdoms and laws that are exclusionary, generally focused on the houseless. It was really about the unfortunate houseless person seemed to have been attacked by people. There seemed to be some compassion from the business people.

**Fish:** Also support for right 2 dream too.

**Handelman:** My point is we say specifically around the bid in downtown Portland that it shouldn't be that people with more money get more attention from law enforcement, that we all pay taxes and we all get treated equally. Chief outlaw was interviewed and said there's no difference in how things are enforced but my understanding from reading the paperwork, I didn't read it inasmuch detail as usual, there's some kind of facility that the police are allowed to use to write their paperwork that the lloyd business district gives them. It's like if a rich person set aside a room in their house and said I want the police protecting my neighborhood more so come here and write your reports. It's not appropriate to build that kind of special right for some people because they have more money. More over i'm glad that mr. Johnson already addressed the issue of more money on more police. That's sure not going to solve our problems. The u.s. Government spends all our money on the military partly why we don't have money for housing or jobs. That's why people commit crimes. Certainly it's this council's responsibility to make sure that we're not overspending on law enforcement and i'm glad again commissioner Fritz pointed out we have empty positions at the police bureau. We also have these unarmed officers that are hopefully going to start doing more than just push paperwork around but maybe could also help people like the folks in the lloyd district.

**Wheeler:** If I could just say, yes, the ps3, public safety service coordinators will most certainly be in the community. So thank you for reminding us of that. Good morning.

**Diana Ogaz:** Good morning. I --

**Fish:** What's your name?

**Ogaz:** My name is diana. I am part the -- the holiday park is pretty much my backyard. I frequent this area on a regular basis walking from my home through holiday park to the lloyd center. It's one of my favorite places. I see so much life and so much of Portland and even people from Washington traveling to just be a part of this community. In the summertime I see all the things that holiday park has to offer. Its community. However, since winter it's been lacking, and with the people who are currently out of place, homeless, don't have places to go holiday park is a desirable place for a lot of reasons. It's close to public transportation. It's close to the lloyd center, which is a place of warmth. There's all sorts of things that it can offer. So with there being a challenge on filling spaces for law enforcement to help, I notice that as the lloyd esd was going over their efforts of what they were doing for our community, I wonder if maybe they can look at their budget to provide for those who are misplaced because in the summertime there's a lot that they

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offer a community but the wintertime is really when it's crucial. It's when it's needed. There are so many financial efforts that lloyd esd is providing and I think instead of looking for more money for the police I think that we can look within, work together as they said and work together as a community to make room. Also I just want to say that carousel from jansen beach, I remember that and I think holiday park or lloyd center could really benefit from the carousel. Thank you for your time.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Good morning.

**Joe Walsh:** Good morning. My name is joe walsh. I represent individuals for justice. I was really struck by the just how outlandish information was presented to you. Even commissioner Fish picked up on that he doubted we would use 600,000 merchants -- what is it, 800,000 in the county, that we have now? That's a huge difference. You know. That was done on purpose. That was a lie. You were lied to. But it was a great report, wasn't it, commissioner? That's the thing that drives us crazy. You sit here and they lie to you, you know they lie to you, and then you turn around and say, that was a great report. No, it wasn't. It was bullshit. That's what that report was. That last presentation by the man who is now sitting on the committee that you guys appointed is telling you lies. That anecdotal stuff that he talked about, the guy would be arrested over and over and over again and his conclusion was get more cops. Well, the guy was arrested. Over and over. The cops must have been there. So what are you going to do with all the cops? The two cops that are going to watch it go to a movie? You spread the cops so thin and today you are taking up another issue that you want to spread the cops out even more. So stop it. Do the data. Don't listen to these people who lie to you. And you know it. This business -- I was supposed go there to pick up patti from see's candy. I'm not going. They lost a customer.

**Wheeler:** Mr. Walsh, your time is up. I just want to say --

**Walsh:** Get away from me.

**Wheeler:** Excuse me. I just want to say in this chamber while i'm presiding officer we're not going to impugn people --

**Walsh:** They are liars:

**Wheeler:** That's your opinion. [shouting]

**Wheeler:** I don't believe they are liars. That's not what the data shows. [shouting] you're out of order and you're going to be asked to leave.

**Walsh:** What? [shouting]

**Wheeler:** We'll take a recess. Robert paterson and mimi german.

**Wheeler:** Come on up.

**Lightning Super Humanity XX1PDX:** My name is lightning. I represent lightning superhumanity xx1 pdx.

**Fish:** That sounds like a new one.

**Lightning:** I was waiting for you to catch that. The issue I have on this is number one that to make it very clear on where this revenue comes from I understand it's a percentage off of each property owner that joins this bid, but you can correct me if i'm wrong on that. Issue number 2 is that I have a real problem with somehow a d.a. Being in this type of agreement almost as a personal d.a. Of this group. I have a big problem with that. I like that separation of power. I don't want somebody to have that influence over a d.a. To maybe point at somebody and say, a little bit longer next time. Little bit longer. I have a big problem with a d.a. In a neighborhood that is being elemented represented as their d.a. Big issue to me. Number 2, a lot of these people being released, police are filing the reports, they run them back out. We're over capacity at the Multnomah county jail. They are offering early release right now, forced release. That's a big debate that I got in and said you need to note vie the victims of who you are releasing early. I had a big problem with them doing that. The other issue I have on this is that we're dealing with a bunch of rich property owners. I almost put a bet on that mr. Ansforth or whoever he is bought old

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seymore dirty's property. Maybe i'm wrong. I had a discussion with him on those properties in lloyd. The reality is do we want to give control of these neighborhoods to certain very wealthy developers and property owners because that's what I see. Why do I want those neighborhood associations to do the same thing? You're already paying them too. This is a double pay. I don't like what I see here. I have a big problem with that d.a. And I want to know who that d.a.'s name is and I want to talk to him.

**Mimi German:** I'm mimi german. I have a problem with somebody from pcep using this table as a microphone for issues that should be in front of pcep as a public meeting. I don't think that it is in any law abiding rule, ordinance or whatever of the pcep committee that they are allowed to come here and speak as an individual for issues that should be in pcep. So I think there's a conflict there. I don't know the rules but he just used this platform as a way to deal with issues that would normally come in front of pcep regarding cop behavior, regarding in his case wanting more cops in the neighborhood and he used this as a platform. Already pcep has had 1.5 meetings and we have somebody lobbying for pcep from pcep at this table and nobody is calling it out. Well, I am. I think that it should be looked at. Dan, i'm speaking to you too. I don't know the rules but you will. Somebody has to look into that and if he has just overridden his allowance or whatever is it, his rule to go sitting on the pcep committee i'm in favor of him having to leave the committee for he's just done. I think it's a really big problem that he just took his white male privileged pcep power and brought it here for another issue and had you listen to him and perhaps give him what he wants when that should have been brought up to pcep. I second what the woman who testified was saying, i'm in favor of them using the money to help the houseless population survive. If they need more cops give them g4s from here because they are useless. Go to the lloyd center. That would be a great place for them. [applause]

**Wheeler:** Good morning.

**Robert Patterson:** Mayor, president Saltzman, i'm robert paterson. Mayor, thank you for your words a few moments ago. While I am firmly in favor of agitation there's no room in the political process for personal attacks or hate speech. I think of plato's athens as a place where -- as a place where in a public forum citizens could meet to discuss issues of the day and that forum was in a sense athens' living room. With all due respect to pioneer square, in my opinion the true living room of Portland is lloyd center. As we move towards 2020, an important mayor's election here in Portland but also a presidential election that will shape the future of this republic, I call on young people to join me at lloyd center and at malls across Portland and across america to find a place at the table for voters under 30 in the next election. Thank you. I'm robert paterson.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Very good. Does that complete public testimony?

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

**Wheeler:** Very good. Any further discussion?

**Moore-Love:** I'm sorry did you want to speak? You didn't sign up on that sheet.

**Wheeler:** Come on up. If there's a mistake and you want to testify, come on up. [audio not understandable]

**Jim Whittenburg:** I guess this town has become too big and powerful for me. I moved to the lloyd center area in 1998. I never heard of lloyd, whatever that is. Dan, I appreciate you serving on the council and taking care of -- the quote was by hubert humphrey, how you treat your young and your elderly people. We forgot about that part. I'll be 80 years old next april 13th. I fell recently and was in the hospital for the rest home for over a month. Dan, thank you again. I appreciate it. Nick, I think I was in Washington d.c. When your dad was there.

**Fish:** '88 to '94. He died in '96.

**Whittenburg:** I was in the congress in 19 -- in '69. I worked for john conyers back then.

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**Fish:** They served together on judiciary.

**Whittenburg:** I thought so. He did a great job. Also nelson rockefeller. I'm really sad. I have a relationship with Portland since I joined the city club in eugene and they took my \$75 and put it in their pocket. I have been to a couple of the meetings. I guess i'm no longer a resident here so I won't bother you any more, but this was a nice town in 1963 when I moved here. I was behind providence hospital. I had a pharmacy across the street from the hospital for three years. I don't know what's happened to it. Bunch of stuffed shirts get up here with ties on and tell you stuff. I have never heard of them. I have lived in the lloyd center area since 1998. I don't get you people any more. You don't represent me. You represent --

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Your time has expired. Thank you. Appreciate it. I have one comment to make. I want to give you some data and you can come to your own conclusion about what this is. We have as was stated about 924 sworn officers. Our population is 650,000. Denver has a population of 680,000. It has 1500 police officers. Seattle has a population of 724,000, so about 75,000 more people than we do. They have 1300 sworn officers. San francisco has a population of 884,000. They have 2108 sworn police officers. Those are facts too. You can make of it what you wish. This is a first reading of a nonemergency ordinance. It moves to second reading. I want to thanks those from lloyd, go lloyd, I for being here. I appreciate what they do in the community. Next item. We move to the regular agenda item 1332, please.

**Item 1332.**

**Wheeler:** We will have presentations today from sarah fallen from my office, matt wickstrom and mark jolen, the director of the joint office of homeless services between Multnomah county and the city of Portland. After they give their presentations we'll have some invited testimony from stacy work, tpi, rose back from catholic charities. I'm not sure who is starting today. Name for the record.

**Seraphie Allen, Mayor Wheeler Office:** City council, i'm sara allen i'm a policy advisor to mayor wheeler. It's my great pleasure to be before you today. System development charges fees play a critical role in expanding and providing services in Portland. However, assessing these fees on new shelter space can limit ability to create them when shelter space is badly needed. Over two years the mayor's office has worked with many public and private partners to expand access to shelter and increase the numbers of people moving through shelter into permanent housing. I would like to thank all the bureau partners and especially matt wickstrom from bds for coming together so quickly and working with a nimbleness not usually expected from government for addressing this challenge. Waiving fees is one tool to address our housing crisis and need for shelter access. [shouting] I would now like to pass this off to matt wickstrom. Thank you for hearing us today.

**Matt Wickstrom, Development Services:** Hello, i'm matt wickstrom, bureau of development services. I'll just quickly go through a presentation about what we came up with for the sdc waivers from shelters and short term housing. The issues we came across, the first is that sdc charges can be a significant portion of the over all cost of new shelter space. There is a current sdc waiver. It's applied to mass shelters but not applied to short term housing. I'll get to the distinction in a second. The current waiver requires a 10-year minimum operating period. What we're seeing is shelters that don't always have that ten-year minimum lined up. They may be seasonal or they just don't have a ten-year lease period. The difference between a mass shelter and short term housing in this waiver would apply to both. Mass shelter is a structure with one or more open sleeping areas. Individual sleeping rooms are not provided and mass shelter is operated by a public or nonprofit agency. You could picture the foster shelter. Short term housing is a structure with one or more open individual sleeping rooms and also operated by a public or nonprofit agency for

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short term housing you could picture kenton women's village. The like I said the current sdc waivers are applied to mass shelters that apply shelter for a minimum of ten years. The proposal is sdc's would be waived for both projects and this should say with confirmation from the joint office of homeless services.

**Fish:** Can we go back for a second? There's a big difference between operating agreement and confirmation.

**Wickstrom:** Yes. This is a typo in the presentation. I'm sorry.

**Fish:** You're saying on one hand we're saying it doesn't have to be ten, now it doesn't have to have an operating agreement, just confirmation? Mark, I'll wait for your presentation but I want to -- there has to be a clear public benefit. There has to be a clear trigger. An operating agreement we can verify. Confirmation gets squishy. I want to know just how that works.

**Wickstrom:** The process that we have laid out is that the joint office of public services would provide sdc bureaus with a letter saying the shelter has confirmation. Sdc bureaus would calculate but waive the fees. Joint office would be responsible for tracking the shelters receiving the waiver and the amount and notify if the shelter was no longer operating. This is intended to give you a snapshot of the sdc fees assessed of shelters keeping in mind that different bureaus assess fees differently and there's different types of projects where different fees would be triggered so this is really just a snap shot of what we have seen so far. In addition to these there would be likely the willamette center would be requesting sdc fees waived, right 2 dream too and hazelnut grove which could come in with permits and request those fees be waived as well. The ordinance proposal is to amend title 30 to create a new section for waivers for mass shelters and short term housing, amend title 30 to remove current references for mass shelters from the section that it's in, waivers for affordable housing. Then there are minor amendments to title 17, 21 and 30. The ordinance has been structured as an emergency ordinance. That is the end of my presentation.

**Marc Jolin, Director Joint Office of Homeless Services:** I'll provide my prepared remarks and come back to your question, commissioners. Good morning. Mark Jolin. I'm here to express my appreciation for the sdc waiver measure you're voting on today. I thank the mayor's office for initiating this and the partnership with the bureaus and bureau of development services. Since the declaration of state of emergency we have opened more than a dozen in this community. We have more than doubled the number of publicly funded beds available and doubled the number of people who benefit each year. Last year it was approximately 8500 people. But as Matt said we don't foresee our need for shelter diminishing. We're in the midst of several projects to upgrade the quality of our permanent year-round shelter capacity and anticipate additional ones in the future. We also expect to continue to look for temporary and alternative shelter opportunities in partnership with the faith community nonprofits business community and our neighborhoods. Shelter is not something that requires government sponsorship. We have a variety of privately run shelters serving a wide range of need in our community including year round, seasonal and alternative shelters. Given the urgent need we want to do everything we can to incentivize these privately led efforts. The waiver proposal will reduce cost of shelter development whether publicly or privately led. As you saw from Matt's presentation these costs can be substantial and a significant deterrent especially to faith communities and nonprofits seeking to create or improve shelter capacity. As importantly this waiver creates a streamlined process. As we moved to create shelters the public interest in advancing those projects has been strong enough the bureaus have ultimately granted waivers of the fees. Seeking waivers from each bureau for each project is time-consuming that often slows projects down. This eliminates that and will allow shelters to be created more quickly. This proposal will be one more important tool in our efforts to address the crisis of unsheltered



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homelessness and the joint office welcomes the opportunity to play a role in the implementation of this new tool. I thank you again for your consideration of this proposal.

**Fish:** Could you talk about this mechanism of confirmation versus operating agreement? I'm guessing that the old rule ten years in an operating agreement was in part designed to make sure the cost benefit was amortized over a period of time and the operating agreement was a way of verifying the relationship. How would you envision the confirmation process working?

**Jolin:** So I'll let Matt take the first run out of it. I'm not clear that was part of the ten-year waiver.

**Fish:** That was a typo.

**Wickstrom:** An operating agreement isn't currently required.

**Fish:** How does the confirmation process work?

**Jolin:** This is something that we will have to work out in terms of of the formal process. What we would expect is the presentation of the desire to move forward with shelter. In fact most shelters in our community are going to have our involvement actively in multiple stages including as a funder, so expect that in the vast majority of situations there would be an operating agreement we have the ability to verify a shelter is going to be open, is open and operating as planned. I think what we're trying to create is space for those community led efforts that don't necessarily require our funding or operating agreement with us but where we know that provider is out in the community delivering shelter services. How we document that will be a new process but clearly we'll need some very specific mechanisms in place.

**Fish:** I have great confidence in how you work that out but I would think a letter addressed to the commissioner in charge and the director notifying them this is being triggered describing the project making the request so it can be acted on is a good place to start then we can fine tune that over time.

**Jolin:** Absolutely. I think we'll have the record of application for permanence that have triggered the sdc conversations. I think we'll have a good record to verify this is intended use and be able to monitor that.

**Fish:** This proposal says the burden is placed on the joint office to do these notifications including if the entity ceases operating as a shelter. Do you have adequate resources to undertake that responsibility?

**Jolin:** We will undertake the responsibility. We'll have to look at what the actual administrative impact is. That current volume of shelters is not that high so we don't anticipate this is going to be a big body of work for us but as it becomes clear what's necessitated we'll have to look at our existing budget and potentially seek whatever additional support we need.

**Fish:** Thank you.

**Jolin:** Operationally for us because we are in the lead on a lot of these shelter projects there will likely be a net benefit if we're not having to pursue individual sdc waivers we can put that time back into monitoring as well.

**Wheeler:** Further questions? Does that complete the presentation for this?

**Allen:** That's correct.

**Wheeler:** We have some invited testimony. Stacy Bourque is here as well as Rose Back. Thank you for being here.

**Rose Bach, Director Homeless Housing Services Catholic Charities:** Good morning. I'm Rose Back, director of homeless and housing services at Catholic Charities of Oregon. As you may know we operate a variety of services for people experiencing homelessness or are left homeless including the Kenton Women's Village. It's been very successful alternative shelter model and we have a strong relationship with the neighborhood. The neighbors are very involved in the village. They volunteer at the village and share in the

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village's success. I know that you, mayor, were visiting about a month ago and at that time we let you know 18 women had moved into permanent housing. As of today 20 women from the village have left long term chronic homelessness into permanent housing so we're very pleased about that. At catholic charities we believe strongly that small alternative shelters are very good model for people who are not successful in larger shelters. The sense of security and privacy that women have at the village as well as long term intensive case management has really proved a key for folks to move on out of homelessness. People have secured jobs, started small businesses, left domestic violence relationships and so the recovery from addiction and mental health disorders through their work at the village. We at catholic charities are pursuing shelters but we believe the system development charges are prohibitive in applying for individual waivers impedes our ability to be nimble and flexible and to start new sites. We ask that you would approve the waiver and support additional villages like kenton women's village moving forward.

**Wheeler:** I just want to say how impressed I am with your work and how impressed I was with the women at the women's kenton village. I really appreciated their hospitality. Nice of them to invite me and show me not only the village and the programming but invite me into their homes and see what they are working on. I have to say I was so impressed that there was a micro enterprise going on there as well. So there were two women who were taking economic control of their lives and becoming entrepreneurs, and delivering a product which I thought was fantastic. I appreciated it so much.

**Bach:** Thank you. When we moved to a new location in january we invite all of you to come. Thank you.

**Stacy Borke, Director Program Transition Projects:** Thank you for having me. I'm stacy bourque, senior director of programs with transition projects. Thanks for bringing this important change forward. Over the last three years transition projects has opened 13 shelters in 13 different locations including permanent winter and temporary shelters all with the support of this council and the joint office of homeless services. All of our shelter expansion has been intentional and strategic striving to meet both emergent needs of people sleeping unsheltered tonight and providing stability as people transition back into housing. Last year transition projects provided safe sleep for more than 3700 different people and helped more than 1,000 people return back to permanent housing. As you know our budgets to open new programs are small. The timelines are often short, and the demand is critical. These are lifesaving services. Everything we do to speed up and make the process more efficient matters most to the people who are in crisis and need the services today. Your support of this waiver allows us to dedicate our energy and our resources towards getting people safe inside and back in housing. Thank you very much.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Colleagues, any questions for this panel? Thank you for your great work. Public testimony?

**Moore-Love:** We have seven people signed up.

**Robert West:** This is robert west. You received an award I believe two years ago for keeping veterans off the streets. I'm finding more and more people are on the streets. I think that the city should waive any fees of these shelters and stuff. Shelters shouldn't have to be burdened with the fees and stuff. If you notice, there's homeless all over the place. Even had homeless protests outside where individual got assaulted and robbed and was brought into city hall for first aid just to be kicked out by security because the person was not injured on city hall property. Then when the police decided to deal with it, which was over an hour later, the guy that was pepper sprayed had to walk four blocks to speak with the police which I thought was totally disgusting. Also, couple days ago they had a protest outback by your car in which a number of --

**Wheeler:** Mr. West, is this testimony going to focus on the matter at hand?

**West:** It is. It is.

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**Wheeler:** If you could keep to that part of the subject.

**West:** Okay. Protesters were shoved by your g4s security guards. We need more shelters. We need more places where homeless can go. We don't need the homeless ticketed. A duty in front of city hall got a citation, a criminal citation for camping in front of city hall. Now, that's a shame, mayor. These people can't afford these tickets. You guys ticket them, they don't show up for court, then your ss goons go arrest them.

**Wheeler:** Thank you.

**Charles Bridgecrane Johnson:** Good morning. Again, charles "bridge crane" johnson. Obviously, any step we can take especially when it's just around what's in this case sort of bureaucratic moving money from the left hand to the right hand, the city and county generally fund shelter while we're working at getting more local people, especially high wealth local people aware --

**Fish:** May I direct you? We're not moving money around. We're waiving a fee.

**Johnson:** But if we didn't it's really moving money -- it's not like they are collecting rent from homeless people. Any sdc money came from the joint office of homeless services or catholic charities. But vote yes to delay these sdc fees. I think that I was glad the mayor made clarifications about city size and police force size. We also need to look at the fact there's just no way that if one of the previous testifiers said they housed 3,000 some unique individuals and they got 1,000 people into housing that there's much of an overlap with that diagram. If you people that leave shelters without attaining public housing we still have a serious crisis. It's not a fault of tpi, it's the fault of the real estate market. Waive these charges and look to broaden the source of philanthropic individuals and organizations that can open up temporary space so that we don't have thousands of people outside when it's 32 degrees. Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Good morning.

**Robert Patterson:** Hi. I'm robert paterson. Gosh. I have been homeless in Portland for coming up on three years now. Three and a half years. I understand that shelters are an important part of a solution not just of homelessness but the problem of freezing to death. However, i'm also a gay man, and I understand that many shelters, not all but many, are inculcated with a prison culture that is intolerant to sexual minorities. I also have a religious faith that runs outside of the norm and again I understand at some shelters, not all but some, are intolerant of alternative faith pathways, shall we say. While I support this exemption, I would hope that the commission would add a caveat that all of these shelters be able to demonstrate how they plan to have a secure space for sexual minorities and for minorities of faith. I'm robert paterson.

**Wheeler:** Good morning.

**Maggie:** I would like more than two minutes. Thank you. I think that delaying these sdc fees can be a good thing if you're trying to improve the deliverance of homeless services or improve the services themselves because federal policy 11 just let's the contractors decide what is a social service. So inside salvation army there's a housing advocate but there's no housing advocacy going on. You know, I explained to you earlier about the bedbugs, lice and mercer. There are people moving out. However bar 15 next door they are apparently still mad that we have asked them to keep the noise down to a reasonable level. I grew up across from two major military installations. I understand what ordinance practice sounds like. I can feel the ground shaking and the windows shaking, so when bar 15 is doing their blasting from their speakers and their drums and it sounds exactly like that and we have on my floor about a dozen schizophrenics and they walk back and forth and talk to themselves, then when I go down and i'm sitting like literally this close because we're all sitting side by side with our chairs touching and i'm eating my ramen because they won't use the kitchen that they donated to feed anyone, there's a woman who is schizophrenic sitting next to me up all night and she's sobbing. I don't mean crying a little.

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She was sobbing endlessly because she has been up all night and because it sounds like an active war zone because bar 15 is going boom boom boom boom boom boom boom boom. All night long. It's torture. That's torturing disabled people. Okay? This city attorney could do something about this. There's no disability rights lawyer or disability rights -- otherwise you guys would have had a class action lawsuit because ultimately it's the city's responsibility to be in charge of that.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Appreciate it. Good morning.

**Homer Williams, Oregon Harbor of Hope:** Good morning. Homer Williams. Oregon harbor of hope. Somebody mentioned the private side getting involved in this. I think this is a really good example of getting something done where there's a significant financial contribution from the private side. Then in conjunction with transition projects in the city and their help both on an ongoing operation and prosper Portland and the state of Oregon all contributing to this. So I think that we all recognize the need for shelters, and it's going to continue to grow as we know. Finding ways to provide this is most important and this is a big step in making it financially viable for the private people willing to make contributions. To help manage the cost of building these things. Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Thank you, sir.

**Tom Kemper, Project Manager Navigation Center:** I'm Tom Kemper. I went to Homer about a few months ago and said what can I do to help with the homeless issue. He said great. Take on the navigation center, so I'm the project manager and owner rep for getting the navigation center built. As you know, that project is 100 bed shelter plan right by the Broadway bridge on land being leased from prosper Portland to the city to Oregon harbor of hope. We hope to start construction in January. The lease is less than ten years. That's why this modification to the waiver of fees is critical to get the navigation center built. It's being built substantially with private donor funding. So it is as Homer noted a public-private partnership to address a very serious issue that we have. Strongly urge your passage of this modification to the fee ordinance.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Appreciate it. Does that complete public testimony?

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

**Wheeler:** Please call the roll.

**Fritz:** I appreciate the collaboration of all the partners who have made this happen. Aye.

**Fish:** When we waive systems development charges and we're talking about waiving, not deferring, we necessarily shift costs -- Homer, you don't have to stay, by the way. You're welcome to. We charge more for those seats. [laughter] we shift costs on to other classes of users and so we do this advisedly. We do this carefully. Particularly when the utilities are included in what is being proposed. I have some hesitation about the action we're taking today. But on balance I think it's in the public interest and I support it. Aye.

**Moore-Love:** We're trying to get commissioner Saltzman. This is an emergency.

**Wheeler:** We're stalling.

**Fish:** Where is lightning? Does he have any more videos? Let's take it out of sequence.

**Vennier:** I would recommend postponing calling of the vote.

**Wheeler:** Why don't we do this. Have you received word from commissioner Saltzman?

**Moore-Love:** Your staff went to find him.

**Fish:** Why don't we put it off for one item?

**Wheeler:** We have one item where I have --

**Moore-Love:** Here he is.

**Wheeler:** Continue the roll, please.

**Saltzman:** Aye.

**Wheeler:** Last year for the first time more Portland residents were counted sleeping in shelters than sleeping outside. Despite good progress Portland still has a very urgent need for additional shelter beds and shelter options for the people in our community. System

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development charge fees play a critical role in expanding and providing services in Portland, however, assessing these fees on shelters can actually limit our ability to create them when space is so obviously needed. The city's sdc bureaus, bureau of development services, joint office of homeless services worked together on an approach to waive fees for these shelters provided they have confirmation with the joint office and we had that conversation today. Waiving these fees is one tool the city council has available to address the housing crisis and need for safe and habitable shelters. I thank matt wickstrom in bringing all the sdc bureaus together and creating a very collaborative process. Thank you. I also want to thank maury moore from the water bureau, sarah huggins from Portland parks, bes, rich eisenhower from Portland parks and the housing bureau all who worked tirelessly on this effort. Again as always I want to thank mark jolen for his excellent stewardship of the joint office and thank sara from my team for recognizing this issue and team working to it resolved. I vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Thank you all. Next item, 1333.

**Item 1333.**

**Wheeler:** When the city of Portland adopted city-wide racial equity goals and strategies these goals included committing an effort to opportunities around contracting. The bureau has spent the last year and a half looking for ways to bring greater access and opportunity to underrepresented contractors specifically in the waste collection industry. It's particularly difficult for minority owned women owned and emerging small businesses to gain entrance to capital intensive industries like waste collection and construction. In the construction industry the city has already developed the prime contractor development program which allows certified minority and women contractors to compete within the program for contracting opportunities of up to \$1 million. The program also provides ongoing technical assistance and educational opportunities. The bureau of planning and sustainability has worked with procurement services to develop an exciting proposal for a similar program in the waste collection industry called the waste collection and access and opportunity program, which is what we're going to hear about today. I would like to turn this over to ariana from bps and lester spitler from the procurement office to kick this off.

**Ariane Sperry, Planning and Sustainability:** Thank you so much, mayor, city council. I'm really pleased to be able to present today with lester as he and his team at procurement services have been awesome partners in helping us map out this approach. So at the core of this effort is equity, which we as a city have identified as an important value. We have also identified that creating more access in our contracting opportunities is a critical component to advancing that work. The waste collection access and opportunity program provides us with a concrete step that we can take to move toward our equity goals. So how did we get here? In august of 2017, city council directed bps to launch review of our franchise system governing collection of residential garbage and recycling. For the first time we were directed to use an equity lens in our review not only in terms of diversity of work force but also company ownership. One of the first steps was to identify the barriers facing minority owned and women owned companies. We interviewed stakeholders and heard about lack of access including access to capital. Lack of opportunity like the opportunity to build relevant experience. Though all service providers face these barriers, these barriers are amplified for minority owned companies due to historical discrimination and inequities. Ultimately we concluded that the most effective approach was to broaden our look to all sectors of the waste system and identify steps to take over several years to create access and opportunities for capacity building. So last october we shared with you our waste equity work plan laying out the work bps will take to advance diversity and equity in Portland's waste collection system. Multifamily was our top priority and still is. We're working to start that effort now and convene an advisory group early next year. The next top items in the work plan relate to city procurements for waste

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collections and trash cans in the public right of way and from city owned and managed offices and other facilities. Implementation of these items is moving forward first for several reasons. First the city is the customer in these two procurements so we have more flexibility and control over the procurement approach. The public trash program is slated to expand significantly going from about \$600,000 per year to over \$2 million per year by 2022. There's a big opportunity there to make changes in how we do things. We're expanding into business districts in phases starting in east Portland this spring. The public trash program makes sense as a stepping stone for new service providers because it's less capital intense. There's just one line of service so there are fewer collection vehicles to purchase. Also the city owns and maintains the trash cans, which is another investment the contractor doesn't have to make. The waste collection contract for city owned offices and facilities is currently about \$900,000 per year. This contract is big enough that only a few large companies have the capacity to bid on it. Bps plans to work with procurement services and participating bureaus to create more access and opportunity for a broader set of companies. Having just a small pool of interested and capable bidders has also been an issue with public trash solicitations so another benefit of this proposal is we can grow the pool and build capacity of new potential service providers. When we approached procurement services to discuss the best way to provide more access and opportunity for minority owned and women owned companies in our public waste collection procurements, lester suggested bps use the existing model of prime contractor development program which directs smaller construction contracts to a pool of vetted and pre-qualified vendors. The program is available to minority on, women owned, and emerging small businesses that have been certified by the state, certification office for business inclusion and diversity, which is also known as cobid. The prime contractor development program also supports companies in their growth by providing operational and technical assistance. So bps is proposing to develop a similar waste collection access and opportunity program and direct future procurements for waste collection from public trash cans and city offices and facilities through the program. We'll work with procurement services, other city bureaus, and potential service providers to develop administrative rules for the program. The first procurement would be for public trash collection east Portland next spring and when the existing contract for waste collection at city facilities expires in august of 2020 that work would also be directed through the program. To do all this we need authorization for a class special procurement exemption which lester can speak to.

**Lester Spitler, Procurement Services:** Good afternoon, mayor, commissioners. So the action before you is authorizing a class special procurement exemption. Portland city code allows city council acting as local contract review board to authorize a special procurement if it meets certain criteria. Number one it can't result in favoritism or diminished competition. It should result in substantial cost savings and public benefits. So we feel this class special procurement exemption will do exactly that. As ariana mentioned, the state certification office of inclusion and business diversity certifies companies and they face the biggest challenge because it's very capital intensive. What we propose to do is take these opportunities and compete them against a sheltered market pool of vendors vetted and pre-qualified through the program and those will be the only firms that have access to those be opportunities. It's very similar to the prime contractor development program that we have today. So we're currently working with the state to poll the certified companies to see who would be interested in this. Initially and who may be interested in expanding to pursue these opportunities in the future. We will continue to work with them to poll that pool of vendors to promote this opportunity and continue to grow the pool inside the sheltered market, if you will.

**Sperry:** To reiterate, bps is seeking direction to develop a new waste collection access and opportunity program. We're also seeking authorization to direct city contracts for waste

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collection from public trash cans and city offices and facilities through the new program. We're seeking immediate authorization in order to meet our commitments to the east Portland community to begin providing public trash collection services by next spring. That's all.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Colleagues, any questions on this item before we take public testimony?

**Sperry:** We also have invited testimony as well.

**Wheeler:** Very good.

**Nate McCoy, Executive Director NAMC:** Just for the record i'm nate mcco, executive director of the Oregon chapter of the national association of minority contractors. Thank you for having me today, mayor, commissioners. I'm struck by the presentations earlier today because I see so many parallels in the discussions around honest opportunities within work force development and homeless crisis that we are all facing and the housing issues, and you'll hear from me today about how i'm seeing the dots connect between all these presentations. I won't reiterate what ariana did but I want to acknowledge bps and some of the procurement staff for their leadership to ensure that we were setting the right tables with the existing haulers as well as potential new minority and women, new entrants into the system. We were reminded of case studies from 1950 that showed blatant discrimination against african-americans and other machine or the haulers more or less froze out of these industries. To fast forward to today to have a discussion with you all for any politician I think you would clamor to a win-win situation and that's what we're presenting today. What I want to spend my two minutes extra on is talking about the back end process. I think that is by far the most important giving your approval today, to establish this equity working group which will wrestle with not only how to expand the pie but how to expand that work force development. What i'm hopeful of is these same people we worked with over the last year with all the current haulers, we saw some commitments. We have had conversations about donated trucks to ensure minorities and others have opportunities to learn hands on in accessing cdl driver certificates. We're talking about grants that metro is offering to this industry to ensure that we keep an ample opportunity for the youth. We're also talking about how do you ensure that new entrants can buy a business or start a business and capitalize equipment. So what better way than to the city to sponsor a program in which people with get that needed capacity. That technical assistance. That access to everybody in the hauling industry accessing these young people to get into these jobs. To me there's not a better program and process I have seen the city ever undertake. We talk about public benefit, we talk about community benefit. Today you have both in one. So what I would like to say that on top of that is, mayor, me and you sat in a meeting with work systems where projections showed there were 17,000 opportunity youth they called them, young individuals who have graduated high school and are not employed or not employed in living wage jobs or going to college. Work better -- doing infrastructure development in our city. We have to get a head start on this and i'm hopeful the city will partner with metro, odot and on top of that we have two major housing bonds under way. What better way than to start talking about multi housing in these industries affordable housing. These are new market opportunities including city facilities that we have the opportunity to address and make sure there's an inclusive environment for all the individuals entering these new markets. I just have never seen anything that's come together this well. I'm begging you guys to really make sure we approve this and on top of that appoint staff to be a part of this working equity group. We're going to need real leadership to support the stakeholders as well as the staff that are doing this hard work. Please grant the opportunity for these special procurements to take place so that we can move into the real work of ensuring that we are getting the young individuals, even some of the homeless population, involved in getting a job that will be sustainable for the next

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20, 30 years. So thank you for your time today. I just hope that we can reduce will up in the new year with innovative ways to work together.

**Wheeler:** Thank you for the hard work you put into this, nate. You have been at this for a long time working very hard. I agree with you whenever you can bring a win-win to the city council that's a really good thing. So thank you. Does that complete the provided testimony?

**McCoy:** Yes.

**Wheeler:** How many are signed up?

**Moore-Love:** We have four.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Two minutes each, please.

**Patterson:** I'm robert paterson. It occurs to me that classism often masquerades as racism, and while I understand the importance of programs that allow minority owned businesses and women owned businesses access to capital and access to contracts, i'm mindful of the fact also there's a population of poor whites that have been historically denied access to capital. I would hope the commission not forget them as well. I would like to invite everybody to join me on the steps of city hall today at 4:00 p.m. Where I plan to make an important announcement regarding my political future. I'm robert paterson.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Good morning.

**Johnson:** Good afternoon, council. Charles "bridge crane" johnson. I just want to say thank you, nice job. The only thing would be even better if someone had moved to amend a one-year review so we could talk about the excellent progress so people experiencing success can talk about the difference it made to the community. Thanks.

**Wheeler:** Thanks.

**Maggie:** I'm all for equity. If you can get rid of the blowers and hire more street sweepers instead you'll employ more people. I think it's good that there's going to be 157 units going to people who are employed in minimum wage jobs over on the side, what about supportive housing. Let's talk about supportive housing. Let's talk about the fact that you've divided people who are going into housing because they have minimum wage jobs and they are getting into these units, then again segregating people who are very, very disabled and putting them in these horrible, horrible shelters with all these problems. So I would like to continue that conversation.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Thank you. Colleagues, any further questions?

**Moore-Love:** The last person, beth vargas duncan.

**Wheeler:** Come on up.

**Beth Vargas-Duncan, Director of Oregon Refuse and Recycle Assn:** Good afternoon, mayor, members of council i'm beth vargas duncan, regional director of Oregon refuse and recycling organization. I'm speaking in representation of the Portland haulers association. As you know Portland haulers provide the residential solid waste and recycling collection services within Portland. Every hauler providing residential collection service in Portland is a member of the Portland haulers association. All members are committed to working cooperatively with the city's bureau of planning and sustainability staff to provide safe, modern, efficient waste collection services that include garbage, recycling, organics collection, all at reasonable rates. The Portland haulers association members value and support equity, diversity and inclusion. Members have been working closely with bps staff and the Oregon chapter of the national association of minority contractors and others to identify effective initiatives building our commitment to diversity in the workplace and providing new opportunities for minority and women to gain added experience in solid waste management services. During the renewal discussions in december of 2017, last year, pha members introduced the idea to use city facility and public trash can contracts as a method to create new opportunities quickly for minorities and women owned companies and waste management services. We remain committed to supporting this initiative as well



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as working with the waste equity advisory group to create more opportunities for minorities and women while continuing to provide the standard of service expected from the city. We remain committed to enhancing diversity training and have hired a consultant to help do so. Please know pha members are invested as partners as we move forward. Additionally there are many factors behind haulers control that impact operations and logistics to delivering service. I'll end saying we bring a strong record of commitment to advancing the next phase to work to increase opportunity and reduce barriers for entrance at every level of the waste management industry.

**Fritz:** Thank you for your partnership.

**Fritz:** It's really great to see bureau of planning and sustainability and haulers have come back so quickly in this step toward equity in the waste hauling business. Thank you, aye.

**Fish:** This seems right to me. We're currently expanding the number of public trash cans, we're obviously as a successful city experiencing more trash downtown. To create a preferred vendor procurement process to give mwsbe firms a foothold around this part of our business is the right move. I appreciate the presentation and i'm pleased to support this. Aye.

**Saltzman:** I also appreciate the very good work. I think mayor wheeler's call for more trash cans throughout the city has not only the intended affect of getting more trash off the streets into the cans but creating business opportunities for minority and women and emerging small businesses. It's a great idea. Appreciate the Portland haulers association being on board. Aye.

**Wheeler:** Well, as we heard from the bps representatives in testimony, this ordinance is a step in the right direction regarding equity priorities here in the city of Portland. I believe the waste collection and opportunity program is going to create openings and more access for waste collection amongst the cobid certified firms and this is exactly the kind of innovation that lous companies to break into capital intensive industries such as the ones we're discussing today. I would like to thank everybody who worked on this process. Including bps. We had ariana, joel, bruce walker and the rest of the team that they have over there who have dedicated time and resources to create opportunities that did not exist before. I would also like to thank amy in my office for her work on this as well as our colleagues in all of the council offices who worked for some time to move this along. I'm very excited to see the results of this program going forward. I of course want to thank sara viallen, who continues to do great things in our office. I vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Thank you, everyone. 1334. I'm going to pass this on to our panel. Sarah, are you kicking this off?

**Item 1334.**

**Allen:** I am.

**Wheeler:** Representative, how are you today? Thank you for being here. [audio not understandable]

**Allen:** Good afternoon. City council, i'm seraphie allen, a policy advisor to mayor wheeler. It's my pleasure to be before you again today. The item you're about to be walked through is the result of hundreds if not thousands of community conversations, phone calls, emails, outreach on the streets, media stories, internal bureau meetings, external stakeholder meetings and a true effort by government to be responsive to the liveability concerns and the humanitarian crisis playing out on our streets. One of my first assignments in the mayor's office two years ago was to gather all of the major property owning jurisdictions within the city of Portland including our internal property owning bureaus odot, union pacific highways, Multnomah county and others with the purpose of discussing how we standardize managing our property with a baseline understanding that we do not currently have enough affordable housing or shelter within our region. Cleanups are not the answer to solving homelessness. Housing is. However, it's also our duty as government to

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maintain our property for the public health and safety of everyone within the city of Portland. Both those that are housed and unhoused. What you will hear today is another step in the process of reducing impact of unsheltered homelessness and improving service connection city-wide. I would now like to pass this off to representative reardon. Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Thank you, sir.

**Jeff Reardon, House Representative District 48:** Mayor wheeler, commissioners, always good to be before you. This is I think my third activity I have done with the city, very proud to be working with you on things that directly affect our community. For the record i'm state representative house district 48 which includes lance, gilbert, Springwater corridor, 205 and i'm exciting to be testifying in favor of this agreement between the city and odot. I know and appreciate the amount of hard work that's gone into this. I did carry a bill during the 2018 legislative session that helped establish framework for this and as I told my colleagues on the house floor, the bill was about removing barriers so governments can work together. This is a tough issue. How do you -- maintain a good environment on the trails and on other public properties and do it in a way that really cares for those that are unfortunately living on our public property. Also have respect for the people that are trying to do business, raise their families, within a community. It's not an easy situation. My passion comes from my constituents who reached out to me constantly and also as I travel the trails and the roads myself. I started asking around last year to find out what the city of Portland and others were doing to address public health and safety issues and what I discovered was that different parcels of lands were owned by different governments and they had different approaches to engaging campers and cleaning sites and legal requirements. My house bill 4054 was an attempt to address those barriers in statute that hampered the city's ability to coordinate with the department of transportation for cleanup and maintenance of property. I feel strongly the city is best qualified most capable of doing any trail maintenance work, and doing it in a way that is like I said respectful. Resolving these differences paves the way for this iga. The intergovernmental agreement. Allows the city of Portland to provide consistent services for property within their boundaries rather than the frustrating patchwork that currently prevails. Also want to note the bill comes with important side boards including details on how and when notice will be posted, requiring protocols around severe weather and impact reduction. Finally the bill also has a five-year sunset so it really is a true pilot approach to this complex challenge. Thank you for moving ahead with this important partnership with odot and my constituents and I are eager for this pilot program to begin and commissioner Saltzman, it's been a pleasure working with you over the years. I'm going to miss you on this council.

**Saltzman:** Thank you.

**Edwards:** Mayor wheeler, to piggyback on representative reardon's comments i'm elizabeth edwards, director of office of governemnt relations for the city of Portland. To speak to the history, house bill 4054 was part of the the city of Portland's 2018 legislative agenda. We worked closely with representative reardon who was our champion. We are thankful for the good work and time and effort he put into this on all of our behalves. The purpose was to help the city of Portland and state department of transportation work better together to provide for more consistent manhattan of public spaces within the city where people are living outside and litter is accumulating. Over the course of the short legislative session, which is constitutionally limited to 35 days, we worked feverishly with odot, the Oregon law center, aclu, legislative leaders to find compromise. We have folks on many sides of the issue. Ultimately i'm proud to say the bell was passed unanimously in both chambers of of the legislature. So the representative touched on some of the framework. Another one of my colleagues is going to go a little more detail but I would note the city of Portland's posting notice was 24 hours to seven days. The department's was ten to 19

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days excepts on those locations where it was posted as no trespass in which case it was 24 hours. This moved to 48 hours to ten days is in many instances a doubling of the length of the notice requirement. As also the representative noted this pilot, the bill comes effective January 1, runs through January 2, 2023, which is part of the reason the parties were getting together so actively to put together this IGA in time for the effective date of the bill to take advantage of the pilot period. With that I'm happy to answer any questions. Mostly here for the legislative history.

**Wheeler:** Thank you.

**Lucas Hillier, Office of Management and Finance:** Thank you. I'm Lucas Hillier. Thanks for having me. I work for the office of management and finance, I'm the program manager for the homeless and urban camping reduction program. Before I go any further I want to thank Jonathan Lewis and Katie Lindsay from my staff for their hard work to get this over the finish line. I would like to thank OMF management. And our colleagues at ODOT. I will now share with you what this IGA is, how it will work and why I believe it's beneficial for all members of our community. This IGA shifts responsibility for campsite cleanup where we collect inventory and store personal belongings on ODOT property within the city of Portland from the state highway department to the camping impact reduction program. Throughout the growth of this program pursuit of impact reduction interventions that don't always require removal and storage of personal property has been a central focus. Over two years we have observed quantifiable decreases in the impacts of unsanctioned encampments on city property use three strategies. An example that has helped produce results is a Clean Start program. Clean Start is a homeless to work program that consists of a total of five trucks with two employees each. They are dispatched to respond to every report received by the city's point of contact system and are usually able to do so within 24 hours. They engage with folks, collect trash, distribute trash bags in the wintertime and they pass out hand warmers they distribute resource guides. They provide an objective resource assessment of the conditions on site on which we decide if further intervention is warranted. This IGA will allow these successful strategies to be deployed on ODOT properties and the city of Portland as well providing consistency for neighborhoods, service providers, individuals experiencing homelessness. Today folks whose property has been collected on state highway rights of way storage just outside Oregon City in an ODOT facility. With the passage of this ordinance all property collected during a campsite cleanup within the city of Portland will be stored in inner southeast Portland two blocks from an orange max line. Elizabeth spoke to the posting consistency, the timelines, 48 hours to ten days. As written, this IGA sets out a phased in approach over the next six months. Phase 1 will include 205, areas of 82nd Avenue, Highway 26, west of the Willamette River and the I-5-405 beltway. Phase 2 will bring I-84 McLaughlin Boulevard into the fold. Phase 3 will include the north and south sections of I-5 and all other remaining ODOT rights of way. ODOT will reimburse the city for this work specifically they will be providing \$140,000 for an additional Clean Start truck. Our group has already bringing another truck online, so with this truck and the truck we're bringing online, we'll have a total of seven trucks working throughout the city. They will also contribute 11,250 dollars annually for the storage warehouse, that's 15% of the total. And contribute \$86,250, again, 15% of the total, for the cost of city project management time. We'll be able to provide our brokers a bit of a rebate at the end of the year, to make up that difference. The remaining \$1.76 million will cover time and material costs for cleanups, funds not spent will stay on ODOT's balance sheets, we'll be billing them monthly. This IGA will create consistency, increase transparency, and play a successful tiered intervention strategy throughout the city. Thank you and I look forward to your questions.

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**Fritz:** I think you have one of the hardest jobs in the city and I want to thank you very much for the way you do it, and with transparency via communication weekly reports to the council, and responding to constituent concerns. So thank you very much for your work.

**Hillier:** Thank you.

**Wheeler:** If I could ask a question, i'll sort of put you on the spot, but you mentioned this will create funding for one more truck plus the additional truck that we've already agreed to. Can you tell us a also bit about clean start?

**Hillier:** Yeah. Clean start originated out of a program in the housing bureau. Part of the high intensity street engagement program. Cascadia subcontracted through central city concern. We're borrowing that truck so often that sally erickson thought it would be a good idea to get our own, so we did, and it's continued to grow and be successful. So, there's folks that are coming out of the criminal justice system, recovering from addiction, and formerly homeless that are out interacting with folks.

**Wheeler:** Very good.

**Saltzman:** And these are waste hauling trucks?

**Hillier:** They're big flatbeds, yes.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Appreciate that.

**Ted Miller, Regional Maintenance Operation Manager ODOT:** Good morning mayor wheeler, commissioners. My name is ted miller, region one regional maintenance operator for odot. Thank you for your time and attention with respect to house bill 4054. I am here representing odot in favor of the house bill and the agreement the city and odot have been working on. On february 15th, 2018, house bill 4054 and its amendments were passed authorizing the department of transportation to enter into an intergovernmental agreement for the purpose of removing certain personal property and locations within the city's boundary owned by the department. Over the past few months, the city of Portland, odot's director matt garrett, department of justice, region one management, have been negotiating the agreement and working out many of the details to give this program its best chance to succeed. As of december 19th, the city and odot have agreed to enter into an iga and a three-phased approach that will transfer responsibility of personal property clean-up to the city beginning january 1. I want to say thank you to the mayor's office, office of management and finance, the city attorney, as well as odot director, region one management staff who worked tirelessly to come to an agreement. Mr. Reardon, thank you for your representation and bringing the bill forward. Our odot team looks forward to working with the city and providing a smooth transition period. We will work to continue to ensure this partnership leads time proved coordination, a higher level of consistency, and approved livability for the community and our houseless individuals in need. Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Thank you, mr. Miller. First, ted, it's nice to see another ted. We really appreciate odot's work on this and the partnership. Thank you.

**Miller:** We appreciate it.

**Wheeler:** Very good. That completes the panel presentation. Thank you for that. Any questions of the panel before we move to public testimony? Public testimony. How many people do we have signed up?

**Moore-Love:** We have nine people signed up.

**Fish:** We've already agreed that council will run until 1:00 and then we're breaking for lunch.

**Wheeler:** That's correct.

**Fish:** We've got -- the likely casualty of that is going to be the state of housing report.

**Wheeler:** That's correct. We're going to move that, and I believe your office has already been consulted, so we're going to move that to the end of the time certains this afternoon.

**Fish:** I won't be here for that. Any chance we can do it at the beginning of the afternoon agenda?

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**Fritz:** I can't stay past 5:00 today.

**Fish:** We've got lots of problems here. We've got nine people signed up. Every item we're getting five, six, seven people testifying. Mayor, most of the testimony has nothing to do with the item. We've got one of the casualties here is that the state of housing report, which is probably one of the most important things on our agenda is now getting moved around. I have to leave at 4:10 for a doctor's appointment. Commissioner Fritz won't be here. So I don't know what --

**Wheeler:** I hereby decree the creation of the 27-hour day. Let's do this. Michelle, could you work with their staffs while we're completing this item, and receipts see if we can get to a good solution on this. If we have to move some of the other programs, I'm happy to do that. We'll sort it out. I appreciate that, commissioner Fish. Folks, when you're testifying, could you keep that in mind? Let's really stick to what the subject area is and try not to be repetitive with other people's testimony. So please call the first three people.

**Wheeler:** Good morning. Or afternoon. Sorry.

**Joe Walsh:** Good morning, my name is Joe Walsh, I represent individuals for justice. It's an absolute pleasure to talk to you again. Let me see if I understand this. You've done such a wonderful job of sweeping the people on your property, you want to go to the department of transportation in Oregon and do it on theirs. And get \$2 million for doing it. Do I -- do I have all the variables snits basically what you're doing. You're spreading the wealth. Not only have you taken people's stuff for years when we beg you to stop it, and every time we give bed rolls and gloves, and hand warmers, and your police department goes and steals it, or your subcontractors steal it, or throw it away, now you want to expand it into the state of Oregon. By the department of transportation. And get \$2 million for it. I got that right? Please correct me if I'm wrong. I hate being wrong. Nobody is saying anything so I must be telling the truth. Or you just didn't wait until I finish, mayor, and do your little trump stuff where you comment afterwards and not let anybody respond to you. Is that what you're going to do, trump? That's what you are. You're a trump. And every time I go home and watch NBC --

**Wheeler:** Time's up. Good afternoon. Your time is up. Good afternoon.

**Robert West:** My name is Robert West, and I wanted to bring up the fact that you guys are using positive fascist to clean up these homeless camps. People are not getting their stuff back, even when the city goes in there with inmate slave labor, they still don't get their stuff back. Right now there's a group of both conservatives and liberals, cop watchers, and we're getting together and we're basically asking the mayor to resign, because the lack of care that you have for the homeless, the fact that the police are not doing their jobs, and people are being assaulted on the streets. You're allowing riots in the streets during protests. No other city is having -- Seattle is not having that problem. And Seattle a couple weeks ago had a protest where both sides were armed. Mayor, you need to resign.

**Wheeler:** This is not your germane testimony. I'm interested in your opinion --

**West:** My --

**Wheeler:** You're done.

**West:** My opinion is that the city does not need to get into an agreement with ODOT to go clean up ODOT property because it means the city will decide, okay, we don't care about this camp, but we'll hit this camp over here on ODOT property. ODOT property is ODOT property. I don't like the city of -- getting into any agreements with anyone, whether it's a government or a private organization to decide who the city wants, where they want, and how they want. This administration has been continually hammering against the homeless, you got a human homeless population, that camp is all over the place --

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Good morning.

**Susan West:** Good afternoon. I'm Susan West, here from Friends of Riverplace. We're a very large --

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**Wheeler:** Your testimony is done, it is now her turn to testify. Stop interrupting her.

**West:** We're a very large group of caring, compassionate volunteers that have been cleaning up --

**Wheeler:** Excuse me. Mr. West, you got your say. Now it's her turn to have her say. Stop interrupting her, or leave. Those are your options. Sorry, please continue.

**West:** Friends of riverplace has spent the last five years putting in thousands of hours, efforts to keep riverplace clean and safe. It's been under seem for years, as you know, and for a -- for instance, last summer we had 30 car break-ins, a lot of ohsu patients' cars broken into. We continue to have people sell drugs on the street there. We're not a very rich community, six major restaurants have gone out of business and are still empty down there. And we have adopted odot, pbot land up around the international school, and done landscaping for crime prevention, cut back invasive species, because there was -- it was so unsafe for children, it's an area there where psu and osu students go through, and we have more tourist rooms, five-hotel there where we have innocent tourists walking through very dangerous public lands. So we see the light, finally, and you are the light at helping clean up the street and make it safe for the elderly, children, the rest of us. And in the past when we worked with different agencies, they would say that's not my property, I can't do this, I can't do that. Which you all know. So we see -- we're tremendously in support of anything where you save money and time and work together with agencies. So that we can have clean and safe. I have got support here for this from the human access project, which I sent in to Karla, I think it is, and the international school is here, and we're kind of under siege, forgotten little area. Thank you for all your help in parks in the past and the future, and we're totally supportive of you.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Appreciate your being here.

**Fritz:** Thank you for your patience waiting all this time.

**Moore-Love:** The next three are robert patterson, dan handleman, and allissa vincent haylor. We'll go with mimi germin.

**Wheeler:** Dan, do you want to go ahead?

**Dan Handelman:** I'm going say some positive things first. One of the good things about this is that the state is not subject to the anderson agreement that the city is. This means that the state lands are now going to have to comply with those regulations about making sure people's property is stored properly. I did not realize their storage facilities in Oregon city, and now people's stuff will get moved somewhere closer than that. But that being said, the sweeps are not the solution. You're spending \$2 million of state money, why don't we use this metropolitan for dumpsters and port-a-potties and weatherproof storage lockers? And why don't we set up more villages like kenton village with this money? So that there are people who are being allowed to camp on these properties and they can do it safely and cleanly. It's just -- it doesn't make any sense to spend it, taking stuff -- people are deciding whether they -- it's garbage or whether it's somebody's property, and unless it's the perp themselves, that shouldn't be being done. I'm also a little kemped, yes, it's nice that we're hiring people who are in recovery from central city concern, but you pit people against each other. If somebody's valuables gets thrown out, the other person who picked it up and threw it away is going to get into an argument with them about whether or not to throw it out. I don't think that's a great plan. So it's nice to hear some compassion being expressed by the people who came up here, and it's, again, there's a lot more -- there's a lot more things that can be done without pushing people around. When as we've acknowledged in other agenda items earlier today, there's nowhere for people to go. And just as a last note, mr. Mayor, I want to testify about the report earlier today and I really would like you to reconsider your policy about not taking testimony on reports.

**Wheeler:** Good afternoon.

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**Alyssa Vinsonhaler:** Good afternoon. My name is allissa, I am -- I don't have much to say on this except that I think it's horrible. I think it is. I've been homeless, my family has been homeless, my entire last year of high school I was homeless. And homeless camps sound bad. They really do. But that's the only community that a lot of these people have. If you hire these crews to go through and clean them up, what are you doing? You're just pushing people out even farther. You're pushing families. It's not good. I guess is what I'm trying to say. The \$2 million also could be used on something better. It really could. I think it's a waste of money. And anyway, yeah, oh, right, also to mention about that guy up front the other day, the criminal citation. I think that is pretty messed up. The homeless man out front of city hall. What else -- where else am I going with this? Yeah. I don't know. I think this -- this bill is -- not bill, but agenda, I think it's messed up. I really do. If it wasn't again for these -- I've driven my dad back and forth from these -- even when I had a home finally years later, I drove him to and from such catches and that's the only way he could have survived in the cold out there. And hiring crews to clean up people's things and throw them away, just pushes them out eden prairie further. We created this issue, and I don't think it's the right way to solve it, I guess what I'm trying to say.

**Mimi German:** My name is mimi german I was reading all the details, and I read the whole thing and section two is what stopped me. It made me recognize that language is really important. Language is part of our problem. We don't use language -- we use language as a deflector and we deflect against what's going on, we deflect against humanism by creating lapping want that deflects from real issues. Section two is what I'm talking about here. There are -- the council declares it an emergency because it serves -- an urgent public interest to eliminate the multiple jurisdictional challenges. Okay, an urgent public interest. I am the public, homelessness, people on the streets are in urgent need. It doesn't express that, what it's talking about in section two is that the urgent public need is for jurisdictions, challenges so they can all work together to do what? To sweep what this other woman earlier received to as the streets. The streets aren't being swept. People, humans are being swept. They're being dis-- continued to be disenfranchised from all services, every time this happens. They're being kept away from can recycling so they can't do that, all of their belongings are taken, so they can't have those. This goes on and on. And it's all in section two. What I'm asking you to do is not vote on this today. But continue to look at the language of this and locate a more humane answer than \$2 million for sweeps of human beings. There's nothing in section two that is actually compassionate, though there is predictability. Predictability that the people who I know in st. Johns, it's just about christmas, they're going to be swept right before christmas. It happens every year. They were swept right before thanksgiving. That's predictable, but it's not compassionate. The language is important. [buzzer] I'm asking you guys to just put this on hold. I know -- [buzzer] -- I know you're not going to and ask, why am I unpaid volunteering -- [buzzer]

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Thank you. Your time is up. [buzzer] your time is up. Thank you. If you were here earlier you would have heard testimony for that.

**Moore-Love:** David potts and charles bridgecrane johnson.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. [inaudible]

**Wheeler:** Mimi, your time is up.

**German:** Ted, your time's up.

**Wheeler:** Burn. Good afternoon.

**DavidPotts, President Lents Livability Assn:** I'm david potts, president of the lents neighborhood livability association. Thank you, mayor, and commissioners for allowing me to speak. The citizens of east Portland have been waiting for action on unregulated campsites since september 1st, 2016. When the city swept the homeless population living on the spring water trail into our neighborhoods. The official comment of a previous administration at the time was everything went smoothly, everything was quiet, and went

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according to plan. We have watched as each of the latest encampments on odot property is allowed to grow until it becomes a health, sanitation, and safety hazard for our neighbors and odot is typically forced to post the property. We've talked to campers who laughingly refer to the latest cleanup as house keeping, and watch them move from odot property onto city-owned property until the next city sweep of their new campsite. At that point, they can move back onto odot property to avoid the hard choice to make a change in their lifestyle. This whack a mole approach is not working for the citizens of Portland, housed and unhoused alike. House bill 4054 makes it possible for the city and odot to adopt an intergovernmental agreement, giving the city of Portland authority over the multiuse path, allowing enforcement consistent with city-owned property. I strongly support the adoption of the iga by the city as a first step to getting homeless population out of tents and into humane housing, whether that be treatment, transitional housing, supportive housing, or permanent housing. Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Good afternoon.

**Charles Bridgecrane Johnson:** Good afternoon, commissioners. Charles bridge crane johnson, I commend the man beside me for his optimism. But since we haven't talked about creating actual, safe high general I can places for these people to live, i'm worried the problem that he and his neighbors are so concerned about is really not going to be very much mitigated. We'll have the same people living outdoors, generating the same number of trash, but we'll be a little bit better about picking it up and getting it to the waste transfer center where I sometimes volunteer, by the tank farms. So we've -- there's been a huge legislative process to approve this money, but I think even with today's earlier agenda item and eventually the kicking in of the housing bonds, we're really just doing a nut shuffling game and doing a slight bit of cleanup. I think it would have been -- this would have been a nice time to have the anecdote. We're talking about the odot people who put boulders under the i-205 bridge, and when that happened, we would have sent a also team of our cleanup people instead of their cleanup people. I don't want to say a lot about the circumstances of this issue, because i've never personally been in a sweep to experience the difference between odot as super tierney torture, and the city is not so torturous. We haven't said that is going to stop or that any of these people will get connected to permanent housing, so it does seem like in a short-term it's not really the best investment of \$2 million, but it not coming out of our money and odot is willing to pay. So let's turn down the notch a little bit on what these people are experiencing. Good luck, y'all.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Does that complete testimony?

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

**Wheeler:** Colleagues, do you have questions for the panel or staff?

**Fritz:** Thank you, mayor for doing this, thank you to representative bridge and the relations team for doing it. The impact assessment on this ordinance is one of the best seen, and I hope you'll post it to the mayor's website because it explains why this is a good thing to do and the process that you use when you are assessing which counts need assistance and how you help the people who are there. So thank you very much for your work on that. Aye.

**Fish:** This is about as someone who previously testified said, this is about having more consistent rules and enforcement, and since I had a lot to do with the anderson settlement, let me say that the rules that were work worked out with advocates at the table are the rules that apply, and they did not apply when odot was enforcing its rules. So whether you agree or disagree with the underlying policy, this iga ensures that they consistent set of rules, which are based on a judicial settlement with advocates at the table, are applied, notice requirements and other things that are very important, are consistently applied and enforced throughout the city. That's a positive. I want to thank representative reardon for



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his leadership. We're fortunate to have him in the state legislature. In my role as commissioner in charge of parks and bureau of environmental services, we have a lot of projects we're working on, jeff is tireless and accessible, and does a great job, and we're just grateful to have him as part of our delegation. Aye.

**Saltzman:** Well, I also want to thank, I don't know if lucas is here, but i'm a big fan -- he is, okay. I just want to thank lucas and seraphie for their work on this, and odot. And representative reardon for carrying this through the legislature, but most of all I want to thank mayor wheeler for bringing to a successful conclusion one of those tough nuts to crack that's been around for the 20 years i've been here. Without any resolution. And people, particularly in the lents neighborhood, being really frustrated with the potpourri of governments that have jurisdiction on their -- in their neighborhood. And the frustrating answers they would get, and the lack of a consistent response on many issues. So I think we're making a step forward here with this legislation to provide consistency and provide a uniform set of standards for which these decisions are made and executed. Aye.

**Wheeler:** So as we've heard today, you already had your turn, now it's my turn. As we've heard, there's significant camping activity on odot lands within the city and different rules, timelines, and resources provided by odot and the city creates significant livability issues for everyone. Adopting the city of Portland's approach to maintaining odot properties within the city's boundaries would help to address all of these challenges. There's three notable advantages to the city's approach. The first is the transparency between the city, people experiencing homelessness, social service providers, and the general public. It's beneficial to all involved to bring odot property under the city's procedure so that there's an efficient and consistent approach to camp clean-up notification periods, enforcement practices, and property storage policies across Portland. I want to thank -- mr. West, please. Seriously. [indiscernible]

**Wheeler:** We'll take a recess.

**Wheeler:** It's beneficial to bring odot property under the city's procedure so there's an efficient and consistent approach to camp clean-up notification periods, enforcement practices, and property storage policies across Portland. I want to thank odot particularly director matt garrett, region one director ryan windshimer and ted miller, again, ted, great name, for their dedicated work over the past year to find an agreement that works with all parties. I want to especially thank representative reardon for his hard work on this in carrying the bill through the legislature. House speaker tina kotek, and the state legislature for passing house bill 4054, which helped us reach this important point. I want to thank the Oregon law center, the aclu, transition projects, join, free hot soup, janice youth, catholic charities, operation night watch, and other partners for your participation in feedback throughout this entire process. I want to thank elizabeth edwards, our government relations director, for getting it across multiple finish lines. Linda law, who I am told is sarah's favorite city attorney for the hours and hours of legal time that was put into this. Lucas hillier, kate lindsey and johnathan lewis from the office of management and finance, you three have what commissioner Fritz described, and I agree, as some of the toughest jobs in the city. And I commend you for your thoughtfulness, your humanity, and the care that you bring to this important work, and lastly, I want to thank seraphie and kristin from my team for your hard work on this as well. One final thought. When people come to testify on these issues, please understand that just because we are talking about a particular issue or particular strategy, doesn't mean that's all we are doing. And particularly around this really thorny and complex issue of homelessness, we've been working on a whole host of things, from prevention, to improved shelter, which we talked about earlier today, to innovations, we talked about that earlier today with the kenton women's village, to services like mental health and addiction services that people need to get off and stay off the street, to our strategies around transitioning people into housing, to our strategies to create low-

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income and affordable housing, to the conversations we've had as a council around permanent supportive housing, this is just one piece of a much, much bigger strategy to help solve this problem that I hope everyone in this community is unified in agreeing is urgent, is important, and that we must work together to solve. I vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Thank you. Colleagues, question for you. I've had michelle running around trying to solve our time problems. Here's what she has told me. So we have a couple of options with regard to the housing report. This afternoon, as you know, the agenda is very, very busy. We have commissioners leaving apparently starting at 4:00. Tomorrow we could put it at the beginning of the agenda, but commissioners eudaly and Fritz are absent. And we have an imperative that we must hear the report by the end of the year, house bill 4006 required jurisdictions to hold a hearing in 2018 on the causes and interventions on severe rent burdened and housing affordability. So we're using the report presentation to fulfill that requirement. So we just need to figure out where we're going to put it and what compromises we're going to make. Michelle, I guess we could hear an abridged version this afternoon?

**Fritz:** It's an important report.

**Wheeler:** Can we move the time certain at 3:00 and substitute this -- that for that?

**Fritz:** I would suggest that would be a good thing to do.

**Fish:** Commissioner eudaly is not here, can we take the parking surcharge guidelines, put that over to our next two weeks from now and put the housing bond --

**Wheeler:** I don't know enough about that particular ordinance.

**Fritz:** I do. I think the thought was to --

**Wheeler:** Commissioner Saltzman obviously is just the transportation commissioner so he speaks with some knowledge as this as does commissioner Fritz.

**Fritz:** The reason commissioner eudaly scheduled it so she could acknowledge commissioner Saltzman's work on this, so please consider your work acknowledged.

**Wheeler:** Awesome. Michelle, can we do that and get out whatever proper notifications are required? We'll substitute that. Very good. So for staff people in the room, we're on sprint time now. Can we go to 1335? And let's --

**Fish:** I'm leaving at --

**Wheeler:** Can we talk through strategies? Who urgent is this? [inaudible] can it wait until after the new year? Good. So 1335, then, can you read it and we'll move it?

**Item 1335.**

**Wheeler:** Very good. And we will have further public information on that. The housing report we've discussed, 1338 and 1339, can you tell us about the -- can we move those to the new year? [inaudible]

**Saltzman:** Commissioner eudaly asked me to introduce both of these items. I can do it probably real short.

**Wheeler:** Can we stick around for three more minutes and do both of these, commissioner Fish?

**Fish:** Sure.

**Wheeler:** 1338 and 1339, can you read them together, please, Karla?

**Item 1338 and 1339.**

**Saltzman:** Colleagues, 1338 is a transportation project that involves bicycle, pedestrian, and access to transit improvement. Focusing on multiple corridors in east Portland, it includes things like sidewalk up fill, ada complaint curb ramps and pedestrian bicycle crossing improvements. 1339 provides much-needed transportation improvements in the cully neighborhood and I think we've heard about this lid many times, it's very successful. And this infrastructure will be included -- include newly constructed streets, sidewalks, and storm water management facilities as well as street trees. Marty is here if you have any questions.

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**Marty Maloney, Bureau of Transportation:** Real quick, the agenda item is just authorize eminent domain authority as well as offer just compensation for both projects. For the property rights for both projects. And all affected property owners have been let know that - about the need for the property rights as well as we were having the readings today.

**Fritz:** That means ex-- did any express concerns or objections?

**Maloney:** No. Not for this, no.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Karla, do we have any testimony first of all for item 1338?

**Moore-Love:** Robert patterson signed up for both of these and I think he's left.

**Wheeler:** Do we have anybody else signed up for 1339?

**Moore-Love:** He was the same one.

**Wheeler:** Please call the role on 1338.

**Fritz:** Brilliant presentation. Aye.

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

**Wheeler:** Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Next item, 1339.

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

**Saltzman:** Thanks to andrew abbey for your great work on northeast 57th. Aye.

**Wheeler:** Aye. The ordinance is adopted. And colleagues, because it's dan's last wednesday morning session, would you have the honor?

**Saltzman:** We are adjourned until 2:00 p.m. [gavel pounded]

**Wheeler:** Thank you, dan.

**At 1:06 p.m. Council recessed.**

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**December 19, 2018                      2:00 PM**

**Wheeler:** This is the Wednesday, 19th session of the Portland city council. Please call the roll. [roll call taken]

**Wheeler:** Good afternoon.

**Lory Kraut, Senior Deputy 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 meetings so everyone can feel welcome, comfortable, respected and safe. To participate in council meetings you may sign up in advance with the council clerk's office for communications to briefly speak about any subject. You may also sign up for public testimony on resolutions or 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're a lobbyist. If you're representing an organization please identify it. The presiding officer determines length of testimony. Individuals generally have three minutes to testify unless otherwise stated. When you have 30 seconds left the 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 support for something that is said feel free to do thumbs up. If you want to express that you do not support something feel free to do thumbs down. Disruptive conduct such as shouting or interrupting testimony or council deliberations will not be allowed. If there are disruptions a warning will be given that further disruption may result in the person being ejected for the remainder of the meeting. After being ejected a person who fails to leave the meeting is subject to arrest for trespass. Thank you for helping your fellow Portlanders feel welcome, comfortable, respected and safe.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Couple housekeeping items. 1344 to adopt area parking permit surcharge allocation guidelines has been scheduled for time certain this afternoon at 3:00 p.m. At this morning's city council meeting which was very long council discussed moving the state of housing report, 1337, scheduled for the regular agenda this morning, to the 3:00 p.m. Time certain slot this afternoon in place of item 1344. We have confirmed with commissioner eudaly's office that rescheduling 1344 to January 9, 2:00 p.m. Time certain. That will of course be noticed in the usual way. So without further ado, Karla, please read items 1342 and 1343.

**Items 1342 and 1343.**

**Wheeler:** Very good. Welcome. Thank you for being here, madam auditor.

**Mary Hull Caballero, Auditor, City of Portland:** Good afternoon. I'm Mary Hull Caballero. Our financial statements are important resources for community members, taxpayers, investors and decision makers understand what fiscal shape the city is in at a moment in time. Once management has prepared the statements federal law, state law and city charter requiring independent audit be conducted to determine if the public can reasonably be assured that they fairly represent the financial position of the city. Moss Adams, a licensed municipal audit firm, conducted this audit and my office oversees the counters for services. Before I introduce the team I would like to acknowledge principal market auditor Fiona Howell Earle. I introduce Moss Adams to walk you through the results of their audit.

**Jim Lanzarotta, Partner, Moss Adams LLP:** Thank you for the opportunity to close out the audit process, probably the last piece is our report to you on the results. So today Keith

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and I would like to begin briefly reminding you what it is you hired us to do. Of course you want to hear the results of the audit so we'll talk about the results of the different deliverables that are part of that. There are some required communications from an auditor to an auditee and we have done that in writing to you so we content go through that, maybe mention a couple of highlights in that. We just would entertain any questions actually any time but when we're done if there's something you think of that you didn't ask already feel free to do that. So what did you hire us to do? When I think of our audit of the city I like to think of it at about five different phases. Again you've heard us talk about this. First phase you're familiar with, that independent verification of the financial information that's included in the statements. So that independent verification comes in many forms looking at source documents, talking to your bankers, talking directly with your legal counsel, really digging in, verifying the information that's here. A second phase, though, is obviously this would not be the accuracy of this would not be possible if your staff didn't have what we call internal controls in place. What are those checks and balances management uses to improve the accuracy of this? We have an obligation to assess those controls and tell you if there are weaknesses in that. That's the second phase. You are an Oregon municipal corporation and the state says to auditors if you're going to audit and Oregon muni you're going to test its compliance with seven or eight different laws. In the couple that take the most time are the most intense would be your observance of all the laws regarding budgets. So how do you adopt the budget, the whole process, to have budget committee meetings, public hearings, and then after it's adopted the administration of that, the changes if you made changes to the budgets did that all occur according to the applicable laws. That's an area. The other is procurement. All the public purchasing that you do, there's very proscribed laws that govern that. There's a number of other areas, deposits, investments, insurance or risk management programs, those sort of things. We have a report on that. A fourth phase to your audit, you receive a number of federal grants so you have some prolific grant writers here at the city, which is good, to help provide services and when you receive federal grants there's a requirement of your auditor to do what we call a compliance audit. So did you meet the compliance requirements that come attached to those federal grants. So we'll talk about that. Then finally a fifth element, this is your financial statements and you're very fortunate you have staff that have the experience to put this together. We don't draft the financial statements so our role is a technical review of that. Obviously is it consistent with the audited numbers and does it have all the bells and whistles required by the applicable standards. So those are the services that we provide. I should mention that not only do we do the city you're also responsible for prosper Portland, formerly Portland development commission. We audit the financials there. The police, fire, disability and retirement fund. We audit the financials there. Then we used to do work for hydro, although that fund is or some special work which we no longer do.

**Fish:** Just a question, jim. You have identified the five phases of your work.

**Lanzarotta:** Yes.

**Fish:** Has any of the applicable law that governs what you are doing in terms of reviewing our financials changed in any material way in the last year?

**Lanzarotta:** Absolutely. The city implemented one significant standard this last year. The governmental accounting standards board is responsible for putting standards out there that governments follow in putting statements together. They have issued 90 statements now. I think since we worked with the city they were on about number 35, so they have issued a lot of standards in the time that we have been working with the city. The one that was implemented this year is gasb's statement 75, which provides accounting for other post employment benefit programs. That required the city to put more of a liability on your books for the pay as you go or the unfunded portion of that benefit that you provide

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employees. It added over 50 million of additional liabilities to the city's books this last year and changed the disclosures associated with that. That was a very significant change for the city.

**Fritz:** You are not worried about that. That doesn't mean we're \$50 million worse off.

**Lanzarotta:** No, just changed how you reflect that in the financials. The underlying situation was there prior to the accounting change. Correct. That was the result. Let's talk about the results since we're kinds of getting there. What you want to hear from us is that we do all this work on the financial statements and we're able to come to what we call in technical terms an unmodified opinion. So our opinion on the financial statements required no modification. In layman's terms we call that a clean opinion. That's absolutely the best you can get. That's what you want to hear from us and that's exactly what you achieved. We were able to tell that this is materially correct. It has the appropriate bells and whistles required by the professional standards. Only takes me a minute to get that out, but it takes your staff all year, a lot of people doing their day-to-day job to get this right, and quite a process at year end to put this document together. So it's a testament to the work that they do and we really appreciate that. I mentioned internal controls. We have an obligation to assess those and we did that and we tested your internal controls and we identified no weaknesses that are of any significance that we need to bring to your attention. Again, that's another favorable result so good checks and balances used by the city to improve accuracy of this document. In terms of the state legal compliance, we had no noncompliance findings. Again, that's a great result. I would say among our client base and throughout Oregon you will often find things like over expenditures in the various funds. You have a lot of funds that you use to track the activities of the city to have no over expenditures is quite an accomplishment for you. You have one thing we are required to report. It's not a noncompliance issue, you have three funds that ended the year with a negative fund balance. Those three funds ended up there against because of accounting conventions or accounting accrual accounting not because you have a problem in your budgeting or handling of monies, those are strictly reporting issues in terms of how the statements go together. On the federal grants we're actually not completely done with our testing of the city's grants because of a snafu on our end there was one additional program which required testing and we didn't get that done. We were in the field so we're still doing work on that. We ended up testing five programs. The home investment partnership program, the emergency solutions grant program, prosper Portland union station program, and edward byrne memorial grants. Then finally a fema grant is the one that we missed initially that needed to be tested and we're still in the process of testing that particular grant. But of the four that we have completed and in the work we have done so far on the fema grant we have no phone compliance findings to bring to your attention and no internal control matters to bring to your attention. That's a great result. You have almost 34 million of federal grants that you received, and one of those is a relending program, that home investment program. You have \$66 million you received and lent out, so when you combine the two that's \$100 million worth of grants, and we tested a good chunk of that 100 million dollars in the programs that I mentioned to you. With that, keith, maybe help me with some of the highlights of the required communications.

**Keith Simovic, Sr. Manager, Moss Adams LLP:** Sure. Outside of the reports that jim just went over, the other deliverable that we issue at the end of every audit that we di is called our is communications with those charged with governance. Its required by our professional standards to come to the governing body of every organization we audit and community indicate certain items about how the audit went, whether we found anything or not we have to issue this letter and let you know if we ran into any difficulties, disagreements with management, found any errors, if there were any major control deficiencies, material weaknesses, significant deficiencies would be communicated so that

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city council could look at that, work with management to come to a solution on how to address those control deficiencies. If you look at this letter and you read through it and you think back to last year you may say this looks very similar but that's all very good news. That's exactly what you want to hear. Just as jim mentioned with the clean audit opinions no compliance findings, this letter is going to echo that as well in terms of how everything went. I think one important thing to know is that when we talk about there weren't any difficulties encountered or no disagreements with management, I think that goes back to there were no scope limitations with respect to the audit. So every question that we asked of management and staff, every document that we asked for we were given an answer, we were provided with that document. We felt management and staff were transparent overall and there were no hindrances in our ability to finish the audit on time. One thing that will be different that you'll see in this letter if you compare it to last year is we did issue it earlier than in the past. If you look back this may be the earliest in recent history that we could see when that cafr was completed. That has moved up each year. This was two days earlier than in the past, so incredible effort by the management staff here to put this together. It takes tremendous effort to get through this and our procedures as well. Hats off to management and staff. You won't see that we noted any material audit adjustments in that letter. That means that as we're looking through internal controls and doing our procedures we can tell that everyone has gone through their own internal audit process through internal controls in place to make sure that the information they are giving us to audit independently has been cleaned up. So we feel very good about the controls in place in that management and staff have good checks and balances to make sure what they give us has already gone through their internal processes so we're not finding material errors or adjustments through that process. Finally as jim said we didn't find any material weaknesses in internal controls. That would be something we felt there was such a gaping hole for lack of internal controls that something significant or material in terms of errors or fraud could slip through the cracks without being identified. Over all a very good letter and good news with issuing this earlier than it has been in the past as well.

**Lanzarotta:** With that I would make sure that we're giving you a chance to ask any questions that you might have.

**Fish:** Let me start. Obviously, your role is not to opine on some of our policy decisions.

**Lanzarotta:** Sure.

**Fish:** You're not here to say, boy, that was a dumb idea to do this or that or how we formed our budget or the like. It sounds to me like you have a set of procedural and substantive legal requirements that you vet some in the nature of checking to make sure we followed the form and others are substantive. Occasionally you dig deep into funds to see whether our accounting is correct and we're managing money. Despite the fact that you have given us this clean -- make sure I use the language you did.

**Lanzarotta:** Unmodified is the jargon.

**Fish:** Unmodified but a clean bill of health. You're saying that the team did a great job putting together these documents. You have found no deficiencies. Is there anything that you have identified that still should be on our radar so that we continue to be vigilant? Is that a fair question, even though you have given us a clean bill of health?

**Lanzarotta:** Absolutely. One challenge that is not new to you on the governmental side, governmental activities side of your operation, so forget about bes and water for a moment, but those things that don't have a charge for service. You're dependent on property taxes or other types of taxes, you continue to be challenged in a couple of areas. Capital assets and replacement of those, so in the last several years the wear and tear on the capital assets that you use on the governmental side has been greater than reinvestments that you have been able to put into those. That continues to be a challenge. Then also the benefit programs that you have. Oregon pers and your other post

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employment benefits, the liability is growing faster than contributions can keep up with. Those are challenges. What I'm pleased to tell you, though, is you acknowledge that. I think with the cfo's you have immediately past and current program have been submitted to try to dealing with these challenges. Jennifer and michelle will be here to talk about those. One on the capital assets you have a number of programs which you implemented to try to put some money away so when you do eventually need to cut checks you're working on that. You can ask jennifer how you're doing on that. There's always opportunities, perhaps, to step that up. It's a challenge to do because to the extent you do that that's program you can't put on the street. So that's why you have folks like jennifer and michelle on staff to advise you on whether you have sound programs in place to address those kinds of challenges.

**Fish:** I think when you think about these two categories that you've raised, one is how we maintain our capital assets, and two is how we manage post employment benefits particularly in a pers context, I guess there's some satisfaction to take from the fact that we're in a very big boat with lots of other municipalities struggling with the same issues. So this is not unique to Portland. But you're flagging it in terms of trends lines because with the assumption being that we should be thinking about how to get in front of some of these.

**Lanzarotta:** Absolutely. You're challenged because the budgetary basis is cash. In one year increments yet these challenges go multiple years. Your capital assets, the average life of an asset at the city is probably 10 or 15 years. You have some that are 40-year lived or 50-year lived. So your not cutting check every year. How do you take a one-year budget, one year increments and take care of the long term assets. That's where you really need to rely on sound fiscal policies to address those types of --

**Fish:** One final comment. Commissioner Saltzman is not here. Hopefully he's coming back at some point. Hasn't taken early exit from the council. I think it was under his watch that we instituted a program at the city where we build in the o&m every new park we put online through the parks bureau. For years we would build parks but not build in the set aside funding to maintain the parks. That over time contributed to a huge gap. Now we have a policy that says when the park comes online we build in the o&m into the five-year forecast. I learned the other day right on -- thank you, dan. Quite an entrance.

**Lanzarotta:** Right on cue.

**Fish:** As I was reflecting on your comments about wear and tear and reinvestment I learned the other day in a briefing that our policy does not mandate setting aside o&m, it's encouraged but we don't actually have a policy that says thou shall. I'm raising this because we're about to become the budget committee. The way I view this it's really a requirement and I say this against interest, if people have qualms about setting aside o&m for new assets we put online they should object to us investing in the new assets to begin with. Steve Novick use to do that and sometimes got sideways with colleagues but intellectually that is going upstream saying I object to the expenditure because I don't agree with the companion investment. I hope to remind my colleagues of your admonition during budget time. As we open new parks I think we have an obligation to invest in operating dollars to maintain them.

**Lanzarotta:** Good point.

**Fish:** Thank you.

**Fritz:** It's not just as simple as can we afford the new park, it's can we afford to keep maintaining the old ones as well. When you're looking at all the issues about who has and who hadn't and no needs to be funded in a better way that's again part of it. That doesn't show up unfortunately in your audit. I'm very glad to hear -- unmodified?

**Lanzarotta:** Clean opinion.

**Fritz:** Is that inspiring or what? [laughter]



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**Wheeler:** Could I ask you some questions? These are all standard questions. You're familiar with them but I feel the need to ask then well hear from the city's financial staff and ask them the reverse of a couple of these.

**Lanzarotta:** Absolutely.

**Wheeler:** Were they provided in a timely manner?

**Lanzarotta:** Yes, absolutely.

**Wheeler:** Did you have time to complete the audit within the scope of the work?

**Lanzarotta:** One exception is the testing of the federal grant which was our snafu. When we did the assessment about which programs we needed to test we made a mistake in that, but outside of that the financial audit for the city, for prosper Portland, for the fpd&r, those all happened right on queue. We have quite a list of benchmarks to manage this audit process, a lot of those are on the city's side of the table to accomplish. They met all of those milestones in fact many were done early. So we were able to issue on october 30, a day ahead of time of the plan, and if it were up to the city if we could have done it faster on our end they could have accommodated probably a date sooner than that. They just knocked it out of the park in terms of -- I want to tell you too this was an interesting year because you look across the street, the Portland building was not available to us to use. You scattered city departments all over the city. We normally are able to reserve a room in the Portland building to bring our team in and to pounce upon you to do our work.

**Wheeler:** It's a little chilly right now.

**Lanzarotta:** A little airy. We huddled up in our Portland office, took over a conference room, we were nervous on a couple front, would we be able to get out to all the city departments and meet the people, would they have the time for us, their lives are torn up as they are in intermediate facilities. I would say that it went off without a hitch. I couldn't have been happier. I was concerned our people would be picked off. When my fellow partners walked down the hall and they see someone that can help them get their projects done would they be picking them off, hey, keith, come work on my project, and i'm happy to say just because we were in the office they weren't picking off our staff to do their other client work so we were able to focus. We didn't have the Portland building to host our team, was not an impediment at all and your crew did a phenomenal job of preparing even though they were maybe somewhat discombobulated from what their past history was like.

**Wheeler:** Very glad to hear that and I want to thank our city employees for being accommodated to what was obviously new and hopefully unusual set of circumstances. Did anyone impose any restrictions on your work in any way?

**Lanzarotta:** Absolutely not. That's a great question. That's where keith mentioned if we're asking questions and people are not giving us responses, they feel fishy, not giving us the whole story we would bring that to your attention and we have never experienced that at the city.

**Wheeler:** Did you uncover any material examples of conflict of interest?

**Lanzarotta:** We did not.

**Wheeler:** Are there any material weaknesses that you identified in terms of internal controls?

**Lanzarotta:** None.

**Wheeler:** Great. That's it. Those are my questions.

**Fish:** The only other question out of modesty the mayor neglected to ask, what grade would you give the mayor for running the process? [laughter]

**Lanzarotta:** I think you all do a phenomenal job. I don't know how your staff could do the job they do without the leadership that comes from the folks in this room.

**Wheeler:** Thank you for the compliments but I also want to acknowledge that you signed a material statement of independence. Could you explain for the public what that means?

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We have all worked together, you're here every year, but there is an independent auditing function. Can you explain that?

**Lanzarotta:** I heard it interesting. Here's an analogy I heard for the first time. I don't know if -- i'm like a foodie wanna-bee or ever heard of critics who come in and write reviews. When you hear a review of a restaurant or whatever you want that person that writes that to be completely independent, a husband, wife, owner of that business made their own meal, ate it, wrote up the review then sent that out. When it comes to an audit firm you need your audit firm to be independent of management. We can't have biases or we can't have pressures from management that might make us look the other way or not be as thorough in our work or if we have a finding to not stick to our reporting of that finding. So you don't want those pressures to be inherent. There's this concept of independence so we can't be part of management, we can't be holding assets of the city, we can't prepare the books then turn around and audit them. There have to be firewalls of activities and duties for us to come and do our work objectively and report findings without pressures from management.

**Fish:** We read all the time about independent auditors that fail in the corporate setting.

**Lanzarotta:** Yes.

**Fish:** Because their relationship is too cozy with the board or because they don't want to lose their position as the auditor. For which they are paid handsomely. How in municipal settings do you guard against that?

**Lanzarotta:** You have a great setup here because we're not hired by management. One of the best things you did was I don't know when that happened or it's always been that way by charter you have your internal auditor hire your external auditor. That's independent of management. So i'm sad to say in Oregon a majority of governments it's still management hiring the audit firm but for the city of Portland and most of the clients that i'm responsible for serving it's generally the independent auditor that is responsible for hiring the external auditor so you have that buffer between the external auditor and management.

**Wheeler:** Just to clarify that for the public you're referring to the citywide elected independent auditor who has no particular reporting relationship whatsoever with the city council or the bureaus that you're auditing.

**Lanzarotta:** Correct.

**Fritz:** Do you audit the auditors' bureaus?

**Lanzarotta:** We do not in our firm but that's a good question.

**Wheeler:** Peer reviews.

**Fritz:** This report doesn't include functions within at auditor's office.

**Lanzarotta:** Correct.

**Fritz:** Thank you.

**Lanzarotta:** Good questions.

**Wheeler:** I think I can infer this but I want to ask it directly, was there weakness that you identified or any area of improvement that you would recommend with regard to the management that you did work with in order to make these audits more effective?

**Lanzarotta:** Good question. We always try to come up with ideas and we do have a few areas of improvement that we have reported to, for example, prosper Portland in our delivery of the audit there. But it's difficult, you have a good crew and they do a really good job so we did not have any substantive observations for improvements with our audit of the city.

**Wheeler:** When you made recommendations that were nonsubstantive in terms of improvements what was the reaction?

**Lanzarotta:** You know, I would say there's a great relationship here. Your crew does not shy away from the audit process. I think they embrace comments from us or at least suggestions and ideas. The other thing is they are very consultative. We get an opportunity

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to work with your crew on the implementation of new standards. Most of the time we're talking about the new standards long before they are applicable. They seek our ideas in terms of the documentation we're going to need to do our work. They seek our input in ways to implement those but they also are going off and getting educated in those new standards and do a tremendous job of already being informed when the time comes to implement these. We have a good consultative relationship which I think helps with either identifying ideas and/or implementing ideas.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. I appreciate it. Madam auditor, is there anything more?

**Hull Caballero:** No. I think that wraps up our presentation. We can turn it over to management to present the cafr.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Thank you. Let's put the report on the table.

**Fritz:** So moved.

**Fish:** Second.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. The report is received. At this time we're going to invite our city management team. Jennifer cooperman, who is chief financial officer, and michelle kirby, the city controller. They are going to present the comprehensive annual report for the fiscal year ended june 30, 2018. Just to clarify the cafr compromises the actual audit financial results of the city's operations. It provides information related to the city's over all financial health. Welcome.

**Michelle Kirby, Controller, Deputy, Chief Financial Officer, Office of Management of Finance:** Thank you. Good afternoon. Mayor, members of city council, for the record i'm michelle kirby and i'm controller and deputy chief financial officer. Also presenting today is jennifer cooperman, chief financial officer and bureau director of the bureau of revenue and financial services. Today will be presenting the comprehensive and financial report and we will be referring to it throughout as the cafr. Cafr. For fiscal year ended june 30, 2018. We'll be discussing highlights and financial trends and presenting information regarding the city's long term fiscal health. Preparation of the cafr report is quite an extensive project and requires a group effort to make it a success. Involvement from all city bureaus, the internal auditor's office and our independent auditors is necessary to ensure the timely successful completion. The bureau accounting division, has the responsibility of preparing the cafr, ensuring accuracy and working with the auditors throughout the process. The accounting division team is here today if you were wondering who this big group is behind me. I would like to take a moment to recognize them for their hard work and dedication to the success of the project. Accounting team.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. We'll suspend the rules for a moment. [applause]

**Kirby:** These are the people who really make it come together. Four years ago we established a goal of reducing the amount of time to publish the cafr. You have been hearing about that for the last several years, and you heard about it today from jim. We have made significant progress and this year's cafr transmittal date of october 30 marks the earliest it's been produced in recent history that any of us can research or remember. So it establishes the city of Portland as a national leader in providing timely information to the community and to other interested leaders of the cafr. So I have been asked frequently how did we do it and we have been able to do this by working more efficiently and by diligently executing some process improvements. Our five keys to success are highlighted here on the power point slide. Frequent regular communication, adequate planning, optimal use of technology, good project management, and then continual process improvement after every year we go back and recap what went right and wrong and continue to tweak the process. So you may be asking why we're making such a big deal of this and why it's important. First timeliness is a major objective of financial reporting in that it ensures the information is relevant and useful for decision making. In addition, it allows this team here sitting behind me time to do other reporting initiatives such as the popular

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annual financial report. Also known as the pafr, which jennifer is showing you here. Abbreviated summary version that was created for the first time published two years ago. Last year we took it a step further and translated the report into russian, spanish, vietnamese and chinese for even greater community outreach. I'm not aware of anywhere around the country that is doing that effort and we performed this in partnership with the Portland state university business student volunteers who are very excited to be working on the project with the city of Portland. So we'll now discuss the highlights of the fiscal year '18 cafr. The good news has already been shared that our external auditors gave the city an unmodified or clean opinion, found no weaknesses or deficiencies in the accounting processes, and in addition the cafr complies with state law and generally accepted accounting principles. We proceed to the government officers's award for excellence in financial reporting for the 37th consecutive year as well as comparable award for the pafr, now that we're producing that as well. The city' bond rating for unlimited debt remains triple-a from moody's investor services. I'm going to turn it over to jennifer.

**Wheeler:** Could I ask a question before we move on in you mentioned moody's triple-a rating. Would I find similar ratings from the other agencies standard and poor, anyone else?

**Jennifer Cooperman, Chief Financial Officer, Office of Management & Finance:**

Jennifer cooperman. We use s&p to rate the city's bes securities. They are double rated, otherwise using only moody's.

**Wheeler:** Thank you.

**Saltzman:** Is triple-a the highest?

**Kirby:** Yes. We'll look at some financial trends now.

**Cooperman:** Stepping off from where michelle left it regarding the city's unlimited tax general obligation debt rating - -

**Fish:** Is there supposed to be something on the screen? There we go. Thank you.

**Cooperman:** As we spend a few minutes talking about some observations regarding the city's long term fiscal health, I wanted to make an analogy before we get started, looking at the city's fiscal health as compared to an individual when they go to their primary care provider and get an assessment of their physical health. When you visit your practitioner on an annual basis as we are advised to do, they will take various measures. They look at your weight, your blood pressure, they will look at your blood sugar numbers, cholesterol. All of these are meant to be different facets of your physical health. You may be in great shape, you may be a top runner, may have climbed mt. Everest, you may have done a lot of things, and I have no personal knowledge here but you may be told that you have high cholesterol. [laughter]

**Wheeler:** What have you heard?

**Cooperman:** Nothing: Just in my line of sight. Just making a point. [audio not understandable]

**Wheeler:** It was the ice cream.

**Cooperman:** You may be in great physical health, but one measure, one aspect --

**Wheeler:** We've got it. Move on. [laughter]

**Cooperman:** So as we look at governmental fund balance for the city, this is a graph showing our five-year trend. This is meant to be a picture of governmental only funds so not including our business enterprises, bes and water. Looking at the general fund, special revenue funds, debt service, capital project funds, et cetera, it's a nice increasing balance over the last five years. That is a measure of healthy health. If we want to go to the next slide, we move still say staying with governmental activities this is the net position figure jim referred to earlier. These are the same funds as the previous you chart but on a fuel accrual basis so longer term. We have longer term obligations that are now included here. As we have talked to you for the last handful of years, this is a declining trend. This is that

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one aspect of our financial health that we want to be paying attention to. We talked briefly about some of the components that are leading and contribute to this negative trend. We talked about fpd&r.

**Fish:** Wasn't that change in the federal accounting rooms we had to book it differently and I think around 2014 all of a sudden that number went negative quickly.

**Cooperman:** Correct. That was a reporting issue. Nothing financially changed regarding fpd&r at that point but a liability that had previously been in the footnotes got moved to the balance sheet and so it was a huge reporting change that occurred in 2014. If we showed you a ten-year slide you would see that change more dramatically. The opeb gasby change that jim mentioned a few minutes ago similar taking an obligation that we have and continue to have that moving it so that it becomes more apparent in the balance sheet. Looking at you so you can tell me where I go wrong. We also talked about capital assets and the wear and tear on our capital assets is exceeding the investments in the assets that we are making. So some of the things that affect our declining net position are pensions, benefits, labor contracts and other liabilities that are increasing. We have had some discussions about that in our long term planning discussion. Increases in bonds payable with no offsetting assets so when we issue bonds and take the proceeds and give it to the county for the sellwood bridge or the asset gets booked on prosper Portland's balance sheet rather than the city's while the city's while the debt stays on the city side, noncash expenses like depreciation, that are larger this afternoon the investment that we are making in those assets. There's also a reference to the pers expense, and the way we are making our full contribution to pers every year that is a stand-alone city policy that we have, but the way the pers program is currently structured with a collar, the contribution that we are making is less than the growth of the liability that we are assuming. So there are some structural issues that are impacting the prior to chart and why the net position trend is down. We do have some strategies, next slide, to ensure our fiscal stability longer term. We have had some previous discussions about regular reserving and increasing our commitment to infrastructure investments and I do appreciate commissioner Fish your suggestion that we use the word shall in certain places that we perhaps have not previously. So that we are actually making o&m and other contributions to our assets. We could be taking some one-time money and allocating it to long term liabilities. We could be looking to sharing costs with some of our partners whether it be the county or other regional partners, and a general awareness and commitment to funding these long term liabilities and obligations that we have. In summary as you heard from all of us, the city's cafr complies with all the required accounting standards and practices. We have an unmodified opinion from our external independent auditor with no audit deficiencies. We do have a growing governmental fund balance for our city funds with a triple-a bond rating. The cafr does represent a financial snapshot at a point in time. We do know that there are some aspects of our business and financial activities that we do need to keep an eye on and make a commitment to address in the future. We have been a city for over 150 years, and we have weathered a lot of financial storms. There will likely be more. But with the policies and practices and leadership we have in place i'm convinced that we will continue to avoid financial impairment or other concerns.

**Wheeler:** Great. Commissioner Fritz.

**Fritz:** We have had several conversations about financial responsibility which commissioner Saltzman led and it's my understanding that you have adopted those by administrative rule. Is that correct?

**Cooperman:** The council directed me to work on some financial policies which we are this close to finishing that will be brought back to you.

**Fritz:** They will okay. Thank you.

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**Fish:** One of my pet peeves is the way we use language in government to mask things, you know, we have a process that comes to council pretty regularly where we talk about waivers or remonstrances. I'm still not sure what that means but it's a good thing when they are waived, because we can go forward but remonstrances is not a word people use. If I went home tonight and patti said to me, how is our relationship going and I would say I would say it's unmodified -- [laughter] i'm not sure it would have quite the -- i'm not sure that would be welcome. I kind of like clean bill of health. We're going to be asked about this, talking about this, how did you like us to refer to the results that we got today? Is it clean bill of health? Some combination? Unmodified leaves me a little -- it seems to me unduly -- the language of the profession. For the average person it probably doesn't communicate as much as we would like.

**Cooperman:** I like clean bill of health. I think that that is easily recognizable whether it's you going to your medical practitioner for yourself or the organization with moss and all the work that this team does. I think that accurately and understandably conveys where we are.

**Fish:** Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Could I ask you a couple of follow-ups? We heard the financial auditors for the financial piece of this give us a clean bill of health, unmodified recommendation. Were there any recommendations you disagreed with?

**Kirby:** No.

**Wheeler:** Was that pretty much what you expected the audit to say?

**Kirby:** Absolutely.

**Cooperman:** I'm on the short list every year when the auditors come in. What do you call that interview? I call it the fraud interview. What do you call it.

**Lanzarotta:** That's fine.

**Cooperman:** In my prior position and current position as treasurer and my current position as CFO, i'm on the short list to come visit with me closed door early in the process one on one to say how are things? Anything come up in the last year that you are worried about or that seems odd or that you want us to know about or that is just -- you know, what should we know about. I didn't have much to talk about this year. I don't even remember what we did talk about. New software that we're going to be implementing for producing the cafr. So we do go through that process. I'm honest when there's something that i'm concerned about that there really wasn't anything of significance this year. I think we have done a really good job all of us of raising the awareness of the city's financial health and financial condition and financial activity in the city. I think it's helped quite frankly that we have a mayor who comes from this world, and you've listened to these presentations all of you for a number of years, and you can speak to the auditors just the way you did about what they are doing and why. We dive into a level of depth that I don't know that many municipalities do.

**Wheeler:** How would you evaluate the external auditors? Did they do what you expect them to do?

**Cooperman:** Yes. We have been pushing them with our speed-up of our process we have been pushing them to be able to take our material that much more quickly. We'll continue to do that.

**Wheeler:** Fantastic. I appreciate hearing that. Thank you.

**Fish:** Just curious, we use different numbers to describe the all-in city budget. Municipal corporation, general fund, lots of transfer payments. What's the high-end number we now use?

**Cooperman:** I use a \$5 billion --

**Fish:** Were a \$5 billion Municipal corporation.

**Cooperman:** Right.

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**Fish:** Arguably one of a handful of the most important things we do every year is get an outside audit to determine that our financial controls are adequate.

**Cooperman:** Yes.

**Fish:** We got a clean bill of health. We have had that for a number of years although I do remember during my tenure there were times we got some tougher love in a management letter with some areas of recommendation for tightening our controls or doing a better job managing funds, things like that. But that's a big deal, right?

**Cooperman:** Yes.

**Fish:** I'm trying to think of all the things that we're responsible for. If it wasn't a clean bill of health that's a big blemish on the city.

**Cooperman:** Absolutely. It isn't just \$5 billion of cash. It's a whole 5 billion dollar operation. All the assets, people, processes, all of the investments and activities that we do. It's a big entity.

**Saltzman:** 5 billion refers to revenue or expenses or both?

**Kirby:** You're the one that came up with the number. [laughter]

**Cooperman:** Let me get back to you.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Any further questions? I'll entertain a motion?

**Saltzman:** Move the report.

**Fritz:** Second.

**Wheeler:** Commissioner Saltzman moves adoption of the report and commissioner Fritz seconds it. Please call the roll on item 1342, results of the financial audit of the city's comprehensive financial annual report for fiscal year '17-18 and related communications.

**Fritz:** Thank you, moss adams, in addition to this being your assessment of us it's our assessment of you. Do you explain it in ways that both experts and nonexperts can understand it, so I really appreciate that. I would say that we are financially responsible because of the checks and balances we have set up. We have the city budget office, the chief administrative officer, the chief financial officer and the treasurer and controller. We have each one of the five of us are in charge of bureaus where we get weekly and sometimes more often than that reports on how is the budget doing. We dive into the smallest, tiniest fund within a bureau and ask what's the money being spent on? As parks commissioner I was briefed on we may have trouble with ending fund balance. We can't go negative as was mentioned so we're going to borrow then pay it back to make sure we don't do that. I take that responsibility extremely seriously. I know each of my colleagues does and i'm glad to know that i'm responsible for the bureaus i'm in charge of. So is each of my colleagues. Collectively were responsible as well some of the those checks and balances are in our commission form of government system with our great bureau directors as well because they they know they are truly the administrators of the bureaus. We help with the vision, the guidance, the direction. I'm not at all surprised to hear we're doing so well. Thank you for your work, everybody. Aye.

**Fish:** I couldn't help but think as you made your respective presentations that you're going to complicate the task of yet another generation of people who now want to make the case that we should change our form of government and are in search of some reason to do so. It's usually been such. It's been an argument in search of a problem. If the results were not unmodified then it seems to me would have been fair game, but the financial oversight of our city is strong, that's the message of this hearing, and i'm very pleased that structurally we have it set up so the auditor does the hiring. I knew that but to have it explained again and to have it actually explained in the context of that being different than a lot of other municipalities, I think gives me added sense of confidence in how we structure that relationship because management isn't hiring you so that problem seems to dog corporate america of management being too close to their auditors, too cozy a relationship. Thanks to our financial team, the folks that you identified earlier who do all the hard work. Thanks

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to our cfo, deputy cfo-- by the way at one time we didn't have a cfo, and a number of us fought hell to put it back in. A city of 5 billion of assets should have a chief financial officer. I think history has proven that to be an important and wise decision. Thanks to moss adams for their presentation and I will say that the benefit of being on council for a number of years is there's a familiar pattern to these but it still is a complicated subject matter to communicate and one of the things moss adams does so well is the way they present and they take complicated things and reduce it to things we can understand and i'm proud of the results. We often get nicked and dined for all kind of things and here it is, this has to be one of the most significant functions of government, and according to our independent auditors we got it right with a clean bill of health. We can be proud of that and I think the public can have additional confidence in their government because of that. I'm grateful for that. Thank you, mayor. Pleased to vote aye.

**Saltzman:** Thank you, madam auditor, moss adams, for another great audit. Thanks to the accounting division and our cfo and controller for the popular report. Next step, get it down to one page. [laughter] then it will be real popular. I'm sure you can do it. It's a very useful tool. Was it Ken Rust -- started the popular annual -- [speaking simultaneously]

**Kirby:** During his term. We all had the idea.

**Saltzman:** Happened during ken rust's tenure.

**Kirby:** He pointed towards reducing the amount of time on the cafr so it allowed us more time to work on the pafr.

**Saltzman:** Keep winning those awards. Good job. Aye.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. I want to add my thanks to everybody. Thanks to moss adams again for doing a very thorough evaluation of our financial situation. I want to also extend my thanks to the accounting division to produce the city's cafr and for everyone in our city who has done this not only in the past but also this year in doing it in apparently record time. So thank you. I'm sure a significant amount of additional work went into that. The city's accounting team should be very proud of the fact we're recognized as a national leader in terms of how we report our financials to the public. I thank madam auditor as well without your leadership and guidance of your division we wouldn't have the same independence and collaboration we have. I want to acknowledge you. Thank you. I want to underscore something that the chief financial officer raised, which is that while I appreciate that the city's financial condition is very healthy by many, many measures, we do have a negative trend in our net position that we must continue to address. I feel that we have an obligation to do that, not just keep pushing this trend into the future. I look forward to working with the council, cbo, cfo, and city bureaus to increase our reserves and city investment structure and chip away at that financial position. With that thank you, everybody. It was a great report. Interesting back and the forth. I vote aye. The report is adopted. Please call the roll on 1343.

**Fritz:** I also think we need to think of a better name than the popular annual financial report, something like where the skeletons are buried or where your money goes. Something that would really make people want to turn even five pages commissioner Saltzman. Thank you also to Tim Crail my chief of staff, my numbers guy in the office. Aye.

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

**Wheeler:** Aye. The report is adopted. Next item we moved 1344 and in its place we have inserted 1337. Please read 1337.

**Item 1337.**

**Wheeler:** We have shannon callahan and matthew tschabold will make the introductions. Thank you.

**Shannon Callahan, Director, Portland Housing Bureau:** Good afternoon, mayor, commissioners. Shannon callahan, housing bureau. Thank you for prioritizing this report this afternoon. I'm here with matt tschabold to present the state of housing report which is



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designed to provide update data on both current housing market and the Portland housing bureau's progress towards our strategic initiatives. Before I turn it over to matthew to present an overview of the summary of findings I would like to thank and acknowledge the work of the staff at phb, especially Bimal RajBhandary. As you can see some of the staff who worked on compiling this data, david, Victoria, martha, michelle and emily. I would also like to thank the staff who worked to achieve results that you see in this report, which really is the work of every single one of our 70-plus employees at the bureau. I would like to turn it over to matthew to give a summary of pinings of what we discovered this year.

**Matt Tschabold, Portland Housing Bureau:** Matt tschabold for the record. Looking at the city-wide view, the city continues to grow and in recent years slightly more accelerated rate. We're seeing record numbers of market and affordable units opening but we need additional units to keep up with more population trends and trends in affordability.

Unfortunately we do continue to see increases in disparities, not only amongst low income Portlanders but communities of color. I'll talk more about that. That require more resources and more programming for Portlanders. Looking at population, we are the fifth largest city on the west coast, growth up to 1.5% annually. Large portion of that growth since the year 2000 has been with communities of color, of the roughly 91,000 individuals that have moved to Portland, the increase in population, about 22% are communities of color. We're currently around 620,000 people and around 260,000 households. While we are seeing increases in our median incomes you all have had reports about that, there are disparities in incomes and incomes are not growing evenly across the board. While median incomes for whites households are decreasing for families of color they are declining. In the slide it's in the report as well the median income for renters is around \$37,000 per year when compared to owners that's 83,000 per year. If you look by race, white and asian households around 60,000 per year and other communities of color are around 32,000 per year. So we see significant disparities in income for communities of color, communities of color also disproportionately renters in our city struggling with affordability. If you look at the housing stock from 2002 to 2017, we continue to see high levels of production. In fact in 2017 it was our highest production in the last 15 years with 7300 new units. Looking at rental affordability we know that rent increases have gone up by about 75% in the last since about 2005. This is a graph of annual rent increases quarter by quarter. So you see that the average rent increase from 2010 to 2017 is around 4% but we saw several years where rent increases were six to 8% annual rate increases. That is starting to slow down the rate of rent increases are slowing down with the average around 1400 per month.

When you're looking at rental affordability we have a number of households, household profiles that are completely priced out of the market. Zero to 30% households are unable to afford in any of our 24 neighborhood analysis areas as well as single mother household, black household and pacific islander household. Since our first report in 2015 we have seen significant declines in affordability for many of our household profiles. As we continue to grapple with housing affordability crisis in the city.

**Saltzman:** When you say single mother households is that opposed to a single parent household?

**Tschabold:** Numbers are roughly equivalent for single mother or single parent. Single mother has slightly lower incomes so we use those in our profiles. Looking at the current need, if you look at renters across the board about 50% of renters are not cost burdened and about 50%, 49% are cost burdened. Of those renters that are cost burdened, 22% are considered cost burdened which means they are paying more than 30% of their income toward rent. 27 are extremely cost burdened, which means they are paying more than 50% of their income toward rent. If you're curious about numbers for households, we look at we specifically serve households at 70% ami and below and there are about 31,000 households at 80% ami and below that are extremely cost burdened, that's that 27%

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category. Around 21,000 households below 80% ami that are cost burdened. That's that 22% category. Most neighborhoods now have immediate home sales price of over \$400,000. At the bureau we are looking at prices of between 300 to 325,000 as probably affordable to the average Portlander. But I would note that that's not affordable to communities that have disproportionately low incomes. Over all median price in 2017 was \$406,000. We see an increase from 2011 to 2017 of about \$150,000 in the median price. I would also note that most significant increases in price have been in lents foster, 122 and division neighborhoods which lents foster has seen an increase in price of 113%, over doubling from 2011 to 2017. 122nd and division has increased by 90%, so almost doubling over that same time frame. We're seeing east Portland neighborhoods, their home prices are rapidly escalating toward the city-wide median price.

**Fritz:** Obviously with lents foster, urban renewal district, what would be prompting the high rise in cost at 122nd and division?

**Tschabold:** For the home prices?

**Fritz:** Yes.

**Tschabold:** It's just the over all hot -- market. Nothing particular about the neighborhood. Well, the only thing I would note, they were very affordable in 2011 prices were much lower, in the 100,000 to 200,000 dollar range. Compared to other neighborhoods people seeking a more affordable purchase price may have been incentivized to look in those neighborhoods. While the dollar amount is not as growth is not as significant as other neighborhoods, the percentage changes.

**Fish:** I went to the foster winterfest the other day, which was an event hosted by metro Portland. Drove around a little bit and also went and visited some small businesses. One thing that struck me was the interesting variety of home styles and relatively close-in neighborhood that had been historically affordable, and a place where we're starting to make big investments, the transportation investments, streets, sidewalks, other things. Then you look at what are some of the businesses that are coming in, they are very interesting. They are not dissimilar from some of the businesses you're starting to see on north williams, and they are businesses in response to the buying power of what's happening north and south. So it's going through tremendous change. But there's a nice stock of homes that have been historically undervalued and it's still relatively close in. Strikes me as one of those areas that is going to see enormous pressure on home prices.

**Tschabold:** I think you're right. Reflecting on the report this year I looked back on our first report in 2015 and one of the homeownership data points that jumped out was that there were six of the 24 neighborhoods that immigrant households -- households foreign born as the census designation could afford to purchase in. 2015 that number has dropped to zero this year because of incomes and median prices. I think those neighborhoods were some of the six that were affordable. So yes. So with that that's a high level overview of the report. It's again similar trends as our last report around renter and owner affordability but we have made great progress with our programing to try to address the affordability crisis. Shannon is going to walk through progress with our initiatives.

**Callahan:** Thank you, matthew. This year we are going to talk with you about five of the housing bureaus strategic initiative. The first Portland housing bond. Since voters passed the Portland housing bond five projects have been identified, three of those in just the last six months totaling more 630 units completed or in progress. By the end of 2008 we were nearby halfway to our 1300 unit goal as promised to voters. Next year we'll be working with our oversight committee to expand on production with new leverage opportunity granted to us by voters with their support of a constitutional amendment. Just to give you a few examples of what this progress means for Portlanders, at 105th and east burnside which opened this fall with coordination of our joint office partners we moved families and children directly from our streets and shelters into stable homes. At the ellington

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apartments, the first bond purchase under Portland housing bond we house 263 children in affordable family sized homes providing them with the stability they need to succeed in school and beyond. We have been able to stabilize and secure renters at the westwind apartments adding professional 24-hour on-site management and support services for residents. Of the bond units planned to date, 44% are for incomes at 33 -- 30% or below and we're nearly two-thirds towards reaching our goals for 300 units of supportive housing. The north and northeast neighborhood strategy was established in 2014 by and for the community. The strategy prioritizes families and individuals with generational ties to north and northeast Portland for new affordable housing opportunities both in rental and homeownership. We worked to stabilize long term community residents with home repair programs. With the strategy the city acknowledges and works to correct the impacts our action have had to gentrify the neighborhood and displace residents. As of the writing of this report we have opened our plan for the opening of more than 501 new rental units well above our goal. With two new buildings opening just in the last few months. The beatrice morrow on martin luther king, jr., boulevard, is welcoming new residents. Like a young woman and her daughter who have been couch surfing more than two years whose generational ties to the neighborhood go back for decades, and the whose namesake is a former civil right attorney and administrative law judge. By the end of this year we have supported 500 to stabilize them in their homes and we have worked with our oversight committee to establish clear, measurable goals to achieve more than 110 homeowners with the strategy. Inclusionary zoning. Our inclusionary housing program which went for effect february of 2017 successfully created affordability throughout our city in the private market. In the first 18 months the program has already created in process in private development 362 affordable units in 43 projects to be exact. If we had invested public resources to subsidize these units it would represent approximately \$32 million in public investment. We also were keeping a close eye on the program making refinements by city council in real time to adjust to market realities. Our next strategic initiative this year is the supportive housing goal established by the city and the county to create 2,000 new units of supportive housing by 2028. Since that time we have collaborated with the joint office, other local and the stayed and community partners in unprecedented ways to create new housing units. We have more than 500 new supportive housing units in progress by 2021. This has spurred us to partner in the first of its kind initiative funding for services in capital with the joint office, Multnomah county health department and Oregon housing and community services to create a cost effective model in single room occupancy units.

**Fish:** Just so we can read this page, which is taken from page 112 of the report, just would you remind us how you reconcile the goal of 2000 new units by 2028 and what's in the box which says 2088?

**Callahan:** I think that's indicates what the progress we have made thus far. The two numbers before that add up to 2,000. That's showing we already have 162 units since we reached that goal already operating as new supportive housing units and 355 planned by 2021, the goal to achieve is 1483. That's a countdown for us.

**Fish:** I see. That's the obvious way to read it.

**Callahan:** We're keeping a thermometer daily with how many supportive --

**Wheeler:** I don't think it's entirely clear. In future publications, can we maybe find a different way to present that data?

**Tschabold:** Absolutely.

**Wheeler:** Now that you say that it's obvious but you have to say that first.

**Fish:** I missed it for what it's worth.

**Saltzman:** Is that joint city, county, state, notice of funds availability on the streets now?

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**Callahan:** We have already convened an internal and external review committee and the mayor, the chair and the Oregon housing and community services are about to make their final recommendations. We expect an announcement --

**Saltzman:** There's already been applications?

**Callahan:** Yes. We were very impressed with the pool of applicants and we're excited for I think what lies ahead for this project.

**Wheeler:** Well, dan is going to have a little extra time. It's not too late. [laughter]

**Wheeler:** Thank you.

**Callahan:** The rental services office. This year the Portland Housing Bureau launched a rental services office to provide information on landlord/tenant fair housing laws coordinating legal aid services and supporting tenant protections. We are now assisting close to 200 individuals a month through hotlines, walk-ins and emails and city council passed a rental registration requirement ensuring accurate information on all rental properties in the city. We have doubled our funding for legal assistance and education services and in early 2019 we expect to make an announcement to provide legal assistance and enforcement for fair housing violations.

**Wheeler:** Can I just make a quick comment on the rental services office? Some people asked a question of me the other day, why isn't it up and running as conceived. I just want to be really clear with people, with the bold vision will take us several years to get to because it requires sequential planning and sequencing and frankly, sequencing of the funding to actually get us to the full vision. We now have six people employed in the rental services office actively engaged in fair housing issues. They are overseeing the rental services commission. They are in the process of standing up the important work around the rental registration program, so I don't want people to believe we blew that off. We have not blown it off. It is in fact up and running in its first part of the sequence and people should fully expect that to come to full fruition.

**Callahan:** Yes. As this indicates we are open for phone calls, we have walk-in hours and we accept emails at any time that anyone has any questions we're genuinely there for them during the work hours I should say.

**Wheeler:** Thank you.

**Callahan:** Finally we're to review our 2018 production. By this year through a combination of all of the products that we offer including direct subsidy inclusionary zoning and the old what was known as multi program we will have reached heights of new affordable housing topping 800 bringing the total number of units in our regulated portfolio to 14,400 units. Though we don't have exact figures on the rental market we have estimated 125 thousand units in the rental market. If that is the case, 12% of all rental units in the city of Portland would be regulated by the city of Portland as affordable housing. In real terms the number of units we opened this year means housing for approximately 1800 Portlanders. So we have looked at the size of the bedrooms that we're offering and extrapolated who is living there. That means 800 units are actually providing homes for 1800 Portlanders. We're excited that we have new units in all areas of the city including high opportunity areas, connecting residents to jobs, transit and the amenities to survive and thrive. Next year we expect to increase our affordable housing production with more than 1,000 new units welcoming families. Here are just a few of the highlights of the buildings that have opened this year or are expected to open early next year. Vibrant that you will see in the lower right corner is the property once known as 14th and raleigh in the pearl district, which is --

**Saltzman:** Where is vibrant?

**Callahan:** Vibrant is the property formerly known at 14th and raleigh prioritized for homeless families leaving the homeless family system. Receiving great services and affordable housing with innovative housing, inc. A very tall building. You can't miss it if you're on 405. You'll see it plainly.

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**Fritz:** That slide shows what commissioner Fish refers to a lot as affordable housing doesn't have to be ugly housing. These could well be designed by the highest highfalutin developers. They are really nice.

**Wheeler:** And some are. The one at 105th and burnside was designed as market rate housing, and we --

**Fritz:** That's right.

**Wheeler:** We acquired it.

**Fish:** Commissioner Fritz, I would during my tenure as housing commissioner we toyed with the idea of doing an rfp to figure out how to structure it where we emphasize high design elements at a low cost and challenge the architect community because we were hearing from the home-grown talent that they wanted to take a crack at trying to do something innovative. Last time we thought of doing something innovative like that was the frank geary project that howard shapiro championed that was con plated for the pearl. Unfortunately it was a budget buster. It cost so much to have a star architect and the cost of materials and everything made it infeasible but I have often thought particularly with all the talent we have locally if we challenge people to come up with high design at lower cost whether using modular or new components, new materials, whatever, I think we can even push the design envelope further and start -- bloomberg did this. Bloomberg had a design competition for a lot of the public buildings that new york city invested in. I think the bar could even be higher if we could figure out a way legally to do that. Again without driving up costs because it would have to be coupled with great design at a bargain basement price.

**Callahan:** Very good idea. That concludes our presentation on the state of housing this afternoon. We would be happy to answer questions or delve deeper into anything you would like to.

**Fish:** Commissioner eudaly can't be here, but her office and my office in reviewing this material had a similar question, which is we track lots of -- you include a lot of demographic information in this report, but where it's a little thin is information on people experiencing disabilities and how they are treated by the marketplace. Any thoughts of how we could beef that up?

**Tschabold:** The census bureau has some data on individuals experiencing disabilities their estimate is 80,000 individuals in the city of Portland. They break that out in what disabilities people are experiencing. Where we have been short on data is the stock.

**Fish:** The stock?

**Tschabold:** The units themselves.

**Fish:** How many accessible units there are?

**Tschabold:** Correct. We had conversations with commissioner eudaly's office. She has talked to us about the possibility of once the registration is in place about getting better information on type a and type b units or fully accessible units.

**Fish:** I would second that. I'm interested in to what extent do people experiencing disabilities generally have access to an accessible unit development and in light of the work around age friendly Portland, how are older adults faring. Many of the kinds of improvements that we're talking about that make a unit accessible, make them more accessible to people with disabilities and older adults and the like.

**Tschabold:** Absolutely.

**Fish:** I would be interested in working with her and you folks to refine that data going forward.

**Tschabold:** Sounds good.

**Fish:** By the way, shannon, thank you for doing a whole page on supportive housing. That is a new feature this year. It is two pages. So we won't let our environmental friends know

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how much paper we used. But it is two pages on supportive housing. It is innovation on this year's report and much appreciated.

**Callahan:** This report includes new data that our team pulled together. We did not highlight it today, but it does answer some questions around communities regarding age friendliness and has do with multigenerational households. We tried to pull out information on pages 18 and 19 and start to track the multigenerational households that reside in Portland and trends that were seeing. We are seeing greater rates of multigenerational households in Portland. This is something you should expect to see us expand on and address issues around age friendliness next year. I would be happy to share that and talk with you more about that?

**Saltzman:** Is that a positive or negative? Is that people are choosing to double up or choosing to live with their parents?

**Tschabold:** For the multigenerational, it is the same family. People living with either the next generation or the generation before that. It is different than doubled up. It could be doubled up. We can't say with certainty. It is a cultural element to the family, they live multigenerational. Or, if it's an affordability issue. It is likely a combination of both.

**Mayor:** Commissioner Fritz.

**Fritz:** Thank you. I appreciate the demographic information. It is helpful and the way you presented the material. The native american folks, the median income has gone down, but the homeownership has gone up. Is there any -- what is the explanation for that?

**Tschabold:** There is a fairly large margin of error due to the population size in the city of Portland. Pacific islander households and native american households we can see more of a swing in the numbers in the margin of error because of that.

**Fritz:** Okay.

**Tschabold:** We don't put the margin of error bars on here, but it is slightly higher for those households.

**Fritz:** I found this chart single family production and multifamily production. There was a massive increase of multifamily production since mayor wheeler has been in charge but little growth in single family households. I didn't see anything about accessory dwelling units. Can we see something in the next report?

**Tschabold:** I believe it is included in the single family. We can break that out. The one comment I will make on the earlier point, when you dive into the multigenerational data, most multigenerational families are in single family homes. We still are not seeing single family unit permitting above prerecessionary levels.

**Fritz:** Right. That is troubling.

**Wheeler:** Very good. I will entertain a motion.

**Saltzman:** Move.

**Fritz:** Second.

**Mayor:** A motion from commissioner Saltzman, a second from commissioner Fritz. Please call the roll, Karla.

**Fritz:** Thank you for providing copies to our offices and thank you for your work. You are making progress. We are making progress and this is clear documentation. The numbers don't lie. Aye.

**Fish:** This is the third version, fourth version. Fourth version of this report and it seems to me it keeps getting better and more comprehensive. There is a treasure trove of really important data in here that helps inform the decisions we make. We are making progress, but the analogy that I keep coming back to is from a disney film and that is with -- in fantasia, the folks in the basement, the brooms and the mops furiously trying to dig out as the flood waters come into the building. We know how to build strong partnerships and deliver multifamily affordable housing. We know how to tackle problems in front of us. What we can't do is we are not smarter than the market. And we can't -- we don't have any

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control nationally over the supply factors. The supply factors are going to get more and more acute, more and more challenging. Mayor spoke this morning about the need for a more robust federal partner. There are limits to what we can do locally. That is why we have to be careful about setting expectations. Making progress. Adding new units. Doing everything we can, but Portland can't solve the national housing crisis. It is going to take more than Portland, but I am pleased we are doing our part. Thank you for your excellent work. Pleased to accept the report. Aye.

**Saltzman:** Good report. Thank you, director Callahan and the housing bureau staff that worked on this report. I guess my two parting thoughts are as follows. One is, be relentless on inclusionary housing. As I have said recently. Inclusionary housing will produce far more results than bond measures. Stick at it and the results will be there. And then as Shannon both the Mayor know I'm -- we have one of the purposes of the housing bond is to invest in intergenerational communities to support raising and adopting foster kids. Intergenerational communities have a lot of positives for older adults, for foster kids. I hope we will see some of those in the next report. Pleased to vote aye.

**Wheeler:** Great thoughts, Dan. I look forward to taking up that conversation. I think it is a very important one. First of all, obviously, I want to thank Director Callahan and Mike -- Matt, sorry. I have only known you for 10 years. Matt, thank you. Excellent report. I appreciate that. I want to thank the entire housing bureau staff for putting this report together. This report gives data to what many of us have noticed for a long time and many people in the community gives us data to back what they know to be true in their day-to-day lives. Portland continues to grow. We are the fifth largest city on the West Coast. Young, educated people continue to join our city. Portland's overall wealth is unevenly distributed. We know many are struggling to pay the rent. We do not have enough affordable homes for everybody who needs them. As well as reporting on the market conditions, this report does particularly good job on giving us insight on the strategic initiatives and focus areas that will drive the housing bureau's work in the present and the years ahead to address low-income Portlanders and very, very low to zero income Portlanders. This report had some really great highlights. We brought 146 units to the northeast Portland area under the north-northeast neighborhood housing strategy with 370 more units to come. We have over 350 affordable units that were already permitted by the inclusionary housing that will rise precipitously. The affordable housing bond purchased 634 units of affordable housing. Roughly half the house promised by the bond in its first seven years. So in my estimation, we are way ahead of schedule. With the voters passing the regional housing bond and the accompanying constitutional amendment we have more opportunity to get more leverage out of that opportunity. While there is certainly much more work to be done in providing every Portlander with a safe, affordable place to call home, the bureau and the city have obviously not been idle. We have approached this issue with passion. You have approached it with data driven solutions. We have used innovative financing tools and a sense of collective urgency to address this important issue. In pursuing strategic initiatives, the bond, the inclusionary housing, the north-northeast housing strategy, the rental services house, joint office of homeless services, the multiprogram and other efforts, the bureau is working hard to move us closer to addressing our city's affordable housing needs. I want to thank all of the staff assembled here. This is a collective representation of your hard work as a team and I personally want to thank you for it because it remains one of, if not the top issue that the people of this city are concerned about. And you are jumping in with both feet. So thank you for that. Thank you cupid Alexander from my office for keeping me in the loop and working with the housing team to make sure we are all in the same page and working with the entirety of the city council. I vote aye. The report is accepted and we will take a recess until 4:00 p.m.

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Recessed at 3:41 p.m.

Reconvened at 4:02 p.m.

**Wheeler:** This is the Portland city council. We are back in session. Next item, Karla.  
**Item 1345.**

**Wheeler:** Colleagues, the city contracts with the Oregon Sports Authority to provide sports marketing and provide recruiting services to bring major sporting events to Portland including the city owned venues, veterans memorial coliseum and providence park. This annual report to the city council is a requirement of the city's contract with osa. The city's contract with osa is managed by the spectators, venues and visitor activities program at the office of management and finance. Let's welcome jim Etzel, Oregon sports authority ceo and doug oblitz board president to present the fiscal year 2017-2018 osa annual report. Thank you, gentlemen, for being here today. And ladies. Welcome.

\*\*\*\*\*: Good afternoon.

**Wheeler:** Good afternoon.

**Doug Oblitz, Oregon Sports Authority:** Doug oblitz with the Oregon sports authority. I'm thrilled to be here. Before I get into my extensive remarks, I want to thank the mayor and city council for ongoing support of our activities. I wanted to call out the work of the city's representative to our board, susan hartnett who I hear is retiring and has done an outstanding job representing the city and helping us through our mission. With that, I want to call attention to the fact that just one year ago jim etzel to my right was sitting behind us as our new ceo. He has been on the job almost a year. Osa is a different organization as a result. A lot has happened in the last year. Jim has firmly taken the reins of the Oregon sports authority. We completed a comprehensive strategic plan. We tightened up our relationship with travel Oregon and travel Portland. We engaged our board of directors and our mission and reached out to 170 corporate members to get them more engaged. We have embarked on a rebranding effort, which isn't quite done but we're a long ways done. We continue to pursue the chance to completely rethink Portland's marathon and make it a world class event including the possibility of hosting the men's and women's world championship event as part of Oregon 2021. The world track and field championships that come to Portland in 2021 in august. We continue to grow and make sustainable the track town youth league which has provided free track & field meets to over 2,000 kids this year in 15 cities statewide. Those activities with kids continue to grow and will be in a few more cities in the coming years. I am a lame duck along with some of the other people I know. Sorry.

**Saltzman:** Are you referring to me?

\*\*\*\*\*: Yes.

**Fritz:** It was such a subtle look.

**Oblitz:** I have a few months left on my two-year term. It has been a great run. I have never been so excited about the Oregon sports authority. We are on a great path forward. We look forward to continuing to build our relationship with the city in the coming years. I will turn it over to our ceo doug Etzel.

**Doug Etzel, CEO, Oregon Sports Authority:** Thanks, doug. I would like to thank you for your time, interest and support of our organization, mayor wheeler, city commissioners, city liaison's susan Hartnett, karl lisle. We appreciate everything you do to back our mission. Doug touched on it, just completing my first year. Super excited about the opportunity and the potential of this organization. A past history, I knew drew for 22 years, still checking in on us. We had a great transition. I'm a life-long resident of Portland. I was away a few years in my professional career. I have been a long time member of the Oregon sports authority supporting its mission. I was a board member for 15, 16 years ago for a couple of year terms. I'm super passionate about the direction and future of it. I'll try



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to be brief and to the point as we move through this. I was a remarkable year. Before I jump into, I want to recognize our staff who are critical to any successes. Meyer freeman, coo, 19-year employee, to my right alex rudd and lauren elge and kate johnson are very passionate about the direction of our organization and our mission. I know we have a 10-minute time limit here. As we wind up and you have any questions and want to go back to anything, please feel free. First off, the events we held in this 2017-2018 budget cycle and hosted the highlight had to be pk80. The Phil Knight invitational celebrating his 80th birthday was hands down the greatest college basketball tournament in the history of the sport. 16 teams. Some of the biggest names in collegiate sports. We drew 118,000 spectators to moda center and veterans memorial coliseum. It was a great way to showcase some of the improvements that happened in veterans memorial coliseum. Economic impact of \$6 million. The event was televised on espn, every single game, 32 games, which was remarkable exposure for our community. Excited to report that plans are under way for pk85. Even before then, they will likely be a pk invitational that would be a four-team double-header that could be as soon as two years from now happening on an annual basis and every five years will be the big one. That is very exciting and a testament to the success of the concept. We hosted in February the synchronized figure skating championships in vmc. Not a huge spectator event, 1,500 to 3,000 spectators. It was key event for travel Portland. Brought 5,000 out of town visitors in february, so time for our hotels and restaurants. U.s. Figure skating said it was the most successful u.s. Synchronized skating championships in history. Economic impact \$2.4 million. We hosted the little league softball world series at alpenrose. This event, if you follow little league at all, both baseball and softball, it is growing in immense popularity. Williamsport with the little league baseball world series is televised almost 40 games are televised on espn platform. The great thing about this event for Portland is that we went from seven games televised to 27 games nationally televised this past year on espn platform. And this is one that a lot of other communities around the country go to williamsport and try to pitch the merit of their community to draw this away. They are firmly here for a handful more years. We want to do everything to make sure it stays here. Event bids for the future that we are involved in this past year. This 2021 and 2022 national association of sports commissions symposium, which we are a member of. We submitted that bid in conjunction with travel Portland. Grand prix of Portland. That was more of a sustained conversation working with stakeholders at pir and the city that drew mahaleck starting 11 years ago with a few visits back to indy to keep Portland on the radar as a possible return of the sport to Portland. We saw, commissioner Fritz, huge success.

**Fritz:** I was there. Huge success.

**Wheeler:** Did you win?

**Fritz:** It was really fun and actually, that is one of the things people come up to me and say thank you for bringing the indycars back.

**Etzel:** It was a tremendous first year that exceeded expectations. There is nowhere but up to go. Travel Portland is thrilled. That is the slow weekend. 7200 room night lift.

**Fritz:** Commissioner Fish, you'll each get a turn of doing the green flag. It is really fun.

**Etzel:** We bid with travel Portland of the 2020 veterans wheelchair games. We are in the final throes of finalizing this agreement. It is the largest wheelchair disabled sporting event in the world. We expect 6,000 room nights and 700 veterans coming to Portland, Oregon. There are a lot of fun things we have in mind to celebrate them and their accomplishments and competition. We continue to pursue and nba all-star game bid for Portland. The blazers are the lead on this, but we step alongside and from behind to support in the ways they ask us to. We went to los angeles as part of the bid effort. We didn't win in this cycle, but the blazers are very optimistic and our chances continue to improve especially with all the hotels in downtown Portland coming online. 2022 nisa, national intermural and sports

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recreation association. Individuals from universities around the country coming to Portland in 2022. Successfully bid for that. And as you are aware, we have submitted our bid for a bold vision around the Portland marathon. We think this is the opportunity to create the next sports franchise for Portland. Future events. This february we are hosting the 2019 ncaa women's regional finals in Portland. This is the first of two consecutive years. We have three of the next four years in the bid cycle. We are hosting ncaa basketball competitions. We have a year off in 2021, but in 2022 we have an opening round men's game. The only city to receive three tournament years in the four-year cycle in the country. It is a testament for what we have done in the past and something to build on. We see a real opportunity of attracting someday a women's final four here. We think it is a perfect fit the way women's athletics are supported in our community and the success of Oregon, Oregon state basketball and women's in the ncaa competitions. We see opportunities for ncaa volleyball, final four and hockey possibilities. And the university of Portland and timbers and thorns to host providence park and men's and women's soccer. Projected economic impact is \$3 million. It is worthy to note we put together a local organizing committee led by a lot of our business leaders that have enthusiastically jumped in, so we think we can demonstrate why we are the perfect site for future competitions. 2019, u.s.a. Softball, men's national tournament, delta park venue, another venue, 1,200 to 3,000 visitors. We helped Portland softball association land this bid with ancillary and financial support. From a franchise update, obviously, we had nothing to do with it, that both of our soccer teams made it to the championship match. Around major league baseball and opportunities there, Portland diamond project we have helped in numerous ways from the city side and Portland diamond project in trying to facilitate conversations, port of Portland and providing inner workings of sports franchises. Working closely with susan and karl on driving the conversation to see if it is a possibility with the new lincoln high school facility that could be bigger in vision. Could be Portland state and osaa championship events and other events we could pursue if we had an urban stadium that was 6,000 to 7,000 seats or larger. An interesting conversation and I have to commend all of the parties involved. They are very committed to see if this can be brought to reality. Community impact, track town youth league. We expanded this past year from 13 events to 15. We had 2,300 participants statewide. This is a neat one to observe. Alex and lauren and kate execute this. 15 events in 40 days around the state. Quite the road show. We introduce one more meet this year to Portland, but we have the events at roosevelt and david douglas high school and very purposeful where we located those in our community. Street soccer u.s.a. Is another favorite. We helped launch this chapter in Portland, the first chapter outside of new york. Accessibility to soccer for homeless youth or those in danger of being homeless. We look at potentially hosting regional or national championships here because of the success of this. We have expanded the programs both in east Portland and southwest Portland community centers. Finally, through the Oregon sports awards and the play it forward fund, this is a grant program for community impact funded by nike and providence through the sports authority foundation. We have a number of what we call m.v.p. Club donors, individuals that step up, impacted \$45,000 of grants, \$5,000 grants geared toward nonprofits with budgets less than \$700,000 annually that get kids physically moving and keep them moving. We have a program where we recognize high school and college athletes who show sustained commitment to the community to be role models and work with these charities to get these kids active and we present the top high school and college winners with scholarships. We expect our impact to be close to \$70,000. That is our report. Open to any questions you have.

**Mayor:** Very good. Colleagues.

**Fritz:** Well, thank you. I think it is provocative. I want to make sure we continue to move forward and exploit any opportunities out there. Sort of one question as you were going

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through the presentation, other than the obvious question, was that guy playing football with a cast on.

**Etzel:** Yeah.

**Wheeler:** The -- can you actually do that? The question of women's athletics and I really appreciate you have seen that as a niche we are in a really good position to build upon and leverage. Maybe you could clarify a statistic I have heard and I don't know, honestly, if it is true, but if it is, it is something worth stating here. I have heard the Portland thorns is like the most viewed women's sports franchise in the world or some iteration of that.

**Etzel:** The thorns are the model professional sports franchise for women's sports not matter the sport. Basketball, soccer, anything. They lead the world in attendance for a franchise of women's sports. So they have traveled around the world trying to help over communities lift the provile.

**Mayor:** So why are the thorns so successful in Portland and what does that say about the community and how do you use that to leverage some of these other opportunities around the women's final four in basketball or other sports?

**Etzel:** If you look at historically, the community supported women's sports very strongly back to high school state championships in basketball, not just the Portland community, but the championships in salem, standing room only crowds down there. College soccer at the university of Portland. Led the country in attendance for 12 straight years, routinely drew on average over 4,000 fans a game to college matches. That set a tone. The success of Oregon, Oregon state women's basketball and the way they draw fans. I mean, they both draw 7,000 to 9,000 fans a game. I think it is something that is in the dna of our community here and how they embrace women's sports. It is interesting that young girls dropout of sports at a rate seven times higher than boys do. I would like to dig into those statistics in Oregon, because I bet you we are not at the national average. We are doing much better than that.

**Mayor:** I would be interested how all of these dots are connected. Can you connect that to public health outcomes and other disparities that would exist. I would like us to think broader about this. I understand your mission and what we have charged you to do speaks to travel and tourism.

**Etzel:** Quality of life is big.

**Mayor:** Multipliers and all of that, but it goes to other broader community and civic objectives that we have, not the least of which is civic pride. I hope we think about how to work with other institutions, maybe outside of just the sporting arena and start talking about some of these outcomes. This is a huge employment opportunity, sporting opportunities and sports franchises. We are looking for path ways to education and job training and employment particularly not exclusively for young people in our community. Every one of these things look exciting to me. I hope we can think broader.

**Etzel:** Just a quick comment on that. We think we aren't leveraging what we have here enough. The successes in women's sport. But we are the global epicenter of the sports world. What Portland designs, 80% of what the world wears is designed the Portland, Oregon. There are 800 companies in the universe around nike, adidas, danker and on and on and on. That is an asset this community can look to leverage. We are exploring about creating global conferences. Everyone wants to come and liston -- listen to the brain trust in our community. It is something we own and shouldn't let go of. We should leverage that because it leads to job growth and community benefits. Sports unifies our community. We put our differences down and look at our passionate fan bases around the blazers, timbers and thorns. Cross sections of community coming together for good. Everywhere we can leverage that we will try to make this a better place.

**Oblitz:** Last year we had over 400 kids participate in the track & field. I looked over and there was a young lady who had come earlier in the day to watch the last day of the ncaa

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women's championship, which they were giving free tickets to see the meet. She was getting ready to go up on the awards stand to get her award and she was practicing making her o. She had seen the ncaa women doing that. She was practicing. I didn't notice but alex told me after the fact she did that up on the stand. If we inspired one young lady you know we can inspire a lot.

**Mayor:** That is awesome. Dan?

**Saltzman:** Are we too small to host a final four in men's or women's college basketball?

**Etzel:** We are not too small. We can host the women's final four. Held in arenas the size of the moda center. The men's final four goes to communities with large dome multipurpose stadiums. They try to put 60,000 or 70,000 people in a stadium. 10,000 are good seeds.

**Saltzman:** College wrestling, is that something we have pursued?

**Etzel:** There is a ncaa championship. We haven't targeted that yet. We can work with Oregon state and Portland state as a host. We can explore that. We are looking at the ones to bring the most economic impact to start with and can build from there. What is interesting in the volleyball championships, it is not just the final four, but over 2,000 youth players that come from all around the country to participate in tournaments around the country so that fills up a lot of rooms and the national coaches convention happens. 1,800 attendees to fill out the convention center. Interesting ancillary deals. Men's soccer, the coaches symposium happens and the women's soccer, an elite youth tournament with the final four.

**Wheeler:** Do we know what the residual benefit to the greater Portland community is? Does somebody measure that kind of economic impact?

**Oblitz:** I don't know if we have precise numbers, but what we know is that most of the visitors for the Oregon 2021, the world track and field champions, their gateway will be pdx. We are quietly working to make sure Portland is at the forefront of that event and when people come through Portland there is going to be something really great for them to participate in or go see. Those plans will emerge over the next year or so. We are working closely with Oregon 2021. In addition to the marathon event which we are actively pursuing, bringing additional events including a potential convention at the iwaf championship that could occur at the Oregon convention center. We will fine tune those numbers and can report back on that.

**Mayor:** Very good. At any rate, we should be cheering for any sports opportunity in Oregon that brings people in.

**Oblitz:** Yes.

**Mayor:** We should be doing what we can to help leverage those opportunities.

**Etzel:** The oes sports that exist around the state, travel Portland see people put shoulders on it. They want to come to Portland, Oregon. This is their opportunity and excuse and that allows them to go to the coast or the gorge or the mountains. Those are the things we are trying to spread the benefit of that visit beyond being at the site.

**Mayor:** Do we have that level of coordination around the state? Are we all communicating?

**Etzel:** We meet with travel Portland every month. We talk to them multiple times every week. Same with travel Oregon. Not as frequently, but in contact every month. We are looking at ways to achieve mutual goals but take them a notch or two up the ladder.

**Mayor:** Fine. Very good.

**Fritz:** Move to accept the report.

**Saltzman:** Second.

**Mayor:** A motion and a second. Please call the roll.

**Fritz:** Thank you for your work. Parks are more than fun and games. Similarly, sports is more than fun and games. 7,200 hotel nights for indycar. I asked people to raise their hand if they were out of town, pretty much everybody was out of town. Even a lot of people are

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stopping me in the grocery store to say do it again. It is fun and games. At the end of the day, you watch a game and forget the rest of your troubles at least for the duration of the game. I appreciate that. Aye.

**Saltzman:** I want to thank the Oregon sports authority. I think you do a fantastic job in being the point of contact and point of going after events and they do serve our economy and our civic pride well when we have these events here. Very excited to hear there may be future pk tournaments. That last one was incredible. I hope there are more things like that. Thank doug oblitz for your long-term enthusiasm. Pleased to vote aye.

**Mayor:** I want to share my thanks and, doug, I want to appreciate your leadership and your guidance and some of the tremendous vision that you have imparted on us. I know you are not going anywhere. You will still be actively engaged. I want to thank your entire team and the osa for the work you do. I vote aye. The report is accepted. Thank you very much.

\*\*\*\*\*: Thank you. Happy holidays.

**Mayor:** Thank you. You, too. Last item of the day. Item 1346.

**Item 1346.**

**Mayor:** Commissioner Fritz.

**Fritz:** Thank you, we work to strengthen relationships and foster greater understanding, inclusiveness and justice for everybody who works, lives, studies, travels and plays in the city of Portland. The human rights commission set goals to increase engagement with the community and city council. As the commissioner in charge of the equity and human rights I'm delighted to be working more closely with the human rights commission again. My staff are working with the commission and community partners on amending city code around religious belief and nonbelief. That is coming to council next year and I greatly appreciate that. Tatiana Elejalde and members of the human rights commission will introduce our proclamation and the principles that guide this commission's work.

**Tatiana Elejalde, Office of Equity & Human Rights:** Great, thank you so much. For the record my name is tatiana. With the office of human rights. I want to recognize the human rights commissioners here with us today for this special day. Can you stand if you are able and those that are here. Yes, sonja marie, and then when we each speak they can say their own names.

**Coi Vu, Human Rights Commissioner:** Hi there. Thank you, tatiana. I'm Coi Vu. I'm here as a human rights commissioner. We are here as human rights commissioners for the city and community of Portland. We would like to thank mayor wheeler and commissioner Fritz and commissioner Saltzman for inviting us here on the 70th anniversary of the adoption of the united nations human rights. We wear different hats. As human right commissioners we play our vital role as advocates, policy advisers and liaison for vulnerable community members. Uplifting the voices of our most impacted community members. Such as during a public comment a process the commission highly values. One of our most recent successful collaboration is equity and human rights lens as the city of Portland's work on the belief who do not have religious affiliations and beliefs as well as to those who do. We thank you for listening to our concerns and the recommendations of the commissioners and making Portland a more inclusive place. There is still more work to be done. We can do better. We can listen more. We ask open our hearts and government to changes and practices and policies to make our community a safer and better place to live and visit. The human rights commission believes having a home in a house and a chance to live where they choose and how to live is a human right. We believe the rights to assemble peacefully is a human right. We believe access to safety and justice regardless of the color of our skin and immigration status is a human right. We know we can do this together. We look forward to our counted leadership and partnership in enhancing the human rights commission. Thank you.

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**Elejalde:** I want to take a moment to thank the mayor and city council for increased engagement with the human rights commission. The hrc applies a human rights lens on policy and promoting and protecting the human rights here in the city of Portland. They bring the human rights concerns of community to your attention and look forward to doing so on a more regular basis. Now i'm going to pas pass it to our commissioner who will read the proclamation.

**Chris Wallace Caldwell:** Thank you for being with us. My name is chris wallace caldwell. I will read the proclamation and want to point out while there is historical gravitas and weight to this, there is current context and as we go through, there are articles referenced from the city of Portland that we make that link to for the declaration. Whereas we who live, work, study, worship, travel and recreate in the city of Portland recognize a culturally vibrant community is built on equity and inclusion. Whereas on december 10, 1948, the united nations adopted the universal declaration of human rights, a call to action for the city of Portland to meet its obligation to promote, protect, and model a praxis of governing that employs human rights and fundamental freedoms. And whereas we acknowledge with humility that the present city of Portland exists on the lands of the Multnomah, Wasco, Cowlitz, Kathlamet, Clackamas, Bands of Chinook, Tualatin Kalapuya, Molalla, and many other tribes and indigenous people who made their homes along the Columbia and Willamette Rivers. We acknowledge with gratitude the past and present internally displaced people, enslaved people, immigrants and refugees to our community who by their courage, creativity and resourcefulness have built up and enriched the physical, culture and spiritual environment of our common home. And whereas the city of Portland acknowledges the illegitimacy of white supremist that has plagued our collective experience. Whereas the city of Portland is committed to protecting and improving the lives of all our community members and strives to eliminate all forms of discrimination because it poses a threat to the health, safety and welfare of our community. We humbly acknowledge we have much to do. Whereas the city of Portland acknowledges the structurally and systemically institutions that impact people, we aim to alleviate this harm through policies and practices that affirm the need for collective liberation of all people who thrive in our city. And whereas in accordance with article one, in the universal declaration of civil rights the city of Portland recognizes the right of all people to self-determination and political and economic agency. We aim to model our policies and practices to this belief. Whereas in accordance with article two, sanctuary city commitment protects undocumented people from federal enforcement of harsh detainment and deportation strategies regardless of strategies used to attain citizenship. We acknowledge the need to prohibit discrimination of people based on race, religion, color, national origin, language and gender and disabilities. We recognize the lives lost and families impacted by the use of force against unarmed civilians from law enforcement as a direct threat the collective experience of human rights all being acknowledge and practice. And whereas in accordance with articles 13 and 1, the city of Portland recognizes the rights of all people to freedom of movement and expression and not to be unnecessarily surveilled. Whereas in accordance with article 16 the city of Portland recognizes the need to affirm gender diversity and inclusive acts that do not privilege people who are gender nonconforming or transgender. In accordance with articles 1, 5 and 25, we do not accept public or private acts of disregard and contempt that present as cruel, inhumane and degrading treatment and that outrage the conscience of humankind in the city of Portland for our communities of color, members of our community who are houseless, indigenous, internally displaced, immigrant, refugee, asylum seeking, transgender and lgbq individuals, people living with different physical and mental abilities, people experiencing poverty. Woman, youth and aging and families impacted by incarceration. And whereas in accordance with articling 20 and 21 the city of Portland affirms people's constitutional rights to peacefully assemble and

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protest against human rights violations and violators and whereas in accordance with article 17 we affirm every community member's right to own property and to be housed.

\*\*\*\*: Hear, hear.

**Wheeler:** But wait, there's more.

\*\*\*\*: Yes.

**Wallace Caldwell:** Whereas the city of Portland affirmed its commitment to human rights in march 2008 establishing a human rights commission whose work is guided by the universal declaration of human rights. Whereas in accordance with article 6, the ideals of equality, justice, safety, inclusion and support set forth in the declaration remain unfulfilled promises for many members of our community including practicing our council promise of equal protection under the law. Whereas in accordance with article 29 to be truly universal the rights set forth in the declaration must be respected protected and fulfilled by and for every person in the city of Portland now there I ted wheeler mayor of the city of Portland, Oregon, do hereby proclaim december 19, 2018, to be the day that Portland honors the universal declaration of human rights. We call upon everyone who lives, works, studies, worships, travels and recreates in Portland to step forward and defend the human rights of everyone in our community and especially our most vulnerable community members lest we sacrifice our collective humanity. Together we can and must make the ideals of the universal declaration of human rights a reality in our city. Thank you very much for bringing this forward.

\*\*\*\*: Thank you.

\*\*\*\*: Thank you.

**Mayor:** Could we get a photograph up front with you.

\*\*\*\*: Yes. Thank you so much.

\*\*\*\*: Thank you.

\*\*\*\*: You are our dapper photographer today?

\*\*\*\*: I am a photographer.

\*\*\*\*: Okay.

\*\*\*\*: Okay, one, two, three.

\*\*\*\*: Yay.

\*\*\*\*: Thank you so much. Thank you so much for your hard work.

**Mayor:** Thank you. Thanks again. Thank you so much.

**Saltzman:** Thanks for your service.

**Mayor:** Nicely done.

\*\*\*\*: Thank you, commissioner Fritz.

**Fritz:** Very nicely done.

\*\*\*\*: Thank you.

**Mayor:** So I have an important announcement. Tomorrow we will be meeting at thursday, tomorrow, thursday, is funny, 2:00 p.m. It will be commissioner dan Saltzman's last meeting with the Portland city council. We hope people will show up with that. Karla, I believe we have completed our business for today.

**Moore-Love:** Just one second.

**Fritz:** I will not be here tomorrow. Commissioner, I want to say on the record it has been an honor and pleasure to work with you and thank you for your service to the city.

**Saltzman:** Thank you.

**Fritz:** I think you will gavel us out for the last wednesday afternoon session.

**Saltzman:** Adjourned until tomorrow at 2:00 p.m.

**Mayor:** All right.

**At 4:44 p.m., Council recessed.**

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**December 20, 2018 2:00 PM**

**Wheeler:** Good afternoon. This is the thursday, december 20, 2018, session of the Portland city council. Karla, why don't you call the roll then we'll call commissioner eudaly. [roll call taken] pursuant to pcc3.02.025 commissioner eudaly is participating by telephone due to personal reasons. Failure to allow participation of the city council member by electronic communication would jeopardize public interest, health, safety or welfare. Do any of the council members who are physically present object to having commissioner eudaly participate by telephone? Commissioner eudaly, you'll be happy to know there are no objections to your participation.

**Eudaly:** Fantastic.

**Moore-Love:** And commissioner Fritz.

**Wheeler:** I'm sorry, I didn't realize that. Commissioner Fritz is also not physically present but was contacted and given an opportunity to participate by telephone today. I think I spit out the whole script. Good afternoon, legal counsel.

**Karen Moynahan, Chief Deputy City Attorney:** Good afternoon. Welcome to Portland city council. The city council meets to do the city's business. Presiding officer preserves order and decorum so everyone can feel welcome, comfortable, respected and safe. You may sign up in advance with council clerk's office for communications to briefly speak about any subject. You may also sign up for public testimony and resolutions or 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're a lobbyist f. You're representing an organization please identify it. Presiding officer determines length of testimony. Individuals generally have three minutes unless otherwise stated. When your time is done a red light goes on. If you're in the audience and would like to show support feel free to do thumbs up. If you do not support something, feel free to indicate thumbs down. If there are disruptions a warning will be given that further destruction may result in the person being ejected for the remainder of the meeting. After being ejected a person who fails to leave is subject to arrest for trespass.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Thank you. Commissioner eudaly I want to confirm you can hear us.

**Eudaly:** Yes, i'm here.

**Wheeler:** Fantastic. One advantage of not participating directly is you get this really good photograph of you and we just get whatever live shots happen to show up. There is some advantage to participating by phone. [laughter] Karla, please read the first item.

**Items 1347.**

**Wheeler:** Director callahan, good afternoon.

**Shannon Callahan, Director, Portland Housing Bureau:** Good afternoon, mayor, commissioners. Shannon callahan of the Portland housing bureau. I am pleased to be here with the 5th new affordable development under the north northeast neighborhood strategy which prioritizes families and individuals with generational ties to northeast and northeast Portland for new affordable housing opportunities. The particular project we're here to talk about this afternoon is the argyle apartments. It will be a new development on the corner of argyle and interstate avenue in the kenton neighborhood. Phb Portland housing bureau and trimet partnered on the solicitation in june of 2016 and reach will be



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developing a four-story 189 unit development which will house over 380 people. Ten units will provide deeply affordable housing. Throughout this development process reach has worked very closely with the community and the north and northeast oversight committee. The dmwesb is 30%. Wash construction is the general contractor including o'neill construction, metropolitan contractor improvement partnership and the local chapter of the national association of minority contractors. Construction is expected to start in february with leaseout being july of 2020. Before I turn it over to the executive director of reach I would like to thank and acknowledge his commitment to work with the bill in the joint office post closing to ensure four of the ten deeply affordable units are available for preference policy households who need supportive housing. With that I will turn it over to dan.

**Dan Valliere, CEO REACH CDC:** Thank you, shannon. Council, commissioners, thank you for this support that you're considering today. I'm joined by lucy corbett, project manager on the project. We'll be happy to take your questions. I just thought I would take this opportunity to make a couple of comments. Clearly we're really excited about this. We have a lot of work to do, so your support today will give us a lot of work for the next year plus, but that's what we want. I thought I could just take a chance to share with you a couple thoughts about what we're learning and what we're committed to growing into through this project to help you see where we are in terms of our evolution. If I just wanted it touch on three themes. Maybe that will provoke additional converse. For us there are three key themes with the work. One is stewardship. One is system change, and one is racial justice. With those three also pretty much cut across all our work right now but they come out loud and clear here. In terms of stewardship this is a large investment that the city of Portland is making and so we understand the seriousness of that and just so you understand how we view this, this investment is community resources. We're stewards of those resources. They don't become reach's resources. Our job is to steward them for decades and make sure it stays affordable, keep it up, manage it well as a resource for perpetuity. That's our mission goal. In other words it's not just a transaction. System change. This is a big one. We could talk a lot about that theme but just to give a touch point on what we're talking about with this project, the systems of real estate development and housing production and housing management are rooted in inequity and rooted in systems of oppression. That's something we have been talking a lot about at reach more lately, especially, it's not something we have publicly talked about. We're trying to talk about that more. We're in a sense part of the problem sometimes. Potentially. That being said, it's projects like this that push us to push our own comfort zone, push our own routines and we learn from that and try to weave that into better ways of working. We have been fortunate that the north northeast oversight committee has been a big part of this. We have learned a ton collaborating with Portland housing bureau, going to the oversight meeting, getting new feedback in a way that we normally don't get and that's been great and we're glad we get to be part of a project like that. Obviously the present policy is epicenter of that. This will be our first time implementing the preference policy. It's going to be a complex process and will take a lot of collaboration. We're excited about that. That's changing our own systems. That's changing the systems of how real estate works. Lastly, racial justice. So again, racial segregation persists. It's visible across the country. Real estate systems reproduce it today. We see it and we know again north northeast is partly response to that issue and the fact that we have had such large scale displacement particularly hitting the african-american community there. So we're under no illusions that this project is the solution for that, it's just the next step. But racial justice needs to be visible as a top priority of this project. That's the other thing we have to commit to doing, keep that visible as we move forward and build and manage it. That's not easy to do and it's not something we have always done well. We're here to say that out loud and to say we're going to do that and it's what this project is rooted in. We look forward to learning

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and working with the partners like the housing bureau, like the north northeast oversight committee. I don't know if marlon is in the room -- if he is we need to thank him. He was thinking about coming. Marlon is a member of the north northeast fellowship committee. The whole committee was important to this but he particularly for us because he lives in kenton. He was giving us feedback as an oversight committee but also as a long time resident. He deserves call out today. He gets credit. He doesn't get any blame. He's pushed us. He was very critical at first. So that was good and we had to work that through with him. 'Nuff said. Thank you for listening to me. With that I think unless you have anything to add we're here to take questions.

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

**Saltzman:** So it's 189 units altogether but how many units will be subject to the preference policies? Just four or --

**Callahan:** All of them will be subject to the policy. There are four units of the ten that are deeply affordable that are being reserved for both people that are subject to the preference policy and need supportive housing. We'll be overlaying both preferences and we appreciate reach for working with us on that and the joint office as well.

**Saltzman:** That's great. All subject to the preference policy.

**Callahan:** All subject to the preference policy.

**Fish:** Who is your architect, dan?

**Valliere:** Mwa.

**Lucy Cobett:** Diana moveman and bill lanning and ian flood.

**Fish:** Very good. Do you have the numbers again in terms of distribution of units, studios, one bedroom, family size versus studio?

**Callahan:** 35% I believe of the units are actually family sized. I have the --

**Valliere:** We have it. Do you want to speak to that?

**Corbett:** The breakdown is 53 studio, 71 one bedroom, 47 two bedrooms and 18 three bedrooms.

**Saltzman:** 18? That's great.

**Corbett:** Two baths.

**Valliere:** That's an example of something that evolved with community dialogue. The number of units in the mix and shifting it toward larger units.

**Wheeler:** I want to ask commissioner eudaly if she has any questions at this point.

**Eudaly:** I'm good. Thank you, mayor.

**Wheeler:** Any further questions? Is there public testimony on this item?

**Moore-Love:** No one else signed up.

**Wheeler:** Call the roll.

**Eudaly:** Well, i'm thrilled this project is moving forward and very happy to support it. I vote aye.

**Fish:** This looks like a wonderful project. The reason I asked about the architect, I thought the design had echos of another project that hole did in terms of window treatment. It's amazing how you can get so much value in the design by just making the windows somewhat asymmetrical, moving them around. I was struck by how large a complex this is. This has a very substantial footprint. Couldn't come at a better time. Congratulations. Is your headquarters still at gray's landing?

**\*\*\*\*\*:** Yes.

**Fish:** On the first floor? Reach is a great partner for the city and has delivered time and time again. Today it's my great honor to vote aye.

**Saltzman:** Congratulations to reach as commissioner Fish said reach has been a long time partner with the city and you've done a lot of good work. Your portfolio I think speaks for itself and your performance. You have been a good, solid financial partner as well.

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Thank director callahan for bringing this project to us and Mayor Wheeler for his leadership. Aye.

**Wheeler:** Well, there would be no preference policy without the leadership of commissioner Saltzman. We're going to embarrass him later but this is a noteworthy occasion for two reasons. Number one it's a very quiet city council meeting, and number two this is commissioner Saltzman's final Portland city council meeting. I want to acknowledge the preference policy was a courageous step forward in terms of public policy and in trying to heal some of the wounds caused by gentrification and displacement and by healing those wounds it helps our community move forward. Director callahan, I want to acknowledge there's been a flurry of activity coming out of your bureau in the final weeks of 2018. You set the bar very high for yourself in 2019. I am certainly pleased to see another 189 units of affordable housing come to the market as commissioner Saltzman noted these are all subject to the preference policy. I believe this project will contribute significantly to the promises made by the city to those impacted by prior urban redevelopment policies and actions in the north northeast study area. I definitely would be remiss if I didn't thank reach cdc for your tremendous leadership. There was a considerable amount of project redesign that went into this. I know it was a challenging effort to secure funding but you stuck to it, you used your resourcefulness. You got behind this stone and pushed hard and here we're seeing this come to fruition so I want to thank use for all of your efforts. Last I want to thank the north northeast oversight committee for their recommendation to funding increases on this project. All get things that happen here at Portland city council at the ends of the day are done because the community gets behind them and they push them and they help us to be successful. This project is no exception. I'm very proud to vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Thank you for your great work.

\*\*\*\*\*: Thank you.

**Wheeler:** We'll go to 1348.

**Item 1348.**

**Wheeler:** Commissioner Fish.

**Fish:** Thank you, mayor. Colleagues, the \$68 million park replacement bond passed in 2014. With commissioner Fritz's guidance over the last three years the program has completed urgent repairs in parks, community centers and in facilities throughout the city. At the new parks commissioner in charge I look forward to continuing this good work. A five person bond oversight committee was established by city council to provide oversight of the bond. Each year the committee prepares a report. The report includes independent research and analysis and provides program evaluation and recommendations. We're pleased to welcome this afternoon janis mason, the newest member of the bond oversight committee, who will present her findings, and robin laughlin, parks and recreation bond manager, is also here today. Welcome.

**Janis Mason, Portland Parks & Recreation:** Thank you. Thank you, commissioner Fish. Good afternoon, mayor wheeler, city commissioners. Again, my name is janis mason. I am commissioner Fritz' appointee from earlier this year. I represent the five-person parks bond oversight committee. I'll provide a summary of our annual report. The charge of the committee is to review the progress of the Portland parks and recreation bond projects using three objectives as our focus. The three are objective 1, adherence to the language of the bond. 2, maintain fiscal accountability and objective 3, be transparent with the community in our efforts. For 1, the committee believes that the deliverables were met based on promises contained in the language contained in the voter pamphlet. By close of the third year 13 phase 1 projects were completed increasing the total completed bond projects to 21. There are 31 projects under way, and at various stages that included needed facility repairs, improvements, safety, and accessibility related projects. A few of

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these completed projects now open to the public include the matt dishman swimming pool, repairs at the pioneer courthouse square and new handrails at the mt. Tabor park for safety, just to name a few. We believe the bond deliverables are adhering to the objective of the bond. For 2, separately traced which ensures the integrity and accuracy of the financial statements. The administrative costs are well below the 10% total budget goal and are in fact 5.1%. In a separate tracking system is accessible to all staff. The current economic situation is impacting project bidding. Rising construction costs and a tight labor market present a challenge for project budgets. The committee encourages the parks to continue to separate some projects into smaller projects for contract utilization with small disadvantaged minority and women owned businesses for professional services and construction. The bonds project utilization of these types of firms and companies were reported at the end of the fiscal year were 34% for businesses and professional services and 46% in construction. For objective 3, it's defined as acting in a way that promotes equity, participation, accountability and engenders trust. Being transparent with the community and valuing community input helps build trust in this \$68 million program. In the third year the bond program numerous park openings were celebrated with activities such as free lessons before the ribbon cutting the argay tennis courts and others. There were 30 open houses with packed meetings and other community meetings and the parks communications have utilized online comments, email notices, next door apps and parks monitored facebook account to engage with the community. The bond oversight committee previously recommended strategic public outreach with metrics on the communication and transparency. Surveys were distributed by print, web, email and social media channels in english and spanish and highlights from the survey revealed that 83% of people surveyed had heard about the parks replacement bond. 42% agreed more social media would improving transparency. 56% would like to hear more by email newsletter and 45% rated the bond transparency as good or very good. This ends my remarks for the annual report for the parks oversight committee. I believe, we believe the objectives and promises to voters continue to be maintained. Thank you for your time. I would also like to acknowledge and thank my fellow bond oversight committee members, jonas cullen, ken Richardson, zari santner, and karen loper tracy. Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Thank you.

**Fish:** Thank you. Robin, do you have anything to add?

**Robin Laughlin, Bond Program Manager, PP&R:** I just wanted to be here if you had questions about this report.

**Fish:** I'm sorry commissioner Fritz isn't here to take a bow. She was the leader of this particular parks bond effort. This is the third annual report. We really appreciate janis you taking time to share the report with us. Now i'll see if there are questions from my colleagues.

**Wheeler:** I just have a comment. The comment is number one I appreciate the structure so that we do have this independent oversight and we do have people looking at the fiscal account ability, making sure that we are living up to the obligations of what was promised to the voters when they agreed to have us issue the bonds in the first place. And just in terms of adherence to the language of the bond the fiscal accountability, public transparency, you're doing everything that I would hope and expect. I want to thank you for the report itself. The report is very, very easy for people to be able to understand. It's not just good for us but for the public at large. I encourage people to look it up. Where does it current reside? Does it reside on the parks bureau website? Where could somebody find this report?

**Laughlin:** After today's report top council we'll post it on the parks replacement bond at Portland parks.org.

**Wheeler:** Could you repeat that?

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**Laughlin:** Parksreplacementbond.org. There's a link from the Portland parks to that website.

**Wheeler:** There's also really great photographs of some of the more recent investments. It's worth a look.

**Fish:** One other comment, mayor. I was struck by the 42% of people surveyed. I know this is not a scientific survey, agreed that more social media would improve transparency. I have to observe that this is the week merriitt paulson publicly canceled his twitter account because he decided it was more trouble than it was worth. Also with the almost daily disclosures about the cavalier attitude of facebook in dealing with people's private data and information, I think there's probably going to be a pendulum where people are less and less inclined to use facebook because they don't trust what's going to happen to their data. So if social media becomes less trusted then we'll have to find other ways of getting the word out. One thing I do know is that the parks bureau has put together an extraordinary email list. I think the number is close to 100,000 addresses, so they are clearly able to communicate with a lot of people. It is the great challenge, though, of our work at a time when the media landscape is very fractured and by that I mean there's lots of players but not many of them have great reach, so people get their information customized from all kinds of sources. And then just the busy lives that people live, how do you communicate with people and do it in a way that's welcome? I make the mistake every once in a while of signing up saying yes when I buy something online that I will accept emails and I get a daily email from some company. After a while, enough already. Finding a sweet spot where we are communicating with our key stakeholders, which is the people we serve, in a way that works for them with high level messages using new technology, that's the challenge. Clearly government has a long way to go to get it right, but we're trying. I want to echo what the mayor said. I like the user-friendly nature of this report and there are a number of things in here that were helpful to me as the new commissioner in charge. Thank you for your service.

**Mason:** Thank you very much.

**Fish:** Mayor, I move the report.

**Saltzman:** Second.

**Wheeler:** Any further business? I don't know if commissioner eudaly --

\*\*\*\*\*: She disconnected.

**Wheeler:** Please call the roll.

**Fish:** I just want to say for the record commissioner eudaly is very connected to her work here, mayor. Unseemly to take a shot like that when she's not here to defend herself. I want to thank the bond oversight committee. I want to thank the professionals that administer the fund. All the folks at ppr, whose job it is to spend the money, and they have been doing a great job in very challenging circumstances particularly with the cost of materials going up for a variety of reasons. I want to thank commissioner Fritz for her leadership in bringing the bond to fruition so that we have these dollars to spend. Thanks to everybody. Aye.

**Saltzman:** Well, good job. Great report. Looks like things are getting done. Happy to hear your administrative cost is less than the cap, 5.1% is much better than 10%. That means more dollars for more parks things. Pleased to support this. Aye.

**Wheeler:** I'm very happy to support this. Thanks for your great work, for bringing in the report today. Well done. I vote aye. Report is accepted. Thank you. Next item, 1349, please.

**Item 1349.**

**Wheeler:** Very good. Come on up, gentlemen. Thank you for being here.

**Chris Davis, Assistant Chief, Portland Police Bureau:** Thanks, mayor, commissioners. I'm Cris davis with the police bureau. I have vincent ferreras, manager of our alarms

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program. I'm going to let him do most of the talking and just give you a couple minute high level summary of what we're proposing.

**Vinny Ferraris, Alarm Program Manager, PPB:** Good morning. Commissioner Fish, commissioner Saltzman, mayor wheeler, I appreciate being here. Just going to talk about our alarm ordinance. I'm vinny ferreras, alarm program manager. The unit is governed by code 14 b10. Last time this was revised was february 2003. City code requires monitored burglar alarms and robbery alarms to obtain a permit and subsequent annual renewal with the Portland police bureau and this code sets fort actions for response. The alarm industry has changed over the past 15 years and this ordinance will replace the existing city code to better fit the current environment of alarm operations. Primary changes to the city code include expanded and added definitions including definitions for do it yourself, enhanced call verification methods and criteria for determining whether an incident is false. It sets expectation for alarms to be permitted prior to activation. Includes language to assist with the reduction of the number of false alarm response incidents including enhanced call verification, educational requirements for companies to provide to system users, and sets installation guidance for diy systems where a monitoring company is utilized.

Requirements for reactivation for permit holders with excessive false alarm incidents to approve remediation before services are restored. Assist with deployment of resources for response to alarm incidents. At present ppb officers are responding to an alarm incident every 40 minutes a day each day of the year. Ppb receives over 13,000 alarm related calls for service for fiscal year 2017-18, which 97% were determined false. Responding to a high number of false alarms takes away resources as the time spent is just under 20 minutes each. This legislation will not reduce or eliminate all false alarm responses however it's expected to assist with the goal of reducing the overall number of dispatched alarms for other emergency calls. Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Commissioner Saltzman.

**Saltzman:** How is it going to reduce responding to false emergency calls?

**Ferraris** Definitely. So to give an example, for instance, so we'll say the do it yourself system is an example. The diy system.

**Saltzman:** That's something that the homeowner installs?

**Ferraris:** Yes.

**Saltzman:** They have a monitoring system.

**Ferraris:** They would have an outside monitor that would monitor that. What we're finding is for instance somebody will put a motion sensor outside or somebody might put a camera facing maybe their front window and a car will come down the street and the lights from the car will trigger a motion sensor. Theres things that the way the alarms are installed, that's why there's professionals that do that. A lot of the false alarms are coming from things happening from the diys. Other things to look at in the ordinance to help reduce number of false alarms, another one is we're looking at after your fourth false alarm we're asking the alarm user to go to more of the verified response. We're saying you've already utilized four times this year within a permit year. Now we need to either have what's called cross zoning where two or more devices have to be activated for officers to show up. If they are uncomfortable with that they can put cameras or audio within the location to help with that verified response so we can verify before we respond. Those are just ways to help mitigate those false alarms. But again, in 2003 I was a senior in high school. I'm 34 today and in the amount of time from then to today technology has exploded. There's a lot of different avenues that these false alarms go down. I'm also on the Oregon burglar and fire alarm association, an executive member as well as a board member for the northwest false alarm reduction association which is a national committee. We have found in studies that majority of the false alarms are either from equipment malfunction or user error. One of the things looking at the ordinance we wanted to make sure all parties including the police

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bureau, city of Portland, alarm users and the alarm industry all have responsibilities that they have to adhere to. We all have to work together to make this work. One of the things I want to note is we did a focus group. I had 15 stakeholders from around the community including members of the city, mayor's office and we worked together to craft this ordinance to make sure that we were listening to our constituents and to the citizens. The other thing is i'm a member of the police equity council at the police bureau. Equity means a lot to me. I made sure to look at this through an equity lens because I know not everyone in the city has an alarm system or can afford one. We wanted to make sure people are getting responses to alarms. 13,000 is a lot of alarm calls so right now we are in a situation where this could help reduce the number and possibly give our resources to other calls for service.

**Saltzman:** Is there a threshold if you have too many false alarms we cut you off?

**Ferraris:** After the fourth we can suspend after that if the alarm user does not want to go to cross zoning or to the more verified response, then we'll suspend them from that, yes. We won't go those calls for service.

**Saltzman:** Great. Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Very good. I just want to underscore before I move this -- I guess is there any public testimony on this item?

**Moore-Love:** No one signed up.

**Wheeler:** Before I move this on to second reading, this was interesting, the do it yourself alarm issue here. We have obviously had lots of interesting conversations about policing and police capacity, and one of the most obvious cost effective and easiest ways that we can improve police response is to get rid of some of the false alarms. I was really -- I had heard anecdotally about this issue. I looked at the data. It's staggering to me that there are 13,000 alarm related calls for service a year of which 97% are determined to be false.

**Ferraris:** Correct.

**Wheeler:** When you add that to ppb officers responding to an alarm incident every 40 minutes of the day each and every day of the year, that is a staggering waste of police resources. Keep in mind you're talking sworn, trained, certified officers going out for these literally thousands of false alarm calls. I never like to presage my vote. I can change it over the course of the next week but this is clearly an urgent issue just with regard to the best deployment of a very, very limited resource. I appreciate your bringing it forward and sharing this information with us. Colleagues, unless there's anything else on this subject this is a first reading of a nonemergency ordinance. It moves to second reading. Thank you both for being here.

\*\*\*\*\*: Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Next item is 1350.

**Item 1350.**

**Wheeler:** Commissioner Saltzman, we felt it was important to have a special guest show up for your final meeting. We thought, who better than Larry Pellatt. [laughter]

**Saltzman:** He's always entertaining.

**Larry Pellatt, Procurement Services:** I don't even have an idea what to say. Maybe i'll just leave. [laughter] thank you, mayor, commissioners. We are sorry to see you go, commissioner Saltzman.

**Saltzman:** Thanks, Larry.

**Pellatt:** I haven't been in here that often but you ask very good questions and you're obviously an engaged commissioner. We appreciate that very much.

**Saltzman:** Thank you.

**Pellatt:** To business. You have before you the procurement report recommending a contract award to just bucket excavating for the northeast Columbia Boulevard project at mlk. The amount is \$1,083,525.36. I always wonder about the cents on those. The

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engineer's estimate was \$933,000, bureau's confidence left was optimal. Bids were opened October 30, five were received. Just bucket is low. It's 1,083,525 -- which is \$150,525 or 16% over the engineer's estimate. This project is a federally funded highway project and the city standard goal of 20% disadvantage minority women and emerging small business is not applicable. Federal projects recognize the db. Disadvantaged business, certification only. Oregon department of revenue is manager of the funds. They provide oversight and allocate the goals. Project has a 13% db goal, which is higher. Transportation has been working hard to get higher and higher goals out of odot. Sometimes it works, sometimes it doesn't but this has a 13%. We actually have just bucket committed at 23.5% but given that just bucket is a db firm it brings total participation to almost 75%. Just bucket excavating is in Albany, Oregon, state certified db and mbe contractor. They are a firm included in the city's prime contractor development program however they did not get this opportunity through that program. They are in compliance with all the city's requirements for contracting. If the council has any questions I can answer them. We did not ask the bureau or the contractor here today because they are so far over the requirements.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Any questions? I'll entertain a motion.

**Saltzman:** Move to adopt the report.

**Fish:** Second.

**Wheeler:** Please call the roll.

**Fish:** Aye.

**Saltzman:** Good work. Aye.

**Wheeler:** Aye. The report is adopted. Thank you. Next item. 1351.

**Item 1351.**

**Wheeler:** Good afternoon.

**Larry Pelatt, Procurement Services:** Good afternoon. I'm Larry Pelatt, procurement services. You have before you a report recommending a contract award to Brown -- bike and pedestrian project, \$1,193,111. Council approved the ordinance to authorize this project to move forward and solicit in July 25, 2018. The project was advertised on our electronic procurement system. Notice of intent to award was issued November 9. The report seeks approval of the contract award to Brown Contracting at \$1,193,111, 6.5% under the engineer's estimate. That's always good news. This is another federally funded project and again, the city standard code requirements do not apply. The federal project, this is a federal project. It has a project goal of 12%. Again, higher than our typical projects. Brown Contracting has committed to 13.66% of this project. They are located in Eugene, Oregon, they are not a state certified co-bid contractor. They do have a correct tax registration and they are in compliance with all of the city's contracting requirements. Again, because they are over the goals we did not ask the bureau or the contractor into chambers. If you have any questions I can answer them.

**Wheeler:** Any questions, colleagues? I'll entertain a motion.

**Saltzman:** Move the report.

**Fish:** Second.

**Wheeler:** Please call the roll.

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

**Wheeler:** Aye. The report is adopted. Thank you. 1352, please.

**Item 1352.**

**Wheeler:** Good afternoon.

**Larry Pelatt, Procurement Services:** Good afternoon. I promise this is the last one unless you have something else later. You have before you the procurement report recommending contract award to Moore Excavation, Inc., the downtown old town Carruthers Mill rehab project, \$2,934,734. The engineer's estimate on the project was



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\$3,287,200 and at the time confidence level was high. August 22, 2018, council approved this project to be solicited. It was advertised and bids were opened October 18. Three bids were received and Moore Excavation is the lowest responsible and responsive bid. It's 11.1% under the engineer's estimate. Bureau environmental services along with procurement services identified aspirational goal of 20%, our standard process. There is a total of \$818,760, which is 27.84% co-bid certified firm participation for this project. Including certified contractors as follows. Three DBE firms at \$816,000 performing a series of saw cutting, traffic control, CIPP, insulation and closed circuit TV monitoring, lateral lining. One ESB firm providing road control at \$2,000. Moore Excavation is in Fairview, Oregon, not a state certified DMWESB contractor. They have a current city of Portland business tax registration and are in compliance with our contracting requirements. I am just going to make a side note. This is the highest level of participation I have seen from Moore Excavation since I started doing reports several years back. Generally speaking, they say they find it difficult to get certified subs. I really, really just want to note that -- want council to know they have worked very hard on this one and the participation is fantastic. We did not ask the bureau or contractor here but I almost wish they were here so I could publicly say they worked really hard at it and it's really great to see.

**Saltzman:** 37?

**Pelatt:** 27.84%

**Fish:** Thanks for calling that out. I would also note that at the time while back that council flagged this as an issue of concern there were some meetings held with Moore where they shared a perspective about the challenges that faced and we shared a perspective of our goals. I think this is evidence of a good faith effort on their part to meet us more than halfway. They should be commended for that.

**Wheeler:** Great. Entertain a motion.

**Saltzman:** So moved.

**Fish:** Second.

**Wheeler:** Please call the roll.

**Fish:** Aye.

**Saltzman:** Well, thanks, Larry, for calling out Moore Excavation's very high goals for disadvantaged business. I just want to congratulate Moore Excavation. Roy Moore for doing that and keep up the good work. Aye.

**Wheeler:** Aye. The report is adopted. We'll see you next year, Larry.

**Pelatt:** Thank you. Whole year away. We will miss you, Commissioner.

**Saltzman:** Thank you.

**Wheeler:** 1353.

**Item 1353.**

**Wheeler:** Very good. Director Callahan, welcome back.

**Shannon Callahan, Director, Portland Housing Bureau:** Thank you, Mayor. I actually am going to turn it over to Dory van Bockel. But because this is Commissioner Saltzman's last council item we thought we would bring the leadership team of the housing bureau up just to sit here.

**Saltzman:** Thank you.

**Dory Van Bockel, Program Manager, Portland Housing Bureau:** I'm Dory van Bockel, program manager with our development incentives team here with our annual price cap resolution for the home buyer opportunity limited tax exemption program. This price cap is also enacted for the system development charge exemption program and the Ipic transportation exemption available for homebuilders that therefore benefits affordable housing for first time homebuyers across the city. The housing bureau is required per statute to establish an annual price cap for the program based on the median sale price across Multnomah County. We're able to go up to 120% of that value. The current median

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sale price cap across the county from January through November of this year came to \$395,000 at 100%. Last year our amount was 375,000. By reviewing what is affordable still to homebuyers at 100% of median family income, the limit for these particular programs, and what is affordable to homebuyers at that income level we are determined to keep or increase the sale price by about 5% to that 100% level, which is at 395,000. It is still a stretch for a family at the 80 to 100% median family income. Luckily in looking at our program data from the most recent year the average sale price of actual homes participating in the program has been about \$325,000, which is much more comfortable for first time homebuyers with less of a down payment. Across the program if we were to go to the 120% of median sale price that would take it up to close to 475,000, not feasible for 100% income buyers. I'm happy to answer any questions.

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

**Moore-Love:** No one signed up.

**Wheeler:** This is a resolution. Please call the roll.

**Fish:** Thank you for your as always very clear and concise testimony and presentation on this item. Aye.

**Saltzman:** Thanks, Dory. You have been doing a great job. Appreciate that very much. Aye.

**Wheeler:** Aye. The resolution is adopted. Colleagues, we now have a special item that we would like to insert into the agenda today.

**Fish:** I move we suspend the rules.

**Wheeler:** Rules so suspended. That means if anyone wants to roast commissioner Saltzman you're certainly allowed to do that. He's no longer considered heckling under suspension of the rules. I would like to have the honor of reading a proclamation on behalf of the entirety of the Portland city council and then it's my understanding we have a video. Is that correct? I'm told we do. So we'll see if that comes to fruition. Then I would like to leave room for us to make some comments before we allow commissioner Saltzman to gavel us out of his final meeting with the Portland city council. I'm going to give him the gavel so I don't forget to do that later on.

**Saltzman:** Keep things under control here.

**Wheeler:** Whereas commissioner Dan Saltzman is a Portland resident dedicated over 30 years of his life to public service. And whereas commissioner Saltzman's staff and family have continually supported him during that time. And whereas commissioner Saltzman during his tenure at city hall has served with four mayors, seven commissioners, and three auditors. And whereas within the past 25 years, commissioner Saltzman is the only nonmayor to oversee the Portland police bureau. And whereas in 2016, Multnomah county chair Deborah Kafoury and commissioner Dan Saltzman partnered to merge the city and the county's efforts to address the crisis of individuals and families experiencing homelessness into one focused entity known as the joint office for homeless services. And whereas commissioner Saltzman directed the Portland housing bureau and the Portland bureau of planning and sustainability to create the inclusionary housing policy that over time will create more affordable housing than any publicly funded effort. And whereas his proudest accomplishment is creating the Portland children levy which funds proven, cost effective programs that achieve positive results for youth and families. Now therefore I, Ted Wheeler, the mayor of the city of Portland, Oregon, the city of roses, do hereby proclaim December 20, 2018, to be Dan Saltzman Day in Portland. [cheers and applause]

**Saltzman:** Would you like me to say a few --  
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**Wheeler:** Changed it.

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\*\*\*\*: Actually to the service of us so as a Portlander I want to say thank you. Thank you for investing in community, being a leader, being a person who keeps their word, integrity, character and all that you've done. Ultimately thanks for just being a good friend.

\*\*\*\*: On behalf of volunteers of america Oregon and me personally thank you for your service to our community.

\*\*\*\*: Dan, thank you for all you have done for the center.

\*\*\*\*: On behalf of the men and women of Portland fire, I wish to say thank you.

\*\*\*\*: I heard dan Saltzman was leaving the city council I had no idea why that would ever happen.

\*\*\*\*: Dan, you first proposed the children's levy I thought, can you really do that? You did, dan, you did. Congratulations on the Portland children's levy -- 16 years of doing very good things for our community's kids.

\*\*\*\*: Thank you, dan, for the Portland children's levy.

\*\*\*\*: Come visit us and you were playing with the children in a genuine way. Thank you on behalf of all of the domestic violence survivors and their children that you've helped. Without you we wouldn't have had -- because of you thousands of survivors and their children have achieved safety, and improvement their quality of life.

\*\*\*\*: I appreciate the work that you've done for the arts, for housing, and certainly for miracles club. Without you we couldn't do what we have done. Thank you, dan. We wish you the absolute best in the future.

\*\*\*\*: Miracles club helps people change their lives and recovery. Your contribution and your impact means so much to not just us but to our community.

\*\*\*\*: You helped us to develop asian family center and that has been one of the most significant developments for the asian community in the city of Portland.

\*\*\*\*: I will always remember the consideration you put into your thinking and keeping in mind those in danger at critical moments.

\*\*\*\*: I have been grateful to know you and work with you. Have a great retirement.

\*\*\*\*: I got to spend a big part of my public service career as your colleague. I saw you lead with integrity, compassion and competence every step of the way.

\*\*\*\*: Commissioner Saltzman, ever since you strolled into my congressional office years ago when I was a young congressman and you were a young engineer, public service has been in your dna.

\*\*\*\*: Central city planning process to new transportation ideas, getting more affordable housing out there, making sure the community is safe, you have been a stalwart partner.

\*\*\*\*: Thank you and congratulations, commissioner Saltzman.

\*\*\*\*: Thank you, dan Saltzman, for your service to our county and our city.

\*\*\*\*: And when you look at not only what you've done in your tenure but inspired others to do, that really magnifies what you have been able to accomplish.

\*\*\*\*: Kept me on my toes for ten years. Set a standard to public service for your colleagues and others who serve in government. And dan, we're grateful for that.

\*\*\*\*: Thank you for the children's levy. You changed the lives of thousands of children in the city.

\*\*\*\*: From all of us in Multnomah county we want to say thank you, dan, for bringing your heart and your passion for kids to your job every day.

\*\*\*\*: Results of your relentless focus and commitment can be seen everywhere in the city. Especially in the eyes of children who really just needed somebody to be on their side. It was an honor to help you.

\*\*\*\*: Now you have time, dan. You look at me. I'm wearing tennis shoes and jeans. You too can wear tennis shoes and jeans. [laughter] [audio not understandable]

\*\*\*\*: no matter where you go or what you do I want you to know you're always going to be my friend. So thank you.

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\*\*\*\*: I hope that your next endeavor will be amazing. That you'll get a chance to rest and play and do something creative.

\*\*\*\*: We'll be asking you for your ideas.

\*\*\*\*: We'll be calling you for free service -- [laughter] for continued service and friendship. Shalom, my friend. I love you.

\*\*\*\*: And as smokey robinson sings, someday we'll be together. Until that time, god bless. [applause]

**Wheeler:** Some of your colleagues wanted to say a few brief words, dan. If you would like to say something we would certainly like to hear any comments you may have. I have said most of what I wanted to say before but i'll say it again here because this is a lot of the people here are the city family. Dan led with courage and he led with conviction. And I said the other day at our city hall function that I found that very inspirational in a time when we are divided it's more important than ever that people have a clear north star. Dan always had a very, very clear north star and therefore he ultimately was a very courageous leader in terms of how he helped guide the city. When you look at the kinds of things he accomplished, and we always just mentioned a few but there are hundreds and hundreds of important policy decisions, important leadership moments that dan experienced and rose to the challenge of during his tenure, but when I look at the children's levy and I think about the innovative leadership that that provided and I talked the other day about how when the u.s. Speaker of the house was in Portland she stopped when she saw one of the children's levy signs in the yard and was fascinated by that was your leadership. Today we added another 169 units to the preference policy in north northeast Portland. That would not have gotten off the ground without commissioner Saltzman and it was a very cutting edge and risky proposition when first proposed. Now here it is several years later it's working the way people had envisioned. The gateway center for domestic violence would not have come to fruition without dan Saltzman's consistent push, courageous leadership and ability to really get into the weeds and problem solve on how to make that a reality, and of course inclusionary housing program that the city's currently undertaking, which as we noted earlier over the long run will create more affordable housing than any other specific policy that we'll have the ability to put in place with regard to incentivization. You have been bold. You have been brave. You have operated with a clear sense of value and conviction. You are an inspiration to me and you are an inspiration to everyone else in this community. We thank you for your leadership and we thank you for what you have done not only today but what your leadership will mean for future generations. Thank you.

**Saltzman:** Thank you, mayor. I appreciate that. [applause]

**Fish:** So ten years ago when I was elected to the council, the first story that I remember reading mentioned me as the youngest member of the council. The newest member, no, sir the youngest. Most junior member of the council.

**Wheeler:** I'm the youngest now.

**Fish:** With Dan's departure I now become the most senior with dan's departure. That happened quickly over ten years. Dan and I have anchored this end of the dias. You can generally distinguish between our end and the other end if you followed us the last ten years and I think the constant difference is there's always been a lot more heat at that end than there is at this end. I don't have to go into any of the details. [laughter] one of the things commissioner Saltzman has never gotten enough credit for is his dry sense of humor. He and I have sat through some very long hearings, and we have had long weeks up here. From time to time I sought relief by just engaging him and he always had something funny to say about the predicament we found ourselves in. He's not flashy with his humor or as person but he's extremely funny. It's been an honor to sit next to dan. What I would like to add to the mayor's excellent comments is that if you watched dan in his public service he flashed a road map for people to follow. He is steady. He has been

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very clear about his priorities. And remember, this is a road map. This is in the nature of advice that others would benefit including myself from following. He has been clear about his priorities and focused on the priorities. There's a general rule of thumb in this unusual form of government that compels each of us to have a working understanding of what the priorities of each of our colleagues are. If you want to be successful in this form of government you have to get up every day knowing what the other four people care about and constantly look for opportunities to nurture those interests then it comes back to you ten times over. But one of our jobs is to know clearly what does dan Saltzman care about, what makes him tick and how can I and others support him as part of the collaborative way we do business. Well, for ten years dan has been very clear in defining his priorities. They are you could put it on a bumper sticker. Children, the environment and watching the bottom line. I have heard endless chiefs of staff state it in just that way, I heard it from dan. What that means is while he has done a lot of work, he has come back to a core focus time and time again. The great mike lindbergh when I first joined this body said to me pick three things that you care about because if you start doing much more than that you're going to spread yourself too thin. Dan has been really focused on three things, which is why when the mayor went through the list of accomplishments, it's so long. Dan has been a great ally on issues I care about and a couple times in the ten years we have been on the other side of an issue. I have to say publicly I much prefer to be an ally. [laughter] because dan is an immovable force when he sets his mind to something. Life is too short to be on the opposite side of a fight with dan. It's much more efficient to find common ground and have the benefit of his relentless pursuit to getting to the finish line. I have said it before and i'll say again I think dan is a model of a public servant in our community. He will be greatly missed by this council and greatly missed by me and thank you, dan, for your service.

**Saltzman:** Thank you, nick. Appreciate that. [applause]

**Saltzman:** My turn? Okay. If we can get channel 30 to pan the crowd so they know that people are here: [laughter] open signal, I should say. I appreciate the honors. I'm really glad I got a proclamation. I got a day. I just want to say it's been a tremendous honor to serve Portlanders and to work alongside city employees for 20 years. It really is hard to believe it's been 20 years. In many respects it's gone by so quick. But it's been my honor to call myself a city employee, to work alongside people who are very dedicated to the jobs that they do on behalf of Portland residents. And I know most people don't appreciate the hard work and dedication that many of us bring to our jobs, but I have seen it for 20 years inside and out. I just want to say thank you to all city employees for allowing me to be a colleague of yours for some 20 years. And I think that I also appreciate the proclamation acknowledging my family. I want to thank my family, my sisters, julie and barb, my brother jeff, my daughter adrienne, my partner liz burns very much for putting up with me these years. I also want to thank my colleagues past and present for putting up with me as I know I can be sometimes a little stubborn and maybe insistent on what I believe in. But I think as commissioner Fish just said we expect no less of one another to stand up for what we believe in and to work hard to get those results. So i'll just close by saying I have never been one who quotes people but lately I have been quoting musicians in particular. One is the singer jewel, who wrote a song that a verse that in the end only kindness matters and I think that's so true. We always need to remind ourselves to be kind to one another, respect one another, not be disrespectful or say things that are disrespectful about people. The other is the grateful dead. What a long, strange trip it's been: [laughter] so thank you and i'm very honored for this day. Thank you. I'll miss you all. [applause]

**Wheeler:** I don't know if it's an ancient tradition at Portland city hall. If not it's a new one. Dan, please gavel us out.

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**Saltzman:** We are adjourned for december 20, 2018, adjourned for the entire year of 2018. God bless. [cheers and applause]

**At 3:12 p.m. Council adjourned.**