



CITY OF
PORTLAND, OREGON

**OFFICIAL
 MINUTES**

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **22nd DAY OF MAY, 2019** AT 9:30 A.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Wheeler, Presiding; Commissioners Eudaly, Fish, Fritz and Hardesty, 5.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Matt Farley, Senior Deputy City Attorney; and Dorothy Elmore and Daniel Sipe, Sergeants at Arms.

Item Nos. 454, 455, 459, 461 and 462 were pulled for discussion and on a Y-5 roll call, the balance of the Consent Agenda was adopted.

The meeting recessed at 10:33 a.m. and reconvened at 10:34 a.m.
 The meeting recessed at 11:10 a.m. and reconvened at 11:24 a.m.
 The meeting recessed at 11:36 a.m. and reconvened at 11:44 a.m.

COMMUNICATIONS		
445	Request of Donna Cohen to address Council regarding St. Johns Truck Strategy - Phase II (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
446	Request of Lupe Torres to address Council regarding housing (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
447	Request of Valerie Ilustre to address Council regarding proposal to convert Eastmoreland Golf Course to affordable housing (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
448	Request of Julia Jefferson to address Council regarding overkill / police brutality of black people (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
449	Request of Letha Winston to address Council regarding holding police accountable (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
TIMES CERTAIN		
*450	TIME CERTAIN: 9:45 AM – Grant revocable permits to the Portland Rose Festival Foundation to perform activities relating to Portland Rose Festival annual celebration from May 24 through June 9, 2019 (Ordinance introduced by Commissioners Eudaly and Fritz) 25 minutes requested (Y-5)	189508

451	<p>TIME CERTAIN: 10:10 AM – Appoint Akasha Lawrence Spence, Oriana Magnera, and Steph Routh, and reappoint Katie Larsell and Eli Spevak to the Planning and Sustainability Commission for terms to expire May 31, 2023 (Report introduced by Mayor Wheeler) 15 minutes requested</p> <p>Motion to accept the report: Moved by Hardesty and seconded by Eudaly. (Y-5)</p>	CONFIRMED
452	<p>TIME CERTAIN: 10:25 AM – Establish Privacy and Information Protection Principles to serve as guidance for how the City collects, uses, manages and disposes of Data and Information (Resolution introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioners Eudaly, Fish, Fritz and Hardesty) 45 minutes requested</p>	RESCHEDULED TO JUNE 19, 2019 AT 2:45 PM TIME CERTAIN
CONSENT AGENDA – NO DISCUSSION		
Mayor Ted Wheeler		
Bureau of Planning & Sustainability		
453	<p>Amend Intergovernmental Agreement with Metro to accept an additional \$40,000 for administration of the Master Recycler Program (Second Reading Agenda 423; amend Contract No. 30003529) (Y-5)</p>	189503
Office of Management and Finance		
454	<p>Authorize eight grants for the Workforce Training and Hiring Program to local pre-apprenticeship programs with a total value of \$68,586 (Ordinance)</p>	PASSED TO SECOND READING MAY 29, 2019 AT 9:30 AM
Portland Housing Bureau		
*455	<p>Approve application under the Multiple-Unit Limited Tax Exemption Program under the Inclusionary Housing Program for QBD Holgate located at 1590 SE Holgate Blvd (Ordinance) (Y-5)</p>	189516
Commissioner Nick Fish		
Bureau of Environmental Services		
456	<p>Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with Clean Water Services for construction of Woods Creek stormwater facilities for an amount not to exceed \$73,325 (Second Reading Agenda 427) (Y-5)</p>	189504
457	<p>Authorize the Director of the Bureau of Environmental Services to formally adopt a Trail Master Plan for the Tryon Creek State Natural Area to the Willamette River Greenway, and to work in partnership with the City of Lake Oswego and Metro on the implementation of the plan (Second Reading Agenda 428) (Y-5)</p>	189505

<p>458</p>	<p>Amend various sections of the Public Improvements Code for clarity, correction of references and consistency (Second Reading Agenda 429; amend Code Chapters 17.14, 17.32, 17.34, 17.36, 17.37, and 17.39) (Y-5)</p>	<p>189506</p>
<p>Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Portland Fire & Rescue</p>		<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING MAY 29, 2019 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>459</p>	<p>Amend fee schedule associated with Fire regulations (Ordinance; amend FIR-12.01)</p>	
<p>Commissioner Chloe Eudaly Bureau of Transportation</p>		
<p>*460</p>	<p>Authorize application to Oregon Department of Transportation Safe Routes to School Competitive Non-Infrastructure Grant Program for a grant in the amount of \$300,000 (Ordinance) (Y-5)</p>	<p>189507</p>
<p>*461</p>	<p>Authorize contract with David Evans & Associates, Inc. for the design of the NE 42nd Bridge Replacement project in the amount of \$2,009,884 (Ordinance)</p>	<p>REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY</p>
<p>Commissioner Amanda Fritz Water Bureau</p>		
<p>462</p>	<p>Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with Multnomah County Department of Community Justice in the amount of \$206,000 to conduct general heavy brushing and cleanup work (Ordinance)</p>	<p>REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC UTILITIES</p>
<p>REGULAR AGENDA Bureau of Environmental Services</p>		
<p>463</p>	<p>Settlement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for certain Portland Harbor Remedial Design Costs (Second Reading Agenda 440; Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Fish) (Y-5)</p>	<p>189509</p>
<p>Mayor Ted Wheeler Bureau of Development Services</p>		
<p>464</p>	<p>Amend permit fee schedules for building, electrical, land use services, mechanical, enforcement, plumbing, signs, site development, and land use services fee schedule for the Hearings Office (Second Reading Agenda 420) Motion to amend Exhibit C: Moved by Fritz and seconded by Fish. (Y-5)</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING AS AMENDED MAY 29, 2019 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>Bureau of Police</p>		

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<p>465</p>	<p>Amend an Intergovernmental Agreement with Multnomah County in an amount not to exceed \$197,160 and extend funding through March 31, 2020, for the Forensic Consultant contract expenses related to the National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative Program (Second Reading Agenda 431; amend Contract No. 30005612) (Y-5)</p>	<p>189510</p>
<p>Office of Management and Finance</p>		
<p>466</p>	<p>Authorize a Price Agreement with G4S Secure Solutions (USA), Inc. for Professional Security Officer Services for a contractual term of five years totaling \$10 million (Procurement Report - Project No. 123363) 10 minutes requested Motion to accept the report: Moved by Fish and seconded by Hardesty. (Y-4; N-1 Eudaly)</p>	<p>ACCEPTED PREPARE CONTRACT</p>
<p>*467</p>	<p>Authorize a competitive solicitation and contract with the highest scoring proposers and provide for payment for campsite cleanup services for an estimated \$5 million annually, over a five-year period (Ordinance) 10 minutes requested (Y-5)</p>	<p>189511</p>
<p>468</p>	<p>Amend City Code to streamline the procurement and contracting process (Ordinance; amend Code Chapters 5.33, 5.34 and 5.68) 15 minutes requested</p>	<p>RESCHEDULED TO MAY 29, 2019 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>469</p>	<p>Approve FY 2019-20 cost of living adjustments to pay rates for nonrepresented classifications and Elected Officials, specify the effect upon employees in the classifications involved, and provide for payment (Ordinance) 10 minutes requested Motion to table item to May 22, 2019 2:00 pm Time Certain: Moved by Hardesty. Motion not seconded. Motion failed.</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING MAY 29, 2019 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>Commissioner Nick Fish</p>		
<p>Bureau of Environmental Services</p>		
<p>470</p>	<p>Amend contract with Brown and Caldwell, Inc. for professional engineering services for the Alder Pump Station Upgrade Project No. E10359, in the amount of \$85,000 (Second Reading Agenda 436; amend Contract No. 30003063) (Y-5)</p>	<p>189512</p>
<p>471</p>	<p>Revise sewer and stormwater rates, charges and fees in accordance with the FY 2019-2020 Sewer User Rate Study (Second Reading Agenda 439) (Y-5)</p>	<p>189513</p>
<p>Parks & Recreation</p>		
<p>472</p>	<p>Amend fee schedules for tree permits (Ordinance) 10 minutes requested</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING MAY 29, 2019 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>473</p>	<p>Amend regulations for Tree Planting & Preservation Fund to improve tree planting program outcomes (Second Reading Agenda 443; amend Code Title 11) (Y-5)</p>	<p>189514</p>
<p>Commissioner Chloe Eudaly Bureau of Transportation</p>		

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474	Revise transportation fees, rates and charges for FY 2019-20, amend Transportation Fee Schedule and City Parking Garage Rates, and fix an effective date (Ordinance; amend TRN 3.450 and Code Section 16.20.920) 15 minutes requested Motion to accept Substitute Exhibit D: Moved by Fish and seconded by Fritz. (Y-5)	PASSED TO SECOND READING AS AMENDED MAY 29, 2019 AT 9:30 AM
Commissioner Amanda Fritz		
475	Amend the Open and Accountable Elections Program (Ordinance; amend Code Chapter 2.16) 25 minutes requested Motion to accept Substitute Exhibit A: Moved by Fritz and seconded by Hardesty. (Y-5)	PASSED TO SECOND READING AS AMENDED MAY 29, 2019 AT 9:30 AM
Water Bureau		
476	Authorize the rates and charges for water and water-related services beginning July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 and fix an effective date (Second Reading Agenda 438) (Y-5)	189515

At 1:20 p.m., Council recessed.

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A RECESSED MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **22nd DAY OF MAY, 2019** AT 2:00 P.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Wheeler, Presiding; Commissioners Eudaly, Fish, Fritz and Hardesty, 5.

Commissioner Fish left at 4:04 p.m.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Robert Taylor, Chief Deputy City Attorney, and Lauren King, Deputy City Attorney; and Dorothy Elmore and Daniel Sipe, Sergeants at Arms.

The meeting recessed at 4:57 p.m.

At 4:57 p.m., convened as Prosper Portland Budget Committee

At 5:04 p.m., recessed as Prosper Portland Budget Committee

At 5:04 p.m., convened as City Council

477	TIME CERTAIN: 2:00 PM – Approval of the FY 2019-20 budget for the City of Portland (Mayor convenes Council as Budget Committee) 1 hour requested Continued to May 23, 2019 at 3:30 PM Time Certain. Motions and amendments are listed below.	PLACED ON FILE AS AMENDED
478	TIME CERTAIN: 3:00 PM – Approve the Annual Budget of Prosper Portland for FY 2019-20 (Mayor convenes Council as Prosper Portland Budget Committee) 30 minutes requested Continued to May 23, 2019 at 4:00 PM Time Certain. Motion to accept technical amendment, add \$17,000 to the Prosper Portland General Fund for Venture Portland’s feasibility of the Frog Ferry Water Taxi Service: Moved by Fish and seconded by Fritz. (Y-4; N-1 Hardesty)	PLACED ON FILE AS AMENDED
479	TIME CERTAIN: 4:00 PM – Appoint Britton Masback to the Portland Committee on Community-Engaged Policing for a term to expire June 30, 2020 (Report introduced by Mayor Wheeler) 10 minutes requested	REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION
480	TIME CERTAIN: 4:10 PM – Revise residential solid waste and recycling collection rates and charges, effective July 1, 2019 (Previous Agenda 437; Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler; amend Code Chapter 17.102) 20 minutes requested	RESCHEDULED TO MAY 29, 2019 AT 2:00 PM TIME CERTAIN

At 5:05 p.m., Council recessed.

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A RECESSED MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **23rd DAY OF MAY, 2019** AT 2:00 P.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Wheeler, Presiding; Commissioners Eudaly, Fish, Fritz and Hardesty, 5.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Robert Taylor, Chief Deputy City Attorney; and Dorothy Elmore and Tania Kohlman, Sergeants at Arms.

The meeting recessed at 3:54 p.m. and reconvened at 4:05 p.m.

5:51 p.m., adjourned as City Council

5:51 p.m., convened as Prosper Portland Budget Committee

<p>481</p>	<p>TIME CERTAIN: 2:00 PM – Amend the Comprehensive Plan Map and the Official Zoning Map to carry out the map amendments implementing the 82nd Avenue Study: Understanding Barriers to Development (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler) 1 hour requested for items 481 and 482</p> <p>Motion to include the following technical amendments:</p> <p>1) Property owner request to remove the Buffer “b” overlay on 50% of the eastern portion of the property at 8123 SE Henderson St to allow a non-residential driveway to a proposed auto-mechanic shop. BPS staff supports.</p> <p>2) Property owner request for a map change from General Employment 2 (EG2) to Residential 2,500 (R2.5a) for the property at 8111-8115 SE Malden Ct for a recently constructed duplex. The “b” overlay on this site would then need to shift to the EG2-zoned property to the east at 8121 SE Malden Ct. BPS staff supports.</p> <p>3) Property owner request for a map change from Residential 2,000 (R2a) to General Employment 1 (EG1b) for 7447-7449 SE 83rd Ave, 7433-7435 SE 83rd Ave and 7415-7417 SE 83rd Ave. BPS staff supports. Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Eudaly. (Y-5)</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING AS AMENDED MAY 29, 2019 AT 9:45 AM TIME CERTAIN</p>
<p>482</p>	<p>Adopt the recommendations contained within the 82nd Avenue Plan (Resolution introduced by Commissioner Eudaly)</p> <p>Motion to amend Resolution to include “BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that PBOT staff is directed to pursue more transformational strategies along 82nd Avenue to improve transit reliability, speed and capacity for the people who currently ride bus line 72 and to increase ridership. This includes developing and evaluating design concepts with more transit priority treatments from the PBOT Enhanced Transit Toolbox, such as Business Access and Transit Lanes, in partnership with TriMet, Metro and ODOT”: Moved by Eudaly and seconded by Fritz. (Y-5)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p>37425 AS AMENDED</p>

<p>483</p>	<p>TIME CERTAIN: 3:00 PM – Add Evaluation of Applicants for Dwelling Units to include renter protections in the form of screening criteria regulations (Second Reading Agenda 365; Ordinance introduced by Commissioner Eudaly; add Code Section 30.01.086) 2 hours requested for items 483 and 484</p> <p>Motion to suspend Code Section 3.02.010 that requires two weeks’ notice for an evening Council session, and that Council meet at 6:00 pm next Wednesday, May 29th, to hear FAIR items 483 and 484: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Fritz. (Y-5)</p>	<p>RESCHEDULED TO MAY 29, 2019 AT 6:00 PM TIME CERTAIN</p>
<p>484</p>	<p>Add Security Deposits; Pre-paid Rent to include renter protections in the form of security deposit regulations (Second Reading Agenda 366; Ordinance introduced by Commissioner Eudaly; add Code Section 30.01.087)</p>	<p>RESCHEDULED TO MAY 29, 2019 AT 6:00 PM TIME CERTAIN</p>

Item 477 Amendments – May 23, 2019

Mayor Wheeler

1. Motion to amend Attachment D to add the following budget note:

Policy on Stipends for Advisory Body Members

City Council directs the Office of Community & Civic Life, working with the Office of Equity and Human Rights, Bureau of Human Resources, and City Attorney’s Office, to conduct a thorough analysis of current practices and policies for providing stipends to volunteer members of City advisory bodies, looking both at existing practice for City of Portland advisory bodies and examples of stipend policies and practices used by other jurisdictions. The bureaus shall present the findings of this analysis and a recommendation for a Citywide policy on stipends for advisory bodies to Council by January 2020.

Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Fritz. (Y-5)

2. Motion to amend Attachment D to add the following budget note:

Auditor’s Office Prior Year Underspending

Beginning in FY 2019-20, City Council directs the City Budget Office to create a sub-fund in the General Reserve Fund. Annually, as part of the Fall Supplemental Budget Process, CBO is directed to transfer prior year underspending in the Auditor’s Office to the sub-fund for the purpose of funding duties as charter-mandated or agreed to by the City Auditor. The total amount of the sub-fund shall not exceed \$500,000. Any excess underspending of the Auditor’s Office shall be included in General Fund year-end underspending.

Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Fish. (Y-4; N-1 Fritz)

3. Motion to allocate \$100,000 in Recreational Cannabis Tax resources to the Portland Housing Bureau:

Allocate \$100,000 in one-time Recreational Cannabis Tax resources to the Portland Housing Bureau for records expungement for communities disproportionately impacted by cannabis prohibition. This action is funded by a \$100,000 reduction to Recreational Cannabis Tax contingency, reducing the amount of unallocated cannabis tax revenues to \$659,600. Amend Attachments B, C, and E as necessary.

Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Hardesty. (Y-5)

4. Motion to amend Attachment D, specifically the budget note titled, “Funding for 311” to adjust the deadline for the passage of resolution and to remove bureau-specific references:

Funding for 311

Council is committed to establishing a 311 program in the City of Portland, but a decision point remains regarding the size and scale of this program. Council directs the Office of Management &

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Finance and the Office of Community and Civic Life to work with Council Offices on a resolution that confirms the details (including size, scope, additional FTE, funding requirements, and implementation timeline) of the 311 program. The resolution shall be before Council prior to October 1st, 2019, so that Council agreement on the scale and cost of the program is achieved prior FY 2020-21 budget development. Upon passage of a resolution, Council further directs CBO to increase the current appropriation level of the program to fund the one-time and ongoing costs of the 311 implementation as part of FY 2020-21 budget development.

Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Fritz. (Y-5)

5. Motion to allocate \$85,000 in General Fund resources to Portland Parks & Recreation for the maintenance of Transit Mall Planters:

Allocate \$85,000 in one-time General Fund resources to Portland Parks & Recreation for the maintenance of Transit Mall Planters. The funding source for this action is a one-time reduction of unrestricted General Fund contingency. Amend Attachments B, C, and E as necessary.

Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Fritz. (Y-4; N-1 Hardesty)

6. Motion to allocate \$14,000 in General Fund resources to Portland Parks & Recreation for the Poet's Beach program administration:

Allocate \$14,000 in one-time General Fund resources to Portland Parks & Recreation to administer programming at Poet's Beach. The funding source for this action is a one-time reduction of unrestricted General Fund contingency. Amend Attachments B, C, and E as necessary.

Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Eudaly. (Y-4; N-1 Hardesty)

7. Motion to allocate \$17,000 in General Fund resources to Prosper Portland for the Venture Portland:

Allocate \$17,000 in one-time General Fund resources to Prosper Portland for Venture Portland. The funding source for this action is a \$17,000 reduction in Special Appropriations for the Frog Ferry Water Taxi feasibility study. Amend Attachments B, C, and E as necessary.

Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Eudaly. (Y-4; N-1 Hardesty)

8. Motion to allocate \$900,000 in Recreational Cannabis Tax resources to the Office of Community & Civic Life:

Allocate \$900,000 in one-time Recreational Cannabis Tax resources to the Office of Community & Civic Life for grants and small business development work. The funding source for this action is a \$900,000 reduction in Recreational Cannabis Tax fund contingency. Of this contingency draw, \$659,600 is currently unallocated and \$240,400 is redirected from Bureau of Transportation Vision Zero projects originally funded in FY 2017-18. Amend Attachments B, C, and E as necessary.

Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Hardesty. (Y-5)

9. Motion to allocate \$133,000 in General Fund resources to the Portland Housing Bureau's Rental Services Office:

Allocate \$133,000 in General Fund resources to the Portland Housing Bureau's Rental Services Office to augment efforts around education, outreach, and communication. The funding source for this action is a \$133,000 reduction in Special Appropriations for the Frog Ferry Water Taxi feasibility study. Amend Attachments B, C, and E as necessary.

Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Eudaly. (Y-5)

10. Motion to allocate \$35,000 in General Fund resources to the Regional Arts & Culture Council for cultural mapping work; eliminate \$180,000 one-time reduction to the Regional Arts & Culture Council and reduce \$180,000 for the Cultural Mapping Project:

Allocate \$35,000 in one-time General Fund resources to the Regional Arts & Culture Council (RACC) to design database architecture for the initial phase of the Cultural Mapping Project. The funding source for this action is a one-time reduction of unrestricted General Fund contingency. The City's contract with RACC will be adjusted as a result of this increased allocation. Additionally,

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the Proposed Budget included a one-time reduction of \$180,000 to the RACC, which was used to fund \$180,000 for the Cultural Mapping Project. The Approved Budget shall eliminate the one-time reduction to RACC and the corresponding funding for the Cultural Mapping Project. In total, the project will be funded with \$35,000 in one-time resources that is fund by a reduction to General Fund unrestricted contingency. Amend Attachments B, C, and E as necessary.

Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Hardesty. (Y-5)

Commissioner Fritz

1. Motion to allocate \$70,000 in General Fund resources to the Bureau of Development Services for historic resource review:

Allocate \$70,000 of one-time General Fund resources to the Bureau of Development Services to subsidize costs associated with providing historic resource review and allow review fees to remain at levels better aligned with the type of structural change. The funding source for this action is a one-time reduction of \$70,000 to unrestricted General Fund contingency. Amend Attachments B, C, and E as necessary.

Moved by Fritz and seconded by Fish. (Y-5)

Commissioner Hardesty

1. Motion to increase funding for Portland Parks & Recreation to avoid layoffs (Option 1 of 2):

Allocate \$1,834,097 in one-time General Fund resources to Portland Parks & Recreation. These funds will support staffing costs to help avoid layoffs of approximately 35 employees in FY 2019-20. The funding source for this increased appropriation is a reduction to General Fund compensation set aside of \$1,834,097, which represents a one-year freeze of Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) for non-represented employees making \$80,000 or more. The effective date of this freeze would be July 1, 2019 through June 2020. Employees would be eligible for a cumulative COLA (FY 2019-20 and FY 2020-21 combined) beginning in FY 2020-21. The City Budget Office will reduce compensation set aside by \$1,834,097. Non-General Fund bureaus should similarly account for reduced costs as a result of freezing COLA for non-represented employees making \$80,000 or more. Amend Attachments B, C, and E as necessary.

Moved by Hardesty and seconded by Eudaly.
Motion withdrawn by Hardesty May 23, 2019.

2. Motion to increase funding for Portland Parks & Recreation to avoid layoffs (Option 2 of 2):

Allocate \$2,422,540 in one-time General Fund resources to Portland Parks & Recreation. These funds will support staffing costs to help avoid layoffs of approximately 46 employees in FY 2019-20. The funding source for this increased appropriation is a one-time reduction in Portland Police Bureau's General Fund appropriation of \$2,422,540. The reduction is comprised of \$1 million reduction in personnel costs for anticipated vacancy savings and a \$1,422,540 reduction in the Body Worn Camera Program. Amend Attachments B, C, and E as necessary.

Moved by Hardesty and seconded by Eudaly. (Y-1 Hardesty; N-4 Eudaly, Fish, Fritz, Wheeler. Motion failed.)

3. Motion to eliminate the Portland Police Bureau's Gun Violence Reduction Team by realigning General Fund resources and staffing resources to other programs:

Eliminate the Gun Violence Reduction Team by realigning \$7 million in ongoing General Fund resources from the Portland Police Bureau's Cycle of Violence Reduction program to the bureau's Emergency Response and Problem Solving program and the Investigations program. The realignment will support the transfer of Gun Violence Reduction Team officers and sergeants to patrol, and the reassignment of detectives to other priorities in the Investigations program. Amend Attachments B, C, and E as necessary.

Moved by Hardesty and seconded by Eudaly. (Y-2 Eudaly, Hardesty; N-3 Fish, Fritz, Wheeler. Motion failed.)

Motion to approve the changes to the Proposed Budget as presented in the memo: Moved by Fish and

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seconded by Fritz. (Y-5)

Motion to approve the Budget As Amended: Moved by Fish and seconded by Fritz. (Y-4; N-1 Hardesty)

Motion to approve the tax levies: Moved by Fish and seconded by Hardesty. (Y-5)

5:54, adjourned as Prosper Portland Budget Committee

MARY HULL CABALLERO
Auditor of the City of Portland

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

By Karla Moore-Love
Clerk of the Council

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May 22, 2019 9:30 a.m.

Wheeler: Everyone, this is the somewhat delayed May 22 morning session of the Portland city council. Before I ask Karla to call the roll, I want to thank our internal security for the way they handled the situation in our council chamber. I had the opportunity to watch it from upstairs, and while they were having every name in the book hurled at them while they were being screamed at, while they were being called out, they demonstrated what I thought was a tremendous amount of restraint, and I want to thank them for that. Karla, please call the roll. [roll taken]

Fish: Here. **Hardesty:** Here. **Eudaly:** Here. **Fritz:** Here.

Wheeler: Here. Before we begin we will have a statement from legal counsel on the rules of order and decorum. Good morning.

Matthew Farley, Senior Deputy City Attorney: Good morning. Welcome to the Portland city council. The city council represents all Portlanders and meets to do the city's business. The presiding officer preserves order and decorum during the city council meetings so everyone can feel 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 briefly speak about any subject. You may also sign up for public testimony and resolutions or the first readings of ordinances. Your testimony should address the matter being considered at the time. If it does not, you may be ruled out of order. 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, would like to show your support for something said, please do so by giving a thumbs up. If you want to express that you do not support something, please feel free to do a thumb's down. Please remain seated in council chambers unless entering or exiting. If you are filming the meeting, please do not use bright lights or disrupt the meeting. Disruptive conduct such as shouting or interrupting testimony or council deliberations will not be allowed. If there are disruptions, a warning light 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. Just a matter of housekeeping for those here and watching on tv, as a matter of housekeeping, we'll be moving item 452, establishing privacy and information protection principles to June 19th at 2:45 p.m. time certain. This is a request of counsel. It's a very important issue. It's a fairly complex one, and given how packed the agenda is today, we wanted to give it due time. We are moving that to 2:45 p.m. on June 19th. This is probably the fullest agenda I have seen since I took office, so I just want to forewarn people the testimony should be in the two-minute time frame for all items today. First up, though, is communications. People have three minutes for communications. Karla, could call the first individual?

Item 445

Moore-Love: Donna Cohen called and will not be coming.

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Wheeler: Thanks, Karla. Next individual, please.

Item 446

Wheeler: Is lupe torres here today? I don't see them here at this time. Could you call the next individual, please?

Item 447

Wheeler: I see valerie, good morning.

Valerie Ilustre: Good morning.

Wheeler: Name for the record, please, three minutes and the mics move around.

Ilustre: My name is valerie ilustre. I am here to speak on our most important right, which is the right to breathe, but my conscience requires me to state that the most important issue facing Portland is police accountability. Across the nation, cities are fighting police union's attempts to blackmail them into giving them whatever they want. Portland should lead the fight to bring the police union under control. If teachers decided to slow down or no show for all their classes, if your student needed help, they did not help them to make a point, then that's kind of rico, that's under rico. That's a coercion, and it is holding the city hostage. Let's hope that people won't think that I am a cop hater because when you criticize the teachers, nobody says that you are a teacher hater. Okay. I am here to talk about wood burning. I have materials here that will explain everything that is so obvious about the need to ban burning wood in city limits and, actually, everywhere. Wood smoke is the most toxic type of pollution. More dangerous than automobile and industrial pollution. The lifetime risk of cancer is 12 times greater from wood smoke as from secondhand cigarette smoke. I live in a neighborhood where people will call the cops because somebody is smoking on their lawn. Yet, winter after winter, they belch toxic, horrific smoke into the air, okay? The size of wood particles makes them many more times dangerous to our bodies. They pass the blood-brain barrier, in fact. If you can smell wood smoke, you are being harmed. Even if you reject every intrusion of the nanny state, you should agree that the recreational burning of wood is unethical and should be illegal, especially in urban areas that are already burdened by pollution. My 80-year-old husband coughed all winter, and I could tell that he was not sleeping during the night because within apartments that are near people burning their fireplaces, the concentration inside your apartment can reach 88% wood smoke. I literally felt that I was in the middle of a forest fire, which I had actually from paradise and chico not to be in. Wood fires have of course, have this traditional appeal, but frankly, so does the childbirth without anesthetic and living to be 30. If we want to really go back to the good old days, then we can all get rid of electricity and just hover around our fireplaces. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Next individual, please.

Item 448

Wheeler: Is miss julia here today? Next individual, please, Karla.

Item 449

Wheeler: I do not see Letha. To the consent agenda, please. Have any items been pulled?

Moore-Love: Yes. We have 454, 455, 459, 461, and 462.

Fish: Could you do that again, Karla?

Moore-Love: Sure. 454, 455, 459, 461, and 462.

Wheeler: All right. Thank you. Could you please call the roll on the remainder of the consent agenda.

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

Wheeler: There is one item here I just want to note, item 455, this is a multiple unit limited tax exemption or a multi, as you know, each multi-application comes before the city council for approval. This is going to make all of its 28 units of housing affordable to households earning up to 60% of median family income. They were only required to provide two of the

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28 units as inclusionary housing units, but the project voluntarily restricted all the units for 99 years. I just want to acknowledge that as a great partnership for housing.
Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: Thank you, mayor. I would like to move item 462 back to my office, please.

Wheeler: And we have commissioner Fritz is going to move 462, which has been pulled from the consent back to her office without objection. 462 is off.

Fritz: Can you please read it?

Moore-Love: I can read the title. Authorize an intergovernmental agreement with Multnomah county department of community justice in the amount of \$206,000 to conduct general heavy brushing and cleanup work.

Wheeler: Very good. I vote aye, consent agenda is adopted. First time certain item, please. 450.

Item 450

Wheeler: Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: Thank you, mayor, we are going to do this presentation first and then move to the ordinance. We know that the court has been delayed so we want to get them on stage as soon as possible. So with that I would invite the chief executive officer of the rose festival, jeff curtis, and the rose festival board president Teri Bowles-atherton, who prepared a presentation us today, to come up. After their presentation, we will have a group photograph.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Jeff Curtis, Portland Rose Festival Foundation: Good morning, mayor wheeler, distinguished commissioners. It is my pleasure to be with you this morning, just 56 hours from the opening of the 2019 Portland rose festival celebration. You are going to hear about the rose festival, itself, from our court. I just wanted to share a couple of comments just about the organization. We've been at this for the last 12 months, thousands and thousands of hours and the people dedicated to doing nothing but produce this grand celebration for the citizens of our great community and as the greatest beneficiary of the celebration that unites us, the Portland rose festival. One of the things that does not take the limelight as much when you think about rose festival is how local we are in the context of our events. It sets us apart, when you look at the staging programming at waterfront or the parades with all the bands, the local experiences is what makes memories for our citizens, and we grow up with the rose festival. I think that's a special part in what distinguishes the rose festival celebration from lots of great events in our community. As we look at local, we often to do what I call a really good job of honoring their people, and it's the people that make a difference in our organization, and just this past month, this month on the may 8th, we started a brand new event called rose festival honors focused on women empowerment and leadership. Commissioner hardesty was our guest at the event, and the idea of mentorship, mentoring young people in our community with the court is our shining example. Another example of how we look to local and celebrate local is in the selection of our star light parade grand marshal. Mr. Bailey, a 50-year educator at lincoln high school is the grand marshal of the starlight parade. We don't look for the celebrities when we look at these things. We look at the local touches that makes Portland special. And at the same time, we produce a celebration of which international tourists and people come from all over the world to join us. That sets us apart. The last thing that sets us apart is we are accessible. When you look at rose festival and you look at the parades and the hundreds of thousands of people, it's a free event for our community. A lot of the great cities can't say that to the extent that we can. It's also accessible economically, even if you look at waterfront, and while we charge admission, over 40% of our guests are either on discount or free to make it as accessible as possible to our community, at the same time, having the high standards of an economic model that we can be self-sufficient. So

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very proud of that. And as I conclude my comments this morning and turn it over to our board president, I want to share as I just finished my year as the international festival events association board chair, I got to look at events from all over the world, traveled to Korea, the Netherlands, and the thing that motivates me most and is reflective of Portland is that events are essential no matter where you are at. They unite us as people. They unite us as a community. What's revered about Portland, is in my conversations with my colleagues, we have a special celebration in Portland that's been around 112 years. A lot of organizations and cities that look to us as a model for what they can do and emulate what we do over time. That's something that I am proud of, and the people behind me are the hearts and souls of making that happen. And you as our city leaders give us this opportunity to produce this celebration. With that said, the heart and soul of our organization is our leadership core and our new president, Teri Bowles-Atherton. Teri?

Teri Bowles-Atherton: Thank you for having us here.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Bowles-Atherton, Portland Rose Festival Foundation: Good morning. I am going to start with telling you a little bit about myself and my connection to the Rose Festival. My earliest memories were I was about seven years old assisting in decorating floats at about 4:00 in the morning, putting on the final touches for my uncle's float, which was the first of its kind to represent the African-American community. And from there, I just knew that there was something bigger happening and was looking forward to the Rose Festival. What it they had to bring and meant to the city of Portland. I also had a couple of cousins who represented their local high schools as Rose Festival princesses, and I aim to follow in their footsteps so when I was of age, senior at St. Mary's, I ran for Rose Festival princess, and I did not get it. I lost by two votes believe it or not, and they told me that. But, it actually had the opposite impact that someone might think. I was not jaded by that. I really gleaned and valued the opportunity to go through the process, to learn to speak as a young person, introduce myself and answer questions, and that really helped solidify my connection with the Rose Festival, and from then, when I returned to the Portland area, after school, decided to join the board and to give back, so I have a little hashtag that's not a princess but a president, that I carry with me. It's really about volunteers like myself. We are the ones who come together and help the Rose Festival produce its events at its core, so it's really about volunteerism for all of us. We collectively have a board of over 50 volunteers, and an amazing staff. Thousands of volunteers with 50 board members, excuse me, to help produce our annual festival.

Hardesty: You have a 50-member board?

Bowles-Atherton: A 50 plus-member board to make all of this happen. [laughter] Imagine those board meetings. But they really are dedicated volunteers, citizens, who year-round are giving up their time making this happen, and a lot of that goes unnoticed because it's behind the scenes. We are ensuring our programming goes off as smoothly as we can each and every year. We are also proud to be the city's official festival. We were granted that several years ago, and we earned -- we wear that as a badge of honor here. Portland is the main beneficiary, not just the city, but the citizens of the Portland community and those surrounding Portland, and our last independent study showed that we make an economic impact of about \$60 million to the city, so just bringing in people to the city of Portland is huge in that regard. Just beyond -- beyond the dollars, the Rose Festival's social and community value, I feel, is immeasurable. If you simply spend some time along one of our three parade routes, watching people interact, it's really a community celebration. It's a time to unite people in Portland. This Friday is actually our opening day, and I know that Commissioner Eudaly is going to join us and in those opening ceremonies and what's also going to trigger our opening evening fireworks celebration. So, I just wanted to take just a moment to share a little bit about myself, why I volunteer at the Rose Festival, and wanted to

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remind Portland and the city that this is your festival, and the stage is set to let's festival, that's our theme this year, and I with that, I would like to introduce our rose festival court. These young ladies represent our future. They represent hope and the brightest citizens of Portland and the surrounding communities, so with that, the 2019 rose festival court.

[applause]

2019 Rose Festival Court: Hello, we are the 2019 rose festival court presented by unitus community credit union. We would like to introduce ourselves and tell you what's happening during this year's rose festival. Olivia.

Olivia: I am olivia from la salle prep high school. I am senior class president as well as a proud member of the la salle's chapter of the national honor society. I love playing pattern and guitar but also stay active playing varsity volleyball and spending time outdoors. I have wonderful memories of watching the milk carton boat races with my dad where active kids raced boats made out of recycled milk cartons across Westmoreland casting pond. I hope you cheer them on at the royal rosarians milk carton boat races sunday, june 23rd.

Court: Tori.

Tori: I am tori lopez from tigard high school, and I am involved in multiple clubs and sports teams at my high school, but I'm mostly proud of the memories that I've created with the people around me doing volunteer mentoring work. A wonderful rose festival memory of mine is when a royal rosarian took off his own personal pin and gave it to me. Did you guys know you can buy this year's rose festival souvenir pin is only \$10 and it's not only a lovely and beautiful souvenir pin, but it's also free admission to the city fair.

Court: Makenzie.

Makenzie: I am mckenzie from roosevelt high school. I am very involved in the outdoor school program and I participate in my school's cheer team. I really enjoy spending time with family and friends and visiting pittock mansion where I can view the beauty of Portland. If you like outdoors and exploring, then the rose festival treasure hunt is just for you. Read clues at Oregonlives.com and, join the search to find the hidden medallion somewhere on local property. Join the fun and learn more about local history and geography.

Court: Aleena.

Aleena: I'm Aleena from David Douglas high school. I'm student body president and I participate in a peer mentoring program for special needs students. I love events like last Thursday on alberta because I can fully immerse myself within the culture of the city. The rose festival city fair is one of our family traditions. This year you can enjoy three weeks of food, fun, rides and entertainment on the waterfront beginning may 24th. Don't miss the fireworks powered by xfinity. Enjoy hanging out with your friends at Portland's ultimate gathering place.

Court: Mya.

Mya: I am mya from st. Mary's academy high school. Since elementary school my visits to omsi have inspired me to invent and motivated me to create. That's why I plan to study computer science with the focus on web design and coding. If you like to know everything happening during this year's rose festival, go to our website at rosefestival.org to get our links.

Court: Christina.

Christina: I am christina from franklin high school and my high school experience has given me the ability to challenge myself and take on leadership roles. In addition to my involvement in a number of clubs on campus, I enjoy to volunteer and serve my community during my spare time. The rose festival is proud to have meals on wheels people as this year's official charity. They provide nutritious meals and social connections for older adults in the greater Portland and vancouver metro. Volunteers at this organization have the chance to save lives by providing food and companionship to those in need.

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Court: Chloe.

Chloe: I am chloe from Wilson high school. I really focused on balancing my life as a student, athlete, and teenager and love hanging out with family and friends and exploring unique shops in our amazing city of Portland. Speaking of unique, if you would like to find a special gift or momentum from the city of roses and the rose festival, visit the rose garden store located in Portland's famous international rose test garden in Washington park. All proceeds from the store go towards the Portland's rose garden.

Court: Ellie

Ellie: I am ellie from central catholic high school, and one of my favorite places to be in Portland is on a boat floating on the river. I love to be on the river because I believe it gives me a new perspective of the city. One of my favorite rose festival events is on the river, the dragon boat races. I love the team spirit and camaraderie and also to watch my aunt row. Come see the colorful boats from our sister city Kaohsiung, Taiwan on june 8-9 on the willamette river.

Court: Amy.

Amy: I am amy from parkrose high school, where I'm a proud member and captain of our elite dance team this year. I also participated in the Parkrose debonairs ensemble and been awarded the academic athlete award for four years in a row. Let's festival are my rose festival event, the pge/SOLVE starlight parade on saturday, june 1st. Come see the amazing illuminated floats, talented marching bands and funky fun dancing groups live on the portland's downtown streets or come watch the whole spectacle on kptv FOX channel 20.

Court: Gabby.

Gabby: I am gabby from madison high school. My involvement in theatre there has been very rewarding. I love creating and sharing art. My favorite festival event is the fred meyer junior parade right in my northeast Portland neighborhood. Come out wednesday, june 5th to catch the bands, the baton twirlers, decorated bicycles and zany marchers in person. Or catch the telecast live on kpdx fox 12 plus.

Court: Melissa.

Melissa: I am melissa from benson high school. I enjoy spending time with my brothers and sisters and visiting downtown with my family, especially during the holiday season. Come see who will be crowned this year's queen of rosaria at the queen's coronation presented by unitus community credit union. The crowning will take place saturday morning, june 8th inside the veteran's memorial coliseum right before the step-off of the grand floral parade. We appreciate your support.

Court: Daria.

Daria: I am daria from jefferson high school, I am a certified scuba diver and enjoy reading and sewing. I love being able to play my flute with the sounds of Jefferson and supporting our teams as a cheerleader. I always dreamed of being able to play the flute in my favorite rose festival event, the spectacular spirit mountain casino grand floral parade. Don't miss one of the world's greatest special events right here in Portland. Watch it on june 8th along the four-mile route or for reserved seats inside the veteran's memorial coliseum or catch it on kptv, fox channel 12.

Court: Stella.

Stella: I am Stella from grant local, and I have a variety of hobbies including wood working. I am proud to represent girls in the construction field by participating in the class and hope more girls follow my footsteps. Fleet week is another example of how we can inspire women to follow a non-traditional career path. This rose festival tradition features our men and women sea services providing an opportunity for the public to visit into the ships and learn more about the navy life.

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Court: Thank you for hosting the 2019 rose festival court presented by unitus community credit union. We will see you at the rose festival. [applause]

Wheeler: Thank you.

Fritz: Now we do a photo, please?

Hardesty: Yes.

Fish: So now we move to the business part of this, and thank you again to all of our guests for being here. We are going to be passing an ordinance to grant revocable permits to the rose festival foundation to perform activities related to the rose festival annual celebration from may 24th through june 9, 2019. I am really excited, especially to be here as the official liaison to the rose festival. It has been really interesting to me to have gotten to know the festival, but previously, others had taken that role, and I am very glad to be in it and having sponsored the resolution in 2010 to make it the official festival of the rose festival, the official festival. So now I will turn it over to jeff curtis again.

Curtis: I think that I should probably since this is a staff ordinance coming to you from pbob, Allison Madsen should certainly speak first on behalf of the bureau that really gives us the ability to do that, so --

Fish: That actually reminds me that I had forgotten to honor commissioner eudaly who has been a great partner this, and she would like to say a couple words first.

Eudaly: Thank you, commissioner Fritz, and thank you so much to the rose festival committee for keeping this Portland tradition alive and well. As the transportation commissioner, I am happy to do my part, as well. This is an annual ordinance that allows exceptional uses for the Portland rose festival. Covered in the ordinance are the three major parades, various street closures, and city fair at waterfront park, and I have to admit I still refer to it as the fun center and probably will forever, vending in the right-of-way, placement of affordable toilets, insurance requirements and other permits that may be required but are not included in the agreement, pbob does a tremendous amount of work every year to help the festival go off without a hitch, and we have our permitting expert, Allison madsen here to explain and answer any questions. Welcome, Allison.

Commissioner Fritz, did you have additional comments?

Fritz: I think we're good.

Eudaly: Okay. All right. So I am going to hand it off to Allison.

Allison Madsen, Portland Bureau of Transportation: Good morning. I think I have the easiest job at council today. These ladies did a great job of introducing the events the city supports, as well as other things that aren't on our plate. We have worked in partnership for over a century to create a festival that is memorable and important to the city. I am happy to answer any questions you have about this specific ordinance document, but it's -- it's the city of Portland. It's an amazing festival, and it's what we do every year to support our partners at the rose festival.

Fritz: Thank you.

Wheeler: Colleagues, any follow-up questions? Any public testimony on this item?

Moore-Love: Yes. We have two people signed up. Charles bridgecrane johnson and maggie.

Wheeler: Very good. Two minutes each. I want to know, do we get to hear from the mayor today?

******:** Yes.

Wheeler: Okay, we will hold off and wait. Okay, good. Good morning.

Charles Bridgecrane Johnson: Good morning, commissioners. My name is charles bridgecrane johnson. I guess the part of the rose festival history that strikes me most goes back to the rose festival court of 1982. Of course I was not living in Portland then. I was rather young, and I was living in michigan, but in 1982, karen lee batts was enjoying her time in the rose festival court. She's dead now because our country and our city do not

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adequately serve people suffering with mental illness. She died in a parking garage we are remodeling and not making any particular commemoration, so many of these great young women with their skills and their excellent coronate presentations are going to grow up to be civic leaders, and as you on this council know, civic leadership is not all roses. So, I look forward to the rose festival foundation outgoing president. As Charles Johnson, not any relation to amy johnson on the rose festival executive board, but I look forward to them memorializing a way to bring this unfortunate bit of history that as a city, we can do a rose festival, we can provide our citizens with many wonderful opportunities and have some economic stimulus, but we're not yet at the place where we can connect the dots well enough to prevent women in the rose festival court of 1982 from dying of hypothermia in a parking garage in 2017. So, let us all enjoy the joys that we have, make the rose festival the best we can, look at the best ways to not only directly invest that money but encourage civic engagement that will give us public policies and public leadership so that nobody in Portland will die of hypothermia or die from under-treated mental illness. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. [applause]

Fritz: Did you want to invite up mayor harry lane? Mayor harry lane. Would you like to testify?

Wheeler: We have an honored mayor in the house today. Good morning.

Mayor Harry Lane: Thank you. I just want to thank the council for the tremendous support you have given the rose festival over the years. I have the honor of portraying mayor harry lane, who is called the father of the rose festival. He was the mayor from 1905 to 1909, and following the lewis & clark exposition, with 1,600,000 people coming to Portland, the mayor decided that we should have an annual event, the rose festival, and so the first one was held in 2007, and I am thereby called the father of the rose festival. I've been back in Portland since 2006 when we were preparing for the centennial of the rose festival, and the 11 years that i've been serving in this position, the support of the council has been wonderful. The staff, the lovely princesses through all the years -- it's just an honor for to me to be here and thank you for the opportunity.

Wheeler: We thank you. We appreciate it. [applause] Very good, with that, colleagues, is there any further discussion? Karla, please call the roll.

Fish: Well, mayor and colleagues, this is, obviously, one of our annual highlights when the rose festival comes and presents. I've been on the council now for a little over ten years. Commissioner hardesty extended it to 12, but it's been a while, and one of the joys of my service is that every year a different group of very distinguished women leaders comes before us, and when we get a chance to listen to the kinds of activities they are involved with, I notice this year we have a of number of student body presidents, we have athletes, and we have scholars, we have people deeply involved in their community doing community service, it is so refreshing to be able to highlight these good stories. I can tell you especially as the father of a 26-year-old daughter who was the beneficiary of great role models growing up, in her case she was a soccer player, so she had women from the university of Portland who were coaches, who provided just tremendous role models and mentorship. I think that we have to always begin by just saying congratulations to the young women who put their names out there, who have taken this responsibility so seriously, and who are such great ambassadors to the city of Portland. We are so proud of you, and let's make this the point of the agreement today. I also want to say, jeff, I am very pleased you chose meals on wheels this year. Meals on wheels is one of the great local nonprofits. They serve a lot of elderly shut-in people, who, but for meals on wheels, would not have a nutritious meal. No one in our community should go to bed hungry and so thank you for elevating their profile. It goes from saying from the executive director, to the president, to the board of 50, we are very fortunate to have great local leadership. Jeff, you've been at this for how long?

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Curtis: 14 years.

Fish: 14 years. And there are no term limits in your position? [laughter] Okay. And now you have led the international organizations, you've been doing some traveling, you have seen how we stack up. I was on the council with commissioner Fritz where we joined with then mayor Adams to name this the official festival of the city, and it's one of the proudest votes I have ever taken to sort of make it clear that the city feels tremendous buy-in and partnership with what you do. I am very pleased. You have chosen Mr. Bailey to honor him. My daughter -- my son is a freshman at Lincoln, Mr. Bailey is a legend. I think that's almost as inspired as the year you chose Clive Charles, and it was towards the end of Clive Charles' life, but you honored him, and he was one of the great grand marshalls, and Mr. Bailey is well suited. You talked about the economic impact, the \$60 million or more, and I am sure that understates it. One thing that we are going to do in this year's budget, and I don't think that there is any controversy. There is some disagreements on some things down the stretch, but I think that we are all united that there is a -- the mayor has put \$100,000 in the budget for the rose festival. And I think it's the least we can do is provide some financial support to signal how we value what you do. And finally, I just want to say that commissioner Fritz has now served on and off as liaison to the rose festival -- no one on this council has ever embraced that job the way that she does, and I want to thank her for her leadership and the work that she does on behalf of all of us, and I want to thank my colleagues for taking the time to go to various events. It's important that the community sees that the entire council supports what you do, so for all those reasons, I am so proud today to support this ordinance and to wish you well in your festival, Aye.

Hardesty: As the newest council member, I have to say that I had mixed feelings when I was first invited to come to your first awards ceremony. The reason is because I am from Baltimore, right. We don't like sleep outside the night before a parade to get a good seat, and so I just didn't appreciate that this is, in fact, something that the community -- some community members deeply feel. I believe that this is -- that the festival is growing. It's getting more mature. It's getting more diverse, and we see that in the board chair and the beautiful rose festival queens that are here today. As a feminist, I also had very mixed feelings about what are we doing but how wonderful to hear your stories about your activities, your commitment to community, your commitment to health, your commitment to doing something fabulously wonderful with your life. And so I guess this is one of those times as an elected official that I was torn because what I know is that for a long time, African-Americans and other people of color did not feel welcome as part of this celebration. We are moving forward, and we are moving forward in a positive way. I also want to say that I know that houseless community members dread this time of year because they get pushed to the sides and edges of our city. All of this is Portland. The people on the street are just as worthy as the rose festival to participate in our city. So, I support you. I applaud you. I support this effort. But I hope, as we move forward into the next 100 years, that we are much more inclusive of all parts of our community. I would like to know where that \$60 million goes because I don't know people that are making money off the rose festival, but maybe there is an opportunity for business partnerships that actually leave something, you know, leave some resources in our community. So thank you for what you do. I can't imagine trying to control a 50-member board. That just seems real scary to me. I vote Aye.

Eudaly: Well, thank you, commissioner Hardesty, for your comments. [applause] I have to admit I also have some mixed feelings, but have come to see the festival as an amazing gift that we have inherited, and realize it is largely what we collectively decide to make of it. So I look forward to the festival, just better and better reflecting and serving our community in the coming years. I want to thank the rose festival committee, again. I want to thank the rose festival court for coming here and introducing yourselves and reminding us of all the

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special events we have to look forward to, and I didn't hear my family's tradition, which was the rose cup races, which happens later this summer, so just want to put in a plug for that. Thank you to commissioner Fritz and her staff member, yesenia, for all their work on coordinating this item, and I want to thank Allison madsen, I keep wanting to add a syllable to your last name, I'm sorry. Allison Madsen from pbot for your diligent work behind the scenes work on bringing there all together so seamlessly, I vote Aye.

Fritz: The great Charles Jordan former parks commissioner, former city council member said that parks are more than fun and games, and so is the rose festival. And it is fun and games. So in this time when we are desperately worried about climate change and women's rights and various, and the city budge this afternoon, and various other really crucial things, it's also crucial to provide mechanisms for people to get together, to enjoy each other, and a wide spectrum of people to enjoy each other and celebrate the joy that can be in the city of roses, so thank you very much for providing that. Thanks to yesenia carrillo, on my staff, who has done an absolutely amazing job of putting this entire process together. Thank you, mayor wheeler, for your leadership of Portland police bureau in collaborating on this. Commissioner eudaly, you and your staff and your office and in transportation have been fantastic. Commissioner Fish, thank you for all the work that parks does to help make this work. It really is an all hands on deck, and all of us participating, and I appreciate how the rose festival foundation divides up the honors each year to give us different experiences on the council, so I am looking forward to walking in the starlight parade next weekend -- not this weekend but the weekend after. Any of my colleagues to join in, it's a really fun one, but then all of the events are really fun. Thank you so much. Aye.

Wheeler: We live in a world that's increasingly divided. As people, we are increasingly divided. I am very, very proud of the rose festival and the work that everybody associated with the rose festival does to bring us all together as a community, and I appreciate the focus that the rose festival has had for many years on inclusivity. I appreciate the fact that as much as possible the majority of events are free and accessible to the public. That continues to be an important calling card for the organization and this event. I appreciate it, and I am glad the city is able to be supportive of this venture. A couple of personal notes. Number one, as somebody who was born and raised here, I have watched the rose festival evolve as our community is evolved, and I have watched it provide leadership opportunities for people who historically have been excluded from leadership opportunities. I had the privilege of watching robin marks become the first african-american rose festival queen, and she was in my high school, and I got to see her and other young women got to see her and people across the city got to see her, and she did brilliantly in that role. I think it changed single handedly the perspective many had about the rose festival and what it meant and the leadership opportunities that it could provide not just to young women but people across the city. The choice of mr. Bailey is, as commissioner Fish said, inspired. I didn't actually have mr. Bailey as a teacher, but I did have him as an instructor. He was somebody -- I can't remember what my role but I did something on the school council. I was the historian or something, I don't know what I did. But, I remember he was the advisor, the faculty advisor, of the student council, and he would come in after hours while most people were having dinner with their families or whatever, and he would sit with us, and we would sit with parents as part of a student-parent initiative, and his questions were always probing, and they were insightful, and sometimes, they were even impossible to answer. But they were always the kinds of questions that would cause you to think, and I still remember him asking me a question about some idea I had that was just flat out bureaucratic. I don't remember even when the idea was. I just remember him coming up to me and questioning, is this really moving the cause forward or it just adding bureaucracy and why do you need to do that when there might be other ways to address the same

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issue? And remembering that question stuck with me through all of these years, and I want to thank you for acknowledging not only an educator, but somebody who really has served in a leadership capacity and inspirational role for generations of students going through Lincoln High School. And last but not least, I just want to acknowledge that this is sort of all in the family. My grandmother was on the Rose Festival Court many, many years ago, and it meant a lot to her, personally, and the friendships that she developed were friendships that she held onto for the rest of her life. I know that she always looked back on it fondly as a really important experience. So, what we do has small influences, it has large influences, but to the young women who stepped forward and agreed to undergo this grueling schedule and be at all these events and meetings, it's been fun to watch you. It's been fun to hear you. It's been fun to hear about all the work you've already done and the aspirations you have for yourselves in the community in the future. I applaud you, I vote Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Thank you, everyone. [applause] We will take a two-minute recess.

At 10:33 a.m., council recessed.

At 10:34 a.m., council reconvened.

Item 451

Wheeler: Colleagues, I request your confirmation to appoint Akasha Lawrence Spence, Oriana Magnera, and Steph Routh to be the planning and sustainability commission, and to reappoint Katie Larsell and Eli Spevak to terms beginning June 1, 2019, and extending through May 31, 2023. We currently have three openings on the planning and sustainability commission, with seats vacated most recently by Michelle Rudd, Andre Baugh, and Teresa St. Martin. The city conducted an extensive interview process to fill these seats, and I am proud to appoint these three new, in my opinion, extremely qualified commissioners to an important and hard work city advisory board, and I am happy to reappoint two long-serving members to new terms. I am going to now pass this over to Andrea Durbin, the new director of the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability to tell us more, but I also want to acknowledge this is her first presentation in her new capacity in front of the Portland City Council. Welcome.

Andrea Durbin, Director, Bureau of Planning and Sustainability: Thank you very much, Mayor. City Council members. With your approval, we are very excited to welcome these three new members to the --

Wheeler: Andrea, since you are new, you have to say your name for the record. [laughter]

Durbin: I am Andrea Durbin, the director of the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability.

Wheeler: Thanks. Welcome.

Durbin: With your approval we are excited to welcome the three new members to the planning and sustainability commission. As many of you know the planning and sustainability commission was formed by Mayor Adams. He combined the planning commission and the sustainable development commission. Our work has expanded from reviewing purely zoning planning projects to a much wider range of projects. The planning and sustainability commission includes 11 volunteer members with expertise in a range of areas. Their major role is to advise you, City Council, on Portland's long range goals and policies and programs for land use, planning, and sustainability. The planning and sustainability commission has specific responsibility for stewardship, development, and maintenance of the city's comprehensive plan, the climate action plan, and the zoning code. It ensures the sustainability practices and policies are integrated across the board. They advise the city council as well as city bureaus, and other agencies projects and proposals that significantly affects the city. Our three proposed commissioners for the PSC bring a wealth of knowledge and experience in working with diverse communities, and

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incorporating feedback to help make a strong recommendation to benefit all Portlanders. I am excited to present these recommended commissioners for the planning and sustainability commission, and will invite each of them to come up and introduce themselves. So --

Wheeler: Welcome. Good morning. Thank you for being here. Go ahead.

Oriana Magnera, Bureau of Planning and Sustainability: Good morning, council. For the record you, my name is oriana magna, I use she/her pronouns. I am excited about this opportunity to join the planning and sustainability commission because I hope to bring a more radical and changed focused voice to that space. I think for too long, planning and zoning in the history of Portland have caused unintended consequences and sometimes very intended consequences that have influenced our history of racism in the city around planning and redlining. And I hope to make sure that we keep that into account in terms of how we look into the future. We need to build a city of the future in Portland. It needs to be one that is inclusive. It needs to be accessible. It needs to be one that takes into account a variety of positionalities, and identities in terms of how we address our planning, zoning, and sustainability practices. The climate action plan, residential infill, comprehensive plan all have a huge bearing on what our city looks like in the future, and we have an opportunity to take account for our history and make radical change in that space, and I hope to bring that voice to council, or to the commission and also to push what the commission looks at. I think residential infill is an example where we could have taken a stronger anti-displacement lens. The commission has not always been a space of one that looks beyond planning or sustainability but I think that's an example of one that, as the commission vote came forward, there was an opportunity to take a yes-and approach, and I want to ensure that in my voice on the commission, that we are always taking a yes-and approach and taking into account perspectives of accessibility for seniors, for youth for people with disabilities, looking at issues for communities of color and low income communities around the city, and in particular, as a commission member, I hope to reach out to community and to bridge the gap between the technical information that comes from the bureau of planning and sustainability and the voices of the community members who will be essential in ensuring we don't have unintended consequences for our decisions and that we're taking more of a community focused, grassroots approach to planning and sustainability and zoning in the city. Thank you very much.

Wheeler: Excellent. Thank you. We appreciate your stepping forward, Oriana. Good morning.

Akasha Lawrence Spence, Bureau of Planning and Sustainability: Good morning, mayor and council. My name is akasha lawrence spence. I believe our greatest challenge is making the city that we live and work in one that our children and our children's children are proud to call home for generations to come. As an architectural designer, turned developer, I know that the path to accomplishing this is by investing in the public realm, from the preservation of our waterfronts to designated spaces for food carts, from urban infill to a commitment to bolstering our transportation systems and simultaneously lowering emissions, by creating new spaces that encourage wander and exploration while ensuring the safety and viability of every citizen under our purview. I chose to join the planning and sustainability commission because we owe it to our city to think strategically about how the decisions we make will impact those historically underserved and under-represented by this very institution and reconcile that with who we want our city to advocate for because for most people, where they are born is where they are going to live for the rest of their lives. Why not make that place the city we call home feel like a choice. Why not ensure that the city of Portland is the most equitable, sustainability, economically viable and just place that we could ever live. I look forward to furthering that reality alongside my fellow psc commissioners, director durbin, staff and our fellow citizens whose community

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engagement and knowledge of how systems work and how they should work for them makes sure that we are deeply committed to this mission of creating a prosperous, healthy, and inclusive Portland for us all. Thank you.

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

Steph Routh, Bureau of Planning and Sustainability: Good morning, for the record, my name is steph routh. I am grateful to be here, and for the gift of brevity because the best words have been said. I was born and raised in east Portland. I believe anti-displacement is everyone's job, racial justice is everyone's job, and I am looking forward to the hard work ahead, thank you.

Wheeler: Very good. Colleagues, these are my recommended appointees to the psc. Any comments or questions? Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you. I just want to applaud you mayor for this fine panel of young people. I am even going to include you in the young people category, right. [laughter] how brilliantly clear you are about your mission, and I am so grateful that you are willing to volunteer your time to help make Portland better. We can be better, and I haven't had the pleasure of meeting you all prior to today, but I look forward to that opportunity. Well done, mayor.

Wheeler: Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioner eudaly.

Eudaly: Well, I didn't think that I was going to make any comments, but this is such a superstar bunch that I have to say number one, I feel a little envious that you have them on one of your committees, so watch out, mayor. [laughter]

Hardesty: We're coming for you, yes –

Eudaly: And I want to point out appointing people to commissions and committees is one of the quieter but really vitally important opportunities that we have to bring amazing talent, skill, knowledge, expertise to the city. And finally, I want to say that I am really excited about your comments and I think that we have gotten to where we are by design. I don't believe that it was by default. I don't believe that it's de facto. I believe that we planned our way to the city that we have now, and it's our obligation to seek remedy for the harms done, so thank you. I am really excited to hear your feedback.

Wheeler: Very good. I will entertain a motion.

Hardesty: So move.

Eudaly: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion and second to accept the report. The motion from commissioner hardesty, second from commissioner eudaly, please call the roll.

Fish: Welcome to andrea durbin in her first council appearance and her newest leadership role. We are excited to have a chance to work with you in the years ahead, so welcome. And to our three commissioners. Thank you for your public service. There are certain boards and commissions of the city where we expect very little of people, quite frankly, and there are others where you could spend your entire week working on the subject matter, and the planning and sustainability commission is one of those bodies where the work is boundless, and the opportunity is great, so this is pure public service for you to take this on in addition to all the other things that you do in your personal and professional lives. We are grateful that you have chosen to volunteer your service to the city, and I am very pleased today to vote Aye on your nominations.

Hardesty: I also want to just thank you so much for your willingness to volunteer. As the former president of the coalition for livable future, the term, sustainability, used to make me batty. It used to make me batty because if you are living in, really, un-environmentally sound locations, if you are just struggling to get by, nobody wants to sustain that, right. We had a culture that just didn't understand that sustainability was a very comfortable, white, middle class term. Because of your fearlessness, to call it as you see it, I have every confidence that we are going to get much better outcomes from the planning and sustainability commission because of your fearlessness, so thank you very much for your

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willingness to step in, and not just step in, but, actually, speak truth to power. Look forward to working with you. I vote Aye.

Eudaly: Thank you for your willingness to serve our city, and I also want to thank eli spevak and katie larsell, who are being reappointed. I wish I could be a fly on the wall on that meeting room, but look forward to the advice you are going to bring forward. I vote Aye.

Fritz: Commissioner eudaly you can because they are all televised.

Eudaly: Oh.

Fritz: And that's because former Commissioner randy leonard wanted to keep an eye on me when I was on the planning commission from 1996 to 2003, so he insisted on getting them all televised.

Eudaly: I will add it to my list.

Fritz: Really. Thank you very much for serving, and as I served on the planning commission for almost eight years, it was a huge learning experience for me, and came to really respect the amount of work and thought that does go into making decisions. I know each of you will put in the time and effort. I think it took me 20 hours a week, so I hope that that does not impact -- well, it will impact the rest of your life, and it will also be one of the most important things that you will -- it may be one of the most important things you do, and it is certainly crucial to the city. Thank you very much for that. Thank you, mayor, for bringing forward these nominations, and thank you to michelle rudd, andre baugh and Teresa st martin, and particularly andre baugh who I served for over ten years for having been on the planning commission before it became the planning and sustainability commission, and therefore term limits kind of got rolled over, and he, as you eluded to in the residential infill project, called out the displacement issue as did katie larsell from east Portland, and I am glad that she is being reappointed. I thank everybody who's putting in a really diligent amount of thought and time and effort to making sure that the council gets the best advice from the community on these crucial issues. Aye.

Wheeler: First of all I want to thank the three of you for putting your name in the hat for being willing to go through the selection, for going through the interview process. I enjoyed our conversations immensely, and what occurred to me is we have really good people currently on the commission, katie and eli being fantastic members, we are reappointing, and the three of you also bring new perspectives and new voices that I think are absolutely essential to the planning and the sustainability function of the advisory committee, and so I am really just excited for you and I am excited for the conversations going forward, and I appreciated the, not only inward, technical expertise that you will provide, but also, your outward focus and your desire to connect and communicate and interact with the community. I think that is tremendously important and is only going to get more important in the days and the years ahead, so thank you for your service. I vote Aye. Before I drop my gavel, andrea, welcome. We are really excited about what your leadership means for this city. I vote Aye. [gavel pounded] The report is accepted. Thank you, the appointments are approved. Karla, I'm going to move it but if you could read 452.

Item 452

Wheeler: I made this announcement earlier but I will make it again just in case somebody didn't hear it, we are moving item 452 establishing privacy and information protection principles to june 19 at 2:45 p.m., time certain, again that's June 19, 2:45 p.m., time certain. Next item, regular agenda, 463. Second reading.

Item 463

Wheeler: This is a second reading. We have heard a presentation, and taken testimony on this item, and is there any further discussion? Please call the roll.

Fish: Colleagues, today we are reaching an important milestone in the cleanup of a ten-mile stretch of the Portland harbor, also known as superfund. I am proud that our city team

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led by bes director mike jordan and annie von burg and nanci klinger helped to craft this innovative proposal. This unique trust will enable us to meet the city's fiscal obligations for the design phase in a thoughtful and responsible way while increasing our legal certainty. We also hope that it incentivizes other parties to come to the table. But let me be clear as audubon's bob sallinger brought up last week. The trust will not subsidize the private parties or absolve them of their liability as polluters. Thank you to mike and annie and nanci for your passion and your creativity. Thanks to governor brown and her team, chief of staff, nik blosser, natural resources policy advisor jim mckenna for their ongoing partnership. Thanks to the epa headquarters and epa region 10, and lord knows we have a lot of disagreements with epa, but at least Portland harbor is not one of them. For prioritizing the Portland harbor and for working with our team to finalize this agreement. Mayor Wheeler, I am proud to work with you to lead the city's work on superfund. Today we are taking a major step forward towards a cleaner and safer willamette river. I am proud to vote Aye.

Hardesty: Aye.

Eudaly: I am pleased to see this issue advancing. We've been waiting many years for progress on our cleanup. This was one of the issues central to my campaign. We helped to drive record-breaking numbers of public comment to the epa, and thanks to the community, we ended up with a stronger and better cleanup plan so this is the next step in the right direction. I vote Aye.

Fritz: Commissioner Fish, you've been involved for your entire time on the council, first with parks and then with environmental services. Major kudos, and thank you, commissioner eudaly, reminding us there is a lot of community input that's gone into this, as well. Aye.

Wheeler: Any time jurisdictional partners can come together for the public good, I think is good governance working the way it should, and this is an example of that. This is, I believe, a great example of the hard work matched at the local and the state levels to protect and preserve one of this region's greatest treasures, which is the willamette river. Governor brown said it very eloquently a few weeks ago when she noted the importance of the natural environment. One of the most beautiful in the world, in my opinion, and emphasized in the shared responsibility that is implied in this agreement. In this spirit, the partnership aimed to achieve a collective goal. This is something that we can be Proud of, and as commissioner Fish put it, this is a milestone that we can all celebrate. I would also like to thank all of the staff at the bureau of environmental services that worked so hard to like to thank all of the staff at the Bureau of Environmental Services that worked so hard to facilitate this partnership, especially mike jordan, and annie von burg and nanci klinger, and I would like to thank nik blosser, again, he's the governor's chief of staff. He provided fantastic testimony and leadership on behalf of the governor. Nik, thank you for your work and thanks to everybody in the governor's offers for coming to the table with open minds and working so hard on what I think is a very creative and important solution. I would like to thank the epa for their leadership at the federal level and for prioritizing the work of the Portland harbor that created this space that allowed us to move forward with this work. The staff at the agency, especially from epa region 10, those are the local folks, who have shown up in big ways throughout the entirety of the process. And finally I want to thank commissioner Fish and his staff for their superb leadership from the very beginning until today. Commissioner, I am likewise proud to partner with you on this important work. Partnership works. My team and I often speak about creative policy-making and how the best solutions come forward when we think boldly and don't necessarily tread down the already well-beaten path. This agreement and this partnership is a fantastic example of that sentiment, and I am very happy to support it, and lastly, but not leastly, I want to thank amy rathfelder from my office for the hard work that she put into this, keeping me posted

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and advised me. I vote Aye. And the ordinance is adopted. Thank you, everyone. Next item is also a second reading. Item 464.

Item 464

Wheeler: A second reading, commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: Thank you, mayor. As I signaled last week that I might be bringing an amendment. I have submitted an amendment to this, which I will pass out. There was a typo in what was in the tuesday memo, so this is why I printed it out again. So I move to amend exhibit c, page 2, historic resource review by reducing the land use review fee schedule amount for historic resource review to \$300 for tier a, restoration under placement in-kind reviews and \$300 for tier b, alterations review. Tier c, accessory structures or additions of floor area to the structures review should remain at \$1750 currently as proposed in the fee schedule.

Fish: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion from commissioner Fritz, a second from commissioner Fish.

Fish: I have a question -- excuse me after the response if finished.

Fritz: Thank you and if I might explain this will be, this afternoon, I will be moving an amendment to the budget to add \$70,000 from contingency to be given to bds to cover the short-fall. Obviously if the -- if that amendment fails, then next week when we go to the second reading of this ordinance, I would withdraw the amendment, and it would stay as in the current proposal.

Wheeler: Very good. Any further discussions on the amendment?

Fish: Commissioner Fritz, we had a lot of testimony last week from homeowners in historic districts who cited relatively minor improvements that would have otherwise triggered a very substantial fee, which they thought was grossly inequitable. Tier a and tier b applications, as I understand it, covered the bulk of the concerns the community raised?

Fritz: Yes.

Fish: And what's your thinking in terms of the keeping the fee for tier c?

Fritz: Thanks to Commissioner Eudaly, accessory dwelling units that are not going to be short-term rentals already get a system development charge waiver, so this is a significant new development that is going to take a fair amount of staff work, and the community felt that leaving that at \$1,750 was reasonable.

Fish: And again, you foreshadowed that this afternoon as one of the amendments we'll be taking up is a \$70,000 contingency request?

Fritz: Correct. I would like to thank Jim Heuer and others in the community for bringing this to my attention and guiding this proposal.

Wheeler: Very good. So we have an amendment on the table, and I will keep it open during testimony since this is the first reading. Then we'll take a vote on the amendment but we won't actually be voting on the underlying ordinance today. So Karla with that, is there public testimony on this item?

Moore-Love: I did not have a sign-up sheet for the amendment.

Wheeler: Okay. Very good. Would you like to testify on this item.

Charles bridgecrane johnson: Charles bridgecrane johnson. As Commissioner Fish has addressed, the specific tier levels a, b, and c, but I think that for constituents transparency, even though this is in the record, I want to encourage the council, somebody on there to read the dollar amounts in a brief description. I know we are packed, but I think that is the level of good governance that you people aspire to. So if the amounts and a little fuzzy description could come out, that would be best for you all. Thanks.

Wheeler: Very good. Any further questions? Commissioner Hardesty?

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. Thank you, commissioner Fritz, for bringing forward this amendment. I was also very concerned that this significant increase was really an increase to cover the budget, to cover their expenses, is what they said, basically, to cover staffing levels, and I am -- I continue to struggle with that because I don't think that we should be

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setting fees based on the amount of money that government needs. The fees should be based on what's reasonable for the average person who has to pay it, so I appreciate the amendment and look forward to the later conversation.

Wheeler: Very good. Call the roll on the amendment, please.

Fish: Thank you, commissioner Fritz, for bringing this amendment forward. Aye.

Hardesty: Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye. **Fritz:** Thank you, commissioner Hardesty, for signaling last week you were interested in this. Thank you Commissioner Fish for seconding the motion, and all of my colleagues for supporting it. Aye.

Wheeler: I think this is a very reasonable and pragmatic solution to the issue raised during testimony last week. I appreciate it. I support it. I vote Aye. The amendment is adopted. This is a first reading of a non-emergency ordinance and moves to second reading as amended. Next item is 464 please. I'm sorry, 465.

Item 465

Wheeler: Very good. This is also a second reading. Any further discussion? Please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Next item please. 466. Procurement report.

Item 466

Wheeler: Colleagues, this report is an update to council on the results of the request for proposals for security services for city-owned buildings. The council directed the procurement services to issue this rfp on January 30th, 2019. There was substantial presentation and public testimony taken at that time. Subsequently, input was asked of council offices on the specific criteria to be used. It's my understanding there was no feedback provided by any council office. Council acceptance of the chief procurement officer's report will enable procurement services to execute a contract with the highest scoring vendor. The interim procurement manager, Scott Schneider, is here today to present the item and answer any questions we may have. Good morning.

Scott Schneider: Good morning. Scott Schneider from procurement services. You have before you the procurement report this morning recommending the award of a price agreement for professional security officer services for a not to exceed amount of \$10 million. This contract will have the term of five years. On February 11th, the chief procurement officer advertised rfp1162 and on March 14th, four proposals were received. All four proposals were deemed responsive to the requirements of this solicitation. A committee reviewed and evaluated all four proposals. The city issued a notice of intent to award the contracts to G4s secure solutions inc. on March 29th. No protests were received. G4s secure solutions inc. has a current city of Portland business tax account, is in compliance with the city's contracting requirements. Based on the city's historical spend for security services, the confidence level for this procurement is high. G4s is not an Oregon certified minority owned, women owned, disabled veteran owned or emerging small business, and there are no subcontractors on this contract. If council has any questions regarding the solicitation process, I can answer those or Dorothy Elmore from facility services is here to answer any questions you have about –

Fish: Mayor?

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish.

Fish: So I have a couple questions and thank you very much.

Hardesty: Is there a motion?

Fish: Not yet.

Wheeler: He can go ahead and ask questions before the motion.

Fish: So, my first question is who came in second in the solicitation? Or my understanding is that Phoenix Protective Corp came in second. Is that –

Schneider: That's correct. Phoenix Protective Corp.

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Fish: They are a non-union shop; is that correct?

Schneider: Do you happen to know that?

Fish: That was what was advised by your office. I just want to put it in the record.

Dorothy Elmore, Office of Management and Finance: That is correct.

Eudaly: Yes.

Fish: Okay. Do we require as part of our solicitations procurement that organizations have labor peace agreements or agree to essentially labor peace language?

Schneider: We do not have a standard requirement for a labor peace agreement. I know it's something that we've discussed recently but it's not part of our standard corporate responsibility requirements.

Fish: So what's the proper forum for us as a council for us to address that issue because it's something I care a lot about and want to make sure we have the chance as a council of the appropriate time to talk about that.

Schneider: We are in the process of refining our corporate responsibility requirements including some supplier responsibility language. As part of that, I think that would be a good time to address how those should evolve and to the extent they should incorporate something like a labor peace agreement.

Fish: Right, and by the way, labor peace agreement just says that it's a fairly innocuous clause in today's times and for a city which as affirmatively said we support worker's rights, rights to engage and cut the bargaining and select representatives of choice, having some kind of labor peace language I think is appropriate. Would you let us know following this hearing when is the appropriate time that we'll have a chance as a council to discuss that?

Schneider: I will.

Fish: Thank you very much.

Wheeler: Did you have a question, Commissioner Hardesty? I have two questions.

Number one on the scoring that was put forth, G4s won. How close was second place?

Schneider: Out of 500 points, g4s had 449 and pacific protective corp came in at 421.

Wheeler: and the second question is Commissioner Fish has just raised the question of labor support. It's my understanding the g4s employees here are at city hall, they are seiu represented? Is that correct?

Schneider: That's correct.

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

Fish: So moved.

Hardesty: Second.

Wheeler: I have a motion from commissioner Fish, a second from commissioner hardesty. Please call the roll.

Fish: I've received quite a few emails and communications from community members and at some point in my thinking about this issue, I got a little confused because you could on some level conclude from some of the concerns raised that we are here to address some foreign policy questions affecting the united states and its allies rather than a procurement issue which deals with security at city hall. And I want to bring this back to the local. I want to bring this back to what this is really about which is security officers providing public service in this building and I want to begin by acknowledging the people, the people who are currently providing services. And I am notoriously bad at reading people's names so if I could have dispensation of our valued employees, valued security officers, but i'm going to read the list of people that provide services here at city hall. Cheryl leon guerrero, kurt robinson, john paolazzi, ovie griggs, roy ackley, james stromm, patricia altimus, Melissa petre, Daniel hodgeson, shaun trotter, ralph davis, Adrien johnson, chris alvarez, tanya coleman, ryan hintz, daniel sipe, clint minot, david dummer, casandra oats. So that's the list that I have and you know and I've had periodic conversations with folks who provide security services and we've talked about things like family and work and what people do

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outside of work and we try to keep it real. We've never really had conversations about global issues and foreign policy and what people think. And here's what i've observed. Without fault, the people who are currently providing services to city hall treat people with respect, are very skilled at deescalating situations as they come up, and provide great service to us. So i'm calling out the people that do the work and that keep us safe. My understanding is procurement organized the committee of internal staff with a community member who reviewed and evaluated and scored four professional security officer service proposals. Through that process, g4s was the top-ranking company. It is significant to me it is a unionized company. Meaning the security officers that I identified personally early are represented by union of their choice, service employee international union, seiu 49, and it is also my understanding confirmed in this hearing that the second place provider, phoenix protective corp is not a union shop, which means people don't enjoy the same benefits of having family wages and benefits and agent representing them at the table. For me, today is about supporting local hard-working employees who earn family wages and benefits and have a record of providing great service to the city. Our procurement report has produced g4s as the winner. There are no challenges meaning none of the other applicants for this position of providing services claimed there was anything irregular in our process. That's separate from whether community members agree or disagree with the decision but there was no one raised a cry foul and has come to us and said the process somehow was lacking. Under those circumstances i'm duty bound to accept the procurement report and I vote aye.

Moore-Love: Hardesty?

****: [inaudible]

Wheeler: You are out of order. You're out of order. This is a disruption in violation of the council rules. If you continue, you'll be asked to leave.

****: [inaudible]

Wheeler: If you continue, you'll be asked to leave and I will have to clear the chamber. We will take a five-minute recess. [recess]

At 11:10 a.m., council recessed (due to disruption).

At 11:24 a.m., council reconvened.

Wheeler: Excuse me, you're out of order.

****: [disruption]

Wheeler: Listen what I can do –

****: [disruption]

Wheeler: I'm sorry. We're going to have to clear the chamber. I'm sorry.

Hardesty: I would, can I just encourage people.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty.

****: [inaudible]

Hardesty: Thank you mayor. I would really love to ask people to just give us a moment. We may not agree on this issue but I want you in this room as we take this vote. It is important to me that my community is here. You won't agree on every vote that I take.

****: Then listen to us.

Hardesty: But I want you to hear what I have to say. Would you give me that respect?

****: I would gladly give you that respect but we'd also like to have the respect of being able as a public community to be able to say --

Hardesty: I appreciate that. [multiple speakers] I appreciate that, but we are in the middle of taking our vote. I just want your respect to allow me to take my statement. So today the security officers who protect the city of Portland's buildings, staff and constituents work for g4s secure solutions and are members of seiu local 49. My biggest priority is making sure

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the security force that we use here at the city and in other buildings that we have are trained in de-escalation and that they only call the police as a very last resort. I promised when I ran for office I wanted this place to be a safe space for dialogue and debate about the issues that impact this city. Procurement choice number two is a non-union contractor which I would never support because I believe in living wages for the people who work for the city of Portland. And my experience personally with the security here, they have bent over backwards to be responsive and de-escalate situations. I have seen security officers harmed and showed up the next day ready to do it all over again. I am aware that my vote to support this contract will be a disappointment to some of my community members. I have heard your concerns. My office has responded to every letter, phone call, request for a meeting that has been issued. While I vote today in favor of this contract for these security personnel, I'd find it problematic that the public -- because this is the second biggest issue that people have written and spoke to me about. Only behind parks. I wish that I could allow your voices to be heard today but I cannot. I don't have that power.

****: [inaudible].

Hardesty: Stop. Stop. I so appreciate the fact that people know that I will always be direct and straight forward. I have never hidden that I would support this contract because I support the fine men and women who are part of this contract. Now, I want to see a show of hands, how many people came here to testify in support of this contract? Would you put your hands up? Thank you. How many people came in opposition to this contract just your hands? Thank you.

****: [inaudible].

Hardesty: Please stop. It is clear to me that overwhelmingly, people have an issue with the international arm of this company.

****: They work for ice [inaudible multiple speakers].

Hardesty: Stop.

Wheeler: Let her finish. Let her finish, please. Be respectful, thank you.

Hardesty: I understand as the public, you have a right to disagree with what your elected leaders do. However, you elected me to make hard decisions and there were only four companies. Even if we went back out today and did it all over again, there would still only be four companies that would compete.

****: [inaudible].

Hardesty: Stop. I want you to know that I have heard you. I thank you very much for being here today. It's important to me the public shows up. I vote aye for this contract.

Moore-Love: Eudaly.

****: With all due respect, Commissioner Hardesty -- [inaudible].

Eudaly: Please don't interrupt me.

Wheeler: Again, this is commissioner eudaly's time, not yours.

Hardesty: With all due respect, please allow commissioner eudaly to do her thing.

****: If mayor wheeler would allow public testimony, we could --

Wheeler: Commissioner Eudaly. The floor is yours.

Eudaly: Okay, before I begin. Please stop interrupting me. [multiple speakers] Before I begin. Yes, my name has been called. This is my turn to speak. I would like to be allowed to speak. This is not helpful at all. I'm not inviting comment from any of you. Before I begin my closing remarks, I want to point out two things. One, we are changing the procurement process and we will start to hear reports along with ordinances. There is public testimony on ordinances. So this issue will not be able to testify on reports will be effectively eliminated. But it is the rule for today, like it or not. Two, my office has been working with procurement and seiu since last fall on a labor peace agreement and we are close to finishing that is my understanding. That came up earlier so I wanted to note that. So this is one of those items where there seems to be no satisfying alternative.

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****: [inaudible]. Let her finish.

Eudaly: You are disrupting and you are disrespecting me.

****: [inaudible].

Eudaly: You are disrupting and disrespecting me.

Wheeler: Excuse me. Listen, we're going to get through the vote.

Eudaly: Yes you are.

Wheeler: Commissioner eudaly, go ahead.

****: [inaudible].

Hardesty: Just keep going.

Eudaly: You don't know what i'm going to say or how i'm going to vote because i'm not being allowed to speak. You are disrupting and you are disrespecting me.

Wheeler: Commissioner eudaly, go ahead and continue.

Eudaly: It is not my decision to make. This is not a debate. There is not going to be public testimony. I would like to continue with my closing statement. There is no satisfying and viable answer to this issue. I've been faced with similar situations time and time again. Sometimes i'm willing to make a vote that feels against my principles because given the situation and the constraints that we're forced to work within, it is the best decision. However, there are other times to take principle stands. I have expressed my concerns about the numerous human rights allegations against g4s. And i've asked for an analysis of what it would take or I guess the viability of bringing our security in-house and I have not received a satisfactory analysis of that option. At a time when we need to hold strong providing protection to those in our communities, and the world who are being persecuted solely based on their nationality, we cannot allow ourselves to slip closer to supporting the current regime. I want to make something very clear before I give my vote. I support and appreciate our security team. I'm grateful that they have good stable jobs with benefits thanks to the union representation. That's critical to me and I would not support an alternative that did not include the same job security for the men and women who protect us every day. But I believe there are ways that we can achieve both a safe work environment and a better world of others at the same time. We could for example create a hybrid security plan where the city directly hires a base amount of security officers for our primary needs and then contracts out to a smaller union represented company as additional needs arise. This could potentially overcome the extreme expense and the capacity issues I continue to hear as the primary reasons for continuing with g4s. In the end, I think we can do better and we have the obligation to use public dollars to the best benefit doing business with the company whose practices run counter to our policies, our values, our status as a sanctuary city is something I can't support. I vote no.

****: [applause]

Moore-Love: Fritz.

Fritz: Aren't you glad you let her talk? Aren't you glad you let her talk. Are you not going to let me talk?

Wheeler: I'm sorry, Commissioner Fritz. We're going to clear the chamber.

Fritz: Excuse me –

Wheeler: We're going to clear the chamber.

****: [disruption].

At 11:36 a.m., council recessed.

At 11:44 a.m., council reconvened.

Fritz: There's nobody here to hear it. What a –

Hardesty: It'll be on tv.

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Fritz: She's done her really great speech especially in comparison with what I've already heard from my three colleagues. Each one of you gave really good thoughtful reasoning explaining to people and it's really disheartening that people are not willing to listen and not willing to give others the respect of the time to speak. I support this contract. I am troubled as Commissioner Eudaly mentioned by the things that are happening at the national and international level. If I dwell on that, I cannot sleep at night so I choose to dwell on what I can do for the city of Portland and for the Portland metro area for the state of Oregon because that's where I'm elected, that's where I have the power to make choices that are in the best interest of the people. And I believe this contract is in the best interest of the people of Portland. It's in the best interest of the city hall employees and it's in the best interest of the people who come to city hall. It's not based on the g4s contracts with other city, state and federal agencies, or their work history. Rather their response to the request for proposals and our security needs. We don't currently, as it's been mentioned, have anything in the criteria that gives extra points to a union firm or requires labor peace agreement and various offices are interested in exploring that and we appreciate service employees union local 49 and for Lisa Hagen for pressing that issue. G4s won even without that. So they would have been further ahead if there have been points that had given for union jobs. And I very much appreciate the responsiveness, Dorothy Elmore, your leadership in guiding the security services. And whenever anybody on the council and certainly anybody in my office has raised a concern about behavior or practice of a particular person, you have been very responsive, the security people have been really responsive and we can require the trainings, we can suggest trainings through Ms. Elmore and through the chief administrative officer. These are good people doing good work in very difficult circumstances and frankly because of disruptions like this, it becomes a very nasty place to work at times. I appreciate the courage of the people who choose to serve us and keep us safe. I feel very humbled by the fact that they are willing to go into very tense situations to make sure that I am safe. So thank you to everybody who does that on a daily basis. Aye.

Moore-Love: Wheeler.

Wheeler: First of all, I just want to say it is very hard to continually balance the needs of people who are here who are being respectful in the chamber, who want to hear the discussion, who want to hear what the votes are and what the arguments are, on one hand. And on the other hand, people who want to pop up and make sure their voice is heard to the exclusion of all else sometimes repeatedly. I appreciate the way this council has handled the situation. More importantly, I think it's an excellent example how our local people have handled security in this building. This morning, we had a situation unfold before council session even started when we had the Rose Festival Court in the room, an individual basically sat on the rostrum there and started shouting loudly, erratically and indicating he had no desire to leave. I was watching the whole thing on my screen upstairs and what I saw was our local security people being completely respectful, using good de-escalation strategies and techniques. This individual was in their faces shouting really horrific insults, the kind of which nobody in this city should ever feel they should have to be exposed to. I watched our local security de-escalate the situation. And after about ten minutes or so, the individual got up and he walked out. No harm, no foul. And I think of all the ways that could have happened differently. I have come to highly respect city hall security and the security that's provided throughout all of Portland's facilities. The individuals who provide that security are very professional and they are highly respectful of people and Dorothy, even you had been injured recently protecting us as something as simple as a community budget forum. And you shouldn't have to be injured nor should other security guards. I remember last year, we had one of our security folks took a really hard hit in the head. That shouldn't have to happen, but they come to work every day

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knowing that they are going to have to be professional, that they are going to have to be full of resolve, that they're going to have to control the environment and de-escalate situations and time and time again, I watch them do a really brilliant job of it. They are also represented as has been noted by seu local 49. This is a local union. And these are local people. They live here in our community and they want what is best for our community. So i'm very happy to support this contract, international issues notwithstanding. I vote aye. The report is finally accepted. Thank you for your great work.

Elmore: Thank you.

Hardesty: Thank you.

Wheeler: Next item and you can go ahead and open the doors again if you'd like. Item number 467.

Item 467

Wheeler: Colleagues, I think we can all agree this is difficult but necessary work to sustain and improve the livability of the city. If we don't conduct regular and thoughtful clean ups, we will have health and safety risks that could have impacts for the entire community. This is not a punitive measure. We're talking about safety, we're talking about the environment and talking about livability. We're talking about things as basic as cleaning up left over syringes that pose a public health and a public safety risk, and managing human waste. We know there's good ways to do this that follow best practices and we know that there are bad ways to do this that do not. We've learned that compassion and working with social service providers to match people's needs to existing resources is a model that does work. So in order to continue this important work in our community, we need to update our service contracts and that also means creating opportunities to find new partners that share our values. That's why we want to open up the solicitation process to new people who will work collaboratively with the city to perform the challenging yet necessary work. Here to guide us through this discussion is program manager lucas hillier. It's good to see you again.

Lucas Hillier, Office of Management and Finance: Thank you. Good to see you. My name is lucas hillier and I've managed the city's homelessness and urban camping impact reduction program. I'd like to apologize for bringing in an emergency ordinance today. It is my ignorance. I was unaware of the fact we had to bring an rfp to council beforehand and we're at a point now where the 30-day waiting period and a second reading would put us close to where we'd have to discontinue service for a period of time.

Wheeler: And Lucas, so today we're going to hear your presentation. Will take public testimony and then this will come back as usual to the council as a report; is that correct?

Hillier: That is correct.

Wheeler: Thank you. Commissioner hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. I thought it was going to come back as an ordinance so that we could accept public testimony on it. That is what I thought we were going to do.

Wheeler: It's an emergency ordinance today but the ordinance would actually generate a report. So what we would be doing is authorizing the solicitation for a contract going to the highest bidder but then it would come back to the council as a report.

Hillier: That's my understanding.

Hardesty: Mayor, i'm sorry, again, i've had conversations with your office to say that I would support this only if there was an opportunity for public testimony. If the public's not going to be able to testify, I cannot support it today in this emergency ordinance form.

*****: [applause]

Wheeler: Okay, so here is one potential. Please sit down. Thank you. One potential solution here is that the next item 468 this is the proposed procurement code updates. It would remove the requirement for bureaus to obtain the authorizing ordinance issue solicitation which is what we're doing today and instead, it would bring the cpo report to

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council for authorization at the end of the solicitation process. So that means that rather than having the public comment now to shape the rfp, it would actually come back commence with the procurement report for public testimony and then at that point, the council would authorize execution of the contract. So we have proposed this as a change in item 468, but as of today, this is city code in terms of how we do it.

Hardesty: And so where are we, mayor?

Wheeler: We are at the initial phase which is authorizing the competitive solicitation. So we're not approving a specific contract. We are authorizing the solicitation that would then go out into the community for organizations that are interested in partnering with the city. Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: Mayor, I believe that, as the presiding officer, you do have the authority to allow testimony even if there's a protocol that reports don't get testimony. So would you be willing to commit that if this does happen to come back as a report on this particular item, you would allow testimony?

Wheeler: If my colleagues support the proposals under 468 which would include that opportunity, the answer would be yes.

Fritz: That's good but that's not what I asked.

Wheeler: As a matter of policy, no. Once we start picking and choosing which of the reports we want public testimony or don't want public testimony, then we get into the position where we have actually required one of our city bureaus to go out and do something legislatively. They have done what we have required them to do legislatively, they will come back and then potentially change that. If you'd like, what we could do, we could skip this item and go to 468 first and seeing what the will of the council is with regard to that issue, I can make a one-off exception understanding that 468 would in fact change the process in accordance with what you are requesting.

Hardesty: So mr. Mayor, I do not –

Wheeler: Commissioner hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you. You know this is an issue that we know there's a lot of public interest in. And to frame it coming back as a report that doesn't allow the public to weigh in I think is not in the public's best interest. I am concerned that if we do this today as an emergency and then we just get a report back after all the decisions have been made, that does not feel like I am actually utilizing my position as an elected leader to effectively shape what happens with this contract.

*****: [applause]

Wheeler: Commissioner hardesty, there will be public testimony on this item today. It is open to the public to testify. There are plenty of people here to do it.

Fritz: What I just heard that you said as a one-off, you would be willing to have it if 468 gets delayed for some reason, that you would be willing on a one-time basis at the request of your colleagues --

Wheeler: I will make that commitment to you assuming that is what a majority of my colleagues want, that if 468 does not pass on this one issue, I will go ahead and do that since that is the will of the majority of the council. But I'd also like to just encourage my commissioners to take a good hard look at the totality of item 468 which updates and streamlines the entire procurement and contracting process including the issue of reports.

Hillier: Can I ask a clarifying question?

Wheeler: You may, absolutely.

Hillier: This might be for the city attorney who just walked out of the room. If we withdraw this ordinance, this agenda item right now and the next agenda item is passed, then this would have been a moot point. Because we can publish an rfp and then take solicitations without having to come to council first?

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Wheeler: My point here is that if item 468 passes and the new procurement process began, what we would do, one of the code updates is we would remove the requirement that you are under right now which is that you have to come to us right now just to authorize the solicitation of the contract and we take public testimony at that time. That has been forever the way of the Portland city council. And then it would come back as a report saying you guys up here at the roster, you told me to go forth, put together an rfp. You then follow up and say what requirements do you want? And we either choose to provide feedback or choose not to provide feedback like we did as was discussed with the last item. And then you go out and find a contractor or contractors under the terms that we have established through that process and you bring it back to us as a report. Because we have told you to go out legislatively and do something very specific. So what would change under the proposed item 468, and I feel legal counsel twitching a bit because i'm discussing item that has not been called, so I'll just speak very generally, it would change that process to get rid of this authorization for solicitation. You would actually come back and say here's what we proposed, here's how we did it, here are the standards, here's who we've contracted to and we'll take public testimony on that item. That seems to comport with what people have been suggested they'd like to see done.

Hillier: Can we table this ordinance then until the vote?

Wheeler: I put the question back to you as the director of the program. Do you have the time or do we have a ticking clock issue here. I mean it would be my preference that we move forward. This is the way we've always done procurements.

Hillier: I'm good with that as well, yeah.

Wheeler: I think it would be odd in the middle of your presentation, we suddenly choose to go in a different direction. It's an important issue. Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: In order to move this forward, you are saying that if the other changes don't pass, you would take testimony on this one item as a report.

Wheeler: On this item, yes.

Fritz: Thank you. Which I believe is what Commissioner Hardesty said.

Wheeler: I'll believe I've said that twice and I'll say it a third time, yes. Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you mayor.

Matthew Farley, Senior Deputy City Attorney: I think point of clarification.

Hardesty: Yes.

Wheeler: Yes.

Farley: So sorry. I think to take public testimony on a report, you can suspend the rules through a vote of four members of the council, that if and when you get to that point.

Fritz: Even if the mayor says he doesn't want to take testimony and the rest of us did. I mean this is a policy we always use to take testimony on reports.

Hardesty: Yes, this is a new policy.

Wheeler: Well, if it's a new policy, it's not a new policy since I got here. This is the way we've done it since i've been here. So I'll just say that.

Fritz: Yes, the mayor as the presiding officer gets to choose the rules, how the meeting operates and this mayor from the beginning has said he doesn't want to take testimony on reports so that's consistent. But I think for the purpose of moving this one forward, the mayor has graciously agreed with Commissioner Hardesty's request to take testimony once this comes back.

Farley: Well that may be true. I suppose we'll address it at that time.

Wheeler: I actually believe we're spending more time on this than we need to because I believe it will be a completely moot point based on item 468 which i'm not supposed to talk about yet. So anyway yes, commissioner Fritz, i've heard you. I think you've heard me. I

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think we're all in agreement. We're good to go. Lucas, you are still here. Thank god. Jump in please.

Hillier: All right. Thanks, again. I have a couple more things I'd like to share with you all. We're not asking for any additional funding at this time to make significant program changes. The purpose of my being here today is just to ask for your permission to proceed with the competitive solicitation process for the continuation of [inaudible] services throughout the city. Our existing contracts were written in 2014-15 and our scope of work and focus has substantially changed from that time. When these contracts were written, I believe the goal was to remove encampments. We now have a clear and more data-informed goal of reducing the impact of unsanctioned encampments. The current scope is outdated and needs to better reflect the way that our work has evolved over time and has proven most effective in our operations and engagement with individuals experiencing homelessness. So I view this as an opportunity for us to evaluate a number of different companies and to write new contracts that require specialized training that we have incorporated. Some of these are carrying Narcan and being trained on how to dispense Narcan, nonviolent de-escalation treatment --

Wheeler: Lucas, can you explain to people who might not know what that -- explain the significance of what that means, please.

Hillier: So narcan is opioid blocker and it will reverse an overdose dead in its tracks. So often times our vendors are interacting with people who haven't interacted with folks in a long time and who are living in very remote places. So I think it's pretty critical that they are carrying this life-saving drug with them. We also have started training folks on how to engage with neurodiverse individuals and people in trauma response. These practices are not currently required under our existing contracts. But we find them necessary to conduct our work thoughtfully and carefully. We also need to update the contract amounts to reflect the increased service levels required throughout the city and on the recently added Oregon department of transportation properties. The odot reimburses the city for this work. We are using the city's contracts and vendors and need to adhere to appropriate purchasing policies. Finally contract funds for this solicitation have already been allocated through the city's budget process and through the odot intergovernmental agreement. We are not requesting any new funds. We simply need to update our contracts. Thank you for your time and if you have questions, I'm here to answer.

Wheeler: Very good. Colleagues, any questions? Commissioner Fish.

Fish: I'll follow my colleague.

Wheeler: Commissioner Eudaly.

Eudaly: I want to make it clear for the people in chambers who came in after we reconvened that we've moved on to item 467 and 466 has passed. The item on g4. So we are discussing a competitive solicitation and contract with the highest scoring proposers and provide for payment campsite cleanup services. So, in case anyone was coming back to talk about g4, that's over, we've moved on to the next item.

****: [inaudible].

Wheeler: Again, I would.

Eudaly: That's on public record.

Wheeler: Continue us please on this 467. Any further questions before we open it up to public? Commissioner Fish.

Fish: So, are we still operating within the framework of the so-called Anderson legal settlement?

Hillier: Yes and no. The legislation that enabled us to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with odot changed some of the timelines. Much of that is still the same. Under Anderson, we're required to give 24 hours written notification, and that notification lasted

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for seven days. Under the odot iga, which is now effectively state law, it is a 48 hour written notification period. That notification period is valid for ten days.

Fish: So I'm going to make a request. What we're talking about now and we do have a lot left colleagues, I just wanted to point out, and at 1:00 I turn into a pumpkin if I don't eat, so we're going to do our best, but we're what we're authorizing is a solicitation and normally that doesn't get this much heat, but the policy questions about what kind of campsite cleanup services we do, are they legal, what framework do we use? I was on the council when there was a federal lawsuit settled then became known as the Anderson settlement. I was directly involved in negotiations along with the then mayor Adams. The Oregon law center represented the plaintiff class in that lawsuit. There were 8th amendment claims and other issues that my colleagues are generally familiar with in terms of litigation. At least for my office and I want to just make sure that other colleagues have the same opportunity. Between now and when you come back with the fruits of your solicitation, I'd like an update if I could on Anderson. A little refresher. What is it we agreed to? Is it still good law. What were the various elements. I understand why the Anderson framework is better than the odot framework. That was one of the things that caused the legislature to allow us to be in the lead because we have better due process protections. But it's been a while since I had a refresher course so I would ask for an opportunity to get that briefing on Anderson.

Hillier: Absolutely.

Fish: Thank you.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you. My apologies that you were in the middle of us trying to figure out who was on first. I want to thank you for your due diligence. It's clear to me that dealing with this issue individually that we cannot expect that we would have up to \$25 million being spent on cleaning up campsites without detailed public engagement and involvement. As when you spoke with me yesterday, I mentioned to you I'm very concerned that there does not appear to be a path for people who are houseless today to be employed and to help with this process. And so I have a vested interest in making sure that if we're going to give this contract out that we are providing the most humane service we can possibly provide. And I know that you and your team share that mission. So it's important the public knows that. I would never in good conscious just allow you to just sign a contract for up to 25 million bucks that I'm not intimately involved in. So no disrespect to you or the work you are doing. You have surpassed our expectations in how you do this in a humane fashion. But, I need accountability and I need to make sure we're not causing more harm than good. Thank you.

Hillier: Thanks.

Wheeler: Commissioner Eudaly.

Eudaly: I want to echo commissioner Hardesty's words. My office worked with the mayor's office and multiple community partners and I believe you, to come up with more humane practices and camp cleanups. They remain controversial and I think that's why we're having kind of extended discussion about how this matter is going to be handled. I have this flow chart. Unfortunately, I need a magnifying glass to read it. But I just, in the interest of sharing more with the public we have come up with a risk assessment to identify sites that are truly dangerous to human life or significant environmental hazard and we've instituted a notice period and we partner with service providers. We store possessions. I can't go through the whole list but we have made multiple improvements. Unfortunately, the most humane solution remains out of reach for us which is having actual housing for all of these individuals. But I just want to thank you for your work on improving this process.

Hillier: Thank you.

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Wheeler: For the public, could you explain the general process? Walk us through the whole.

Eudaly: Thank you.

Hillier: Thank you. We received anywhere from 5 to 900 reports from the public a week about camping in various places throughout town. We try to deduplicate those so we're not having the central city concern clean start crews running all over town to the same place twice in a day. With the help of bts, we have a system to do that and a database and workflow management tool. So when a report comes in, we send central city concern out to the location, they pick up any garbage they can that's been identified as garbage by the folks that are living inside these encampments. They then send a report back to us and objective risk assessment based on the amount of trash number of needles. If it's blocking public access or restricting ada accessibility and then we base our decision on that objective report that we get from the folks at clean start. At that point, if it rises to the level where we need to post and clean it, we send notification out to the service providers that are contracted to the joint office. We discuss some of the locations on a weekly coordination call that happens every Friday morning at 8:00 a.m., and then we will post and clean it. Anything that is reasonably assumed to be of utility and/or value, which is vague language from the Anderson agreement, we've kind of ironed that out with the assistance of the Oregon law center to try to define that a little more clearly. We store items that are property or useful to individuals experiencing homelessness for up to 30 days in a centralized location two blocks away from a max station.

Wheeler: Very good. Thank you. Public testimony on this item.

Moore-Love: Yes. We have two people signed up. Maggie and Charles bridgecrane.

Wheeler: Come on up. Welcome.

Charles Bridgecrane Johnson: Good morning, commissioners. Charles bridgecrane johnson. Living in Portland you sometimes have to hear nothing about us without us. This is about some people without some people and one of the jobs of citizenry is to when we see fellow citizens or government officials digging themselves into deeper holes to tell them to stop that it's unwise. So we just spent that hour dealing with the report and procurement process. And when you vote yes, you'll be saying yes, that was so much fun, let's do it again. Except maybe when this report comes back, there will be public comment. I think that will really need to be an amendment to this ordinance to say that if this ordinance passes, the review report for the expenditure that will be approved will have a public comment period. So \$5 million on a five-year scope, \$1 million for remediation or whatever assistance in the homeless cleanup. One thing that pragmatically Lucas, I think, is really diligent. I think he even made it to one of allisa kenya-guyer's town halls out at the pcc southeast over a year ago. But here's the thing. Once you budget that million dollars, how many times do you want to switch it off because we know that the homeless problem is extensive. Severe poverty, severe situations at a number of sites so either you going to have to allot monthly and homeless people will be free after day X of the month, because you will have spent your monthly allotment or you'll have spent the million dollars in ten months and the homeless people will be able to experience a reprieve. So I don't know if that's specific language you are going to ask for each of the individual rfp responders to address, but a million dollars for campsite cleanup talked about in a silo where we're not talking about how we're going to have less homeless campers is not I think generating a lot of confidence by your constituents. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Hardesty: Mayor?

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Charles bridgecrane johnson, I just want you to know this is a \$5 million contract renewable up to five years. It is not a \$1 million. It is a \$5 million.

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Johnson: Thank you.

Eudaly: And our share is \$3 million and I think the county is two.

Johnson: Oh, odot ida, [inaudible] Thanks very much for the clarifications.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Maggie: I agree with Charles. Let's take that \$25 million and put it into permanent supportive housing that has state licensed case management. Because unlike the joint office of homeless services which says 40% of the people are disabled, it's 90%. Now, we realize you can't admit that because that would be admitting catastrophic failure to house people who are disabled. But when you have HUD contractors who cherry pick, you get the most disabled people on the street. And nine beds added for behavioral health is like nothing. If you want to talk about the Bushong building, never did you ask a disabled person for their input in how to make that work.

Fritz: That's county. That's not us.

Maggie: I know but I'm just saying \$25 million to harass homeless people who are without housing because the state or the city or the county messed up in providing that housing is wrong.

Wheeler: Very good. That completes public testimony. Are there any further questions of Lucas? I have two. So Lucas, you just heard some testimony and I hear this testimony frequently that what your job is to harass the homeless. How do you respond to that?

Hillier: Well, we try to reduce the amount of harm or trauma that the people doing this work on behalf of the city are inflicting on people. I don't know that it is – in good conscience I don't know I'd feel good to say we don't ever inflict any kind of trauma because when somebody is living outside and somebody comes and tells them they have to move and we're going to collect property, that's a traumatic experience inherently. What we worked on really hard over the last couple years is training those contracted employees on how to engage with people in a way that's respectful and respects their inherent dignity. So it's very challenging and I think that some of the young men and women who are doing this work for some of the contractors we have, a lot of them have experienced homelessness themselves and so they take that living experience to inform their engagement with folks. I think it's been pretty helpful.

Wheeler: And part of what you want to do in this competitive solicitation is actually expand that training.

Hillier: And require that training. Right now, our contractors are doing that because we've asked them to and it's not a requirement. We definitely want to make that a requirement in the updated contracts.

Wheeler: Very good. And the second thing I hear about, we didn't hear it today. Do you arrest people? If so, how many?

Hillier: There, to my knowledge, since I've been working doing this for the city of Portland, there have been zero arrests for a Title 14 infraction which is a prohibition of structures in public property. There have been arrests of individuals experiencing homelessness for other behaviors. But to my knowledge, there have been zero tickets written or arrests made for a Title 14.

Wheeler: As part of a cleanup process?

Hillier: Yes. Correct.

Wheeler: Okay, thank you. Colleagues, any further discussion? Please call the roll.

Fish: Aye.

Hardesty: I vote aye because I'm taking the mayor on his word that we will have public testimony when this comes back to the city council.

Eudaly: Aye.

Fritz: Aye.

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Wheeler: I vote Aye. Thank you, Lucas, for your incredible work. You are doing some of the hardest and most challenging work. Thank you. Really appreciate it.

Hillier: I thank you.

Fish: Mayor?

Wheeler: I vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Commissioner Fish.

Fish: I just want to do a little housekeeping for a second. You said this is our most jammed agenda of the year or maybe in some time. I want to make a proposal. There are a number of things we have to get done, they have to do with fees or they have to do with timely issues like open accountable and other things. Plus we have four matters I think at minimum that were pulled that we're likely going to tackle and then people coming here at large numbers at 2:00 expecting we're going right into budget. Might I suggest, unless it's time sensitive, now that we've worked out 467 that we set over 468 to next week so we that we can get to the stuff that's time sensitive. I'm not saying that 468 is not important. I'm just saying that if you look at the time allocations, you're going to lose your quorum at 1:00. I think there are a number of things we must get done. I would suggest that can slide a week and we could get to the other stuff that's time sensitive.

Wheeler: Is there any objection to that? I don't hear any objection. Why don't we do that. If you can read 468, we'll move it to next week.

Moore-Love: Item 468, Amend the city code to streamline the procurement and contracting process.

Wheeler: We will move this to the regular agenda next week unless you want to put it as a time certain.

Fish: No, I think that's fine.

Item 475

Wheeler: Regular agenda please for 468. Commissioner Fritz asked we do 475. We have somebody waiting to present on that so please call 475. Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: Thank you for accommodating our request. These amendments are intended to prove the open and accountable elections program. The biggest change in the code is the commitment from my office to continue to see this program's implementation. This program's success is and will continue to be a priority of our office and the purpose of the program is to allow candidates to engage with many individuals with diverse backgrounds regardless of their income and social status. I'll turn it over to program director Susan Mottet.

Susan Mottet, Director Open & Accountable Elections Program: Good morning. I'm Susan Mottet. I just wanted to give you a fast update on program implementation. The program is ready for phase two of implementation for July 1 as planned when candidates can file a notice of intent to use the program, can receive a mandatory training on program compliance and can begin to raise qualifying contributions. The program rules go before the city commission on June 5 and I also want to give a quick technology update. That's the third phase of implementation. It becomes in September when candidates can start to apply for certification after the filing period starts on September 12th. Civic Software Foundation is helping us build a technology solution. The project is innovative and inexpensive but it is being built in a faster timeline than is typical for a city technology project. There is a risk that the technology may not be fully developed on time, which we're mitigating by having a backup plan of full impartial manual implementation until the technology is delivered. And a consultant hired to perform quality assurance on the project delivered his first report to the TOC on Monday and his ratings were all greens and yellows. He had five recommendations for the project which seemed fair and we're working to carry out. So now, I'm going to move to the amendments before you. The most time sensitive is where the program is housed. The amendment would keep the program under Commissioner Fritz until the end of her term and have the open accountable and elections

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commission make a recommendation as to where the program is housed permanently. Another amendment permits certain penalties for the program violations to be paid not by the candidate personally but out of the candidate's campaign account when doing so is the best way to make taxpayer's whole and is alignment with program values. Another amendment strengthens the term limits for the oaa commission member by eliminating a provision that allows a member to serve until they've been replaced. And the final section of the amendments is to the hearing section. It primarily does two things. It allows the program to have the hearings conducted by externally from the program which is a best practice in ensuring the objectivity of the hearings process. We're in conversations with the state administrative law judges to carry out that function. The second is create an interim step before a formal appeal's hearing called a request for reconsideration. That way if the candidate thinks a decision the program made was wrong rather than subjecting themselves and the city to the expense of a formal appeals hearing, they can flag it, provide more information and we can remedy problems quickly and extensively.

Fritz: And Susan, I think you asked me to move a substitute, is that right?

Mottet: Yes.

Fritz: Could you tell us briefly what the difference is between what we filed and what the substitute is?

Mottet: The difference is one change requested by the state administrative law judges. At present, the law has hearings needed to be scheduled within seven days of filing the request for hearing. This would allow the administrative law judges a bit more time, I think 21 days or three weeks prior to the election, whichever is sooner so everything can be heard and decided on prior to ballots being mailed out.

Fritz: So move the substitute.

Hardesty: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion from commissioner Fritz, a second from commissioner hardesty on the substitute. Now we have to take a vote to accept the substitute. Legal counsel?

Matthew Farley, Senior Deputy City Attorney: I'm sorry, can you please --

Wheeler: Vote to accept the substitute?

Farley: Yes.

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

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

Fritz: I just want to add all that all of the changes that we're proposing have been recommended by the open accountable elections commission and also working with the state, as director mottet just said. Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. Substitute's on the table.

Fish: I have a couple questions.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish.

Fish: I want to focus on program management which is 2.16.190 and under the amendment that's propose, it would continue the commissioner of public utilities would continue to provide oversight, until december 31st, 2020. Is that the last day of her term?

Mottet: Yes.

Fish: So does that provide adequate transition? Why would you peg it as the last day of the term if there is going to be some measure of transition somewhere.

Fritz: Because we're going to be bringing something back in November which will then change it again, but we didn't want to leave it hanging. We know that, I agree, but the recommendation is that the commission is going to come back to council after we've been through one cycle to recommend where it should be.

Fish: On november 30th of 2020?

Fritz: Correct.

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Fish: So about a month before the D-day. All I'm saying is let's put aside the merits of where this is housed. To me, there are two important questions. One is where is it going to be housed? Certainly appropriate for the commission to make a recommendation not binding on the council but it is a recommendation. But the second concern is making sure there's adequate time for a transition. And these dates look very aggressive to me. I'm just putting it out there as a concern.

Fritz: The whole program has been very aggressive just based on the timeline that we've had and so certainly I think we probably will have a pretty good idea on election night how things have gone. There be a little bit of a wrap-up time so I can commit to coming back to the council as soon as possible after the election. But we do want to have one complete cycle so that the, we're all aware of what is it going to take and so that the program has the chance to focus on the election rather than thinking about where it is going to be housed.

Fish: So again, without getting to the merits of the amendment in terms of where it should be housed, it would be of comfort to me to know that sometime well in advance of december 31st, 2020, that council has information upon which it could reasonably make a decision about where it should be housed. And figuring out between the election and the last day of the calendar year is something for us to think about. But the council's going to need time to have the information, to have a hearing on the information, to deliberate and I just want to make sure we don't get jammed.

Fritz: Yeah, potentially we could have a work session after the primary next year to see how it's going so that that could be part of the conversation. I think we'll have some indications after the primary as to how many people have qualified, how many have maxed out on the number of donations they've been able to get. So I can certainly commit to coming back to the council in the middle of summer for work a session.

Wheeler: Commissioner hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. And thank you for bringing up that point, commissioner Fish. I'm just kind of concerned there will be three elections happening in the middle of all that for this council. And I just want to figure out how we make sure that it doesn't become a politicized kind of conversation. There will be people that may have to excuse themselves from a vote if we're actually voting on something. So i'm not sure that we are ready to actually have a date in mind without having a more thoughtful work session around this. So I would propose that we actually have a work session after we pass the budget this year before it's actually used to really have a more thorough conversation about where it lives later, where does it move, all that. I don't want to get into a fight around who is running and who is using the system and who isn't. because it is really a policy question rather than -- it should be a policy question rather than a political question.

Fritz: That's a really good point and that actually is why we're proposing to keep it into my office and that's why the proposal is because I'm definitely not running. So I think that's a really good point that there will be three seats open and so I hear commissioner Fish's concern as well. If you could indulge and trust me that we're going to get back to council as soon as possible so there will be a transition at the end of next year. We just, we have not, we're doing our best effort into getting it working and seeing how many staff are needed. I think that was some of the concerns that the auditor had. Is that if there are going to be a bazillion staff needed, if they're aren't, perhaps you might be open to reopening that conversation, that's, but we know until we've tried it.

Hardesty: I absolutely appreciate the thoughtfulness. I will trust that commissioner Fritz will do her due diligence and actually allow us to have this conversation, hopefully before we are actually smack dab in the middle of crazy season is what I call November because I absolutely agree that november and december are really not good transition times just because it is the end of the year and we just don't know what we don't know until january comes. So thank you. I appreciate that.

Fish: If I could.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish.

Fish: And thank you for that conversation. I think that was very valuable. The second issue I wanted to raise is you said in your introductory remarks there is a new qa person, quality assurance person, they've delivered a preliminary report that has some yellow and green. For those in our audience that are fans of the of the technology oversight committee, yellow and green are obviously better than red, but it is even better when the technology oversight committee or some independent body comes to council, walks us through the color coding, explains where we are and what concerns they have. So what is the next step in the process where we will hear from technology oversight about where you stand in terms of technology?

Mottet: I believe their next scheduled meeting before you is in either July or August, so that is just shortly before our technology deliver date.

Fish: Okay. But that is after the start date of the program?

Mottet: That is after phase two of implementation of the program which starts on July 1. Phase one of implementation started in December 2018 when the election cycle began and we went into a mode of educating the public and potential candidates, campaign staff and vendors about how to comply with the rules that began on December 21, 2018. So, you know, we are looking for technology delivery on September 1. But we are, so candidates can file notice of intent, receive a mandatory training and start raising qualifying contributions starting on July 1.

Fish: Okay. It sounds like sometime this summer technology oversight committee will come and give us that report. I think it is terribly important particularly because there is a possibility we will have to go to a paper backup. There is at least the possibility that that could occur. That we have the technology oversight committee provide guidance to the council about where we stand and that should happen well before the full implementation of the program.

Mottet: Mm-hmm.

Wheeler: Great. I will just chime in a little bit. First of all, thank you, Commissioner Fritz for your great work on this and thank you for the commitment to the council that you will give us adequate time for a transition. I agree with Commissioner Fritz and Commissioner Hardesty, that we need that adequate time to both figure out where we are transitioning as well as having an understanding of where we are in terms of outcomes and performance. I appreciated the TOC presentation we had a couple of weeks ago. As I indicated, I was very concerned by some of the comments made by members of the TOC with regard to where we were with the platform and I was also concerned about the quality assurance situation. It is my understanding that Commissioner Fritz is working through those issues and that staff is working through those issues, I too would like to ensure we have more than adequate time to be able to understand what issues still exist, what issues need to be fixed, if any, and how we ascertain where this is ultimately going to be located.

Fish: Mayor, could I also --

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish.

Fish: It also occurs to me there could be a budget implication. So to the extent that there is a different direction and it's more labor intensive there could be a budget ask that could, that needs to line up with a bump. So what I would ask Commissioner Fritz and the director to do is map this out. What you are hearing from the council is they don't want to get jammed at the end of the commissioner's tenure with having to make a decision about where it lands and we don't want any surprises this summer about technology. Whatever the information is, we don't want any surprises and want to look at the full consequences of wherever we are in technology. If you could line that up to make sure that we get adequate time to be advised and consulted, and that would satisfy me.

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Mottet: I would also like to offer any council office, we're happy to come and do a one-on-one update about implementation or the technology and where everything stands upon request.

Wheeler: Excellent. Thank you.

Fritz: Could I ask carol Cushman from the league of women voters to come and just make a few invited comments.

Wheeler: Good afternoon. Welcome

Carol Cushman, League of Women Voters of Portland: Thank you.

Wheeler: Glad you are here.

Cushman: Excuse me, the wheels aren't working right. I'm carol Cushman and I am representing the league of women voters of portland. The league has been a member of a coalition that has worked towards hopefully a successful campaign finance program in open and accountable elections and we are looking forward to something being able to get off to a good start. The coalition has continued to meet on a monthly basis as we seek implementation. We have been kept abreast of the possible need for code changes and have basically approved them as they have come and I am here to state today we are asking your support for approving these changes. We have -- I have also as a league member attended the commission meetings, not all of them, but have been trying to keep abreast of what the commission is doing as well. Hopefully all of the parts are coming together to work for a successful program, which is what we want to have happen. We do not want glitches coming down the path as we get there. We have been keeping involved and trying to keep informed as the steps as they are going. We encourage you to support the program and its needs as it is going forward.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate your being here. Thank you for your patience. I know you were waiting quite a while.

Cushman: That's okay.

Wheeler: Karla, is there other public testimony?

Moore-Love: Yes, we have one more person.

Wheeler: Very good.

Moore-Love: Maggie.

Wheeler: Come on up. Two minutes. I don't see maggie. Very good this is –
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Wheeler: I'm sorry. This is a first reading of a nonemergency ordinance. It moves to second reading.

Mottet: Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Cushman: Thank you.

Hardesty: Thank you.

Item 469

Wheeler: And we will go back to item number 469, please. Colleagues, as you know the city council sets the rates of pay for all non-represented classifications and elected officials. I believe that is 1,200 to 1,500-ish employees. This ordinance adjusts those pay rates based on increases in the cost of living due to inflation, consistent with the increase that represented employees will receive per their collective bargaining agreements. Nicolle Wynia-Eide? Did I get that right?

Nicolle Wynia-Eide, Bureau of Human Resources: You did.

Wheeler: I'm so proud of myself. From the Bureau of Human Resources is here to present this item.

Wynia-Eide: Thank you, mayor, thank you commissioners. My name is Nicolle Wynia-Eide. I'm with the Bureau of Human Resources classification and compensation section, and I'm here to present this ordinance providing a cost of living adjustment to all non-

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represented employees for the city. This cola adjustment of 3.9% is equivalent to the increase that represented employees will be receiving per their collective bargaining agreements. It also provides a 3.9% increase to non-represented seasonal and casual employees except for when a greater increase is mandated by the state minimum wage. Are there any questions?

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty?

Hardesty: Mayor, I would like to -- thank you. I would like to make a motion to table this discussion until this afternoon when we're having a budget discussion. I cannot in good conscience vote myself and my staff a pay raise on the same day that we're voting to eliminate jobs at the low end of the pay scale. I think it's important that this be part of the budget conversation. That is my request.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty, this is a nonemergency item so we will not be voting today at all. We'll be voting next week. This is a nonemergency ordinance.

Hardesty: I do understand that, Mayor. But, again, I think it's important this is part of the overall budget conversation, so even though we will not be voting on it this week, it absolutely should inform our conversation later today.

Fish: Commissioner Hardesty, will you withdraw your motion so I can ask some questions.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish.

Fish: Would you withdraw your motion temporarily so I can ask some questions of, I would like to use the hearing to get some information.

Hardesty: I withdraw my motion --

Fish: Your motion is privileged at some point, but can I, I'd like to ask.

Hardesty: Yes, absolutely.

Fish: I don't want to be disrespectful to your motion, but I want to use the opportunity to get some information. How many employees would be impacted -- how many non-represented employees would be eligible for this cost of living adjustment?

Wynia-Eide: It is about 1,400 to 1,600 employees.

Fish: Okay, and what is the range of classification?

Wynia-Eide: Everything from a recreation aid to directors.

Fish: So entry level all the way to the most senior?

Wynia-Eide: Correct.

Fish: I for example canvassed my office, it would cover the entry level positions we have at the front desk all the way up. I also asked for a printout of all of the classifications. And in fact, it ranges from entry level positions across the city in various bureaus and classifications to more senior positions so it covers the wide gamut. Is that fair?

Wynia-Eide: That is correct. Yes.

Fish: Okay, second, is the purpose of the cost of living adjustment to ensure that people don't lose ground to inflation?

Wynia-Eide: Definitely.

Fish: Okay and has it been the historic view of the city both with its represented and non-represented employees that absent of cola they would effectively take a pay cut?

Wynia-Eide: Yes.

Fish: I checked with -- let me give you a little history. When I was first elected during the teeth of the recession, we had some significant layoffs. There was a lot of pain that got spread around. A number of us chose not to take cost of living adjustments and we did so effectively in solidarity with people that were having to suffer even more pain.

Wynia-Eide: Correct.

Fish: My -- excuse me [phone chirping, laughter]. That is how I know my wife is calling, but I apologize. I should have had that off. My recollection is that regardless of the action that we take on item 469, it has been the practice of the city that we have until July 1 to notify HR as to whether we opt in and opt out as commissioners for the cola, is that correct?

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Wynia-Eide: That is correct and that is included in the ordinance that commissioners have the option of opting out, if they so choose.

Fish: Okay and that is a decision each of us gets to make based on whatever our criteria. Obviously, if people are subject to layoffs and there's pain being apportioned, that may be a factor that someone chooses not to take a cola. What happens to the funds that are not expended on cola, if, so for example, if any of us choose not to take a cola, what happens to those funds?

Wynia-Eide: I would have to defer that question to the budget office. I'm not positive what would happen to those funds.

Fish: Okay. And when was the last time that the city proposed a cola freeze for non-represented employees?

Wynia-Eide: I would have to go back and look. I know there was likely one around 2007-2008, when the cola was deferred until the following june. So employees received the cola, but it was 11 months late.

Fish: It was deferred. Um –

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish, if I could chime in on that matter. I was the chair at Multnomah county at that time. In a really unprecedented move, labor stepped forward both at the county and at the city and proposed the reduction of the cola, the elimination of the cola in order to save represented jobs and then we directed that non-represented jobs would take the same cut. It was at that point broadly supported in order to protect people's employment.

Fish: Okay.

Hardesty: If I might add to that, commissioner Fish, 2013-2014, you might remember we also did not provide the cola for non-represented individuals and we used those resources to pay oh, why am I forgetting it. We used those resources for another purpose and so this is not something that has not been done in the past and it is not something that is unprecedented.

Fritz: As the mayor said, then we also had the agreement from the represented folks so nobody got a cola.

Fish: Right. So, if I could, also, I just want to confirm a number. I checked with parks and I asked how many non-supervisory, non-represented workers that are on the frontlines that would be impacted by this and I was told approximately 65. Does that sound right?

Wynia-Eide: Sounds correct.

Fish: So again, what i'm emphasizing is -- this is to the extent withholding someone's cola impacts workers. It impacts people across the spectrum in classifications and within bureaus, frontline workers as well as directors, and I just want to be clear that from my point of view, withholding a cost of living increase effectively amounts to a pay cut. A pay cut for our workers, particularly singling out one group of workers and not having an agreement that applies to all employees for a particular purpose raises equity and fairness questions.

Wynia-Eide: Correct.

Fish: Thank you.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish, related to that, as you'll recall, the council unanimously passed the pay equity ordinance and that was to bring us in to compliance with new states laws around pay equity and that caused us to shuffle the compensation structure. And the classifications. And so there are now a number of people who are at the top of their classifications who will not actually receive base wage increases. So the only increases they will receive are, in fact, the cola increases. And as you say, it is, in fact, effectively a pay cut.

Hardesty: If I may, mayor.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish, hardesty, i'm sorry. I apologize.

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Fish: I know what it's like to be fish. [laughter]

Hardesty: I actually want to challenge that mindset. What I think I am providing us an opportunity to do is, a, my motion was really about delaying this until we have an overall budget conversation. In the past when we've delayed cola increases it just meant as of July 1 in 2020 you would get this cola increase as well as whatever cola increase would be appropriate on July 1, 2020. So it is not like people -- the money is delayed. Delaying a couple of thousands of dollars from my paycheck as compared to delaying cutting jobs at the bottom of the parks bureau is a no-brainer for me. It is a question I think I would like this council to answer and therefore, I would like to restate my motion that we table this discussion until later this afternoon when we are, in fact, talking about next year's budget.

Eudaly: I have a question.

Wheeler: Commissioner Eudaly.

Eudaly: Does proceeding with this item in any way preclude the conversation happening this afternoon?

Fish: No.

Eudaly: I just would really like to move on, so if there is no effective difference between hearing it now and hearing it later, let's just get it over with and move on.

Fish: If I could speak to the motion. This is a first reading of an ordinance. It goes to a second reading next week. Nothing prevents Commissioner Hardesty from making any motions this afternoon in connection with the budget. I'm going to oppose the motion because I would like the ordinance to stand. I believe it is unfair and I will oppose a delay in someone's cola, particularly singling out just one small part of our workforce, particularly since it is a very diverse spectrum of our workforce. And we can always take further action next week.

Wheeler: So -- sorry.

Fish: What Commissioner Hardesty has highlighted is she intends to raise some issues this afternoon and they are totally unconnected. This going to a second reading does not preclude that conversation this afternoon.

Wheeler: And I will make that commitment, Commissioner Eudaly asked the question. The answer is yes, certainly this conversation can happen. I would not delay the presentation, but more to the point, I didn't hear a second to the motion. So the motion dies. Go ahead. Is there more to your presentation?

Wynia-Eide: Any other questions? There's not much.

Wheeler: Great, public testimony on this item, Karla.

Moore-Love: Yes, we have four people signed up. Lightning, Maggie and Jeanne Connett.

Wheeler: Two minutes each, name for the record.

Jeanne Connett: Am I the only one here?

Moore-Love: Are Maggie or Lightning here? We'll go with Charles Bridgecrane Johnson then.

Connett: Okay.

Wheeler: And Karla, who are the other two. Are they not here?

Moore-Love: It was Lightning and Maggie.

Wheeler: Okay, I don't see them. Very good. Would you like to start?

Connett: I will let him.

Charles Bridgecrane Johnson: Good afternoon, commissioners, Charles Bridge Crane Johnson. I think it is awkward. First of all, we have just the general confidence in the elected officials that when we are seeing a booming economy we are told that somehow out of everything that happens in the city, we have enough money to austere allocate things, except parks, somehow parks is in this odd situation where it's the one bureau that somehow didn't do something right so it doesn't get to be fully funded and will have to experience layoffs. I realize that is a little -- these issues aren't really separable. But we're

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just talking about public expenditures on great city workers and confidence of the constituents and their leadership. So I don't want to see anyone deprived of a cola and I don't want to see anyone laid off. It is amazing that a city that I attend their government meetings frequently that touts their bond ratings and creditworthiness cannot construct something to fill the gap and is not really, seems uninterested in listening to what employees are providing the greatest quality public service for the money. People that are supposedly doing gun violence reduction or people that are in parks helping our children and people from all walks of life have a higher quality of life. So I know there will be more to talk about but I really think that the principle of what commissioner Hardesty proposed, that the budget should be rock solid without any question of layoffs and then we can look at how we are going to help our hard working city employees not have a net pay cut.

Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good afternoon.

Connett: Good afternoon. My name is Jeanne Connett and I actually want to take seconds off my time because I want to tell you this. Okay. I was born up there on the hill. I was raised over there in St. John's and then I went to New York because I knew Dad would look in Cali. I've had a pretty good life. I was supposed to die and be dead and buried in February of '97 from cancer. On November 1 of '96 they did an emergency surgery and here I lie. So I want you guys to know that I ordered my coffin and planned on going to heaven, and I woke up in hell. Only because I saw somebody shoot dope, which is something I'd never seen before. I'm glad the city's getting cleaned up. That means a lot to me. But, anybody will tell you, includes my son, I have spent more time in these mountains than most people will in a lifetime. They are my sanctuary. They are where my soul rests and here is God. I have met plenty of people working in our parks and they are wonderful people. And I don't think they are paid enough. I don't think it matters about the budget in Portland. I honestly think the budget in Portland should put them above most because so many of us Portlanders count on our parks and our mountains and our whatever's. So I think you should pay them as much money as you possibly can. And the fact that you are taking pay cuts, I'm really impressed by that. I had no idea. Good job.

Hardesty: No, they didn't say they were.

Connett: Huh?

Hardesty: No they didn't say they were taking pay cuts. You didn't hear that.

Wheeler: Thank you for --

Connett: No, they said they had taken pay cuts in the past, right.

Johnson: Years ago.

Hardesty: Years go.

Connett: Well that's good.

Wheeler: Thank you. This is a first reading of a nonemergency ordinance. It moves to second reading. We have a couple of second readings. 470, please.

Item 470

Wheeler: Second reading. Please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. Ordinance is adopted. 471, second reading.

Item 471

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

Fish: Mayor, I beg your indulgence. I would like to make a one-minute comment on this because the lack of drama around sewer and stormwater rates should not obscure the accomplishment of this moment. As the commissioner in charge of the Bureau of Environmental Services, obviously I'm very proud that this year we are proposing a 2.95% rate increase, which is below the rate of inflation. I'm also enormously grateful to my colleagues for the vote of confidence they have given us now over a couple years towards

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our 10-year plan of sustainability. We set a goal of becoming one of the first public utilities in the country that gets all of its assets up to a certain level and we can't do that without reinvestment. By allowing us to have rate increases in the 2.9 to 3.05 range, you have allowed us to make the investments in infrastructure and people we need to keep our system sustainable for the long term. I wanted to especially call out this year, mayor, since the leadership of the utilities is no longer unified, the strong partnership that we had at the bureau of environmental services with commissioner Fritz and the water bureau and I will remind my colleagues that the combined rate increase, two thirds of which of your bill is sewer stormwater, one third is water, is about 4.5%. What we think is we're providing good value and we know from the charts we presented that we stack up well against peer cities. Actually, the proof that we're providing pretty good value is we set a record this year and we may have to go back and check the videotape but this is the first year in my memory where we had not a single person testify at any public forum including city council in opposition to the rate increase. I can assure you as we look back, not to the too-distance past, this room would have been filled with people who had things to say about the utilities. We did not have a single person testify against the proposed rate increase. I think that speaks volumes of the leadership of director mike jordan, his team and the 592 employees of the bureau of environmental services who are doing such great work. So I want to thank my colleagues. I want to thank the bureau. I want to thank our oversight bodies the pub and the cub. We are on a good trajectory right now. It was hard fought. My pledge to you is that we will continue to strive for the goals that we've established with your help. Aye.

Hardesty: Aye.

Eudaly: Thank you, commissioner. I want to especially thank you for your creative approach to assisting low income households living in multifamily developments without unique meters. I vote Aye.

Fritz: Thank you commissioner Fish for stabilizing the utilities and for all of your leadership on this. Great work. Aye.

Wheeler: I remember those contentious hearings, even though I wasn't there. The way that this was processed, the way it was managed, the way it was handled, the way you comported yourself and your office was fantastic. The bureau did a great work. I vote Aye. The ordinance is adopted. I'm going to clear up all the second readings. 473.

Item 473

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. Ordinance is adopted. Item number 476, please.

Item 476

Wheeler: We have 472 and 474 left on the regular agenda. How long --

Fish: Mayor, are we going to take a vote on 476.

Eudaly: Second reading.

Wheeler: Yeah, I apologize please call the roll. Thank you. I got ahead of myself.

Fish: Again, thanks to Commissioner Fritz for her strong partnership. Aye.

Hardesty: Aye.

Eudaly: Aye.

Fritz: Everything commissioner Fish said and what Commissioner Eudaly said on the previous vote. Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Colleagues, do we have a sense of 472? How long that item would take? Parks and rec?

Fish: I think we can do it quickly. Do we have staff here?

Wheeler: Let's go for it.

Fish: Let's do it quickly. I will tee it up.

Item 472

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Wheeler: Commissioner Fish.

Fish: Colleagues, trees are an important part of Portland, that is an understatement. They clean the air we breathe, manage stormwater, combat climate change and help make Portland neighborhoods greener. Portland parks and recreations urban forestry division manages our urban forest and implements title 11 tree regulations. Similar to other city permitting bureaus, urban forestry assesses fees to fund the implementation of these tree regulations and services. Today's ordinance is part of the annual process to update these fees. The proposed changes have been reviewed by the development review advisory committee or drac, and the urban forestry commission, both of which have approval. I will turn it over to jen cairo for a very succinct presentation.

Jenn Cairo, Bureau of Parks and Recreation: Thank you, commissioner Fish. Good afternoon mayor and commissioners.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Cairo: I will be as quick as I can on this. My colleagues with me today Casey jogerst, she's the urban forestry supervisor for regulations and permitting, and brian landoe, who is a policy specialist with us who does budget among other things including our fee schedule updates. I'm skipping down a little bit. So the fees we are talking about today help provide essential tree services to residents. They pay part of the cost of urban forestry performing its responsibilities as directed in title 11, the city's tree code, and the urban forest management plan for Portland. Permit volumes have increased substantially since title 11 implementation in 2015. This is good news in that it indicates property owners are increasingly aware of tree infrastructure management and are getting the permits they should. It increases workload and customer service needs. You have in front of you a graph, it is also projected, that illustrates this challenge. The bottom axis indicates the fiscal year and the vertical axis, the corresponding overall tree permit volume handled by urban forestry. And you can see that's grown measurably over time. While the amount of work has grown, the number of people to do it hasn't kept pace. At current funding levels urban forestry isn't staffed to fully implement tree regulations and meet customer service goals. The proposed update to our fees will improve our performance. For example, tree code compliance activities currently are largely unfunded consequently about 2,200 trees required by permits are not being planted each year for comparison, to give you a scale, that is approximately equivalent to twice the number of street trees in the hollywood district or the number of trees voluntarily planted each year by the city funded environmental services tree planting program, which is housed in the bureau of environmental services and operates under urban forestry management and permits. These proposed fee levels have been set to satisfy customer service demands for an average three-week turnaround time for most nondevelopment permit types. In the past those turnaround times have been longer, sometimes significantly. The ordinance before you contains the proposed changes to the urban forestry fee schedules, exhibit b and I will reference that now. The schedule is grouped onto development situation permit types, building a new commercial or residential building and nondevelopment situation permit types, like removing a street tree in front of a business or a home. You will notice certain nondevelopment permits, for example tree planting, are free or low cost to keep barriers to good forest management and code compliance low. Please note that the great majority of property owners only need tree permits once every several years. The fees are, in effect, spread over many years. The enforcements fees at the bottom of the schedule in front of you apply when violations of city code have occurred. The fee in lieu of planting or preservation updates reflect the cost to plant and establish new trees. The care for the newly planted trees spreads over three to five years and the trees planted will provide decades of benefits and services. Most of the new trees will be planted primarily in low-income and low-canopy areas consistent with the citywide tree planting strategy growing a more equitable forest. A financial hardship

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waiver policy is planned for implementation in the first half of fiscal year 2020. It is based on the financial hardship waiver program already in use by the water bureau and environmental services. Also in your packets is a letter of support for the fee schedule update from the urban forestry commission. That concludes our presentation. We'll be happy to answer any questions.

Wheeler: Colleagues, any questions. Any public testimony on this item?

Moore-Love: Maggie and Jeanne connett. They both left it looks like.

Wheeler: Any further discussion. This is the first reading of a nonemergency ordinance. Thank you. Moves to second reading. Colleagues, I think we can get through a lot of this very quickly. Item 461, please.

Cairo: Thank you.

Wheeler: I believe commissioner eudaly is returning it to her office. Please read it.

Eudaly: Yes.

Item 461

Wheeler: Commissioner eudaly.

Eudaly: Yes, thank you mayor. We have asked this item to be referred back to our office and we will bring it back at a later date.

Item 459

Wheeler: 459? Who called that item? Pulled it, sorry.

Moore-Love: Lightning pulled that one.

Wheeler: Please read it and call the roll.

Fish: I think it goes to a second reading, mayor.

Moore-Love: It does.

Wheeler: Oh, you're right. Very good. Thank you. This is a first reading of the nonemergency ordinance moves to second reading. Thanks, nick. Next item, 455, who pulled that?

Item 455

Moore-Love: Lightning also pulled that.

Wheeler: Very good. Read it, please. Call the roll.

Hardesty: I believe we voted on this earlier?

Fish: No. He pulled it. He pulled this so we voted on the consent without this. Aye.

Hardesty: Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. Ordinance is adopted. 454, please.

Hardesty: Talk about it [inaudible].

Wheeler: Is lester still here? Good. Commissioner hardesty, it is my understanding you had some questions on this one.

Hardesty: I'm sorry.

Wheeler: 454.

Hardesty: 454?

Eudaly: 454.

Wheeler: Workforce training and hiring program.

Moore-Love: I read 474.

Hardesty: Actually --

Fritz: I think I read the wrong one.

Wheeler: What happened?

Moore-Love: 474 is the regular agenda item I just read. Did you want me to read 454 which is Commissioner Hardesty --

Wheeler: 454, yes. I'm sorry 454.

Item 454

Wheeler: Commissioner hardesty.

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Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. This was one I pulled because I thought how exciting we are being creative and creating opportunities for high schoolers to get into the trades.

Eudaly: [inaudible]

Hardesty: And I thought this would be one of those kind of feel-good things that we would have an opportunity to say, well, gee, we are thinking outside of the box. And so this is not one to question what a horrible, horrible opportunity this is, but instead to say sometimes I love to see the creativity and the grants that we give, and that's why I wanted to pull it and have that conversation.

Wheeler: Very good. Any further discussion. This is a first reading of a nonemergency ordinance. It moves to second reading. Thank you for your patience. Last item on the list. If I got this correct is 474.

Item 474

Wheeler: Now you are up. Commissioner eudaly.

Eudaly: I'm up. Thanks. Thank you, mayor. Pbot performs an annual review of the fees and charges for transportation services so what we are bringing before you today are the proposed changes to those fees needed to reach cost recovery of a variety of pbot services. Pbot commission studies regarding the impact of fees on development the impact of frontage improvements on property value. I wholeheartedly support these fee increases and permit types. However, in light of our ongoing affordable housing crisis, I am proposing pbot subsidize the fees for development review, building plan review and temporary street use for affordable housing developments. I have asked pbot to create a 50% reduction in fees programmatically for affordable housing development and low-income owner occupied residences. A lesser known fact of our housing crisis is that 25% of homeowners are cost burdened by their own housing expenses and that is bad news for the city and we want to do everything we can to alleviate their burden. The affordable housing reduction would apply to properties where the low income occupants are someone other than the current property owner and either selling to a qualified low-income buyer or as a low income rental property with a 60-year requirement for renters with incomes less than 60% of mfi, median family income. This policy would also extend to low-income owner occupied homes being developed where the current property owner intends to live as their primary residence and follow similar parameters to the Itic eligibility. I apologize for all the jargon.

Fish: That was a mouthful.

Eudaly: Yes. Yes, it was. I appreciate pbot's responsiveness to my direction on this issue and I hope it makes a difference in helping development projects pencil out better for the types of housing units that we need. Before I turn it over to staff, I need a motion to -- I want to make a motion to accept a substitute exhibit d. Is that what i'm being asked to do?

Christine Leon, Portland Bureau of Transportation: Yes.

Eudaly: So you have all been provided with exhibit d.

Wheeler: Oh, yeah. Is that --

Eudaly: That's what I was told.

Fish: Can you tell us in two sentences what exhibit d does?

Leon: Exhibit d are the temporary street use permits for lane street closures, as well as parking reservation areas.

Fish: Okay. I'll move the substitute.

Fritz: Second.

Eudaly: Thank you. Here to discussion this and the rest of the fee changes, is christine leon, group manager for pbot development permitting and transit, and dave benson group manager for parking services. Welcome.

Wheeler: I'm sorry, let's go ahead and put the substitute on the table so I don't forget.

Moore-Love: It was moved by commissioner Fish and seconded by commissioner Fritz.

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Wheeler: That's right.

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

Wheeler: Substitute is on the table. I vote Aye.

Dave Benson, Portland Bureau of Transportation: Good afternoon, mayor wheeler, commissioner Eudaly and members of the council. My name is dave benson, and I'm the parking services group manager here at the Bureau of Transportation.

Leon: Christine leon, group manager for development permitting and transit, pbot.

Benson: We are here today to discuss the revised transportation fees for fiscal year 2019-2020. I will be very brief in my comments and talk about parking fees before turning it over to my colleague for her comments. There are no recommended changes to the on-street parking fees. We are not recommending any changes for the hourly rates at the smart park garages, however, we are increasing the full day rates at most of the smart car garages except 10th and -- will remain \$14 a day. Our changes are informed by a survey of the rates in the core area. Full day rates at the first and jefferson garage be increased two dollars to \$18, at third and alder, fourth and yamhill and naito and davis will increase a dollar or two to \$16 a day. They will all be \$16 a day in the garages where we have monthly tenants. We are also making some minor upward adjustments ranging \$15 to \$25 a month for the full month. There are no changes to the cost of any of the parking permits and we're making one small adjustment to the cost of the parking kitty transactions moving it from ten cents per transaction to 20 cents per transactions to reflect our ongoing effort to adopt new enforcement technologies. Finally, there are no changes to the permitting cost for private for hire vehicles or towing rates. Thank you.

Hardesty: Mayor.

Wheeler: Commissioner hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you. I'm curious why do we charge different prices in different parts of the city?

Benson: For Smart Park garages or the meter rates?

Hardesty: Yes.

Benson: Well, both. It is based upon occupancy. The greater the occupancy, you adjust pricing to control occupancy. It is the same for a garage and on street. As you get up to 85% level on street and you will hear this discussion next year now we are gathering data and will be back with data next year. The places that are 85 or north of that, we might recommend a rate increase and for those below that, we might even recommend a rate decrease to increase utilization or to decrease utilization. So that's' why we charge different rates.

Hardesty: In some areas -- it is interesting because like at Lloyd center, right? You can park all day for cheap.

Benson: Yes.

Hardesty: Right?

Benson: A buck an hour.

Hardesty: How does this fit into our climate change vision?

Benson: Yes. Certainly we are committed to mode shifting, but when we talk about on street or structured parking, what motivates parkers is the pricing. Certainly we have talked about adjusting the uses of on street parking to other uses. Like street seats, like other applications which would reduce the availability of on street parking and would force that issue.

Hardesty: So I think areas like where university club is on salmon, right off of the max line. They have free parking. They have a garage. And most parts of the city don't have free access to parking downtown.

Benson: Correct.

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Hardesty: And so i'm just trying to figure out how do we decide where we put meters and where we don't. That appears to be an area with a lot of traffic, yet those people aren't charged for parking. Why is that?

Benson: I can't answer that specific question. Are we talking about university club downtown here?

Hardesty: Yep. I'm mean talking about, it's not university, what's the one off of salmon? What's the Arlington club? Anybody? Arlington?

Benson: You have to help me out a little bit because -

Eudaly: They have their own lot?

Hardesty: They do.

Eudaly: So it's, I mean it's not --

Hardesty: But the street parking is also all free. There is no metered parking.

Benson: All downtown is metered and a paid environment.

Hardesty: Except for that particular location.

Eudaly: I'm not aware of that.

Benson: I'm not familiar with that, commissioner. I can certainly check that out for you, but I'm not familiar with that one.

Hardesty: I don't want to take us off course. I thought you would know because you are the parking guy, right?

Benson: There is so much I don't know about parking. It is amazing. I'm finding out. But no, I'll find out for you.

Hardesty: Thank you.

Leon: Mayor and members of council, thank you again for fitting us in this afternoon. I'm going to go fast. There are a lot of fees in front of you, but essentially the fees outside of parking are covering the work that transportation does for development review, right-of-way use, construction or work in the right-of-way as well as right-of-way management. They are under consideration in accordance with the city policy regarding cost recovery. It sets the rates and charges for the beginning of the fiscal year, which is July 1. Most changes, if there is a change, are due to keep the pace of inflation as well as some alignment of staff time to do the program work or the permits. The proposal in front of you does not add any positions and it has been included in the mayor's proposed budget. Transportation permit requirements and programs align with pbot strategic plan, goals of safety, mobility and asset management, which are supported through equity and customer service values. Development while it supports the economy, disrupts and impacts mobility during construction. Pbot issued 45,000 temporary traffic control permits last year and 17,500 temporary street use permits last year and coordinated through keep Portland moving. Development also contributes to building a safer and more mobile transportation network and through permits built \$21 million worth of transportation infrastructure and 183 ada ramps. With the focus on customer service, pbot made a number of efficiencies, including online payment and consolidating some of our programs. We continue with a number of affordable housing subsidies, which include a prioritization of those types of permits. We give them assistance at the counter and when they are in concept review and our system development charge, Itic, and transportation demand management fees are subsidized as well as our streetcar service has a low-income fare. So as the commissioner has requested, we will take the additional requests into consideration and come back with that at the second reading. What we are also considering a temporary street use fee that has a focus on reduction with equity in mind. Overall, where fee increases do occur, they are about 9%. Those are related to the cost of inflation, the cost of doing services as well as the cost of the bureau to accommodate the staff. There are a few decreases and many rates remain unchanged. And just a couple of other items to note. There is a community use permitting fee schedule that is now on the annual basis. That is not part of the

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program. Because that then allows us to consider the seasons for block parties and what not. Also system development charges are included as a line item in schedule c, however council does not need to take any action on sdc rate increases because those are not subject to council approval. They are automatically increased based on inflation. Commissioner eudaly introduced a substitution. There were a couple of fees that are not included yet. We have not completed the analysis. Film and video we have left off as a rates. We were waiting for the mayor's propose to see what was going to be included. At this point in time, there are no rates, but we are proposing a 5% increase because we are going to do substantial changes to the intake of that with prosper Portland and the parks bureau. I would like to leave that with you. And then there are two other corrections that I would just like to note. On exhibit b the river review is listed as \$433. We are making a correction to \$174. That is exhibit b, page three. And then on exhibit c pages one and two, there are 11 items under public works permitting that just did not get carried over into the minimum column. That's it.

Eudaly: Thank you.

Wheeler: Excellent. Very good. Is there public testimony on this item, Karla?

Moore-Love: Just maggie and jeanne signed up. They have left.

Wheeler: They have left. Very good. This is a first reading of a nonemergency ordinance. It moves to second reading. And we are adjourned for a little while.

At 1:20 p.m., Council recessed.

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2:00PM

Wheeler: This is the Wednesday, may 22, 2019 afternoon session of the Portland city council. Please call the roll.

Fish: Here. **Hardesty:** Here. **Eudaly:** Here. **Fritz:** Here.

Wheeler: Here. We're going to hear from legal counsel.

Robert Taylor, Chief 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 city council meetings so everyone can feel welcome, comfortable, respected and safe. To participate in meetings you may sign up in advance with the council clerk's office for communications to briefly speak about any subject. You may also sign up for public testimony on resolutions or the first readings of ordinances. Your testimony should address the matter being considered at the time. If it does not you may be ruled out of order. 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 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 support for something said, please feel free to do a thumbs up. If you want to express you do not support something, please feel free to do a thumbs down. Please remain seated in council chambers unless entering or exiting. If you are filming the proceedings please do not use bright lights or disrupt the meeting. 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 be ejected for the remainder 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.

Item 477

Wheeler: Very good. Karla, please read the first item. 477. Very good and colleagues I would like to just make an announcement at the beginning of this. I know there's a lot of people here. They want to hear our deliberation. They want the opportunity to testify and we'll certainly make that happen but I also want to acknowledge that commissioner Fish has an immovable commitment later this afternoon and so I will probably call to a conclusion our deliberations no later than about 3:45 to allow us to have the opportunity to take the vote today on the budget. First of all, I would like to just point out we need to take a series of steps and necessary votes as part approval of the 2019-2020 budget as prescribed under Oregon state law. So some of this may seem a little bit arcane but it's required by state statute. Specifically as the city of Portland's budget committee we will hold a hearing on the uses of state revenue sharing, consider changes to the approved budget as filed, and approve the tax levies for fiscal year 2019-2020 year. Following today's hearing we will also convene as the budget committee on June 12 to officially adopt the city's budget. I'm proud to submit my proposed budget for fiscal year 2019/20. This budget reflects on my commitment to housing and the homelessness crisis in our community, supporting equitable outcomes and fostering equitable prosperity in our

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community, fiscal sustainability and intergenerational equity in the way we support and fund programs, creating clean and safe communities and improving and streamlining city processes and constituent response. So with that I'm now convening this meeting of the city of Portland budget committee. Welcome, Director Kinard.

Jessica Kinard, Director, Portland City Budget Office: Thank you. Good afternoon, council. Jessica Kinard, interim budget director. I'm here with Ryan Kinsella, interim assistant director. We're going to begin with a brief overview of today's proceedings. So council is now convened in your capacity of the budget committee. The approved budget is going to be introduced as a report to council and then action today is made in your capacity as the budget committee. There are several steps as the mayor eluded to that you will take today and they are required by budget law, include the uses of state revenue sharing, concerning changes to the approved budget as filed and improving the text levees for fiscal year 19/20. There will be a hearing on each of these three topics. For members of the public who wish to testify I want to highlight that the first hearing will be on the topic of state revenue sharing. The mayor will then close that hearing and open a second hearing on the approved budget as a whole. To briefly walk you through the budget process thus far, bureaus submitted their requested budgets in early February. [inaudible] then analyzed their budgets and requests, city council then held a series of budget work sessions on bureau budgets and several community budget forums. The mayor released his proposed budget decisions on May 1. Proposed budget document was delivered to council on May 6. Council then convened as the budget committee conducted a hearing on the proposed budget on the evening of May 9 during which time the mayor delivered his budget message and testimony. The proposed budget was received and these steps were all necessary before entering the approved budget phase that we're in today. The first item of official business for today is conduct a hearing to discuss possible uses of state revenue sharing. I now turn this over to the mayor to introduce the state revenue sharing hearing.

Wheeler: Thank you. I'm opening a hearing to discuss possible uses of state revenue sharing. This hearing is being held by the city council of Portland Oregon in compliance with the provisions of the state revenue sharing regulations ORS 221.770. It's to allow citizens to comment on the possible uses of these funds in conjunction with the annual budget process. As proposed for council adoption the fiscal year 2019-20 budget anticipates receipts totaling \$22,466,522 from state revenue sharing. As has been the case in prior years, it's proposed this revenue be allocated in equal parts to support fire prevention and police patrol services. Is there anyone here today that wishes to be heard on this subject of revenue sharing? I'm now closing this hearing to discuss possible uses of state revenue sharing. Director Kinard, you're up again.

Kinard: Thank you. So today council is going to consider changes to the proposed budget. These changes are going to take two different forms. There are changes that are included in the approved budget as filed which are detailed in the change memo attachment b that was filed. There are also changes that can be considered by floor amendment. There are a number of parliamentary steps to this process and the city attorney's office has confirmed the following steps and procedures. First we will need agreement from the budget committee to consider the changes that are in the change memo as filed. This is accomplished by having a motion and second to consider these changes. Next we're going to open the floor to amendments. Each amendment will need to be individually motioned and seconded. Then we will call for public testimony on the floor amendments, the changes in the memo and on the budget as a whole. Further amendments can be made following public testimony. Next we will need to vote on the inclusion of each individual amendment. Council will vote to approve changes to the proposed budget as presented in the memo as amended on the floor. This will feel like a vote to approve the budget but this is actually just a vote to bundle all the changes council has individually voted upon into one

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approved budget, then finally council will vote again to approve the budget as amended. Mayor, now is your opportunity to take the first step in this process by motioning to approve changes to the proposed budget as presented in the memo that was filed.

Wheeler: Very good. I call to entertain a motion to -- commissioner Fish.

Fish: I move to adopt the changes in the change memo.

Fritz: Second.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish moves, Commissioner Fritz seconds to approve changes to the proposed budget as presented in attachments b, c and d of the memo approval of the budget for the city of Portland.

Kinard: Great. At this point we'll discuss changes to the proposed budget. As a reminder, the approved budget before you is 5.6 billion. The total general fund discretionary budget is 609 million. There are 6,674 total fte. In terms of new general fund discretionary resources this budget includes 2.4 million of new ongoing general fund discretionary and 18.4 million new one-time discretionary resources plus one-time carryover from the current year. Unrestricted general fund contingency in the approved budget as filed stands at just under 1.9 million. As a reminder, changes to the proposed budget were also considered at last Tuesday's approved budget work session. The changes to the mayor's proposed budget that were included in the approved budget as filed include various technical adjustments in addition to the following changes to the general fund. It included \$100,000 in one-time for the Portlander skies project, 270,000 one-time for the anti-displacement plan, \$250,000 in one-time of additional funding for the census project, \$142,084 in one-time resources for health and wellness coordinator in the fire bureau. \$142,000 of one-time for the film office and prosper Portland, 150,000 in one-time for the office of rental services outreach, a reduction of \$642,511 of carryover funding for the fire self-contained breathing apparatus and a reduction of unrestricted contingency by \$361,571 to fund some of these changes. Terms of changes to the recreational cannabis fund there were the following changes. We shifted \$50,000 of one-time and \$50,000 of ongoing general fund for mercatus my people's market to the recreational cannabis market. Shifted current inclusive business resource network neighborhood prosperity initiative funding of \$233,126 from general fund ongoing to recreational cannabis fund. Shifted an additional 100,000 of one-time and 94,000 on going for the neighborhood prosperity initiative also to the recreational cannabis fund. And we increase ongoing general fund discretionary by \$377,126 for fires, rapid response vehicle program and reduced the cannabis fund resources by the same amount. These are the current changes to the proposed budget that are in the approved budget as filed, and additionally, the council may also consider floor amendments. In a moment, the mayor will call for those amendments. As a reminder individual amendments to the approved budget should note the amount, bureau, purpose and funding source. We have stock language available if needed. Each amendment needs to be motioned and seconded for discussion. There are currently several amendments that cbo is aware of and believe have been distributed to you all. Once all the amendments have been moved and seconded, then the mayor will call for public testimony. After testimony, there will be a vote on the individual amendments. Mayor, you can call for amendments.

Wheeler: Very good. I will call for amendments if you don't mind, colleagues. I would like to start with what I would call the larger package of amendments. These are amendments some of which come from my office, some of which come from my colleagues, some from a sense of consensus. The first amendment that I would propose number one is a motion to amend attachment d to add the following budget note. Policy on stipends for advisory body members. City council directs the office of community and civic life, working with the office of equity and human rights, bureau of human resources, the city attorney's office to conduct a thorough analysis of current practices and policies for providing stipends to volunteer members of city advisory bodies looking both at existing practice for the city of

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Portland advisory bodies and examples of stipend policies and practices used by other jurisdictions. The bureaus shall present the findings of this analysis and a recommendation for a city-wide policy on stipends for advisory bodies to council by January 2020. So moved.

Fritz: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion and a second from commissioner Fritz. Number two, motion to amend attachment d to add the following budget note. Auditor's office prior year underspending. Beginning in fiscal year 2019-20 the city council directs the city budget office to create a sub fund in the general reserve fund. Annually as part of the fall supplemental budget process, cbo is directed to transfer prior year underspending in the auditor's office to the sub fund for purposes of funding duties as charter mandated or agreed to by city auditor. So moved.

Fish: Second.

Wheeler: Seconded by Commissioner Fish. Number three -- Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: I would like to amend the amendment that you just moved forward. Is this the appropriate time to do that?

Wheeler: Yeah, certainly.

Hardesty: I would like to offer a line be added to that amendment that would read the total amount of the sub fund shall not exceed \$500,000. Any excess underspending of the auditor's office shall be included in general fund year end underspending.

Wheeler: As the proposer I have no problem with that as a friendly amendment. Commissioner Fish, you still okay with the second under that condition?

Fish: You're the sponsor. If you don't have a problem I'm okay.

Wheeler: I most certainly do not. Item number three, motion to allocate \$100,000 in recreational cannabis tax resources to the Portland housing bureau. Allocate \$100,000 in one-time recreational cannabis tax resources to the Portland housing bureau for records expungement for communities disproportionately impacted by cannabis prohibition. This action is funded by a \$100,000 reduction to the recreational cannabis tax contingency, reducing the amount of unallocated cannabis tax revenues to \$659,600. Amend attachments b, c, and e as necessary.

Eudaly: Second.

Wheeler: So moved. Seconded by Commissioner Eudaly. Commissioner Hardesty and Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: I would like to thank commissioner eudaly for proposing this.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty?

Hardesty: Is this an appropriate time to ask a question about this?

Wheeler: Sure.

Hardesty: My question is why the Portland housing bureau? What expertise do they have in actually expunging records? I would think the office of civic and community life would be the more appropriate place.

Wheeler: I don't know if cupid alexander is here or somebody from the housing bureau could talk about the expungement pilot. Is there somebody here? Maybe we could get somebody later in the hearing?

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Eudaly: I know that they did something similar last year and it was successful. We just wanted to support those efforts again this year.

Hardesty: I guess for me I'm just wondering why we're expanding activities of various departments when we actually have a department that does community grants that I think would be a more appropriate place to be doing expungements.

Eudaly: I would like to call up winta yohannes from my office. She can better answer this question as a last minute amendment that we agreed.

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Wheeler: Great and housing director shannon callahan is also here.

Eudaly: Okay.

Wheeler: Good afternoon. If you just state your name for the record, winta.

Winta Yohannes, Commissioner Eudaly's Office: Hi. Winta yohannes with commissioner eudaly's office. There are two expungement projects that are happening. The office of community and civic life does a larger grant agreement with metropolitan public defender and then the housing bureau has also piloted another initiative last year. So I think when we talk about the cannabis tax generally we need to talk about how to bring together all of our contracts with mpd, but this is a friendly amendment that our office supports.

Wheeler: And we also have, I see director callahan from the housing bureau. So this is what's called the classic hot seat moment. Commissioner hardesty has asked the question with regard to allocating \$100,000 in recreational cannabis tax resources to the Portland housing bureau. Why the housing bureau in particular as opposed to the office of community and civic life, for example.

Shannon Callahan, Director, Portland Housing Bureau: Thank you, mayor, and thank you commissioner for the question. I can tell you about our previous work and our current work with expungement. We have been running expungement work through the housing bureau for the last two years with contracted partners. We don't actually do the work but we contract out with experts to do it. So presently we're running a very successful expungement program with metropolitan public defenders in combination with street roots. We're working to get any street roots vendors who have any criminal backgrounds or anything that they need expunged taken care of so they can advance both in employment opportunities and rental opportunities, which is really the nexus to the housing bureau. That's what we have been doing. Of course there are other programs that I can tell you that that's -- I think what the mayor has been intending are for us to continue because it's been really, really successful in advancing people's rental opportunities in the city.

Hardesty: Thank you so much for that, director callahan. My question is so we are funding lawyers to do the work through metropolitan public defenders to actually do the expungement work? Is that correct?

Callahan: We are funding the agency to do that. I believe that they are also using parallels and other legal staff as well as using legal expertise when they need it. I can get you more specific details on the program as it's currently configured if you'd like.

Hardesty: Thank you. I guess my big concern is that we have community organizations who are working with the populations who need the expungement service, and though I support paying lawyers, I really support giving community-based organizations the ability to work with clients so that they actually are getting their records cleaned up. So I am just concerned about whether or not the right people are getting the resources to support people who are going through this process. I'm very much interested in more. Thank you. I appreciate the information.

Callahan: Thank you.

Wheeler: Very good. Thank you, director callahan. Amendment four, motion to amend attachment d, specifically the budget note titled funding for 311 to adjust the deadline for passage of resolution and to remove the bureau specific references. So it will say this, funding for 311. The council is committed to establishing a 311 program for the city of Portland but a decision point remains regarding the size and scale of this program. The council directs the office of management and finance and the office of community and civic life to work with council offices on a resolution that confirms the details including size, scope, additional fte funding requirements and implementation timeline of the 311 program. The resolution shall be before council prior to October 1, 2019, so that council agreement on the scale and cost of the program is achieved prior to fiscal year 2021

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budget development. Upon passage of a resolution, the council further directs cbo, the city budget office to increase current appropriation level of the program to fund the one-time and ongoing costs of the 311 implementation as part of the fiscal year 2021 budget process.

Fritz: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion and a second from commissioner Fritz. Item number five, motion to allocate \$85,000 in general fund resources to Portland parks and recreation for the maintenance of transit mall planters. Allocate \$85,000 in one-time general fund resources to Portland parks and recreation for the maintenance of transit mall planters. The funding source for this action is a one-time reduction of unrestricted general fund contingency. Amend attachments b, c, d as necessary. So moved.

Fritz: Second.

Wheeler: Second by Commissioner Fritz. Number six, motion to allocate \$14,000 in general fund resources to the Portland parks and recreation bureau for the poet beach program administration. Allocate \$14,000 in one-time general fund resources to Portland parks and recreation to administer programming at poet's beach. The funding source for this action is a one-time reduction of unrestricted general fund contingency. Amend attachments b, c, and e as necessary. So moved.

Eudaly: Second.

Wheeler: Second from Commissioner Eudaly. Number seven, motion to allocate \$17,000 in general fund resources to prosper Portland for the venture Portland effort. Allocate \$17,000 in one-time general fund resources to prosper Portland for venture Portland. The funding source for this action is a \$17,000 reduction in special appropriations for the frog ferry water taxi feasibility study. Amend attachment b, c, and e as necessary. So moved.

Eudaly: Second.

Wheeler: Second from Commissioner Eudaly. Number eight, motion to allocate \$900,000 in recreational cannabis tax resources to the office of community and civic life. Allocate \$900,000 in one-time recreational cannabis tax resources to the office of community and civic life for grants and small business development work. The funding source for this action is a \$900,000 reduction in recreational cannabis tax fund contingency. Of this contingency draw, \$659,600 is currently unallocated and \$240,400 is redirected from the bureau of transportation vision zero project originally funded in 2017-18, the fiscal year. Amends attachments b, c, and e as necessary.

Hardesty: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion and a second from Commissioner Hardesty. Number nine, motion to allocate \$133,000 in general fund resources to the Portland housing bureau's rental services office. Allocate \$133,000 in general fund resources to the Portland housing bureau's rental services office to augment efforts around education, outreach and communication. The funding source for this action is \$133,000 reduction in special appropriations for the frog ferry water taxi feasibility study. Amend attachments b, c, and e as necessary.

Eudaly: Second.

Wheeler: A motion and a second from Commissioner Eudaly. Don't worry, we only have 74 more of these. We're almost there. Just kidding. Just kidding. I write my own material here. Number ten, motion to allocate \$35,000 in general fund resources to the regional arts and culture council for cultural mapping work. Eliminate \$180,000 in one-time reduction to the regional arts and culture counsel and reduce \$180,000 for the cultural mapping project. Allocate \$35,000 in one-time general fund resources to the regional arts and culture council, rac, to design database architecture for the initial phase of the cultural mapping project. The funding source for this action is a one-time reduction of unrestricted general fund contingency. The city's contract with rac will be adjusted as a result of this increased

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allocation. Additionally, the proposed budget included a one-time reduction of \$180,000 to rac, which was used to fund \$180,000 for the cultural mapping project. The approved budget shall eliminate the one-time reduction to rac and the corresponding funding for the cultural mapping project. In total the project will be funded with \$35,000 in one-time resources that is funded by a reduction to general fund unrestricted contingency. Amend attachments b, c, and e as necessary.

Eudaly: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion, second from Commissioner Eudaly. Commissioner Fritz, you have an amendment?

Fritz: I just have a question on the previous one on the rac.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: It seems like we're not taking the \$180,000 one-time.

Kinard: What was included in the approved budget as filed was 180,000 reduction to the rac allocation that was going to be used for the cultural mapping project as well as some other endeavors. So they are eliminating that proposal, that \$180,000 will go back to rac.

Fritz: Where is that money coming from?

Kinard: It's part of the rac allocation. Essentially the rac allocation was reduced to pay for these processes now the rac allocation will be, that \$180,000 will be part of the rac allocation.

Fritz: When I'm not so tired, I'll need that explaining again. You seem very confident so I will keep going. I have a motion to – I move to allocate \$70,000 in general fund resources to the bureau of development services for historic resources review. Allocate \$70,000 of one-time general fund resources to bureau of development services to subsidize costs associated with providing historic resource review and allow fees to remain at levels better aligned with the type of structural change. The funding source for this action is a one-time reduction of \$70,000 to unrestricted general fund contingency. Amend attachments b, c, and e as needed.

Fish: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion and a second from Commissioner Fish. Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. I motion to increase funding for Portland parks and rec to avoid layoffs. I have two options. Option one, allocate \$2,360,000 in one-time general fund resources to Portland parks and recreation. These funds will support staffing costs to help avoid layoffs of approximately 45 employees in fiscal year 2019-2020. The funding source for this increase appropriation is a one-year freeze cost of living adjustment for those making \$80,000 or more. This change would save 39 jobs at Portland parks and rec. The city budget office will reduce compensation set-aside by the same amount, nongeneral fund bureau should similarly account for reduced costs as a result of freezing cola for nonrepresented employees. Amend attachments b, c, and e as necessary.

Eudaly: I'll second the motion as a courtesy to Commissioner Hardesty and for the sake of discussion.

Wheeler: We have a motion and a second by Commissioner Eudaly. Commissioner hardesty?

Hardesty: Number two, motion to increase funding for Portland parks and recreation to avoid layoffs option two. Allocate \$2,422,540 in one-time general fund resources to Portland parks and rec. These funds will support staffing costs to help avoid layoffs of approximately 46 employees in fiscal year 2019-2020. The funding source for this increase appropriation is one-time reduction in Portland police bureau's general fund appropriation of \$2,422,540. The reduction is a compromise of 1 million reduction in personnel costs for anticipated vacancy savings and \$1,422,540 reduction in the body worn camera program. Amendment attachments b, c, and e as necessary.

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Eudaly: Again, I second the motion as a courtesy to commissioner hardesty and for the sake of discussion.

Wheeler: Motion and a second by Commissioner Eudaly. Commissioner hardesty.

Hardesty: Number three, motion to eliminate the Portland police bureau's gun violence reduction team by realigning general fund resources and staffing resources to other programs. Eliminate the gun violence reduction team by realigning \$7 million in ongoing general fund resources from the Portland police bureau's cycle of violence reduction program to the bureau's emergency response and problem solving program and the investigations program. The realignment will support the transfer of gun violence reduction team officers and sergeants to patrol. The reassignment of the detectives to other priorities in the investigations program. Amend attachments b, c, and e as necessary.

Eudaly: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion and a second from Commissioner Eudaly. Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you. I will withdraw my motion number four and just leave everything else.

Wheeler: Very good. Colleagues, a number of these amendments impact the police bureau. It's my understanding that chief outlaw is here and assistant chief rush is here and possibly others. Would it be appropriate for us to address some of these police issues at this time?

Hardesty: Mayor, I would like to –

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: I would like to make the case for why I think this is an appropriate reallocation of resources and then I'd be --

Wheeler: Commissioner hardesty.

Hardesty: Happy to hear from the chief and other police –

Wheeler: Very good.

Hardesty: Personnel after that. I thank you, mayor. I thank you, city council members, and I'm very grateful to commissioner eudaly for seconding so that we could have this conversation. As many people know, the auditor's office audited what was formerly the gang enforcement unit. We are now calling it the gun reduction gun violence reduction unit. What we learned from the auditor's report that came out in 2018 was that there is no criteria for Portland police officers to stop, detain, search community members who they believe may be involved in gang activity. The auditor's report shows that 59% of the stops, and this has been consistent since we have been collecting data, are of african-americans, inner city with a 6% african-american population. This is totally unexcusable and it must be addressed. I am happy we have this opportunity in this budget to talk about both how the community wants to be policed and whether or not we're using our limited police resources in a way that benefits all community members. I will quote from the auditor's report. We found that the police bureau cannot demonstrate that these stops were effective. This was because the bureau did not require officers to collect certain information and also did not analyze available data. Gang enforcement officers did not record the reasons why they made stops. The team did not analyze the results of stops such as how many stops led to gun seizures or arrests. Officers did not record how many stops led to contacts with people who were involved in gang activity. We had just this week an update on the audit, that the auditor's office produced, and this is dated May 20, 2019. What we find is that the name of the unit has now been changed. It is now called the gun reduction -- whatever [laughter]. But what we know is that we have the exact same officers who were not effective in stopping gang members now out looking for people who have guns. What we know based on the auditor's update is that again there is no criteria for who is being stopped. There is no analysis of why those stops took place. And what we know is quite frankly is that the

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police bureau has shown that they have no interest in being held accountable by the people that they are sworn to protect and serve. The only thing that has changed so far is the name of this particular unit, and it is my -- the gun violence reduction team operates just like the gang enforcement team operated. It's using the same type of criteria to make stops, and one of my biggest concerns is that we continue to have this category that's called mere conversations. I have been having this dialog with the police bureau for well over a decade. I am supposed to believe that people can walk away from a police officer who has asked them to stop and I have never met a black or brown person who felt safe turning their back on a police officer when they have been asked to stop. Therefore, I think we have an obligation to make sure that everyone in this community feels safe in their interaction with law enforcement and if as daryl turner says we're desperate for patrol officers, these 28 officers being retrained and put into patrol positions makes the most sense to me. I look forward to hearing from the chief and others about why this is not the best use of our limited public safety dollars.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty, I appreciate this conversation because there is much misinformation in the community about the gun violence reduction team and this gives us an opportunity to clarify it for the record.

Eudaly: Mayor?

Wheeler: Commissioner Eudaly.

Eudaly: Before you move on to staff I would like to add some comments.

Wheeler: Please.

Eudaly: I share some of commissioner Hardesty's concerns and I have some additional concerns. First I just want to express my ongoing frustration with the police bureau and the lack of data outcomes and ultimately justification for how they determine appropriate staffing levels and how they allocate their resources. As a transportation commissioner I'm particularly concerned with the fact Portlanders are about four times more likely to die in a traffic collision than they are to be murdered. Yet our traffic division is grossly underfunded and understaffed while we have I think 28 officers devoted to the gun violence -- sorry. The agency formerly known as GET.

Hardesty: Gun Violence Reduction Team.

Eudaly: Thank you. Reduction. I'm going to write it down.

Hardesty: That's a mouthful.

Eudaly: Look, it takes a while for everyone. I mean we get called the wrong names all the time, so. So it's just personally hard for me to justify having dozens of officers on the gun violence reduction team when traffic division is so grossly understaffed. Additionally I don't believe the concern about racial profiling from the auditor's initial report have been adequately addressed. The concept of gangs is heavily racialized and I'm concerned that the pivot attempted by the gun violence reduction team doesn't resolve the issues related to the over policing of black communities in Portland. I want to acknowledge that some impacted community members appreciate the relationships they have developed with some members of the gun violence reduction team and specifically appreciate the form of community policing they are bringing. I appreciate that this unit receives additional training on how to better connect with community, but I would urge all of PPD to adopt these training and standards. There's no reason to restrict it to one division. We -- I want to acknowledge the mayor this is a complicated and challenging conversation to try to have amidst our budget hearing. I'm open to the notion that we may need a few officers that specialize in gang activity because we do have gangs in Portland. They are not all black. They are not all people of color. There are white gangs as well. But I'm really struggling with the allocation of funds for this task force. Or team.

Wheeler: Fair enough. Let me start by making a couple of quick points as the chief and her team come forward on this particular issue. The first of which is I fault myself that my

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colleagues don't know more about this program. That's on me. It's my job to inform them about the program. I find it hard to understand how my colleagues could understand the substance of a program when they don't even know the name of the program. [shouting]

Eudaly: Oh. Wow.

Wheeler: I think it's entirely fair. I think it's entirely fair.

Eudaly: It was called the gang enforcement team.

Wheeler: Well here's the deal. It's not. It's the gun violence reduction team and in September of 2017, Portland police bureau, and this has been reported to the council formerly rescinded the gang designation policy. That was done out of request of the community. It was due to identification of that as being a problem by the auditor and it was done. During the last year significant changes were implemented in response to the audit on the gang enforcement team investigations and the get patrol released by the city officer. Ppb does not utilize the at risk tool which is identified as the major problem with the old gang enforcement team. So the core platform that was used by that effort no longer exists. The auditor raised I think some very valid concerns but not necessarily concerns I agree with. For example, the mere interactions that you mentioned, commissioner Hardesty, you're right, this has been a huge issue for decades. The police bureau does not collect data on that and the reason they don't collect data, think about the alternative on this. You're walking down the street and a police officer has a mere association, mere interaction. Good morning. Do you really want them to collect your id? Do you really want them to ask your race. Do you really want them to ask your gender and how you self-identify? I would argue no. That gets into the realm of creepy. Number two, the auditor identified some issues specific to data related to gang nexus. Gang interactions. We don't collect that data anymore. So there's no way we can possibly provide that information. So as you read the auditor dinging us for the collection of data, just ask yourself the legitimate question. Do you really want that data collected? I thought that's why we moved away from and that's why we got rid of the utilizing the most at risk tool. I applaud the work that the police bureau has done over the last year to not only respond to the needs of the community but to respond to the degree that they can and the degree that I believe they should to the audit. I would like the chief, she's our expert, I would like her to come down and share whatever thoughts she may have.

Hardesty: So mayor, while the chief is coming up –

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you. I want to clarify something you said. First I just want to sanction you on being disrespectful to commissioner Eudaly and myself. [applause] The second thing I want to remind the public of is that what is being called mere conversations are our kids in this community being asked where they are going, where they are coming from, having their backpack checked, asking for i.d. That is not mere conversation. That is a stop. When black and brown people are confronted by people with weapons they do not think that they are free to turn around and walk away. We know what the repercussions of that behavior is. It is not pretty. And so I do want to have a real conversation about having accountability measures from our police. The fact that the police changes the name of units, they change how they collect data, because they do not want to be held accountable to the same standards that we set for every other bureau in the city of Portland. So I am really disappointed, mayor, that you would take the opportunity to take a pot shot –

Wheeler: Okay, well, let –

Hardesty: At your colleagues.

Wheeler: So I want to keep this to the budget discussion, but Commissioner Eudaly, I do apologize. I do apologize.

Wheeler: Commissioner --

Hardesty: Oh, to her but not to me?

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Wheeler: I'm turning to you and if you'd stop interrupting me, Commissioner, I could get to it. I apologize to you too but here's the deal. I have listened while we cast aspersions on the employees of the city and not give them the opportunity to defend themselves. Let's hear them out. Let's hear them out.

Eudaly: I'm sorry, once again, questioning staffing levels, allocation of resources, policies and procedures of the police bureau is not disparaging individual officers. I have stated time and time again that I respect the hard work of many of our officers. I recognize the work is stressful. It is dangerous. And I just refuse to allow this narrative continue from the union, the bureau or the mayor that I can't have differing opinions without dismissing and disparaging the entire bureau. That's not what this is about.

Wheeler: Fair enough.

Eudaly: This is smart allocation of our limited resources based on data, not on fear.

Hardesty: Thank you.

Wheeler: Fair enough. Thank you. Commissioner, I apologize. Commissioner, I apologize. Let's get to the budget. Chief, welcome. Welcome to our world

Danielle Outlaw, Chief of Police, Portland Police Bureau: Thank you. So, Danielle Outlaw, Chief of Police, Portland Police Bureau. I have with me commander Andy Shearer, who is currently the commander over our tactical operations division under which the gun violence reduction team is housed and I also have with me captain Brian Ossenkop who is in our strategic services division that is responsible for collecting the stop data as relates to the work with GVRT. So I'm going to turn it over to commander Shearer very briefly to give a little bit of background of the gun violence reduction team, and then I'll turn it over to captain Ossenkop to talk about our efforts in stop data and the analyses of the data that we are collecting.

Andy Shearer, Portland Police Bureau: Thank you, chief, thank you mayor, commissioners for this opportunity. I'm going to go through some of the changes that we've implemented over the last year and a half or so, primarily since the audit came out. In September 2017 Portland police bureau rescinded the gang designation in response to community concerns about equity and fairness. That policy had been in place for I think almost 20 years. During 2018 we made several significant changes that were implemented in response to the gang enforcement team investigation audit and the get patrol audit by the auditor's office. Immediately after the audit came out we ceased utilizing the at risk tool that identifies the most active gang members. We have since increased collaboration among all of our partners and stakeholders and meeting regularly with members of our attorney's office, Multnomah county DA's office, the mayor's office of youth violence prevention. Several months ago, we actually visited Oakland PD and met with the California partnership for safer communities to learn more about nationally recognized best practices regarding reducing gun violence. In the fall we acquired some very costly technology at no cost to the city of Portland or the taxpayers of Portland related to the national integrated ballistic information network. That was through a partnership with alcohol, tobacco and firearms, that allows us to use cutting edge technologies that analyze evidence to generate investigative leads to help identify serial shooters in our community. Since the fall when we acquired that technology, we have entered over 384 shell casings, reviewed over 1,000 shell casings and testified 222 firearms that had been recovered by Portland police officers and entered into the system. As a result of these tests, we have generated over 80 investigative leads through our technology that connect multiple shootings together that occurred in our community. We have begun to review, track and assign all shooting cases as part of GVRT where prior to that we only investigated shooting cases that had a gang nexus. Because of this new approach we increased the investigative resources by doubling the detectives in the division from six to 12. Communication has increased significantly. We conduct biweekly shooting reviews to review and discuss every shooting

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in the city with our state, local and federal partners to better identify trends and intervention to prevent future violence. Additionally, that information sharing with the office of youth violence prevention has increase to help facilitate outreach services to those most affected by gun violence. 2018 also brought the Portland area crime gun initiative to Portland. It's a partnership and increased communication and cooperation with many of our partners I mentioned earlier. The goal of this collaboration is to conduct investigations and preventing retaliatory violence, disrupting the shooting cycle, improving community safety and improving community trust in law enforcement. We implemented a policy of collecting and entering 100% of all recovered firearms and shell casing for entry into our new forensic network, and then in February of this year the gang enforcement team and the gun task force were combined and we named it the gun violence reduction team. The focus of the unit is to take a more comprehensive approach that aims to reduce violent gun crime rates in the city of Portland. The policy change began in 2018 but the name change took place in February of this year to more accurately reflect the nature of the work of the unit. Today the focus is solely on violent gun crime not just crime committed by gang members as have been investigated in the past. Approximately two months ago the Portland police bureau in partnership with the mayor's office of youth violence prevention began a process with the assistance of an independent group that is reviewing past 100 homicides in the city and past year's worth of nonfatal shootings to provide an analysis of the state of gun violence that has occurred in the city of Portland. This analysis will help guide us in focusing most effective methods for violence reduction going forward to include intervention and pro social services for those most at risk or impacted by gun violence. To put some context around this, between January of this year and may third of this year, there's been 130 shootings in the city. We are averaging almost a shooting every single day in the city of Portland. Now not all of those does someone get struck. We're averaging about one person a week that gets struck. There is gunfire occurring in the city that we know about at least once a day. It's entirely possible that there are more shootings that are even occurring that are not reported that we don't even know about. The gun violence reduction team has taken 90 of those shootings while they have triaged every one and assigned them to detectives the remaining 40 have been dispersed out among some other units to include the domestic violence unit which took four shooting cases, homicide have taken six shooting cases, robbery detectives have taken four of them and then precincts have taken the remainder. Since the implementation of this new gun violence reduction team model in October of 2018 the trend line for shootings in the city has trended downward. With two small exceptions, for the first portion of this year we have realized each month has had fewer shootings than the month prior to it. This is a safety agenda that we have developed that I believe is in favor of this community. If this was defunded I believe there would be a decrease not just in clearance rates of shooting but probably an increase in the number of shootings that occur in the city. I don't believe that the patrol officers have the capacity to effectively investigate these types of crimes due to the complexity, the resources and the time required to investigate shooting cases. The shootings don't just traumatize people that are struck by gunfire. There's a number of cases I could talk about where houses get shot up, cars shot up, children are home. People are missed closely on a regular basis. When somebody shoots into a house and there's children sleeping on the couch and bullets go through the back of the couch or through grandma's wall to me there's a trauma that occurs in that household in that whole family on that whole street in that whole neighborhood, throughout that whole community. So it's not just about the people that are struck by gunfire it's about the people that are traumatized and impacted by this violence that's occurring on almost a daily basis in this city. Thank you.

Outlaw: Thank you. Captain ossenkop, do you want to talk about our [inaudible]?

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Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you. I appreciate your presentation. Can you tell me what your clearance rate is on gun violence?

Shearer: 29%. We set a goal for 30% last year. We ended the year at 29%. That will come out in the police bureau annual report that should be out later this year.

Hardesty: Can you also tell me how many white gangs are operating in the city of Portland?

Shearer: I can't tell you that off the top of my head. But what I can tell you is since we got rid of our gang designation policy, we no longer designate people as gang members in the computer so we don't have a way to track that.

Hardesty: However when the auditor came in supposedly in early 2017 you stopped designating gang members, however, the auditors that reviewed your file said that you still were keeping lists of gang members and you also had a list of super gangsters that changed every 30 days. You were providing this information to patrol officers so they could be "safe" when they were out in the community. How are you addressing those issues now that you're no longer keeping these records?

Shearer: It's a challenge because the tool that we used that would essentially assign a point system to people that had been directly involved in shootings through whether it's forensics, shooting scene or been captured with a firearm, there was a point system attached to people just from those three factors alone. The people that had a lot of points over 30 days we felt were at risk for either committing a shooting or possibly getting themselves killed because they were involved in gun fire and could be the victim of retaliatory shootings. Since we rescinded that that's not a tool that the officers have available to them anymore, so it has posed some challenges to us.

Hardesty: It is a tool that had no criteria, though, based on the auditor's report you had no criteria to determine whether somebody was involved in gang activity, so how good of a tool could it be if you had no -- you could not articulate to the auditors what a gang member was and why there was a reason for a stop. So I don't buy the fact that now you don't have that tool so therefore you can't provide that information. Just sayin'.

Outlaw: Was that a statement, madame Commissioner?

Hardesty: That was the question. If you can tell me why that tool is so valuable when in fact you didn't have any criteria to use it in the first place that would be helpful, yes.

Shearer: The criteria for the tool, without getting into a lot of detail, was if you were documented in a police report either arrested with a firearm or at the scene of a shooting, you got a point, points attached to you. People that had multiple points over a 30-day period rose to the top as being either as most at risk for probably being involved in some sort of retaliatory violence. So that was the point system that was used.

Outlaw: I would like to say, too, I think it goes without saying that we may have to agree to disagree. Ppb at the time believed there was criteria and the auditor believed that the criteria was not sufficient which is why we got rid of the system as it was to make sure that we have proper accountability mechanisms put in place prior to that. I do want to give the captain ossenkop though, an opportunity to speak because I think what's really at the crux of this conversation it's not what shouldn't be throwing the baby out with the bath water. The conversation should be how do we utilize resources we have to do the work that needs to be done with the proper accountable mechanisms in place. That's what's missing.

Hardesty: With all due respect chief, I think the real question on the table is whether or not we all experience Portland police the same. And based on the data that I have in front of me, we have totally different experiences when it comes to Portland police. So I need to have confidence that when the police sit in front of me and provide information that I can actually trust that information. Do you know how often I get information from the police that is inaccurate? And when I get information from an outside source it contradicts what I got

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from the police bureau. So that is why I'm asking the questions I'm asking today. Thank you.

Outlaw: You're welcome. Captain Ossenkop.

Wheeler: Very good. Anything further? I think that's it. Sorry.

Outlaw: I so. I want to address the stop data issue.

Ossenkop: So the Portland police bureau is required like every other law enforcement agency in the state of Oregon to report stop data to the state of Oregon. There's a house bill 2355 that tells us exactly, it defines what a stop is legally and the things that we have to collect regarding the stop like date, time, location, stop demographics. So we collect that information on every single stop. I think it's important to understand that when you look at the definition of a stop whether it's a pedestrian stop or a traffic stop, that's intention of a pedestrian or a driver of a motor vehicle that's not associated with a call for service when the detention results in a citation, an arrest or a consensual search. So when we look at stop data and we look at disparity benchmarks in the city of Portland, we literally have three different ones depending on what we're looking at, right. So we have patrol, we have traffic, and then we have gun violence reduction team. So for the gun violence reduction team, the benchmark that we use is gun crime victimization rates. That's the actual bench - - we don't look at census data because it's not appropriate. I think it's important to understand that. Census data doesn't accurately measure the population of drivers or pedestrians in the city of Portland. So which is why we don't look at that 6.1% as far as the population. When you look at those stops, though, definition of a stop, the mere conversation doesn't fit into the definition, the legal definition of a stop that we are required to report to the state of Oregon. How far do you want me to go?

Outlaw: No, that's it.

Wheeler: All right. That's helpful. I don't know if colleagues have any further questions. I want to be mindful of the fact commissioner Fish has to leave soon.

Hardesty: I do. I do have one more question. Thank you very much. I do know that the state definition between a stop and a mere conversation. How many years have you been on the force?

Ossenkop: Coming up on 25.

Hardesty: Coming up on 25? How often do black and brown people feel free to turn around and walk away when a police officer wants a mere conversation in your experience in your 25 years?

Ossenkop: In my experience over stops in mere conversation I think people feel free to leave.

Hardesty: What people are those people? [shouting]

Wheeler: Again, folks, let's --

Hardesty: I'm sorry, I'm sorry. Can you really tell me with a straight face you have never encountered african-americans or latino people fearful of walking away when you ask them to stop?

Ossenkop: What we're talking about are two different things, right? It depends on if it's a stop where someone is not free to leave or if I'm just having a mere conversation with somebody. I would say that for the most part of the people feel as though their free to leave.

Outlaw: Can I just say this last thing? Because I know, for the sake of time, I think that's a very subjective question and answer. Depending who you speak to, we've, and as all of you know there are members who identify as part of gangs that actually spoke in favor of the gvert, that aren't in this room. So I think in fairness, we don't have all perspectives covered. But I would like to share with you what I want to say. We are proactively going to do to make sure that we have accountability mechanisms in place. We're currently looking at an equity lens tool to apply to all of our strategies and it's not just what you

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would see for budget but looking at our deployment models as well, when planning missions in communities affected by gun violence. We're also convening a work group that includes the city attorney's office, policy analyst and gvr personnel to investigate additional data points that we should be collecting, to understand not only why we're doing what we are, but how we're using stops and consent searches. I think it's important to acknowledge that yes, there is a disparity there, and what we should be looking at is why. Why are african-americans being stopped, searched, detained at higher rates than others? Specifically as it relates to searches and what rates, recovery rates are. So as it relates to consent searches we're going to be looking at the information that we collect to make sure that we're pinpointing and that we're not just using the laws disparately. Lastly, I think it's important for us to continue to educate community on their rights and knowing their rights as relates to consent searches and when you can walk away and what a mere contact is. I want you to know that we're not just taking the information and shelving it. We're being proactive in making sure that we're looking at policies to make sure we're not contributing to the problem.

Hardesty: Thank you, chief, if I may. I just want to say I thank all of you for your testimony but I'm really disappointed once again that there's not an honest conversation about how communities perceive police and how the difference between what may be okay in a white middle class neighborhood is not okay when you're interacting with african-americans and latinos. The fact that you can't even acknowledge that there's a difference troubles me a lot. Thank you for your testimony.

Fritz: Mayor? Before you go --

Wheeler: Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: I just want to emphasize what chief outlaw just said which is that not everybody who is affected is in the room today.

Outlaw: Thank you.

Fritz: And thank you for having members of the gun reduction team and former gang members, people who identified themselves as former gang members, people of color made themselves available to me and my staff. They talked about the importance of the presence of these officers in the community and what they do to deter gun violence activity. They repeatedly called out that the officers work really hard to develop a relationship with them, not just those involved in the gun violence but with their families and communities as well, and they stressed how important this is when working with high risk individuals keeping people safe. These are the people who are affected, who are the community members who were reporting that they would rather be stopped by somebody from the gun violence reduction team rather than another Portland police bureau officer because they know these specialist officers, the officers know each person's story. Another one recalled when an officer visited him and his family to offer condolences when they lost a loved one, and when we're talking about community policing, it seems that the gun violence reduction team has been modeling this for years in developing those relationships. So I heard loud and clear that if we end the gun violence reduction team we better be prepared to replace it with something else immediately or risk leaving communities vulnerable. So what we heard was that the benefits outweigh the imperfections and I believe we need to work on fixing the problems. I will not support defunding this program.

Wheeler: I would like to move us to public testimony. Thank you all. I want to reiterate something I said earlier. I'm not proud of my behavior earlier, commissioner eudaly or commissioner hardesty. I don't even recognize myself sometimes. This is a very emotional issue, it's an important issue. At the end of the day it's a budget conversation. And I let my emotion on this issue get the better of me. You deserve better. Commissioner eudaly, you deserve better, and I apologize. That is not the way I choose to comport myself. And I'm

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disappointed and I'm embarrassed. I'm sorry. Now -- I do hear an opportunity here as well. I hope that what is clear is there's a lot of disagreement and a lot of difference of opinion about what the unit does and how it works and what it should be doing. That's a policy discussion. Regardless of how the vote goes, I think we should engage those policy discussions. They should be public and we should talk about what's being done, how it's being done, how it impacts people in the community and then we won't be put into these situations where we have to have these last-minute back against the wall tough and often emotional conversations. That's not a good way to create public policy. That's my pledge to you. Most importantly, the relationships on this council are paramount to me. Whether we agree or disagree or anything in between. I want you to know that and I apologize.

Hardesty: Apology accepted.

Wheeler: Thank you. I appreciate that.

Eudaly: Thank you, mayor.

Wheeler: So, the best part of the day now comes down to public testimony. How many people do we have signed up Karla who'd like to testify on any of the budget, any of these amendment items?

Moore-Love: 57.

Wheeler: Okay, so let me suggest this.

Eudaly: Commissioner Fish, could you come back around 7:00 for the vote?

Hardesty: We'll still be here.

Fritz: Could you come back after your appointment?

Fish: No.

Wheeler: Ok, so we're not going to be able to get through all the public testimony today. Karla, we're going to need a different day. What can you help us out with?

Fritz: Let's have the budget office come back up. What are their constraints?

Wheeler: They are talking about it. Give us some guidance here.

Hardesty: So just so you know, I'm willing to stay as long as it takes tonight to hear the people that want to talk. [applause]

Wheeler: I am too, but as I mentioned up front commissioner Fish's commitment is immovable. It is a very important, immovable commitment and I want to respect him as well and he deserves to be here for these conversations.

Hardesty: I'm sorry, mayor. I was just merely suggesting that maybe we could hear all the testimony and then we could have another date for the vote because I do think commissioner Fish would have the opportunity to review the video prior to the vote. As just a recommendation.

Kinsella: City council, Ryan Kinsella with the city budget office. So one restriction that we have right now is that we've indicated to the we have to the tax supervising and conservation committee that we would deliver approved budget to them this evening. They have given us an extension until tomorrow morning. If council, what is required today is that council have a quorum and a majority vote on the approved budget and so technically, not all council members need to be here to take the vote to approve it on to the tsc. So for further clarification, the tsc requires I believe 20 days to review the city's budget before they hold a hearing on the city's budget. So that hearing is scheduled, we have basically worked out the dates. That hearing is scheduled for June 11th. I think this is our final deadline for sending the information over to the tsc.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty. Uh Commissioner Fish first.

Fish: Commissioner Hardesty.

Wheeler: Okay, Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: So I have a recommendation that maybe we take 20 people and then see if the council is ready to deliberate in deference to commissioner Fish who has to leave I think for folks who -- for all the people who wanted to testify, if people would just do a hands up

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or thumbs down as people are testifying to give us a sense of where people are on the testimony that's happening? Is that a good option?

Eudaly: I'm going to –

Wheeler: Commissioner Eudaly.

Hardesty: Are people okay?

Eudaly: I would support that. I think that the majority of people who are here to testify are testifying on the parks budget issue. We're well aware of the community's position on that and although I know it's disappointing and frustrating to come down here and not get to say your piece, I think it will be said for you by someone else. [speaking simultaneously]

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish.

Fish: In the spirit of what we're trying to work out here –

Hardesty: Right.

Fish: Which is collegial –

Hardesty: Yes.

Fish: And respectful, I propose we jump in, take the first 20, pause, do some polling of the audience so we make sure that people who are here supporting a position or not are identified then we go right into taking up the amendments. I've got a medical appointment that can't be moved but I can go up to the river's edge in terms of getting to the hospital. So if I can be assured that I'm released by no later than 4:15 then I'm covered. That way we take the first 20, which I say we jump into and not overthink this. Take the temperature of the room, take the amendments up which will be very, now that they have been teed up, is fairly, and fast then go to closing statements.

Wheeler: I think that's good and what we'll do is if you hear somebody giving the testimony that you agree with please just give us a big thumbs up so we know your feelings are being registered and recorded. If there's somebody who's on an issue that hasn't been discussed we'll ask them to come down and talk. Commissioner Fritz?

Fritz: Mayor, I believe we have people in overflow rooms, is that correct?

******:** Yes.

Fritz: So could we please have some of your staff, one of your staff in each of the overflow rooms so they can report to us about thumbs up and thumbs down?

Wheeler: I'm getting thumbs up from that. Good suggestion. All right, so two minutes each, name for the record. Obviously as much as possible be concise in your testimony. Call the first ones, please.

Moore-Love: The first three are Richard Fedesco, Jennifer Miller and Doug Klotz, and they'll be followed by sam sachs, james paulson and bob gerald.

Fish: Folks, we're really on a tight timeline. So first person who sits down just take the mic and lead us forth. Two minutes.

Wheeler: Go for it.

Richard Fedesco, Rose Quarter: Hello, my name is Richard fedesco. I'm the assistant general manager of the rose quarter which includes veterans memorial coliseum and moda center. I know I'm late to the budget process but we were just made aware of the potential 50% increase to secondary police employment fees. I wanted to explain how significant and detrimental this could be for the rose quarter and the city of Portland. Collectively we welcome over two million patrons annually to the rose quarter, and of the 300+ events we produce each year, roughly 150 of those hire police through secondary employment. We value the significance the police have to our events not only because they minimize risk of these event but they are able to engage with the community in a way that they do not often get to during patrolling the streets of Portland. By employing sufficient levels of police at our events, we relieve the strain we would otherwise impose on the north precinct if we're not adequately staffed. All this is to say the trail blazers, winter hawks, rip city management and the police bureau have a shared interest in keeping these

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patrons who visit these public assembly venues safe from the unfortunate environment that exists today. We believe through this partnership with the bureau that we are doing a good job of keeping our guests safe, however we have more work to do to harden our city's most high profile target. While we're sensitive to the understaff nature and the lack of sufficient funding the hard working men and women of the bureau, the proposed increase in rates to staff the necessary police at the rose quarter events would be damaging to our operational budget. Should a catastrophic event occur it would not behoove us to have insufficient police presence onsite to respond immediately. The negative impact from a pr perspective not only for the rose quarter but for the city Portland would be detrimental, the economic impact the rose quarter events brings to the city would not survive a major event. None of us could withstand the public perception of the coliseum or the moda center are unsafe spaces to enjoy entertainment and civic events. As I mentioned previously, we greatly value our partnership with the bureau, the services they provide the rose quarter and look forward to collectively finding a solution to all of our situations. I appreciate the time and hope you reconsider the need for the partnership for secondary employment at events at the rose quarter.

Doug Klotz: My name is doug Klotz, mayor and commissioners. I originally came here to talk about commissioner hardesty's earlier proposal which sounds like it's still very similar which is do not fund gang violence reduction team, terminate the body camera program and also there were items in there about removing restoration of mt tabor reservoir, etc, but to use that funding to restore the parks bureau budget and also to fund an anti-displacement implementation plan and provide funding for community groups. I see there is a \$200,000 item in there for anti-displacement but we can use more of that. The conversation today, though, brought up a memory of mine from a neighborhood association in a white middle class neighborhood in the southeast where the neighborhood officer was describing these "mere conversation stops". I meant that's a legal term, mere conversation. He said, well, if we don't really have the legal grounds to stop somebody we use this mere conversation tool that we can get them talking and maybe we'll find out something, we can then say, aha, now we have information to do a legal stop. So it sounded really disingenuous, dishonest way to run a policing outfit. Using this thing --

Fish: Folks, can you hold for a sec. When we click our fingers we make it very hard for the person to be heard in this room. When we use our hands we can be seen and your support and your actions, so please let's use our hands, not our fingers because it really does make it very difficult to be heard.

****: Can you see us up here?

Hardesty: Yes, we can.

Fish: Yes we can.

Hardesty: We see you.

Klotz: So I'll finish up. So anyway, so even as a privileged white person I would feel hesitant to walk away when the police officer says can I talk to you, sir. I am not comfortable with the way policing is done.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good afternoon.

Sam Sachs: Good afternoon. Mayor wheeler, members of the council. My name is sam sachs. I'm here to speak in support of the gun violence reduction team. Over the past few weeks the narrative surrounding the gvert is that all they do is target black people in our community. I want to offer a different perspective. I'll start with good news. Over three years my organization the no hate zone and noho marches, have held dinners once a month called breaking break, breaking barriers, specifically focused on bringing together communities of color and the police to build -- can you stop my time, please?

Wheeler: I'm sorry?

Sachs: Commissioner hardesty, should I wait for her to come back?

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Wheeler: No.

Sachs: Okay, sorry about that. It's a little disruptive. Specifically focused on bringing together communities of color and the police to build relationships and break down barriers. We've served hundreds of thousands of people. The unit has attended blazers games, hockey games, they've been involved in discussions and two screenings of the hate you give. Discussions with the chief and others officers about race and policing. These are not monsters hunting down black people in our community. These are human being, fathers, coaches and people they work with are committed to working with the community to save lives. Before I close up I want to talk about one statistic that I requested from the city of Portland. In the last ten years there have been 247 homicides, 141 of those homicides were by a firearm. 56 of those were minorities under the age of 40 years. That's 40% of the homicides by firearm are minorities under age 40. We have a public health crisis in our community and that's something we should address. Getting rid of the gun violence reduction team will only negatively impact communities of color. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good afternoon.

Moore-Love: Is there a Jennifer miller? Okay, let's go with james Paulson, bob gerald, and grace serbu. And they'll be followed by john moore, haley scholberg and moxi wang.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

James Paulson: Good afternoon. My name is james Paulson. I'm a board member of the friends of frog ferry. I have a suggestion that might be able to help you out with your timing. We have a number of people who have signed up to testify, and we have talked amongst ourselves and we could consolidate our group so that we could do all of our testimony in just a couple of minutes if you would allow us to do that.

Fritz: Go, keep going.

Eudaly: Yeah.

Fritz: No just keep going --

Grace Serbu: Commissioners, mayor wheeler, my name is grace serbu. I live in Portland and I've been on ferries in other cities and find them a wonderful alternative to cars. When I heard susan bladholm was spearheading a ferry system between vancouver and Portland, I got involved because it's a visionary and a very timely opportunity. As a city we should take advantage of her time and the many people that are helping her. I consider this project important for the city to fund because for one thing 900 citizens plus 80 industry experts and eight teams of citizens are already moving this forward. Both projects have always funded – have always needed to be funded by the public and city endorsement requires funding. We're asking for \$200,000 for feasibility studies. It's important that the city participate in the project. It is not a private enterprise. It's a city project spearheaded by citizens wanting to create a new visionary, bold ferry system. But this is a time sensitive opportunity. Folks want options in transportation and welcome the work being done by private citizens but this needs to be a public-private partnership. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Susan Bladholm: Thank you so much. Commissioners, mayor Wheeler, are you okay if we have our group approach here and then that way it'll save everyone time?

Wheeler: Just to stand? Sure. That's fine.

Bladholm: If you would all stand so you can get a sense. I know a lot of us are in green today including commissioner hardesty. Thank you. Susan bladholm founder friends of frog ferry. I didn't set out to start a passenger ferry service but our transit system we have today is not sufficient. We know a healthy transportation infrastructure is central to a healthy community. We have provided you with 50 letters of support that you have in front of you and an outline of interactions for the past 22 months with the city. Two years ago we wondered would a public passenger ferry service work here. We learned it was possible

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but our transit agencies didn't want to take it on. At every meeting people told me they loved the idea that they wanted to help and that I should lead it and I should ask myself, if not me, then who? We're a group of civically minded citizens who believe that together, we can bring an innovative, low cost, financially viable, environmentally friendly new mode of transit to the region. Of our supporters here today I only knew two of them 18 months ago. We can do this the Portland way, buck traditional white employee base and create a micro maritime industry with a focus on hiring people of color. We can work with our public transit agency partners augment our transit grid and provide more connections. We have delivered \$700,000 in value at no cost to taxpayers to date. We have coalesced nearly 1,000 supporters and stakeholders, we've convened more than 400 meetings. We have created eight volunteer expert teams in addition to our nonprofit board. After two years of doing the work and self-funding we're asking for your participation to help cover some of the hard costs. Public transportation is expensive but we can leverage your investment to match with other funding source, especially federally. The cost benefit would be exponential for our region and mayor wheeler, thank you for including us in your budget proposal. Again I didn't set out to start a passenger ferry service initiative but here we are. I doubt you grew up knowing you wanted to serve on Portland city council. But here you are. We respectfully ask for your support. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Thanks all of you for being here. Next three, please, Karla.

Moore-Love: I think I'm on John Moore? I need to get Jennifer Miller with the 8th graders? Is it just one person?

Dylan Powell: The rest had to go back to school.

Moore-Love: Come on up. Sorry about that. Did Bob Geraldini or Grace Serbu -- Grace?

Hardesty: Feel free to come up inside.

Moore-Love: John Moore. You were Grace?

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Powell: Hi. I'm Dylan Powell, I'm an 8th grade student from Cottonwood School of Civics and Science and though my class may not have been able to stay this long, we have been working on a project called Project Citizen. We identify a problem in our community and find a public policy service based solution to it. We chose homelessness and hygiene as our problem and we have been researching this topic for the past few weeks. According to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development in 2018 there was an estimated 14,476 people experiencing homelessness on any given day in Oregon. According to Katherine Lindsay, around 16,000 in Portland. When you're living on the streets hygiene is a big issue. You have virtually nowhere safe to put your belongings and nowhere reliable to shower and do your laundry. If you and your clothes are dirty it can be harder to get a job and therefore harder to get off the streets. Everything sort of goes downhill from there and Portland's homeless crisis continues. We're here to ask you to vote yes to the proposed hygiene package on the budget that would allocate \$1 million to funding for hygiene. Katherine Lindsay in her report for the Mayor City of Portland Hygiene Service Delivery Expansion Strategies outlines three possible places this money could go. These hygiene centers she describes will help people get ways to shower and wash their clothes and go to the bathroom. It would be highly beneficial to our homeless population because it will help wash their clothes and therefore reduce trash. Because a lot of the trash produced by people experiencing homelessness is dirty or wet clothes. As with no way to wash or dry the clothes it's easier to just dump them. It would also give them showers and safe places to go to the bathroom, which would help them get jobs, prevent the spread of disease and reduce time and money the city needs to spend to clean up trash and human waste. The money from this proposed budget could put a big dent in the hygiene problems that Portland's homeless population experiences and help make the city cleaner. Your vote would give us a big opportunity help people experiencing homelessness because they

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can't solve this problem themselves and we have the problem to help them. Their problems are our problems too.

Wheeler: Thank you. [applause] Commissioner Hardesty.

Moore-Love: Next three -

Hardesty: I just want to thank you so much. You know how hard it is for adults to come and talk in this building? [cheers and applause] You attend a special school, and I thank you for representing your school so well here today.

Powell: You're welcome and thank you. [applause]

Moore-Love: The next three are Emily golden-fields, tommy Thompson and William zeigler. They'll be followed by ryan sotomayor, christina harris, and troy broat? [laughter] Thank you.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Amy Fox: Good afternoon, commissioners, mayor. My name is amy fox. I'm speaking on behalf of emily golden-fields today. So you were talking about a budget and things have gotten heated, but as you know, a budget is a moral document. It says where your values lie. And what matters to you as a community. In our community, funding parks is so important having open spaces, having community centers is the heartbeat of the city. I know some of our community centers aren't as beautiful as the new, giant ones that you guys have been building, but they are ours and they have been around, some of them for 100 years. They are the heartbeat of our community and where we are. Just think about how hard Portlanders fought to keep the carpet at the Portland airport because it's part of who we are, right? Well, these community centers are just that. It's the same thing. Not funding them because they are needing repair, we have got to figure out something, we're asking for just one more year while we look for other alternatives that we don't have permanent closures and privatization. There's got to be a way. There's so much money I see in the city and there has to be a way to figure out how to fund our community centers. Thank you so much for your time. I really appreciate it.

Wheeler: Thank you for your testimony.

Moore-Love: Tommy Thompson, William Zeigler, christina harris, troy, David nguyen, mary England. I'm just calling some names. So if you hear your name, either come down or be ready to speak.

Wheeler: I got a couple of updates also from people in the overflow rooms. There was a gentleman who testified against gvr, six thumbs up. In the another room seven opposed to gvr. Out of 18, four thumbs up for the testimony on hygiene. Good afternoon.

Tommy Thompson: Good afternoon. Thank you for having me. My name is tommy thompson, I'm a recreational leader for fitness at east Portland community center. In my time at east Portland community center, I developed several programs to support our patrons. on wellness Wednesdays I spend an hour providing free blood pressure screenings to some of portland's most historically underserved and at risk populations. Through the smart program, I offer free wellness consultations, training plans and follow up sessions. The idea is to break down barriers to health. If our community is at risk for high blood pressure and diabetes, well let's bring the screenings there to our community centers. Let's give folks individualized attention so they feel successful when they leave the gym. You shouldn't have to be wealthy to get one on one training from a fitness professional. If we're looking at the current health epidemic from the perspective of improving equity and inclusion, it is imperative that we make the investment in our community's well-being by providing exercise professionals who can serve those who most need it. Unfortunately the proposed budget if adopted will send us in the opposite direction, eliminating all recreation leaders from the fitness position of the city. The city of Portland deserves an award winning parks and rec system. Since this has happened this budget crisis I have done my research around the united states. Everyone bases their park and

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rec system off of us. Do we want to move backward or do we want to evolve? That's my question to city council. I think we need to evolve. Portland deserves and wants award winning parks and rec and that's what we're doing for the city of portland. We wish to continue doing that for the city of Portland. Thank you very much.

Fish: Mayor?

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish.

Fish: Can I just, because I think we're going to start hearing from some incredibly valued employees of the parks bureau and I want to share some information briefly which I think is relevant. We take very seriously this responsibility about the potential for layoffs and for losing valued employees. That's why in January we put a freeze on lots of positions because we were heading the wrong direction financially. We took a lot of vacant positions and didn't fill them. We're working with human resources, mayor, and your team very closely. We have come up with innovative strategies for how to retain employees. I just want to share one piece of news. This is not intended, I don't want you to extrapolate this completely, but I asked of those people under the mayor proposed that may be subject to layoffs as of July first, which would be the first wave, I asked what are we doing to ensure that we don't lose those people? So taking a look at vacancies within the bureau, that's before we look at vacancies within the city because that would be the next step. Many people would have rights to look at vacancies in the city but I'm greedy. I want to keep valued employees within represented positions that are equivalent within the bureau. I'm pleased to report to you that fully one half of people who may be looking at a layoff under the mayor's proposed budget as of July first would be moving to positions within the parks bureau in equivalent classifications. That's our first cut. That's the first thing we have done. Obviously we can't do a lot before the budget is actually adopted and we know what hand we're dealt, but it's a sign of the good -- a down payment on a commitment I want to make to you because the people who do recreation services create great value for the city. We have a plan, and our goal is to retain as many employees as possible in other positions.

Thompson: Could I respond? I have 30 seconds left. Basically so speaking to who will be laid off in July that's me and the other fitness rec leaders. The city of Portland just recently started getting fitness professionals' expertise in these departments to help run them and manage them. If you were going to open a bakery would you hire someone to run it who doesn't like bread, has never eaten bread and actually has a gluten allergy? That's what the city of Portland wants to do with their fitness program.

Fish: You put it that way. Anyway, but it has been framed in terms of protecting jobs which I care deeply about.

Thompson: I understand that.

Fish: And protecting family wages and what I want you to know that the director and I have made a commitment to try to preserve as many jobs as we can within the parks bureau.

Thompson: Thank you.

Hardesty: Mayor?

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Just quickly, thank you, commissioner Fish, for that. When I talked to human resources this week they told me ten people would lose their job as of July first and there were another 40 that would lose their job as of September first. So unless they have done something radically different than what they told me just less than 24 hours ago, I would be very concerned about whether or not those are real numbers or those are numbers that are just moving every time we talk.

Fish: Well here are the numbers. There are 16 people that may be eligible for layoffs as of July -- and I don't want to take away from people's time because we only have a few more minutes. 16 positions as of July first if the budget is adopted. That's 14 that are occupied

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and the bureau has found seven positions within the bureau that are equivalent classifications where those people could be moved. Those are current numbers. Anyway, please. Continue.

William Zeigler: Hello. My name is William Zeigler. I testified a couple of times on behalf of parks and recreation. I'll just get into it. 13 years ago at the age of 15 I started working my first job with Portland parks and recreation as a swim instructor teaching preschool age children basic swim and water safety skills. I was a little rough around the edges at first as many teenagers are but as time went on I grew not only as an instructor but as a person. Throughout the next 13 years I added a plethora of responsibilities and experiences to my plate. I helped run swim lessons for three years at Mt. Scott community center. Taught guitar lessons to people of all ages, helped navigate patrons through our scholarship system and encouraged younger generations of parkgoers to be the best that they can be. Now 13 years later as a full-time benefited employee of the southwest community center I help run the rental department with a team full of supportive, well-adjusted coworkers. Today I face losing -- we face losing the jobs that helped shape us into who we are today. The skills and services I have provided have literally saved lives of Portland residents. I have run into families of children I taught to swim and had them thank me for the skills their child remembered in dangerous open water. I have had residents cry tears of joy because of the support I have given their family as a parks employee when they needed it most. I have even witnessed some of my past students grow up to be employees themselves. I'm not the only workers facing these cuts who have brought these kinds of supports to our wonderful residents. Throughout the 28 years of my life I have fractured 82 bones and have had 30 operations. I have a bone disease called osteogenesis imperfecta but I always found myself lucky to be as optimistic as I am and also have a job that would take care of me if I ever broke again. The thought of losing these benefits and support overwhelms me with fear and disappointment. Please reconsider your cuts to park and rec. Losing the services we provide would be infinitely greater than any amount of money you could imagine.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Christina Harris: Hi. Mayor Wheeler and commissioners. For the sake of brevity I'm not going to read this letter in its entirety but instead the organizations and people that have signed on to it

Fish: Could you put your name in the record?

Harris: Yes, my name is Christina Harris. We have the Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon, the Metropolitan Alliance for Common Good, Verde, Oregon Working Families Party, Carrie Katiata, the program director of Urban Gleaners, Mary-Margaret Wheeler-Weber, the Portsmouth Association chair, Rachel Burden from Friends of Columbia Park, Gary Berger chair of the Hillside Neighborhoods Association, Alaura Young from the Northwest District Association, Julie Curran of the [inaudible] community center, Gail Hoffnagle of the Sellwood Community Center, Kelsey Owens community activist, Sarah Iannarone from Mt. Scott Arletta Neighborhood Association, Matchu Williams, the board co-chair of the Mount Scott Arletta Neighborhood Association, Daniel Portis-Cathers again from Mt. Scott Arletta Neighborhood Association, Julie Degraw from Portland Forward, Daniel Brown from St. Philip Neri Peace and Justice Commission, Rabbi Debra Kolodny from As the Spirit Moves Us, the Peace and Justice Commission of St. Philip Neri Catholic Parish, Father Jack Mosbrucker from the Archdiocese of Portland, Reverend Dr. David Wheeler from the American -- he's an American Baptist pastor, Joe Rastatter, parish leader of St. Francis Assisi Catholic Church, Reverend John Hasenjaeger, a Presbyterian minister, Reverend Connie Yost from the First Unitarian Portland Church and the Oregon Unitarian Universalist Voices for Justice Tom Chamberlin, the president of the AFL-CIO and others, sorry. I wasn't trying to go over time. I just wanted to say that although this room is small thousands of people. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you very much.

Zeigler: Thank you.

Wheeler: I just wanted to give some update. Number one, apparently I got the number wrong before. It was 14 in the overflow opposed to gvr. All 18 in one of the rooms is for the community center. Very good. I'm told there's only two people left in one of the overflow rooms if they would like to move into the main chamber. I think we, can people raise your hands if you've got empty seats next to you downstairs. We've got a couple

Eudaly: Yeah.

Wheeler: So we have room for people. I don't know how many people are in. Lovejoy only has two people. I don't know how many are in Pettygrove so if Mustafa could text me but if it's just a few. Great.

Kinard: And council I just wanted to let you know we did get an update. We talked with the executive director of tscc, and if council is able to or would like to vote tomorrow at 2:00 p.m. we can get that extension so if you want to continue to hear testimony and have the vote at 2:00 p.m. tomorrow that is another option on the table. I'm sorry we didn't have that earlier for you.

Wheeler: Okay, thank you. That's helpful.

Fish: Jessica, according to the agenda that we have before us, this was originally scheduled for an hour then we moved to prosper Portland's budget then there is another report then there is residential solid waste, so, in fact there's probably an hour or two of additional budget stuff that follows this hearing.

Kinard: It does sound that way, yes.

Fish: I think the way we previously agreed we're one or two panels away from actually beginning deliberations.

Fritz: Yeah, because tomorrow afternoon isn't all that much better really.

Kinard: Sounds like it. Okay.

Fritz: Thank you, though.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Moore-Love: The next group should be troy, David nguyen and mary England.

Hardesty: Please start.

Wheeler: Go ahead.

Fish: Mary?

Wheeler: Mary why don't you start us off.

Mary England: Yeah, hi, I'm mary england. I want to ask you not to close the swimming pool at columbia park. I know you have a lot of budget considerations but I am a taxpayer. I have to kind of look at it from a taxpayer standpoint. And that is, I don't -- I've been told that columbia pool has a deficit that their income does, exceeds the cost and that's why you want to close it. Makes no sense to me as a taxpayer. I don't ask the police bureau to make money and cover their costs. I don't expect the roads to cover their costs by generating revenue. And I don't expect columbia pool to cover its costs by generating revenue. This is a public service that's extremely important to the people in north Portland. I have to tell you that when I was seven years old, I lived about two blocks from the pool. I walked over there and I learned to swim. That was 62 years ago. That pool was very important to me. I had a mother who was a chronic alcoholic. I learned at seven I could do whatever I wanted. I don't think she even knew I was over there. But I went to that pool every single day. It was in the summer because it wasn't covered. It wasn't heated. And the american red cross taught me how to swim. They sponsored swimming lessons at that time. I'm not, I didn't grow up unlike many kids in north Portland growing up today. Not everybody had a parent who was a drug addict or an alcoholic. But most parents in north Portland are struggling in one way or another and they are distracted and they don't have time to take their kids to swimming lessons, sign them up, go through the whole paperwork

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exercise or drive them over to another swimming pool. This is a pool that's really important. And there are no private pools out there as well. So if you close this pool, you are going to be foreclosing the opportunities for a lot of kids that really need this pool.

Fish: Mary, the mayor's proposed budget funds this pool for the next year.

England: Only a year.

Fish: We only do annual budgets, but I'm just saying he funds it for a year.

England: I'm glad to hear that. I hope you can consider doing it from then on.

Fish: Thank you.

Troy Broat: Hi, my name is troy broat. I am a recreation leader, instructor. I have been working with parks and recreation for about six years now. I was made a full-time instructor two years ago. As part of a union arbitration the city was actually sued for having part time workers do the work of full-time employees without paying benefits, living wages and benefits to those workers, so I was made a full-time employee after four years of part-time work. I have been working as an instructor for two years. There's a lot of -- I don't know where you are getting your information but I just want to clarify some things. You are eliminating entire job classifications so there's no bumping involved there. All the instructors are being cut under this budget. And when I say instructor, you might think that I spend all my time teaching kids in a gym. There's so much more that go into my job. I'm maintaining facilities, I'm working the front desk. I have developed an institutional knowledge of this bureau that you are not going to get with a revolving drawer of part time workers, okay. These service are really important to the community and if you make these cuts now they're not going to come back to the level that they are at right now. Ok. Since the arbitration I have been working with passionate people that are really happy about their jobs. And they're really happy to give back to the community because they're being shown respect by management and by you guys. But now, all that's thrown into question. Morale is at an all-time low at the community centers. And I don't see how parks and recreation can come back to be what it is now if you make these cuts. This has been a really overwhelming process. I have been coming to budget hearings for months. And it's really hard for me to sit here and listen to people say we're not actually cutting things. So don't get upset. How can you expect these people not to get upset about these things? These are our lives. The services that I help provide are vital to the working families in this community that can't afford to live here. It's mind boggling to me this is even on the board right now. And I am really upset about it. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. [applause]

Moore-Love: Next three are -- [cheers and applause]

Wheeler: Where are we on the list?

Moore-Love: Pardon?

Wheeler: Where are we on the list?

Moore-Love: We are on roughly, that was the twelfth who spoke, I believe.

Fritz: Where are we on commissioner Fish's timeline?

Fish: In the next five minutes, we have to break to start voting on amendments.

Fritz: We've got a lot of talking to do. [inaudible]

Hardesty: Yeah, I don't think it's maybe possible for us to vote on this today. I don't want to shortchange the deliberation that we are going to have. So I think we may need to have a session tomorrow morning because this, this is vital. I just don't think we can rush it.

Fritz: I don't think we can -- I think we have to give 24 hours' notice.

Hardesty: Is there a legal opinion on that?

Kinard: So, council could take this up tomorrow afternoon although the agenda is full. Council can't schedule a meeting for tomorrow morning at this point.

Fritz: So maybe we should just move to discussion and voting now?

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Hardesty: I don't feel good about us just cutting off. All these people traveled a long distance to be here.

*****: Yes.

Hardesty: I just don't –

*****: -- losing hours at work.

Fish: Tomorrow at 2:00 commissioner eudaly has a whole presentation scheduled that's supposed to last quite some time, so. I mean that's what we are actually functionally talking about. And there's a lot of people coming tomorrow at 2:00 to prepare to talk about renter protections.

Hardesty: I don't know how our calendar got so booked for today and tomorrow. But I mean, I, you know, I will always defer, again, I think -- could we stay tonight and take all the testimony and then actually do the vote and deliberation tomorrow?

*****: Yes, you can.

*****: Yes.

*****: Yes, you can.

Hardesty: I'm asking my colleagues. I need them to agree. I know you guys agree.

*****: It don't matter. You can.

Hardesty: It does matter. Thank you.

*****: It doesn't matter --

Wheeler: So I can do it. The question then is when are we going to deliberate and vote on the budget?

*****: Obligated –

Hardesty: Shh! Please.

*****: Oh, hun –

Hardesty: We are trying to deliberate here. Thank you. We're trying to make a decision.

*****: I called you this morning, jo ann.

Hardesty: I'm deliberating right now, okay?

Wheeler: Let's let the commissioner --

Hardesty: So the question is, actually, you know, I feel that if we try to do it now we will be rushing through this process. I think we owe it to the public to take their time necessary to actually do the appropriate deliberation. So we hear all the testimony tonight. There's no reason why we can't take a half hour tomorrow at 2:00 to actually deliberate before we vote. What do you think, colleagues.

Eudaly: Mayor, I --

Wheeler: Commissioner eudaly.

Eudaly: Can we have a two-minute recess so I can go track down my staff and see -- if there's any room to budge here?

Wheeler: Sure.

Eudaly: I don't know who we have scheduled to appear. It's a big deal. And we have a time certain, so.

Fritz: We have a time certain at 2:00 which is supposed to go on 90 minutes on 82nd so it's not even the rental piece that's next. It's people who have been waiting for months to talk about 82nd avenue but I think my question is to commissioner Fish, as the person who's challenged with medical issues and has been heroic how you have been able to keep pace with the schedule which I'm exhausted by and I don't know how you keep doing it. What's your preference on how to act?

Fish: We've had extensive public hearings on all these issues. My preference, because I know tomorrow is a jammed afternoon and we're just going to make it even more jammed, is that we take another panel and then move to deliberation. I think -- with all due respect, we are well versed in all the issues. People have done an effective job of advocacy at our public forums and at our council meetings. We can have people stand and identify

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themselves around issues. But I think kicking the can to tomorrow creates another problem tomorrow. I agree with commissioner Hardesty, I wish we were not in a predicament where all the stuff is piling on but it is what it is.

Eudaly: Colleagues --

Hardesty: Can we take a five-minute break?

Eudaly: I have gotten a response from staff. I would be perfectly willing to move the hearing, the second reading on fair access in renting, which is scheduled time certain for 3:00 tomorrow. It's been significantly delayed already. So I would want to find out what the next time certain we could get is and not have further delays.

Fritz: That is really gracious. Thank you I know how important that project is to you.

Eudaly: Thank you.

Fish: Are you suggesting we take up the budget at 3:00?

Eudaly: I'm trying to open up a slot for. Sure, whatever needs to happen tomorrow.

Fish: What's the time certain at 2:00, Commissioner Fritz?

Fritz: It's 82nd avenue planning and zoning plan which has been noticed.

Fish: So the options are to compress this hearing and get a vote or to reschedule this for tomorrow at 3:00 and counsel --

Kinard: Continue it.

Fish: Continue it, and we have been advised by the tax supervision, whatever it's called, that, oh, jessica [laughter] – the people that we answer to in terms of budgeting. They said that a vote tomorrow is as good as a vote tonight.

Kinard: Yes. They have said that.

Fish: We have that flexibility.

Kinard: You have the flexibility to have a vote tomorrow. I believe that the primary constraint as you have been discussing is the amount of time that's available tomorrow so that's why testimony would be taken today and it would be just be a vote tomorrow.

Wheeler: If I understand correctly, commissioner Eudaly is very graciously willing to put off fair for a bit.

Eudaly: A short bit, yeah.

Wheeler: A short bit. Then we would continue this hearing to 3:00 p.m. tomorrow and then we can continue the --

Fritz: I think it's 3:30.

Wheeler: Oh, it's 3:30?

Fritz: I think 82nd asked to defer slightly longer.

Wheeler: Yeah, that's correct, 3:30.

Fritz: Many of us can stay to hear the testimony tonight which I am sure commissioner Fish could review.

Fish: And you're going to have a quorum to hear the testimony tonight. Plus you also have three other budget matters that follow this.

Eudaly: The time certain is, [inaudible], published -- [inaudible]

Wheeler: Ok. Good.

Eudaly: It's not my agenda --

Wheeler: Ok. So here's the review of what we have decided to do. So we are not going to take the vote on the budget today. Or take the vote on the amendments today. We will take that vote tomorrow at 3:30. Those of us who can stick around right now will stick around and continue to hear public testimony. At the end of today we're not going to vote but we will continue the hearing to tomorrow. But if you are not here testifying today, you will not have the opportunity tomorrow. Just to be super clear. Today is the testimony.

Kinard: And to be clear there's an additional time certain scheduled for 3:00 p.m. today to approve the annual budget for prosper Portland. Because it was a time certain my

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understanding is that we would need to open that item. You could do the same thing where you take testimony but then continue the vote for tomorrow.

Wheeler: And I don't anticipate nearly as –

Kinard: Ok –

Wheeler: No disrespect, I don't --

Fish: Just to be clear, we're going to take testimony but then close the record on the budget today.

Kinard: I believe you will probably continue the meeting until tomorrow.

Fish: Once testimony is complete.

Kinard: Correct.

Wheeler: Very good.

Fish: The only thing left tomorrow will be a vote on the amendments which include budget notes. And then a vote on the budget –

Eudaly: Thursday –

Fish: And closing statements.

Kinard: Correct.

Fish: Am I correct on that?

Eudaly: [inaudible conversation]

Fritz: [inaudible conversation]

Kinard: And there are tax levies as well, but yes.

Wheeler: Okay so we can continue then with public testimony. Sorry, everybody. Thank you for bearing with us while we sort this out. I want to give a special thanks to commissioner eudaly. She's been working on her presentation for tomorrow for many, many months. And her willingness to be flexible so we can have a thorough public vetting of the budget is to be commended and I appreciate it. Thank you.

Fritz: And if I might suggest that schedulers get working. I just talked to Commissioner Eudaly and thought that an evening hearing either Wednesday or Thursday, so while we are hearing the rest of the testimony perhaps schedulers could be working with the council clerk's office to see if there's a potential date because I think we would need to –

Eudaly: [inaudible]

Fritz: -- to announce that.

Kelsey Owens: Is there any way we and the kids can have a chance to speak for just a second? We've been here a really long time and they're losing it.

Wheeler: People with kids, come on up.

Owens: Great.

*****: [laughter] they're losing it.

Owens: Sit right there --

Fritz: Sorry, we usually, they're not, they're doing very well.

Owens: They're doing really well. We were in the first overflow room and then we were in the balcony and then my daughter liberty here has had about enough.

Xander: Weeee.

Wheeler: She's had enough.

Owens: She's had enough.

Wheeler: Hello, liberty.

Owens: I would really, really, really appreciate –

Fish: You name for the record, ma'am.

Owens: My name is kelsey owens. I am here on behalf of parks and rec. And specifically sellwood where my family and my son here are in preschool five days a week. I actually have a question for all of you. And I know how commissioner hardesty feels on this. But what is the plan for families who are already signed up for next year? What's the plan? What are we -- I mean, we registered. In time. I was up at 7:00 a.m. that morning to make

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sure I got a spot because it's competitive. There are wait lists already at sellwood, at mount scott, at southwest community center, and at woodstock. There are wait lists. And that doesn't include the families at sellwood who are about to get the carpet completely pulled out from underneath them. What's the plan. Mr. Wheeler, I called your office and when I have asked specifically is there a contingency plan, the answer has been there's no contingency plan. That's from your staff and I recorded it.

Wheeler: Well, to be clear, first of all, just for the record --

Owens: Yes.

Wheeler: I don't know -- I'm not the parks commissioner.

Owens: I know.

Wheeler: So I don't actually --

Owens: Well I was calling when I hoping that my influence and the influence of others would have perhaps swayed you to propose something different from commissioner Fish's proposal a couple months ago so that's when I had that conversation.

Wheeler: I have given it my level best shot on the proposed and you can certainly disagree with it and this is your opportunity to say that you do.

Owens: Well, Miss. Hardesty's amendment addresses this issue and it would save us for one more year while we can find other options for the following year, but for 2019 and 2020, Mr. Fish, what do you suggest I do with xander five days a week in the morning when I am supposed to be studying to go back to school in the fall? What should I do? I'm really, I'm genuinely asking you. And I have asked all of your staff, actually. I'm getting to know the people who answer the phone on the first-name basis at this point. Because I am panicking.

Xander: Hey mom.

Owens: There is no back-up plan. And I'm not exaggerating when I say in our part of the city and not just sellwood, I'm talking brooklyn, i'm talking Woodstock, I'm talking even going into milwaukie and leaving clack, going to clackamas county. The average is, for the amount of time he spends in school would be \$900 more a month.

Xander: Hey mom --

Owens: What should we do? Mr. Fish, do you have anything you can offer me? I don't know if you have children. But --

*******:** Find a preschool. That's what you do.

Fish: So I have two kids. And what we would be happy to do is talk to you about a range of options. We are in the process of doing a scan of other options in the community.

Owens: I have spoken to miss lily, is it? Who sent down an email to preschool parents a couple months ago to ask where we would prefer to be relocated.

Xander: Mom.

Owens: And the problem with that equation is that we will be traveling distances that would make the two hour and 45-minute window so tight it would almost be pointless to go home while our kids were at preschool. So can you name any specifics? Are you going to create a busing system from sellwood so there's an efficient way for parents to get their kids to other centers?

Fish: I can't, as I sit here, but what you are confirming with me is we need to do a better job at communicating with parents about what the options are.

Owens: Right.

Fish: And so I'll follow up with that and I hope you haven't had trouble with my office.

Owens: It's been brutal, sir. Actually. It's been brutal with everyone's office. I led a sit-in in your office. And you might remember I approached you. I gave you a book I had written to read a story about how children ask their parents to advocate for them and their parents stood up and did it and the city listened.

Wheeler: I have got it.

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Owens: I hope you read to the end.

Wheeler: It was actually very impressive.

Owens: Read to the end because it says that not only was the sellwood community center saved but parks and rec were expanded into communities that deserved to have their own center. We need more, not less. [cheers and applause] We are desperate.

Fish: Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. [applause]

Moore-Love: Our next three are fred granum, hans bernhard, and jack denton. That's fred granum, hans bernhard, jack denton. Sally joughin, mary peveto (maybe) and peter zeigler and aliya corbin. If any of you are here in the room, go ahead and take a seat. Are the others –

*****: We still have some [inaudible]

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Fred Granum: Good afternoon, mayor, commissioners. My name is fred granum, the executive director of the james beard public market. As you are well aware, we are a nonprofit, 501-C3 organization that's working on a public-private model to bring a regional destination here to Portland. A public market which is all about food that will end, generate approximately 250 jobs that will be manned by 50 to 60 different independent businesses exclusively selling food. We will -- in the course of this public market we will be providing an array of public benefits of job training, economic development, cooking skills, nutrition training and wellness programs within the part of the venue. After years of searching for the right location, we are on the cusp of reaching an arrangement with omsi to be part of their massive development anticipating breaking ground in the next 24 to 36 months. This leads us to the stage of our development in which we wish to, we need to incur approximately \$1.2 million in predevelopment funds to obtain studies and reports to confirm the feasibility and the preparations for the construction of the market. As a public-private partnership we look to the private sector and the public sector to help make this happen. To date we have over \$480,000 of private funding from private individuals, private foundations and corporations which are supporting our project. We are looking to the state where there's a funding request there before the ways and means committee pending for \$400,000 which will be up for consideration next month. We appreciate the mayor including \$100,000 in the city budget for our work. And this is an appreciation and reflection and something which is pivotal as we talk to the folks in salem. They look to the city to make sure the city is pulling its share. And with the \$100,000 we are able to work with them and they recognize the efforts of the city is doing. So with that we appreciate this effort. And hope that this is retained in the final approved budget. Thank you so much.

Wheeler: Appreciate it. Thank you. Good afternoon.

Sally Joughin: Good afternoon. My name is sally joughin. Six years ago I worked with a grass roots group, the people's budget project, protesting cuts to Portland parks and rec and many other services that make this a livable and great city. It's sad to be protesting about the same things again. I attended a town hall in mid-April sponsored by commissioner hardesty in which we attendees got to make suggestions about what we were for and against in many areas of city services. The overwhelming number of sticky notes were put on what I don't want to fund regarding police and what I do want to fund regarding parks. I have a family member who works for parks in the maintenance department. And I am quite aware they are never caught up with the work that is needed to keep everything in good condition. Portland has wonderful parks and community centers and they are very important to many people who use them. They need to be properly maintained and in addition, I would like to see the fee system reorganized so that classes and activities are affordable for all who want and need them in our city. Where will we get the money for these things? That's where the police come in. I agree with Commissioner

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Hardesty that since there are currently many police officer vacancies the funding that was not used, this savings, could be transferred to parks on a one-time basis. Funding would still be available later for the police bureau if and when jobs are filled in the future. In the meantime let's not make families, children, and seniors constantly worry that their community centers and pools might suddenly close. And let's not create uncertainty and anxiety for the staff at these places. A long-term solution needs to be found so the threats of closures and failure to provide proper maintenance does not keep recurring. The city council should keep things going during the coming fiscal year. Using the police savings while pledging at the same time to figure out the long-term solution to funding parks and rec.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Hans Bernhard: Hello, Mayor and Commissioners. My name is Hans Bernhard and I am a recreation leader. I am speaking on behalf of Jessica Ramirez, a recreation leader at the Southwest Community Center. This is her picture. You can see. So I am just going to read off her testimony. Seeing kids come in as infants and seeing them grow as seven and eight-year-olds is powerful. Jessica gets the pleasure of seeing families, gain trust and friendship over the years. People have grown close to her in part because of her Spanish speaking skills. She acts as a resource to Spanish families every day helping them navigate parks and recreation resources. Patrons often, they come back just to talk to Jessica as she is the only fluent Spanish speaking staff. Some may be able to help but not the same way as Jessica without an interpreter. She helps make connections with other resources in the community. Losing Jessica as a Spanish speaking individual at our community center is a really big fear. Who will fill her shoes and could be someone they could relate to? I provide a full-time consistent dedicated public service. Or at least Jessica does as well. These cuts would lead to part-time variable hours and that is a huge hit to a committed work force. This isn't work that can go somewhere else. Other employees are already working at a capacity. And these staff cuts will mean impacts to kids and families. Reductions in programming are exacerbated by transportation limitations and there is only one bus line that runs every hour at the Southwest Community Center. Anything after 5:00 p.m. you can't get to or go home from programs that get cut from morning or midday will mean people who need to use the bus won't have a program to go to at all if it's available after 5:00. If her position gets cut it will mean also losing a lot of the scholarship program as it will be impacted because she works so hard. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Moore-Love: Was there a Jack Darrington? Then we are going with Myles DeBastion. Or Mary Peveto? Monica Nettle. Jonathan Cobb. Jillian Johnson.

Wheeler: Are you Jonathan up there? Ok. Jonathan is coming down.

Moore-Love: I'm just calling some names so people can get ready. If you hear your name come on over. Jillian Johnson was the last name, Megan Stout. Royal Harris. Stop there.

Myles De Bastion [asl interpreter]: Can I -- I would like to voice for myself. Can I provide with you a paper in case you are not able to understand me? Myles is asking me.

Wheeler: Yes.

Moore-Love: I'll get it.

De Bastion [asl interpreter]: I would request that I have an extra minute because it takes longer to use American Sign Language than it does in the interpretation process. And I do want to point out that the cart actually wasn't accessible. I wasn't able to use it so I would highly suggest that we approve the cart services, especially particularly for low vision people that can't access the cart captions at the top and need to use it on a device, the device I used it on was not accessible. So I would just like to maybe contact your accessibility team in order to talk with someone about how to approve the captions for future.

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Fritz: Can I just comment on that?

De Bastion [asl interpreter]: Yes.

Fritz: The mayor's budget does propose another person in the disability equity team. So we will hopefully have staff who will be able to respond to requests like that. Thank you.

De Bastion [asl interpreter]: Perfect. Thank you.

De Bastion: Dear elected official. My name is Myles de Bastion. I am a sellwood resident and the founder of the northwest deaf arts festival, a nonprofit [inaudible]. We facilitate art and cultural events to the inclusive for the deaf and hard of hearing and the disabled community. These endeavors are creating equitable opportunities that are much needed for people with disabilities. As a deaf person, I have struggled with phone calls to the commissioners' offices. The staff answering the phones are not well trained in the deaf relay system that we have to use that you're showed to type in or sign so I keep getting hung up on when I am trying to contact your offices. So that's the reason why i'm here today to talk to you in person because I felt like I could not get through to you with other means. Your budget cut to the Portland parks and recreation will eliminate the sellwood community center. The community center is the only affordable option for preschool and summer camp for my two children. Without daycare for my children, I will not be able to commit my time and resources to the nonprofit that I serve. And this would jeopardize projects that are benefiting people with disabilities. Portland considers itself a progressive city. I see many efforts to improve equity and inclusion that focus on racial and gender diversity. Unfortunately people with disabilities are often left out of this conversation. There's a great need to support disability issues. Please don't make it harder for us. I believe my work makes a significant impact and I need your support to keep going. If you are to see Portland be a diverse and equitable city for people with disabilities and other minorities, please fully fund Portland parks and recreation for another year. I ask commissioner Fish, Fritz, and eudaly to support commissioner hardesty's amendment. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Hardesty: Thank you.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Royal Harris: Good afternoon. My name is royal harris. I am here as a resident of Portland, Oregon reflecting and commenting on myself personally. I want to speak to the desire to get rid of the gun violence reduction team and my belief that that would be not in the best interest of Portland as a whole and the african-american community, and specifically, african-american men at risk for violence. I speak as the first person I have seen here today, who is intimately involved with Portland's gang culture, being someone who has been involved since its inception from the creation with myself and my friends, and to being a victim of gun violence, to being someone who has had several members, including a brother, who was killed due to gun violence. And understanding the nature of Portland's gun violence reduction team, initially that was the gang enforcement team. While I can honestly say, it has never been a panacea for Portland's issues between the black community and Portland police. What I do say is in 30 years, it has evolved into the best situation we have for Portland police to engage young black men of color who might be involved in violent activity. To dispel some of the things I heard today. First of all, one of the things I heard is that all black men, or most black men have a fear of engaging Portland police and walking away. I can say for doing it for the majority of my life under the right circumstances, that is a fallacy that both a lot of myself and a lot my friends share, is not true. While I can also talk to the fact that not every Portland police officer is kind or courteous or content, I do say that what we have within that unit is the best attempt that we have had at community policing so far, and I do say that we need to reinvest in those efforts with the oversight needed to do 21st century policing for our community, and I do

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say this as a representative of those men who have been killed and shot and those families who represented the trauma that goes along with this. Community policing by those skilled in understanding our communities and well versed in what happens is a lot better than dispersing the unit.

Wheeler: Thank you, sir.

Hardesty: Mayor?

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you. I appreciate your statement when you were invited by the mayor to come and tell us why the gun reduction team was important. I appreciate you coming back today, just like I don't speak for all of the African-Americans in the community. I don't expect you to speak for all of the African-Americans in this community, either.

Harris: And I choose not to –

Hardesty: What I –

Harris: I speak for those from the Community who have been impacted and engaged, in what we call gang –

Hardesty: You speak from –

Harris: Gun violence.

Hardesty: One perspective, and I speak from another. And though I respect your opinion, I want to be clear. None of the gang enforcement unit or the gun reduction unit is community policing. Community policing is about knowing the community and being able to use your words to help solve the community problems.

Harris: I can say respectfully from being someone engaged by Portland police gang enforcement unit and gang, gun violence reduction team, in Portland police entertainment district officers, and regular officers. I can distinguish and delineate those who have embraced community policing versus those who have embraced policing communities, and I will say with some certainty, since I am a content expert, and since I have been speaking since the last week when I came to city council with over 20 individuals intimately involved through lawsuit from the community and through gang activity, that what I say resonates in the sense that what we do have is the best effort at community policing that a lot of people have engaged --

Hardesty: Thank you very much.

Harris: And I can also say that it needs to be improved.

Hardesty: All I want to say is that that is not community policing. You can have your opinion. I just want you to know that is not community policing, and I have also talked to former and current gang members, and I don't know anyone other than the people that were invited here that think that gun enforcement or gang enforcement is community policing.

Harris: Let's say the ones who came last week that you walked out on would say that's true.

Hardesty: I didn't walk, hey, I didn't walk out on anybody. I, A, it was not scheduled on my calendar. I made time to come and meet because the mayor invited me, so don't try to pretend like somehow it was something that I was already scheduled to do. It was an organized --

Harris: I don't know your schedule ma'am --

Hardesty: It was an organized --

Harris: I just know your behavior.

Hardesty: It was an organized effort to sell us on the gun reduction team, and it didn't work. Thank you.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: Thank you for taking the time to come. I appreciate you speaking your truths, and I know my colleague speaks hers, and it's important for us to hear both perspectives.

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Wheeler: Thank you, Royal, and I appreciate it, as well. Thank you.

Harris: Thank you.

Moore-Love: Jonathan cobb, jillian johnsen, sam diaz. Gail hoffnagle, hyung nam, dewanna harris. As soon as I call your name, go ahead and come up and I will call the names again.

*****: You want to go?

Jonathan Cobb: Yeah. Hello, my name is jonathan cobb, I am a case manager for transition projects and a proud member of afscme local 88. My colleagues, including jillian johnsen had to leave, unfortunately. Our union is in negotiations this year, but of course we received public funding, and are dependent on that in order for better conditions. Every day tpi staff do vital work with the vulnerable populations that much of our society would rather ignore and forget. People who would rather dismiss homelessness as a personal feeling or the result of the lack of moral character rather than something that could happen to them. They don't want to consider that they, themselves, could be one missed payment, one medical emergency, one family crisis away from becoming homeless, themselves. At tpi, we see the reality homelessness up close. We see the toll on people's mental health, the physical and spiritual being from not only being deprived of money and resources, but robbed of their dignity. We also see the hope that we bring to people. We are able to recover that sense of dignity. We provide not just a roof over their heads, but a welcoming space where they can feel safe and included, where their essential dignity is recognized. Tpi workers are out there saving lives every day, first and foremost by helping people out of the dangers they experience in the streets, but also by giving cpr and first aid, administering narcan for drug overdoses and deescalating people experiencing mental health crises. I myself once saved a man from choking. For all the work we do for homelessness, it's a sad irony that as many as one in five tpi employees have themselves experienced homelessness while working the agency. Just as society undervalues lives of homeless people themselves, so too they undervalue the work of those who serve the homeless. We're proud of the work we do and lives we save, but it is unsustainable for many of us. Low pay and burn outs lead to high turnover rates that leave us frequently understaffed and overworked, which in turn leads to more people leaving the agency. That's why 83% of the tpi employees have worked here for less than three years. I just want to say thank you, and please, I urge you to fund Portland homeless projects better. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it. Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: I just want to thank you for sticking around and thank my colleagues. Thank you for wearing your Oregon afscme t-shirt today.

Cobb: Thank you.

Gail Hoffnagle: Hi, there, I am gail hoffnagle. I'm the chairman of the friends of sellwood community center. I feel like we are beginning to know each other because I have come here, you know, year after year. [laughter] Today I'm going to be really short. Sellwood community center has been slated to be closed, and unlike the closure of other community centers in the past like, for instance, hillside and fulton, who had a year or two transition, we've been given three months, and trying to have the neighborhood association do a good job of making that transition possible is becoming really difficult. With the 30 years of the deferred maintenance in the building, we have hit several is roadblocks already that is going to make it challenging for us, and what we would like is additional time so that we can make a smoother transition. That's it.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it. Good afternoon.

Hyung Nam: Hi. My name is Hyung Nam, and I am a public school teacher, and before teaching in public schools, I worked as a social worker with runaway and homeless kids. I know that both my students now and the young adults I worked with in the past, parks and

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recreation is really crucial, and I really appreciate commissioner Hardesty's framing of this that our budget is a moral statement. I want us to think about what are we saying if the majority of our budget, we call it public safety, but actually goes to policing, and we are talking about cutting vital services that serve families at every age that are core parts of our community, and instead, we want to fund not only the gang enforcement task force that's really the same people that are running the thing, but also, things like body cams and other kinds of things, when we know that from recent surveys, over 70% of the public do not trust, do not trust the police. So, what are we saying about our city that we want to fund these things to, basically, keep us, I mean, I am a teacher because I believe in the future, and I don't want a future where we keep on policing people and not offering the kind of services that is going to allow people and families to thrive, and instead, we keep on reproducing the system where we incarcerate more people than any other country in the entire world. So, I want us to think about what can we invest in the future. Thank you.

Hardesty: Thank you.

Moore-Love: Is there Sam Diaz? Okay, we'll go with Dewanna Harris, Jones Kelly or James Kelly, Shevon McKinstry, Tim Ledwith, Lee Williams, Alice Shapiro. We've got three here. Okay, next is Carol Moist, Charles Iragui, and then Tom Karwaki.

DeWanna Harris: Hello, Mayor and Commissioners. My name is DeWanna Harris and I work for transitional projects where their mission is to help people as they transition from homelessness to housing. I am in a unique role as someone who has worked in a number of programs that you fund, and I now oversee and direct my agency's equity and inclusion and peer mentor efforts and have firsthand experience of how your investments and support impact the lives of people experiencing homelessness. I see this in action every day. I live and breathe this work. Your investment allowed a participant go from homelessness to shelter to sobriety and addressing their mental health needs to achieving and maintaining housing stability, and now for over three years, I am pleased to say that they are currently employed as a property manager. That's right. Your effort let someone from homelessness to property management. Thank you for your ongoing investment and support of housing initiatives and in the homelessness work.

Wheeler: Excellent testimony. Thank you for sharing that story. That's uplifting and it's well received. Thank you.

Harris: Thank you.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Lee Williams: How do you do. I am Lee Williams. I am a citizen of Portland and a guy. Mayor Wheeler, I would like to quote back to you the focus that you were putting into the budget as you said in the last budget hearing that we all went to. You said that you were looking to preserve the core values that made Portland a great city. You said that you wanted to ensure that the prosperity and services we currently enjoy are preserved for future generations and you also said that you wanted to focus on the things that make a real difference in the lives of Portlanders. As soon as you said that, I thought, he's going to do it. He's going to add more community centers, but that's not the way it went down. That's not the way it's going down, at all. It's clear things are going to get closed and you guys don't have an option for really preserving what we've got. I would suggest -- I didn't -- I apologize. I am new to the whole local government process, but the thing that was mentioned when we began, the state's revenue-sharing, the \$22 million, why can't somebody propose an amendment to shave a little bit of that off and help us out? That would probably fix it, at least for the short-term. I wanted to give you some numbers. The Sellwood Community Center, which is who I am advocating for, the preschool currently serves 56 children. The after-school program serves 85 kids and all those kids are on a waiting lists at the elementary schools, at least 50 or 60 deep. The judo classes, a mixture of kids and adults, mostly kids, has 50 each week. The other classes are about 100 people

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each week, and the summer camps are 160 kids per week every week for the entire summer. This is not a low effort community center -- sorry. I would say, one last thing I would throw in. We were shown this beautiful graphic at that budget hearing where 88% is immutable of the budget and 12% is kind of loosey-goosey. Why can't foundational community centers be put in the 88%? You could probably do that if you put your minds to it. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: If I could address your question about the state revenue sharing. That money is already included in when we're looking at who's getting what so it's -- some of it is dedicated to --

Williams: Why was there an opportunity to make testimony about it?

Fritz: Because it's a requirement. It's a formality that we, this is often when we do all of the kind of dotting the I's and crossing the T's.

Williams: I see. Well I would say moving forward then, in the future years, maybe that should be taken a look at earlier in the budget process.

Fritz: Thank you.

Williams: You bet.

Wheeler: Thanks for being here. Good afternoon.

Alice Shapiro: Hi, alice shapiro. Much of what I agree with has already been said in terms of the jobs that will be lost and in terms of service to is the daycare. I was really moved by the young woman who spoke with her two children. Even in supposedly affluent communities, people cannot afford private daycare. They depend on this, and in other communities that are less fortunate than the sellwood community that I inhabit are even going to be in more dire straits. That's not exactly why I am here. I am here for all those reasons, but I am also here to talk about the social infrastructure, which I could quote another social worker that social infrastructure is the glue that holds the communities together. It is just as real as the infrastructure for water, power, communications, although it's harder to see, and also as important as policing. I have seen many of the benefits firsthand, but it's not about me or about you. It's about the vitality of our city and the ideals which we purportedly stand. Portland calls itself the city that works. I wonder for whom it is now working. Without funding to continue our social interactions, we will become more isolated, and we will not be able to get to know our neighbors and come together when crisis occurs. When I go to a community center, and I mostly go to sellwood and mt. Scott, I see especially at mt. Scott, which is larger than sellwood, but other places as well, this is truly a place where people of all ages mingle. It's not just about the activities that we attend, but it's where people get to know each other, get to trust each other, and get to see each other, and get to say hello to each other. Without our community centers and our parks, this will be gone. We will become as my husband said, and I don't want to -- I was born in Chicago, we become like Chicago where we know they don't have the infrastructure and the community that we purportedly have. I want to live in Portland. I don't want to live anywhere else. I want the bridge funding. I want a way to make our communities stable, so there is more that I can say but I did turn in written testimony. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Hardesty: Thank you.

Moore-Love: Next are Tom Karwaki, Jordan Alisheem and Seemab Hussaini. Oh yeah. Charles go ahead. I'm sorry.

Wheeler: And colleagues, just for the record, item 480 has been rescheduled to next Wednesday, May 29, at 2:00 p.m., time certain. When we read that later, I will make note of that. But, if you are here for item 480, you don't need to be. Good afternoon.

Fritz: And you just wasted four hours.

Eudaly: Sorry.

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Charles Iragui: Who's on?

Wheeler: Go ahead. Thank you.

Iragui: Hi, my name is Charles Iragui. I'm a resident of Sellwood, and I am also coming here to talk about the planned closure of community centers, but I thought I would maybe try and change the focus of the conversation from continuing budget efforts to continuing vital services. It seems as though from year to year, every year, the community centers are threatened with a closure, and that their services, and their services are no longer viewed as a central function of the parks, so it is understandable that in that sense that the city arrived at the decision to cease funding these activities. However, no one believes that halting the services provided, the community centers would not entail significant social costs, and we definitely heard that lady with her kids. I think that's very significant. In view of these two considerations, I would like to suggest that the city make a -- make use of a basic tool of change management in either business or government, and that is to allocate funds for the transition costs from the old policy to a reformed policy. In this case, funds to draw private actors into making a viable decision to take over the maintenance of these critical services. There is no alternative currently to the services as this woman was speaking about. The hardship, the concerns communities will face may well be severe, especially in the case of childcare. Childcare services are already in short supply and the closure will create a crisis in these communities. Not addressing this transition problem in the short three months we have in front of us would be irresponsible, and I propose the city go forward with the closure, as anticipated, or perhaps delayed, until year end, but also, allocate funds for a responsible transition. Thank you so much.

Hardesty: Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it. Good afternoon.

Jordan Aleshim: Hi, my name is Jordan Aleshim. Thank you, commissioners, for hearing us from and I am here to urge the commission to adopt commissioner Hardesty's amendment to defund the gun violence reduction task force. Thank you for introducing that amendment, and thank you for mentioning it. Seconding it. Thank you. I don't want to spend my time explaining why I believe this forces a symbol of racism. I think that if someone does not understand how a body that turns 6% of our population into almost 60% of our stops is a symbol of racism, I honestly don't know what to say to you. I instead want to say this -- I, like many Portlanders, voted for commissioner Hardesty for multiple reasons, but one of those reasons is because it's important to me to move Portland towards anti-racism, not just non-racism. I have watched many candidates in my lifetime campaign on police reform, and utterly fail to do anything of any significance and at this point I have understood that sometimes the best person for the job is a woman of color. Most Portlanders, I believe, feel this way. It's not just anti-fascist or anarchists. It's people like me, who donate and volunteer and take time off of work to show up to support their candidates, when they uphold their campaign promises. Defunding a symbol of racism is literally the bare minimum of what we need to be doing in order to move forward. It's also our moral responsibility, and I believe that your civic responsibility. I have a list that I want to name. Quance Derrick Hayes, Andre Gladen, Jeb Colin Brock, Samuel Rice, Patrick Kimmons, John Elifritz, Carl Karim Johnson, some of them were armed, all of them are shot and killed by Portland police in the last ten years. I have one more name, Angel Granados Diaz, a student with a shotgun who was safely disarmed by a school staffer. The only gun violence problem Portland has is a police gun violence problem. Thank you.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Tom Karwaki: Good afternoon. My name is Tom Karwaki, and I am speaking on behalf of the Portland Bureau of Transportation, your own budget advisory committee. Ferrell Richardz, I think, might be in the room, and Momoko Saunders our chair was here but had to leave. We want to thank you, number one, Mayor, for including adaptive of the bike town

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and the resiliency plan in the budget notes and the derelict rv program, which are also very important aspects, as well as other capital projects. Vision zero is kind of an important thing. Now, at our bureau committee meetings we start with the reading of the names of everyone who has died that month on the streets of Portland, and it's very difficult. Vision zero is, starts with three es. Engineering, education, and enforcement and it really, we'd ask you, mayor, to try to spend more resources on the enforcement side with the police bureau, especially, that's really an important one. 25% of the traffic enforcement division should not be sent to other parts of the police department. We have to enforce our traffic laws, or we may have to look at other innovative ideas of enforcement like what you are looking at with respect to the transit police, but I think that is something we really want to do is look at. It's a combined effort, all three parts of the, you know, the bureaus can't be, they have to march together, and not just on this, it's on the rv enforcement, a lot of other areas, more coordination between the bureaus would really be helpful. That's it. Thanks.

Wheeler: No argument there. Thank you. Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you so much for your testimony. So you are from the department of transport -- bureau of transportation, is that correct?

Karwaki: That's correct, on the advisory committee, yes.

Hardesty: You're on the advisory committee.

Eudaly: Staff community --

Karwaki: On the community, I'm not a staff person, sorry. [laughter]

Hardesty: I got it now. So you talked about the need for more enforcement and you are aware that the areas with the highest crash areas are areas where the department of transportation has failed to actually do infrastructure improvements that create safe communities. Every area is in east Portland where there are high-crash areas, and so I am concerned that our knee-jerk reaction is more enforcement rather than --

Karwaki: Absolutely, absolutely understood, and I think that we had agreed with that, and we also agreed with the police who, looked at the police where the traffic cameras were going to be placed originally, as well. But, I think the whole issue of -- we have supported the equity prospects of the bureau of transportation, which would have significantly increased the number of resources for engineering and so forth -- improvements --

Hardesty: So I don't know what --

Karwaki: Improvements on the --

Hardesty: Equity means --

Karwaki: Pdot --

Hardesty: When it comes to how the department of transportation spends their money. I mean because the roads all look the same color. But, they lack -- we lack roads in east Portland. We lack lights. So I'm just trying to figure out what, what that is.

Karwaki: Equity is one of our first criteria, and as a committee that we look at, and I know that the bureau is really -- that's one of their main criteria, as well. So, I think the bureau has been trying to do what it can. I don't think all of those issues can be addressed right now. We were just looking at the budget that was presented here, so.

Hardesty: So what does equity mean to you in this process?

Karwaki: Well, looking through the equity lens, it deals with all of the different investments of the bureau, and so we are just an advisory committee, but with respect to that, we've spent almost half of our time dealing with equity issues of looking at where the investments have been made and are being made in the future and where are the needs. The issue of enforcement was just because of some situations that have occurred, and that it required both bureaus to look at. That was a separate issue.

Hardesty: So --

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Karwaki: I understand, I mean I think what you are asking is how do we really bake into all of the decisions of a bureau, equity. I think that's a discussion that I would like to extend at another time.

Hardesty: That actually wasn't my question at all. My question was, what did equity mean to you, and you talked totally around my question and so I just appreciate the fact that you just don't know the answer to the question that I've asked.

Karwaki: I can speak to myself, but you are asking me almost, in my role here, as a committee and I'm --

Hardesty: No. No.

Eudaly: I would actually like to intervene, because I don't think it's fair to put a volunteer member of our budget committee on the spot like that. I want to --

Hardesty: Well all due respect, I mean he's the one who has been pushing the equity question, so if he does not have a definition of equity when he's saying everything is through an equity lens, I do have an opportunity -- I should be able to challenge that perception.

Karwaki: And I absolutely agree, and I'm willing to say that on the equity lens, that's what the bureau has developed a rather robust format for looking at things, so I am going to let it go at that.

Eudaly: So, in this case, as a community member who is serving on the budget committee, it's kind of an awkward position to be put in to speak on behalf of the bureau. That's the only reason I was trying to intervene and I just want to correct a few things that were said. We have high-crash network -- or high-crash networks all over the city. Many of them are in east Portland, but they are also in the central city, and including on the west side. Some of them are owned by odot. As I think that I have explained before, with the vision zero and with fixing our streets, we use the equation heavily weighted towards equitable outcomes, and that means when we look at these high-crash networks, we are prioritizing the ones that are within the low income communities and communities of color. I know you have concerns about enforcement. I want to take this opportunity to say number one, because of the nature of the streets, a lot of people involved in these crashes are moving through those communities. I have asked if there is any way that we can start collecting data when we have a crash on where people are coming from and where they are going because my instinct, and I can't support it with data now, I just want to be honest about that, but my instinct since this is also true with our highways, is that it's people moving through these neighborhoods, endangering those communities, endangering those pedestrians. I am an anti-authoritarian, and I am someone who wants to really keep government out of our private business. I don't believe in victimless crimes. I think that we should be free to make a lot of personal choices that we are not. However, when it comes to taking other people's lives into your own hands, driving recklessly, that is somewhere where I am willing to support as much intervention as it takes because we cannot engineer our way. We cannot solely engineer our way out of this. We certainly have a lot of work to do, and so does odot. We can't educate our way out of this. People know that there is very limited enforcement, and they are acting outrageously on our streets. I on an almost daily basis I see people running red lights from a full stop, shooting the gap with pedestrians and endangering them. We just had a crash on Greeley, unfortunately, where a vehicle crossed the center line, hit an SUV and the driver and passenger were killed -- just today. So it's an issue that I am painfully aware of and really seeking solutions on, want to make sure that we eliminate as much bias in the system as we possibly can, but you know, people in east Portland, I think, are four times more likely to die in traffic crashes than people elsewhere in the city, so it's a tough one. I want to thank you for coming and just --

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Karwaki: Thank you. I mean, I understand where you are asking -- you are legit, but I am -
- I can give you my answers, but they are not necessarily the committee nor am I a
representative of the bureau, so --

Hardesty: And just know that I asked everybody their own personal definition, and very
few people actually have one, so thank you.

Karwaki: Oh I have one, but commissioner Fritz, your amendment did pass, is that what I
understood earlier?

Fritz: What, which one?

Karwaki: The bds historical --

Fritz: It passed this morning because we had the changing of the rights. It has not yet
been voted on, it's part of the budget, so we are literally halfway there.

Karwaki: Thank you. That was a different hat, thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Hardesty: Thank you. Appreciate you.

Moore-Love: Next is seemab hussaini, paige layman, and kelsie owals, I believe is the
last name, anna swanson, jack herbert, and the last person I showed who signed up is
chris lowe. So if you signed up and did not hear your name, let me know.

Wheeler: Great, and other than that, the list is closed. Come on up, gentlemen.

Moore-Love: If I called your name, sit down. Have a seat.

Wheeler: Come on up.

Jack Herbert: Come on up?

Wheeler: Would you like to go first, please?

Herbert: Okay. My name is jack herbert. So three things that I want to say quickly. I've
been to a lot of public demonstrations, and often they are way overpoliced. You have got a
lot of money that you could save in the police bureau. Most of the things -- most people are
committed to non-violence in those. And when the police throw explosives at people, you
know that's not public safety. That's public danger. So, I think that you have a lot of
changes to make in both the amount of policing on those things and how you police.
Another thing is there is there's an awful lot of building going on in Portland. I heard that it
had more construction than any other city in the country, and you are giving away all the
tax breaks that you don't need to be giving away as incentives. There is a lot of money that
you could be taxing. The other thing is that right now as you said, mayor, Portland is pretty
prosperous. These are good times in terms of the incomes, and there are going to be --
and they're probably going to better, you know, it's probably as good as it's going to get,
and there are a lot of people making a lot of money and they aren't paying their fair share
for the city that produces all that wealth for them, and the more people drive in this city, the
more money they make, so you need to tax them. If this is a year where you think that you
can't go change the funding, how you are going to tax to produce the funds for this
budget? You need to do something. So, that's my point. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good afternoon.

Anna Swanson: Hi --

Herbert: But next year, you need to get the access, and I think that you need to do some
taxing now for this budget.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Swanson: Hi, my name is anna swanson. I am here representing care not cops and
critical resistance Portland, and I am here to call for the elimination, as JoAnn has
suggested with her amendment of the gun violence reduction team, and not only that, for
you all to really rethink how we enforce laws in the city and specifically to think about what
gang policing is and whether, just the reduction, or like the elimination of that team would
actually create safer communities I that I have no trust that that won't get shifted to another
part of the police bureau, so making a commitment to not engage in gang policing at all is

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something that I would ask for as a part of that. I appreciate that -- Mr. Wheeler, you are in naming that you would want to have the public conversations about these things and make more space for this. I think that is incredibly necessary, and I would also add to that we are advocating for the opposition to that 10 million increase of the Portland police bureau that you have asked for. You asked for more money for the police every year. They already have over \$200 million, and as you have seen today, people are asking, begging for resources like parks to be kept. People need resources that are life affirming that support their needs, like recreation, like healthcare, like education. They don't need to be policed, and I also want to thank you, jo ann, for articulating around This idea of mere conversations that what we need to be looking at is not just sort of the costs and benefits budget-wise of policing, but the actual lived impacts on our community members, especially black and brown folks, who walk away from those mere conversations impacted mental health-wise. Afraid. Like it has a huge impact and you need to actually pay attention to that and make decisions based on that. Thank you.

Wheeler: Good afternoon. Thank you.

Chris Lowe: Hello. My name is chris lowe. I lived in woodstock neighborhood, but when my daughter was young, she spent a lot of time at the sellwood community center, and I could tell you stories about that, but I am not. I want to move to a different level here. Commissioner Fish, in talking about the parks bureau budget, has spoken repeatedly about a structural deficit and it's time to stop kicking that down the road. I believe that is a mistake in analysis. The structural deficit is in the entire city budget. You have been kicking that down the road by continuing to compartmentalize in the, you know, areas of responsibility of the different commissioners, and that siloing does not have to wait until changing the system of government. You can stop siloing it now, and you need to do that. One city, one budget, look at the needs of all of the communities. When I look at the closure of the sellwood community center, I think I see developers who want to gentrify sellwood and westmoreland into eastmoreland kind of prices, right and I think that you, with the tif financing, have, actually, a conflict of interest in how you even think about these things that creates a preferential option for the rich to change the term from the catholic social teachings. I also think you need to look at these things together. When the woman who did the sit-in was talking about childcare, that's in the context of our rental crisis. It's in the context of an overall cost of living that is driving the people literally out of the city. Some people, not others. And until you look at this, and until you decide to tax the rich, this is a class war budget, it's a war against the poor and the lower middle class and the people who are precarious in the younger generations, and I think that you need to just kind of face up to that and reframe your whole thinking. The era of austerity you know, the best employment economy in 50 years we are told, we are looking at a cuts budget. That's, something is wrong with that picture. There should not be a cuts budget in that circumstance. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Swanson: You've got a minute 59 left.

Lowe: Huh?

Swanson: You've got a minute 59 left.

Moore-Love: It went one second and stopped. It was two minutes.

Wheeler: Great, thank you. Appreciate it.

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor?

Wheeler: Is that it.

Moore-Love: I'm sorry, that's all who signed up.

Wheeler: Okay. Good. Commissioner hardesty, you had a question.

Hardesty: Ah yes, mayor, thank you. I handed out an article that I just saw in the Portland and the Oregonian about your plan to put 1.6 million into school resource officers, and I am

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a bit surprised that we're not having a conversation about that as it pertains to the budget. Is this, do you have an amendment that would do this? Or is this something that's going to happen out of the public eye?

Kinard: That is part of the base budgeted for the Portland police bureau. It's not a change to the budget.

Hardesty: It is not a change to the budget? We already are giving \$1.6 million for school resource officers just as we are expanding it -- the article that I am reading says we are expanding this, and there have been conversations with the school districts, but not with the city council in regards to expanding the school resource officers?

Kinard: So all that I know is that there are no new resources that have been approved that I am aware of for the school resource officer program. What I believe -- what has been included is what was included in the current year budget. But we can follow-up with the police bureau and continue the conversation.

Hardesty: Can we ask the chief outlaw to come up? Because at the last time we talked about school resource officers I was told that we weren't funding them, so -- and the school districts weren't funding them, so I would love to know how that happened. Thank goodness the Oregonian was publishing today.

*****: Thank you, Jo Ann.

Hardesty: Hi, chief.

Outlaw: Hi, there.

Hardesty: The question is in regard to school resource officers? The last conversation that we had about school resource officers were that the school districts weren't funding them, and we weren't funding -- we were just backing off from this. But now I see \$1.6 million for school resource officers?

Outlaw: Well this is a new conversation for us, as well, so --

Hardesty: Oh, really? You did not know, either?

Outlaw: As far as we know there is nothing new. There is nothing added to what we have already done, so unless bob has something new --

Bob Del Gizzi, Portland Police Bureau: I have not read the article.

Hardesty: Oh, here, I'll give you a copy. [laughter]

Del Gizzi: There has been no change in the budget or staffing level, at least the number of allocated positions for this program.

Eudaly: I think we're just surprised because there had been a previous conversation about the district taking on the cost of the sros, which created a larger conversation in the community around whether the school communities, staff, family and students wanted sros, and the school board voted for it and then voted against it, and there were lots of student, kind of, input, and then we heard nothing, and now we discover that it is back in the budget. So it is a surprise to me, as well.

Hardesty: As well as being told that there is going to be 12 school resource officers, and I thought that we had a limit in patrol officers, so, but we have 12 officers who could spend their days in schools. I think that I share commissioner eudaly's shock that this was not something that we had been informed was being, actually, included in the budget.

Outlaw: We will follow back with you on that. Like I said, actually, I haven't shared that with you. The last meetings that we had with the school district was that there was support for the police officers and schools, but the question was around who would pay for it. And we recognized that we had some time there. There wasn't a need to make a hasty decision given that the school, the schools are still in session, so we hadn't had any discussion since then. And like I said, we are not aware of anything as far as expansion or anything being added, so --

Hardesty: I hope we get that information before we are voting on the budget --

Outlaw: Sure.

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Hardesty: Because that's going to be a key question that we need answered before we vote tomorrow afternoon. Thank you.

Outlaw: You are welcome.

Del Gizzi: -- provide information --

Fritz: Thank you. It seems to me that this is just a matter of where are the officers stationed. And this is a program that's been going for quite some time. We made an attempt to ask the school districts to pay to have the offices located in the schools, and we also heard in this data to show that having them there, actually, is a good thing, and it's a more effective way.

Wheeler: So -- and I appreciate this. This is a bigger policy discussion. I am not sure we want to have it right now.

Fritz: All right. I'm just not surprised. This is the point.

Wheeler: I'm going to say why I am not surprised. I am not surprised because there is no change to the budget. This is an allocation of resources that is the same as the allocations last year. It was in the cal target. There has not been a decision by the city council to eliminate that program that I am aware of, and I will second what the chief said. We have met with the superintendents and the leadership and in some cases, board chairs of the school districts in question, and they told us to a person unequivocally that they want the program. And so, the question now is how do we fund it? Unless we decide we want to go in a different direction, which as a council we can do, but the question is how do we fund it on an ongoing basis and how to you ensure the equity amongst the districts?

Hardesty: Well, with all due respect, we heard loud and clearly from the students at these schools that they do not want an expansion of police services in their school, so I guess if you talk to the school board and you talk to teachers without talking to the people who will be most impacted by having law enforcement walking through the school, you could conclude that people want it, but the people that will be impacted, the ones who will be stopped, questioned, searched, I think also need to weigh in on this question. I just find it disappointing that I have to read it in the Oregonian because I actually thought that while we were having these conversations, we were going to continue to have the policy conversation. But you're right, this is not the day for it. But if we are voting on this budget, I sure would like to know the answer to how the school districts knew, and we didn't, as the city council. Thank you.

Wheeler: All right. Very good. Thank you, chief. I appreciate it. So, Jessica it's my understanding then that we are going to continue the hearing, and I have the language to do that, unless there is any further discussion?

Kinard: Nope. That is correct, mayor, so tomorrow we will hear if there are any additional individual amendments. We will vote on those additional -- the individual amendments that have been put forward, and then we will vote to approve the budget, and we will also approve the tax levies tomorrow and [inaudible].

Wheeler: All right, good, very good. So this meeting of the budget committee is continued to Thursday, may 23rd, at 3:30:00 p.m. in council chambers, city hall. This concludes the hearing on the city of Portland's budget. I just got a late-breaking question. I understand prosper Portland is here, so if we continue this part, we can still do the prosper Portland budget, is that correct?

Kinard: Correct, yep.

Wheeler: Because I understand only two people have signed up.

Kinard: Yes.

Wheeler: Ok, so we are then adjourned as the city budget committee, and I will quickly move to my notes here.

Fritz: You have to go?

Hardesty: Ahhh.

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Wheeler: Yeah, we are not done here yet, sorry. So we're going to move that. We're going to move that. That is now continued. Karla, you're still with us. Could you please read time certain item 478.

Item 478

Moore-Love: Yeah, we're getting the prosper Portland clerk right now.

Wheeler: Now I've got to find my notes.

Fritz: You have any candy left?

Hardesty: Yeah, I also have jellybeans.

Wheeler: Alright, I'm not convening the Portland budget committee for the purpose of approving the fiscal year 2019/2020 budget. The budget committee members received prosper Portland's budget message on Thursday, may 9th. The budget committee also took public testimony on the prosper Portland budget on the evening of May 9th. Copies of prosper Portland's approved budget change memo were provided to the budget committee on Tuesday, may 14th. I now request that pam call the roll.

Fritz: Here. **Fish:** **Hardesty:** Here. **Eudaly:** Here.

Wheeler: Here. I am now calling for a motion to consider the changes to the proposed budget, which were presented in change memo in exhibit a.

Hardesty: So moved.

Fritz: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion from commissioner hardesty and a second from commissioner Fritz. Now, prosper Portland staff, kimberly branam, will come up and describe some of the changes and answer any questions regarding the change memo. Good afternoon, thank you for your patience.

Kimberly Branam, Director Prosper Portland: Thank you, mayor Wheeler and commissioners, Kimberly branam with prosper Portland. I am executive director. I am joined by tony barnes, who is our finance manager, and he's going to walk through the proposed budget --

Wheeler: Great, thank you.

Branam: Amendments, and then we are happy to take any questions that you have.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Tony Barnes, Prosper Portland: Good afternoon, mayor, and commissioners. Tony barnes, finance manager at prosper Portland. The budget change memo for prosper Portland includes several items, which align prosper Portland's budget with the city of portland's proposed budget and changes that were considered at the work session last week. Those changes include adjustments to economic development general fund and housing community development funds related to the Portland film office as well as adjustments in the general fund to match the city of Portland proposed budget. It also includes reduction in housing community development funding related to the total amount of community development block grant dollars for the Portland housing bureau. Also then also housing appropriations. There is a decrease appropriations to match the Portland housing bureau's recommended approved budget for the next fiscal year in the tax increment districts. Finally, there is an increase in appropriations of \$2 million for infrastructure related to south park blocks as related to a prior bond refinancing in the district that would be used for an eligible tax exempt project in the district.

Wheeler: Very good. So, I am now calling for -- well, first, does anybody have any questions? It was succinct and to the point. Thank you. I am now calling for any individual amendments to the memo from commissioners, and of course, you need to specifically state amount and purpose if you want to make any amendments. And it's my understanding, director branam, there are no amendments you need me to bring on behalf of the bureau?

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Barnes: There is, potentially, several amendments related to the city of Portland budget before you. They will be voted on tomorrow, I believe, that would impact this, this budget, so I would recommend potentially continuing this budget, as well after the public testimony.

Wheeler: Ah, very good. Okay. I was not aware of that, but I am sure we're happy to do that. Very good. So does anybody have any amendments at this particular juncture? Very good. Okay. Public testimony? Who has stuck around? Let's find out.

Pam Micek: Dr. Jim Gaudino and Jackie walker.

Hardesty: Maybe gone.

Wheeler: Okay.

*****: Everybody's in chambers.

Eudaly: Yeah.

Hardesty: [inaudible]

Wheeler: And all the other rooms are closed at this point? Okay, thank you very much. Okay. So. We obviously don't have any amendments, therefore we don't need any motions or second. And you'd like us to go ahead and continue this hearing then until tomorrow afternoon? Do we need a time certain? So we picked the 3:30, I believe it was, time certain for the budget hearing, and what time do you want to say for this?

Micek: It depends on how long your amendments would take, but maybe 4:00? Is that realistic? And then if it –

Wheeler: No –

Micek: If you start –

Fritz: But doesn't, you can do it after the time –

Micek: You can do it after the time certain –

Fritz: We don't want to be hanging around with –

Micek: You just can't do it before. So –

Wheeler: Oh, okay, I see what you're saying.

Micek: If you said 4:00 and you don't take it up until 4:30

Wheeler: Okay, that's fine.

Micek: -- that's fine.

Wheeler: That's fine. We will go ahead and do that, but with the understanding that it will probably be later than that for those who want to actually come in. Great.

Fritz: Mayor, I take it the record is closed?

Wheeler: And the record is closed.

Fritz: And I just want to say that I will check to see if those two individuals who wanted to speak had sent us emails and if they did, I will be sure to read them.

Wheeler: Yeah, that would be, that would actually be helpful. Very good. Okay. So that completes items number 477 and 478. 480 got moved. 479 I doubt that individual is still here, so what do we want to do on 479, Mustafa?

Mustafa Washington, Office of Mayor Wheeler: Mayor, [inaudible] was moved.

Wheeler: It has all right been moved?

Washington: Yeah.

Wheeler: So 479 and 480 have been both, they've both been moved?

Micek: To when?

Washington: 479 is, actually -- I am sorry.

Fritz: Could you come speak into the microphone?

Wheeler: Can you just speak into the microphone just so it's on the record so that people can hear?

Eudaly: Don't be shy.

Washington: I am Mustafa Washington with the mayor's office. 479 has been recalled back to our office, mayor.

*****: [inaudible]

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Washington: Because we knew this was going to be a long day so we tried to cut some things short, so we took the piece [inaudible] appointment and we called it back to our office, and our policy team is going to come up and bring it back.

Fritz: I don't think that item has been read though, [inaudible].

Wheeler: Can you please read it just because I honestly can't remember whether we read it or not. Can you read 479, please. We need Karla. Karla, can you read 479? We are pulling it back.

Moore-Love: Did we adjourn --

*****: Not really.

Fritz: Did we read that?

Moore-Love: Was Prosper Portland adjourned?

*****: Yes.

Wheeler: Yeah, sorry, we are adjourned.

Micek: Oh it was. [laughter]

Wheeler: Prosper Portland, you may go. [laughter]

Micek: Thank you.

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Wheeler: [laughter] Very good and due to the long day and not wanting to keep the appointee sitting around, we are going to reschedule that for tomorrow afternoon. No? When?

Washington: It's a student.

Wheeler: Okay, so we'll work, it's a student so we are going to work around the student's schedule, very good. All right.

Micek: And then 480, you announced earlier, that there was a reschedule, but I think that Karla could call the item and then you could state the new time?

Wheeler: Yes, if I can remember --

Micek: I didn't catch that.

Wheeler: When the new time was.

Moore-Love: 480 is revised residential solid waste and recycling collection rates and charges, effective July 1, 2019. I have the new date as may 29th, 2:00 p.m. time certain.

Wheeler: Very good. Excellent. Thank you, Karla. We are adjourned.

At 5:04 p.m., Prosper Portland recessed.

At 5:05 p.m., council recessed.

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May 23, 2019 **2:00 p.m.**

Wheeler: Thursday afternoon, may 23, 2019 session of the Portland city council. Good afternoon. Could you please call the roll. [roll call taken]

Fish: Here. **Hardesty:** Here. **Eudaly:** Here. **Fritz:** Here. **Wheeler:** Here.

Wheeler: Now we hear from legal council on the rules of order and decorum.

Robert Taylor, Chief Deputy City Attorney: Welcome to 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 council meetings so everyone can feel welcome, comfortable, respected and safe. To participate in council meetings you may sign up in advance with the clerk's office for communications to briefly speak about any subject. You may sign up for public testimony on resolutions or first readings of ordinances. Your testimony should address the matter being considered at the time. If it does not you may be ruled out of order. 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 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 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. Please remain seated in council chambers unless entering or exiting. If filming the proceedings please do not use bright lights or disrupt the meeting. Disruptive actions will not be allowed. If there is a disruption in the meeting or during deliberations, a warning will be given. 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: Thanks, robert. Couple of housekeeping items, first for those interested in the continuation of the budget discussion we're going to have deliberations and votes at time certain 3:30. That means we will start no earlier than 3:30 this afternoon. We're also going to formally move the items related to renter protections and security deposits so carla, please read item 483 and 484, please.

Items 483 and 484.

Wheeler: As discussed at the council meeting yesterday afternoon, commissioner eudaly has requested to move items 483 and 484 to next week's agenda and we thank her for that. We discussed having the hearing on these two items in the evening next wednesday. To do that procedure I offer the following. I move to suspend code section 3.02.010 that requires two weeks' notice for an evening council session and that council meet at 6:00 p.m. Next wednesday, may 29. Do I have a second?

Eudaly: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion and second from commissioner Fritz. Any further discussion?

Fritz: For clarification this is instead of the wednesday afternoon meeting then instead of as well as.

Wheeler: That's correct. Please call the roll.

Moore-Love: We have the one item at 2:00 p.m., the recycling garbage rates is still at 2:00 p.m. Time certain.

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Fish: That's a fairly proforma thing.

Moore-Love: I think it will last 30 minutes.

Wheeler: It shouldn't take longer than that. Please call the roll.

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

Fritz: Allowing this was the first thing I did when I got on council. Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. Thank you. The motion passes. Next up, Karla, could you please read items 481 and 482.

Items 481 and 482.

Wheeler: Colleagues, the 82nd avenue is home to one of the most diverse populations in the entire Portland region. The census tracked around 82nd and Powell is one of the most diverse in the entire state including communities of color and low income households that have been historically underserved and underrepresented. The 2035 comprehensive plan designates 82nd avenue as a civic corridor. Both 82nd -- the 82nd avenue study done by the bureau of planning and sustainability, 481, and the 82nd avenue plan, 482, update our understanding of the 82nd avenue as a civic corridor with the intent to improve 82nd avenue so that this major corridor may become a vibrant urban place with key transportation connections. The 82nd avenue study focuses on understanding challenges of and exploring opportunities for new development in the corridor as we consider potential prescription improvements. Near term the 82nd avenue study recommends technical map changes to employment zoning and the elimination of or modification to remove barriers to property uses and/or redevelopment. Long term the most significant barrier on 82nd avenue is addressing safety, access and transit improvements along the corridor. 82nd avenue is an important street in our city, and the region, and it's one that we need to focus on improving. It's a high crash corridor and one of the highest ridership trimet bus lines as well. If we're to meet our transportation goals around vision zero safety and moving people in an equitable manner we need to improve safety, access and transit along 82nd avenue. This is necessary for improving conditions for people who walk, bike and take transit. It's critical for addressing transportation justice, racial equity and climate action. The recommendations in the 82nd avenue plan are intended to benefit these communities and in so doing meet the aggressive goals the city of Portland has set around equity. The types of improvements recommended in the plan will help address the disproportionate burden of traffic fatalities and serious injuries on people of color, low income households, older adults and youth, people with disabilities and households with limited vehicle access. It will help prepare 82nd avenue as a candidate corridor under consideration for the t2020 regional transportation investment measure led by metro. I hope to see the 82nd avenue corridor become a prominent project funded in this measure by the region's voters so we can begin the transformation of 82nd avenue into a civic corridor. Before I hand this to bureau staff I understand there are three proposed technical amendments. I would like a motion to revise the comprehensive plan map as depicted in exhibit c, in the official zoning map, as depicted in exhibit d. Commissioner Eudaly seconds. Now I'll turn this over to Marty Stockton from the bureau of planning and sustainability and April Bertelsen from the bureau of transportation to tell us more about this important work. Commissioner Eudaly, did you have any opening remarks?

Eudaly: I'm going to be offering an amendment after the presentation.

Wheeler: Good afternoon. Thanks for being here.

Marty Stockton, Planning and Sustainability: Good afternoon. I'm Marty Stockton with bureau of planning and sustainability and project manager on the 82nd avenue study understanding barriers to development. Before you today we have a recommended council action to adopt the 82nd avenue study map changes as well as accept the 82nd avenue study understanding barriers to development as legislative history. Really quickly about the process, this is a metro funded planning and development grant. The 82nd avenue study

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was kicked off in the fall of 2016 and was coordinated with odot's 82nd avenue of the roses implementation plan. In fact so coordinated that odot community advisory committee was shared between both efforts. This was really I would say bottom up study as far as working with property and business owners, canvassing multiple segments of the 82nd avenue corridor as well as real estate brokers, additionally following up with adjacent neighborhood associations, business associations to receive input on 82nd. We did have consultants work on the 82nd avenue study specifically deca architects worked on studying seven sites as case studies then leland consulting worked on evaluation of employment land along the 82nd avenue corridor. In 2018 we spent a lot of time taking drafts out to the public and just incorporating feedback. Then here we are in 2018 with some minor technical map change proposals. We have the planning and sustainability commission hearing in march 20 of this year and here we are at council hearing. Again, this study area is the seven mile corridor from northeast killingsworth to the north down to the southern city limits, clatsop. It involves designated centers of roseway, montavilla, jade district and lents town center as well as a number of other focus areas. Around madison high school, the max station, the area between montavilla and jade district, the area between jade districts and lents and the area we're calling south of bybee. The goals were to update our understanding of 82nd avenue as a recently designated corridor in the 2035 plan to identify strategic locations for public action or intervention as well as investment. And it was to understand various development while managing equity and social issues. Findings of the study -- I really wanted to list findings from the public perspective, not necessarily from our consultants but from the bottom up work that we did. In no particular order, it was what the community conveyed to us was there is a lack of available capital funding and/or development experience of property owners, business owners along 82nd. Not unanimously but that was general theme. Market conditions, 82nd is not quite ripe for redevelopment just yet. Development standards. We're addressing some of those today with some technical map changes, but there's also concerns with nonconforming upgrades and not being able to include the cost of nonconforming upgrades when you are considering a development. So the nonconforming upgrades are just a little bit too much for some property owners. Then really the safety connections, roadway and public developments. Of all listed here that is the number one issue conveyed to us was the condition of the road. Finally, a lot of folks that participated just ongoing theme of concerns around the increasing homeless population, lack of services, and those I would say concerns were the full spectrum of humanitarian concerns to frustrations with public safety and public cleanliness. So today we do have near term actions that we're bringing forth to you from the bureau of planning and sustainability we have a refinement of some employment zoning as well as the elimination of modification of some split zone sites. In total we are proposing map changes to 28 acres along a seven mile corridor. That is about six or seven blocks. That is not a large area of the 82nd avenue corridor. Then we did conduct an economic and equity impact analysis specific to the properties where we have a proposed zone change. Portland bureau of transportation will be talking later in the presentation about the 82nd avenue plan. So as I mentioned, as the 28 acres, about 75% of the proposed map changes have to do with employment zoning. Specifically it's an area at the southern end of the corridor from southeast bybee to southeast lambert. This is really to address I would say a mismatch between the current employment zone and just proposing a zone that is a better fit and also a zone that will lead to a more pedestrian friendly experience as properties redevelop over time. Specifically there are 18 buildings that are currently nonconforming in this area that will be either become conforming or closer to conformance with the zone change. Regarding the split zone sites we did an analysis of all the split zoned property along the 82nd avenue corridor as shown with this particular map with the images outlined in red --

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Fish: Marty, for those who are new to our work or at home could you -- -- i'm happy to. You beat me to my second talking point on this slide. A split zone site is a site where there are two or more zoning designations. A classic example would be a portion of the property zoned for commercial whereas the back portion is zoned residential. That would be a split zone site.

Fish: Thank you.

Stockton: We are proposing to move forward with eliminating or modifying the nature of 16 split zone sites along the corridor. Question?

Hardesty: Thank you. I had a question about how many residential zones are we going to lose if we make this change?

Stockton: So we are -- there are two -- excuse me, three properties that have residential property on them. A classic example is the former dmv property, across from madison high school. The back portion of that property, which is a surface parking lot, is zoned r5. That's the type of map changes that we're correcting. So the surface parking lot on the former dmv side is zoned residential. We're proposing that whole site to go to commercial.

Hardesty: Are homes allowed in commercial zones? Are residential units allowed in commercial zones?

Stockton: All of our commercial zones in the city allow housing outright, which is a wonderful thing.

Fritz: In fact you would allow more housing.

Stockton: Correct.

Fritz: How many more?

Stockton: We're not going to get to that today.

Fritz: I would be interested to have an estimate. Obviously with the commercial zones you don't know. There is capacity for a lot more. It would be interesting to know what effect this has on our projections for the zones capacity.

Stockton: Be happy to follow up with you.

Fritz: Thank you.

Stockton: Did that cover that question?

Hardesty: Yes. Thank you. For the moment.

Stockton: We did conduct an economic analysis on again the areas that we're proposing map changes as well as just reflecting on some of the recent change to employment in the 2035 comprehensive plan. With this slide I just would like to note actually the two bar graphs to the right. So the employment zones citywide you'll see that 25% is used in the industrial sector whereas 42% typically is an office, then 28% is in retail. There's a 5% in health and education. Employment along 82nd have a different sector spread. 44% is an industrial use whereas 43% is in retail and then only 10% is in office. That's just something that it's a finding. It's interesting information in the study. I think it's something that it would be interesting to follow up on. We would like to see more office sector jobs on 82nd. But what we're proposing today doesn't affect that at all. As far as the equity impact analysis, we did look at the demographics in the study area. Specifically just want to call out that there are 36% people of color compared to 29% citywide, households with people of color. Then interestingly, 60% owner households compared to 53% citywide. Then it is important to note that 49% low income households compared to 44% citywide, and some recent analysis we did in the residential infill project it's really important to note that the neighborhoods of cully, montavilla, darlington and lents are areas we're concerned about for risk of displacement, and those are all neighborhoods along the 82nd avenue corridor. Specific to business impact, that was something the planning and sustainability charged us to look at specifically with relation to the map changes, 17 businesses where we're proposing a map change have been in the location over 15 years. 15 have been in location less than five years. Then of note --

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Hardesty: Any demographic breakdown on the businesses that currently exist?

Stockton: No. We struggled with that. This is something I actually would like for there to be further work in looking at commercial displacement in the anti-displacement strategy that is moving forward in the budget process. We don't have a lot of good tools when it comes to commercial displacement right now. Specifically, with the demographics you would have to go and do a business to business knocking on doors to get that information. We don't have -- can't use census tracts to get that information for business demographics. Lastly, I think this is a really important point, of the commercial employment property, 50% of the parcels have been in the same ownership 30-plus years. Why this is important is that we are at I would say the brink of a generational change. When properties are in ownership for 30 years, properties will either be handed down to someone within the family or they will be sold. So that is kind of an important thing to know. Council testimony requests, we sent out public notice to over 700 properties as well as occupants and we have three items of testimony that we are planning and sustainability is in support of these requests and the mayor earlier made a motion for these technical amendments to be added and considered. Specifically here just really quickly property on southeast henderson, property on southeast malden court, and the northwest corner of 83rd and flavell are the three properties. I would be happy to follow up with any of the commission offices separately with questions on these. That is the end of my portion of the presentation. I will hand it off to april at this point.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good afternoon.

April Bertelson, Bureau of Transportation: Thank you. Pardon while we switch presentations. One moment. I'm april bertelsen with bureau of transportation. It is my honor and distinct joy to present about 82nd avenue and recommend adoption of the 82nd avenue plan. Per the event resolution before you. I wanted to provide a little bit more context and background of what brought us to develop this plan. It really grows from what we heard from the community and what they feel is the need along 82nd avenue as well as in support of our policies. We have developed this plan based on some of the findings that we had from the study led by bureau of planning and sustainability of understanding barriers. We realize 82nd can be a barrier. So what can we do to help address that? This being an incremental plan, a first step, if you will, something that we could pull together also quickly with the information that we have and what we have heard. We know there's more need for 82nd avenue beyond this plan. But with think we need to get started and started now. We are building off of the planning process both from bps and bureau of planning and sustainability, also from process led by odot. They completed a plan for 82nd avenue, the avenue of the roses implementation plan, late last year, in january 2018. We see this as building off of that and adding to it. Both in support of the improvements they have identified then also identifying more. Additionally, this is an opportune time given the region is currently deliberating transportation investment measure, this can be an input into that process for identifying the project on 82nd avenue. So the key elements of this plan, two parts. One focusing on safety access and transit improvements along 82nd avenue that could be capital public improvement projects. The second aspect of the plan is to recommend changes to pbot's right of way dedication requirements along 82nd avenue to provide wider sidewalk corridors and this would be -- this would occur incrementally as redevelopment occurs through the development process. More about that later. What you can see here is both public coming to the table, how can we invest in 82nd avenue, also how can the properties along 82nd also contribute to the transformation of 82nd and improvement. It's becoming a civic corridor so we want this to be in support of that designation and vision in our comprehensive plan. But there are ways in which 82nd does not yet meet our vision for a civic corridor. While it does -- it's busy and it's already a prominent street connecting centers to places across the region, moving many people and

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goods, it does have barriers. We need to address those. One of those barriers is safety along 82nd avenue. It's a high crash corridor as was mentioned earlier, and if we are going to address our vision zero goals we need to increase safety on 82nd avenue and take a role in that. It is in our top 30 high crash streets left in the city. Since 2007, 16 people have died on 82nd avenue. Many of them, a majority, were pedestrians. So if we are going to change the tide and turn that curve to a vision zero, we must act. Additionally, there are no sidewalks, great distances between crossings, also transit that is delayed and often slow along 82nd, so looking at multiple things we can do to improve. 82nd is also a street. It used to be the edge of our city, now it's the middle of our city. But it has aging infrastructure that often does not meet current standards. This map highlights the paving condition, and it is poor. On many segments of 82nd within our city. I'll highlight the city and state are making investments including paving in some of those poor segments, and I'll -- Mandi from ODOT may be able to speak more to that, but I want to acknowledge there are investments on 82nd avenue, nearly 40 million, ADA crossings and sidewalks.

Fish: I can't read anything on this slide. So just in terms of categories, are all the green boxes on the left, do those represent transportation related investment?

Bertelson: The green is those which were previous investment -- transportation investments. Sidewalks, crossing, signals.

Fish: Limited to transportation. Physical infrastructure transportation. The orange?

Bertelson: Upcoming ones funded and coming forth.

Fish: Is it your intent at some point to do a supplemental overlay on other kinds of investments that are planned for 82nd? For example, I spend a lot of time out there. It obviously is tree deficient. What's our strategy for planting trees, creating softer landscape, bioswales, so that's a best parks issue. To what extent are we adding pocket parks, public spaces, other kinds of things along the way? Is there an opportunity at some point to look more holistically at the investment, community gardens, other things so we see what all the public investment is?

Stockton: There's also been an interest to show that visually. Somewhat similar to this slide in a way that could be web based where folks could see all the different ways there are public investments, whether it's parks or environmental services or transportation or prosper Portland. That there would be a visual way to see it and click on it and learn about various investments.

Fish: Let me be clear about my interests. When we zero in on where PBO, ODOT, others are making significant investments, it could change the sequencing of some of our investments. If there's a big transit stop and we can put a bioswale, trees and other things to make it shaded and much more attractive we want to be part of that. So we want to match up some of our investments along with the transportation investments. I love the interactive idea but would settle for a document that integrates some of the planned investment.

Bertelson: That's wonderful. Thank you. As I said, nearly 40 million invested at this point but the need is greater, and beyond. So this plan is in part about identifying some of those improvements to address the needs.

Hardesty: Could you go back to the last slide? You said nearly 40 million in investment. Is there a breakdown? What is the amount that is in the planning stages, that are in the process as compared to what's been done however long ago that was done?

Bertelson: I don't immediately have that breakdown but I will see about getting that for you.

Hardesty: I think that's important. I think as commissioner Fish said my concern is that all these things are happening in isolation of everything else, and I certainly live on a street that gets torn up quite a bit because one government entity is doing x, then two months later another government entity comes in and does y, then three months later another

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government entity does something else. It's very disruptive to the community that's already pretty disrupted because of the poor infrastructure. It really would be helpful to know that we're planning in a way that is only disruptive once.

Bertelson: Noted. That is good feedback. I will also find out what are the upcoming investments from that. There's one I can highlight, that is the paving project odot will be conducting from foster south to lindy beyond the city's limits but it includes clatsop in the city. That would include corner rounds, sidewalks and some crossings. Mandi may be able to speak more about that, coordination opportunities. How do we coordinate also our crossing investments in that same segment. We need to support vision zero liveability and how people connect to economic opportunity. We wanted to respond to these needs as well as the advocacy from the community for the transformation of 82nd avenue and growing advocacy for jurisdictional transfer to help support that and achieve a street more in their vision. We have begun conversations with odot about a pathway towards jurisdictional transfer that includes a letter together when we met with state legislatures from july of 2018 that is a joint pbob and odot letter, in addition we just recently signed a memorandum of understanding to lay out a work plan for stepping towards jurisdictional transfer and reaching shared understanding agreement on the costs associated with that. I have copies of that memorandum of understanding and it's attached to exhibit b of the resolution. We will continue to work on the elements of that work plan and seek funding for improvements in this plan and beyond as well as addressing state of good repair to address deferred maintenance. Also seeking to find flexibility as we build things in jurisdictional transfer.

Fish: It comes up a lot of people instinctively like the idea of jurisdictional transfer, like the city being responsible for the road but are concerned about the liability that attaches. Is it the equivalent of someone saying I have a brown field for you would you like to take it over? That would be wonderful. Then you've got a long-term liability. This comes up a lot obviously in the parks and natural area context where we're offered spaces that frankly we have to think twice about because we don't have the funds to maintain them. Can you just tell me as succinctly as possible, I think I understand the benefits side of the equation of jurisdictional transfer but how do we ensure we don't get stuck with the tab on the other side of the ledger?

Bertelson: Thank you. We share this concern and sensitivity. Part of this is working with our engineers and staff within pbob as well as with odot, their staff and their engineers to understand the state of the assets from the paving to the signals, to the drainage system below. Working to come to shared agreement on what that state is and what the cost would be to bring it to a state of good repair. How we might share in the cost for that. How that being an important step in moving towards a jurisdictional transfer and so we're at that point now trying to come to a shared agreement and shared understanding --

Fish: Let me put it in terms less polite. As part of any negotiation we would make sure we wouldn't let them off the hook for their share of responsibility.

Bertelson: And that is I think an important message for us to be carrying forth.

Fish: You will hear from the council it's an important precondition to any jurisdictional transfer that we're not just taking on liability and responsibility. We are proud of pbob and its track record of doing work in that community, but there has to be a cost sharing agreement so that it doesn't come at the cost of your shifting the burden to Portland taxpayers.

Bertelson: We do agree. We also have plenty of streets to maintain already and if we are going to have more we do need funding to both support that maintenance as well as making improvements to meet the vision.

Fish: Thank you.

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Bertelson: Thank you. There are different means for achieving that both one time as well as ongoing maintenance needs.

Hardesty: Sorry to keep interrupting, but trying to understand this a lot better. What does the mou commit us to at the moment?

Bertelson: It commits us to work together. It lays out steps to help reach shared understanding of the cost and agreement on how much the cost, what funding as well as cost of basic safety improvements. I would be happy to share a copy of this so that you could like to review it and let us know if you have more questions. That fundamentally is the commitment to work together to answer these questions and bring those back in preparation --

Hardesty: For the city council to deliberate on that after you have answered those questions or is this something you're just going to go off and do?

Bertelson: I may look to my leadership. I do believe we will return to city council. Yes.

Hardesty: Okay. It's on camera. You can freeze it there.

Eudaly: I'll just say as the commissioner in charge I have no interest in taking on anyone else's liability considering we have \$3.2 billion of our own in deferred maintenance. And i'm also concerned with ongoing maintenance costs once it's brought up to --

Hardesty: As am i. Yes. Thank you.

Eudaly: There will be some fun conversations about that. Tbd.

Hardesty: Thank you.

Bertelson: In the interests of time i'm going to try to move more quickly through the remaining slides here so we can hear from others. So briefly, the chapter on safety access and transit improvements, identifies improvements about the corridor with input from our traffic engineers primarily including more enhanced pedestrian bicycle crossings including marked crosswalks and treatments to pedestrian activated treatments. Increased lighting, signal changes to reduce conflicts, particularly with pedestrians but other conflicts too. Strategic sidewalk widening in spots and hopefully lowering fees. Then enhanced priority treatments to improve speed of bus reliability and capacity. The other key element that I had highlighted is proposed changes to right of way dedication requirements along 82nd avenue and I would like to highlight this photo of outside pcc campus which has a wonderful sidewalk corridor and frontage. Today most of 82nd avenue the sidewalks range between five feet and 15 feet depending where redevelopment has occurred. So many of the sidewalks are narrow and do not meet current city standards. That can create a very tight and uncomfortable pedestrian environment which has barriers to many people with mobility devices.

Eudaly: What would the standard be for 82nd avenue.

Bertelson: I will get to that in the next slide. In addition to the right of way five-lane cross sections then roughly 72 feet of right of way. Then there is also a special setback that is in place along 82nd avenue that was adopted by ordinance decades ago and is now implemented through the zoning code special setbacks. That requires 45 feet from center line for a total if would 90 feet between buildings. Buildings today are not allowed to be built within that 45 feet from center line. Some buildings exist there today. They may predate this. But new buildings would be required to build on their property outside of that setback. Current sidewalk standards as redevelopment occurs we request that development build 15 foot wide sidewalk corridors within pedestrian districts. There are two on 82nd avenue, otherwise a 12 foot sidewalk corridor made up of these zones that you'll see here. The furnishing zone where you would locate the trees. Then a curb and frontage zone. The two pedestrian districts that are in our transportation system plan today are the montavilla pedestrian district around stark and Washington and 82nd avenue max station area. The proposal is to increase our dedication requirements to be the same as this 45 feet from center line special setback instead of it being a setback on private

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property it would become a right of way dedication. The same 45 from center line or a minimum of 12 feet or 15 feet in pedestrian districts whichever is greater so we ensure we at least have the 90 feet wide but in those places where it's already wider the curb is wider at least get a minimum of 12 feet sidewalk or 15 in pedestrian districts. As part of this we mapped the entire corridor along 82nd avenue to estimate based on our mapping resources what would that change in dedication mean for if they came in today under current standards or under the future. So we have done that assessment. Here's an example of one of those maps. Here's an example zooming into an individual property where they have a narrow sidewalk today if they were to come in today we would require roughly eight feet. These are our estimations. Under the new requirement it would be an additional roughly a two foot dedication which would put it roughly where the front of the building is today. Then others more or less increased dedication. There are some properties that already need it today. Here's an example of one that does need it. This is McDonald's 82nd and stark where they have dedicated and are needing a 15 foot sidewalk corridor. We want to see more in the future which provides ample room for people moving as well as street trees and bus stop and shelters. With that, I will in my presentation recommend adoption of these recommendations contained within 82nd avenue plan.

Eudaly: I just want to confirm we read this as a package, right? This amendment will be on 482, the resolution? I would like to propose an amendment before we take public testimony so we can hear testimony on the full package. Here is the language. Be it further resolved that pbot staff is directed to pursue more transformational strategies along 82nd avenue to improve transit reliability, speed and capacity for people who currently ride bus line 72, and to increase ridership. This includes developing and evaluating design concepts with more transit priority treatments from the pbot enhanced transit tool box such as business access and transit lanes in partnership with trimet, metro and odot.

Fritz: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion and second. That is on the table.

Eudaly: I'll add that since being assigned pbot last fall I have been pretty aggressive in my direction with the bureau to prioritize transit improvements including getting buses out of traffic as soon as possible, and we are currently working on a red lane project that will create a pilot for bus priority lanes across the city but while we're still in development on that large project I would be remiss to miss an opportunity to include it in every transportation plan we bring before council.

Bertelson: Thank you.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fish.

Fish: I have one last question. When I came to Portland, if you were on sandy boulevard west of 42nd, there were a lot of auto dealerships. Today those auto dealerships have been largely repurposed into creative space and redevelopment and there's other development going in. One of the features of 82nd is there are a lot of auto dealerships. If you were to put your sort of crystal ball, look into your crystal ball and anticipate what are some of the short term and medium term effects of some of the changes we're contemplating in the street we want that's more livable, what will happen to the high concentration of auto dealership related businesses?

Stockton: Those of us in the planning bureau are very aware of the concentration of auto dealerships along 82nd. In the 2035 comprehensive plan there was a map change that was proposed in the montavilla neighborhood association along 82nd between alder and mill which still allows for auto dealerships to be a use outright but it requires over time as properties redevelop for the surface parking lots to be -- it's essentially the exterior display is no longer allowed. Dealership can be there but it has to be the display of vehicles have to be within a building. So a good example on sandy boulevard is the former timberline dodge building. That was a change that was made to sandy boulevard decades ago and

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that was the first I would say evolution of sandy was that the exterior display of vehicles had to be put inside a building. We made that change in montavilla and we're also making it today at the southern end of 82nd again in the brentwood darlington lents area between bybee and lambert where that four-block area again auto dealerships are still allowed. They are allowed use, but as property is redeveloped over time we have the expectation that the exterior display of vehicles will no longer occur because it is prohibited by the zone that we are proposing.

Fish: Thank you.

Eudaly: In the interests of time because we are running way over at this point we still have 30 minutes of invited testimony and then an ask that we not have more questions unless there's something really urgent.

Wheeler: Without objection. Very good.

Eudaly: Thank you.

Wheeler: Thanks a lot.

Eudaly: You have the list?

Wheeler: We have invited testimony. Mandy putney from odot, carey pelneck from trimet, director of planning and policy. Bob stacey, metro councilor. Then we have brian wong from the 82nd avenue improvement coalition, john mulvey from the 82nd avenue cac and east Portland action plan member. Todd struble from apano and the jade district and orlando lopez from opal, the bus riders union. I don't know if you all want to come up or just a few at a time. You're all invited testimony. We only ask that you provide your name for the record. Thanks for being here. Good to see you. Good afternoon.

Mandi Putney, Oregon Department of Transportation: Good afternoon, mayor, commissioners. Thank you for inviting me to provide comments today. I'm mandy putney. I'm odot's region 1 policy and development manager. I have been working closely with pbot staff on the mou, and conversations about the future of 82nd. There have been years of collaboration between odot and the city on operations and investments on 82nd work not guilty coordination with pbot more than \$35 million have been invested along 82nd avenue and currently we have about \$14 million of additional investments planned and programmed that are under way currently or those dollars are allocated and programmed. We also have another \$6.5 million in safety improvements for the section of 82nd and Portland that are being proposed for investment in the 2024 statewide strategic investment plan. When 82nd avenue opened in the 1930s it was the only north-south highway in the area until 1983. It now functions as a multimodal community corridor connecting people to the community and the statewide and regional trip travel has shifted to the interstate. Under odot ownership, which is curb to curb for most of 82nd, current design of the roadway is guided by federal and state requirements that are not always the best match to community needs. Odot share the city and community goal of safety and connectivity along the facility. There's also a shared understanding that city management of this road will produce the outcomes most desired by the community. Odot fully supports the proceeds described in the mou before you today to develop the terms of a future jurisdictional transfer. Odot and pbot staff have been diligently working together on the steps outlined in the mou. We thank the city for your continued partnership and are eager to continue to make progress on developing this jurisdictional transfer agreement. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Bob Stacey, Metro Counselor District 6: Your honor, commissioners, bob stacey, metro councilor for metro council district 6, which is most of southeast and southwest Portland including the neighborhoods on either side of 82nd avenue from the light-rail station at the banfield freeway down to car topia on johnson creek boulevard. I'm here on behalf of the metro council to testify in support of both these measures before you. 82nd avenue as

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everyone has acknowledged is a vital corridor, a hub for our region, home to an ever growing and changing population. The planning and transportation studies and plan before you today take important steps toward other things improving pedestrian safety and other elements of 82nd avenue. Pedestrian safety in particular is a key concern for the 14,000 daily riders on trimet's 82nd avenue bus line. The highest ridership of any line bus line in trimet system. Higher than some of the light-rail lines at the current point. As you act on the plan before you today I encourage you to consider even bolder action and i'm pleased to hear commissioner eudaly's proposed amendment. As you know metro is working with the city, again thanks, commissioner eudaly, other regional partners and community leaders outside of government on a 2020 transportation investment measure for the region as a whole. A task force on which commissioner eudaly serves has an emerging list of top priority investment projects for regional transportation measure, and 82nd avenue is on everyone's top five list around the region. This accord that can meet the values better but metro's established for inclusion in this measure safety, mobility, equity, accessibility, affordability, and greenhouse gas reduction from the transportation sector. With the potential for regional funds available in the future to support transformational ideas, we have chance to make a bold move for dedicated transit lanes on 82nd avenue. The ridership today is remarkable. It could be even greater with such improvements. We're hearing very strongly from the community that we need bold action on climate, on the greenhouse gases that come from transportation, dedicating a transit lane on 82nd avenue as the city is now doing on southwest madison is an important way of achieving those greenhouse gas reduction targets. This kind of investment will also mean better out comes for safety, mobility and equity which our region has prioritized for any transportation measure. Let me close with an observation that is often made by christian kehler, the metropolitan area economist for the Oregon department of employment when he talks about poverty and inequity in our economy. He points out that if you divide Multnomah county along 82nd avenue that the county west of 82nd avenue is Oregon's wealthiest and Multnomah county east of 82nd is the poorest. That's a remarkable observation that suggests 82nd avenue is more than a civic corridor, more than a transit route. It's a barometer for the future of our city. How we deal with this part of our city both in transportation and in equity and how we avoid displacement as we make significant transportation investments, how we learn as the city and trimet and metro did in the division transit corridor project and as we're learning on the southwest corridor project to invest in housing and other opportunities ahead of the displacement effect of gentrification. I encourage you to think boldly and take us up on the regional offer of support for this important corridor. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good afternoon.

Kerry Ayres-Palanuk, TriMet: Good afternoon, mayor, commissioners. I'm carey palneck, director of planning and policy with trimet. Trimet would like to show support for the 82nd avenue plan and focus on improving safety and removing transportation barriers. We believe capital efforts to make transit more attractive and get people through delay and congestion can help achieve these goals. Trimet serves as you've heard 82nd avenue with frequent service line 72. It's our highest ridership of any trimet bus line with over 14,000 daily boarding. Almost 22 hours a day. We provide 223 trips a day with an average time between buses of 11 minutes during the entire day but at the busiest time of the day we run as frequently as every five minutes. With these levels of frequent service provided on 82nd avenue even small improvements in bus priority can make a large difference in the lives of so many people that use our bus. With the work that we have been doing with the city of Portland, metro, we also know there's significant delay for buses between 82nd avenue max station to the north and southeast flavell to the south. This means it takes longer for a worker to get to their job or single parent to pick up children at child care than

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just a few years ago. We believe this plan is a great start toward building an improved corridor that moves buses and therefore more people quicker, safer and more conveniently. Improvements within the right of way that would achieve these goals for transit include q-jump lanes, transit signal priority and bus only or business access and transit lanes. While many of these improvements can occur in the near future, we also look forward to further into the future when changes outside the existing street right of way include wider sidewalks, ensuring ada accessibility to, from and at all of our bus stops. I applaud the work that pbot and trimet staffer are doing to move people through and around congestion. The 82nd avenue plan that we're focused on today is a great opportunity to further this work for transit riders but I also would like to give a shout out to the new bus and bike only lane on southwest madison just outside here which helps buses and riders reach the hawthorne bridge and look forward to the burnside and everett street improvements as well. Improvements will help speed travel out of town for over 11,000 riders per day on 13 bus lines. As we know reallocating roadway space is a tough task. Trimet commends your efforts in this area to date and greatly value our partnership in improving transit service throughout our service all around the region. Thank you.

Wheeler: We thank our agency partners for being here. Thanks for all your great work over a period of many, many years.

Fritz: I didn't know of any bus lines that ran every five minutes. That's brilliant. Thank you very much.

Hardesty: I thank you. I have lost my trimet person and I was hoping to find out if we're going to get the clean buses on 82nd since we use most of -- we have a lot more traffic. So I would love to know when we can expect that, those new buses that are energy improved to be riding up and down on 82nd.

Wheeler: Very good. We have our community partners here as well. Before I call you up, there was a chance that representative kenya-guyer and senator dembrow were going to be here. I don't see them. They did send written testimony and have been very supportive and active but also they are in salem during the legislative session. They wanted to be here. Brian wong, john mulvey, todd struble and orlando lopez, please come on up.

Bertelson: I heard from orlando lopez with opal. He's unable to attend but did submit written testimony to the council clerk and shared with me. I want to make sure we get that to you. He strongly supports the plan.

Wheeler: It's my understanding in addition to representative kenya-guyer and senator dembrow we also received a letter of support from representative Reardon, the Brentwood Darlington neighborhood association, southeast in active motion, otherwise known as seam, and a number of others as well. Good afternoon.

Brian Wong, 82nd Ave Improvement: Thank you for having us here. I'm brian wong with 82nd avenue improvement coalition. I would like to thank chloe eudaly for your letter of support for house bill 286, safety for all. The 82nd avenue coalition is a grass roots organization advocating for safer streets in our community. We are here today to ask you that you adopt 82nd avenue plan and we want to work with you to make it a street and safe place to be. 82nd avenue as you know is a complex environment. It is designed to be a highway but attempting to function as the region's main street. Sadly it's currently and simply a high crash corridor. We seek to change that. It carries a distinguished honor of being one of the top cross streets in Portland for pedestrians, bicyclists and motor vehicles. We want to change that. We need to change that dangerous, deadly reality. In the letter of support sent by our state legislators and senator speaks to those dangers and notes that on february 24th this year a madison high school student was struck and critically injured. We need to make 82nd avenue safer. The plan helps transform it with more pedestrians activated crossings, placed closer together, wider sidewalks, modifying zoning to encourage human scale development. The option to reduce speed and

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considerations for enhanced transit. Which are all necessary to put in parks and other public investments along the corridor. If we want to put those features in place we also need to begin the process of transferring 82nd avenue ownership of the road from Oregon department of transportation, odot, to the city of Portland. Odot has a vast inventory of highways and 82nd is one of those highways. The inventory of highways is viewed as a system. Each separate highway connecting one highway to another. Over time as new highways are added like 205 some existing highways are no longer serving a statewide function and are deprioritized and are not maintained and are neglected. 82nd avenue has been neglected for many years and suffers from backlog of deferred maintenance and basic safety improvements. Now is the opportune time to absolve that backlog. Odot needs to continue to perform due diligence and continue to contribute the funds necessary to address the deferred maintenance and bring 82nd up to a state of good repair. Additional funding from the 2020 regional investment measure can be allocated to transform 82nd into a city street, a safe, walkable place better served by transit. We need to change it and we ask you vote to adopt the plan. The time to transform 82nd avenue is now. Thanks you for your time.

Wheeler: We appreciate you being here. Good afternoon.

John Mulvey, Co-chair East Portland Action Plan: Mr. Mayor, commissioners, thank you for the chance to talk to you today about 82nd avenue. I'm john mulvey. I'm co-chair of the housing committee of east Portland action plan. I spent five years as community indications chair for the 82nd avenue improvement coalition and I was a member of the odot community advisory committee that drafted their so-called plan for 82nd avenue. We talk a lot about community. 82nd avenue is mine. It may not be beautiful, but it's mine. I love the people who scramble across the street every single day. And I want to protect them, their safety and their ability to live their lives is my number one priority. The plans that you're considering today are great steps forward, and I want to express my appreciation to the staff who worked on them particularly marty stockton and april bertelsen, who have been champions for this area. But you're not considering the plan for 82nd, you're considering some incremental changes that are very positive and good, and I hope you'll support them. But we need to do more for that community. So i'll end my comments there, but I did want to just flag one segment, section of both these plans. As you know, the current comp plan makes it the city's policy that displacement mitigation be part of any conversation where plans and investments are expected to create neighborhood change. And that certainly applies to the changes that are taking place on 82nd avenue. I'll just read one small bullet point that is part of the anticipated future steps in the bps plan on the pbot plan has similar language. Develop a corridor-wide residential growth strategy that identifies residential development opportunities, supports housing stabilization at all income levels, and recommends programs and policies to minimize displacement of low income community members that may result from investment and redevelopment. So I wanted to flag that for you because as we go forward, i'm personally very committed to a safer street, and I have been working on that cause for many, many years. But if I thought that it would adversely impact our communities in the corridor I would oppose even fixing a pothole. So those two goals have to happen in tandem, and I know you agree. Forgive me for reminding you about it again. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good afternoon.

Todd Struble, Director of Community Development APANO: Good afternoon, mayor, commissioners. I'm todd struble. I'm the director of community development at apano. I wanted to speak in support of adopting these plans. We do think they are positive steps toward improving the street. I I want to talk to the question about jurisdictional transfer and why we have been banging that drum for so long. I think we appreciate the cost that it will take to bring this street up to good repair. I have been part of the organization and coalition

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of many community folks have been doing that outreach. I personally gathered surveys for many of the plans odot and pbot have worked on and we're supportive. They have been engaged with us and we appreciate that. In terms of the liability, I think the reason that we been banging this drum for so long is the status quo isn't working for us. The experience of folks walking across the street with the madison high school students or new residents at the orchards of 82nd, the children that are living there, the idea there's a current cost on the liability side of the ledger here today. So we just wanted to bring that and say we kind of appreciate that it's going to cost a lot and it's going to probably hurt, but I think for folks that are living there and using it as a transit corridor, a business corridor, they don't care who is responsible for the repair of the street. They just want it fixed. They want it to feel safer and be available for them to use as an amenity. Supporting their daily lives. I would just try to ask and I don't envy you the task of sitting on that side of table when we have these discussions. I suspect there will be a compromise that makes everybody feel not so great, but all I can promise is that when those discussions happen, you will have community support for making those investments and working with your agency partners to make this a reality for the folks that live there. Thank you.

Wheeler: Very good, and thank you for the great definition of compromise. That pretty much hit the nail on the head. Thank you, all, we appreciate it. Unless I am mistaken, that completes our invited testimony. We will now open it up to public testimony, and unless, colleagues, if you have any questions before we begin that. Carla, how many individuals do we have signed up for public testimony?

Moore-Love: For both items, we have 15.

Wheeler: Very good. Two minutes each. Name for the record. Please calling the first three.

Moore-Love: Okay. We will start with 41. The first two were richard and diana davis, and then we will go with terry parker.

Wheeler: Very good.

Richard Davis: We have some exhibits for you.

Wheeler: Okay. Thank you. Any handouts or anything, just give them to Karla, or, yeah, the council clerk, and she will get them up to us.

Fish: Ma'am, why don't you start.

Davis: I was going to start. Good afternoon, mr. Mayor and members of the council, my name is richard davis. This is my wife, diana davis. We are the owner of two duplexes on the corner of flavel and 83rd. So we are generally in support of improvements on 82nd. One thing about the plan, if you saw some of the maps, maybe you missed it, there was a map that was drawn right on flavel, and the entire block on 83rd is covered by the changes, except for our property and our neighbors. In our view, that creates a barrier to the development. I formed that belief for several reasons. One, in my former life, I was commissioner in the small city where we took a road that was very similar to 82nd. It was a county road that was supplanted by a major freeway, and we had to figure out how -- what do we do with this road. The major barrier, as we took hearings and testimony, was a mixed zoning. So, when you have a street, a single street, you have mixed zoning, you get developers that do not want to develop in that area, so that is what's happened here, and we are going to ask that you add our property to the 7443-7449, and the neighbor, the adjoining property, to make the entire street one. I am also formed by my other experiences. In my other daytime job, I am a magistrate on the Oregon tax court. I take a lot of testimony about the value of real property and I can tell you the developers consider mixed zoning as one of the impediments to investment.

I think my wife has -- very brief.

Davis: I want to explain the exhibit you just received, so the white one I printed, the paper on the white one was printed out from your website that is currently being proposed. So, as

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you can see, there is one little chunk, and that's our unit right there that's being left out of the whole block, which didn't seem to be in uniform right there working with your goals for 82nd, and then the second part, the blue sheet I wrote was the public transportation. I am glad that tri-met, odot and p-bot was talking about it before we came up, so there is the little marks of the buses. The green max line, the spring water corridor so we are near all of that. It's kind of nice to have employment, and marty spoke about the offices not being abundant under 82nd, so I am thinking our location is excellent for the rezoning because of all the public transportation you talk about and the shortness of the offices and stuff like that, so we get rezoned. On the flip side, I also wanted to note because I email you a testimony as more in details, but briefly, summarizing it, because at the time we have is that the tenants living there now, they love it, three out of four, tenants are returning tenants, and the fourth one is waiting to come back when I move. So I am just letting you know we're being really good landlords. We are taking care of our tenants. We care about the tenants, even if you rezone, it does not mean that there is less housing, if that makes sense. We are keeping it. So I want to give you a peace of mind, and another email was from the tenant that lived there, also so we also have that. The other tenants are at work right now so they could not come. They told me they would love if you called them or come by and visit, they would be happy to tell you. I want to share that, but definitely looking at the whole map, that is provided by your website, is that one chunk right there, and that's our property so we want to step forward and stay, can you just include us in? We are being good -- homeowners.

Fritz: Question, what was the response from the staff?

Davis: So I found out later on -- we've been having -- I had a concussion in 2016, so I pause a bit and think. But when I reach out to mari, I have to give her kudos. She was outstanding in Responding, very courteous, and she explained the process, and that's how we are here today, and I met jo ann hardesty, and she says be involved, participate, speak up, and I am also a liaison in the community where, you know, I meet some of you. So, I am coming here because I am participating in that. When I reach out to the staff, this was the first time I was able to come, publicly, to voice, and that's why we are here today.

Fritz: You just found out about this, and that's why you are here. We will get staff back up after your testimony.

Davis: I appreciate it. I didn't really know about this.

Davis: I think the issue may have been loss of housing. 83rd right there has all housing, so they are going to rezone some, but not all. Keep in mind that in that area all of the houses are reaching the end of their economic life. People have to decide if they are going to invest in them, and if they have zoning issues, they may not.

Fritz: So what zoning do you want on these properties?

Davis: The same as all the others on 83rd.

Davis: We are on the corner.

Fritz: Thank you very much.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good afternoon.

Terry Parker: Terry parker, northeast Portland. Developed as a state highway, 82nd avenue was the only east Portland north-south service street that extends from near the columbia river all the way into clackamas county. Today 82nd avenue is a high volume, motor vehicle street, a backup for 205 used for commercial vehicles and a transit service street. And it's often the route of emergency vehicles. I served on odot's community advisory committee that helped to develop the 2218 implementation plan to update the intersections and add crosswalks. My reasons for wanting to serve in this capacity were simple, to represent tax-paying motorists and support maintaining through-put balanced with neighborhood livability. Better sidewalks are needed, but not by reducing the road dedication between the curbs. Stripping the roadways with lanes at only 10 feet wide or

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reducing the traffic lanes for other purposes creates diversion and congestion, adds to fuel consumption, and intensifies emissions. The need for motor vehicle capacity has not kept up with growth. It's my understanding that within the pedestrian district, the plans call for maintaining a dedication of 90 feet or 45 feet on each side of the center line, which includes 15-foot sidewalks. That allows for 60 feet of right-of-way between the curbs. Tri-met buses are 10 feet, 6 inches wide mirror to mirror. Large freight and semi-trucks and those wide cargo trailers often towed by slimmer pickup trucks all need lane widths that have a clearance factor on each side. Large vehicles need to be able to pass large vehicles safely. This is especially true on 82nd where tri-met buses stop in travel lanes to board passengers. Bus turnout pockets should be explored at high-volume stops such as madison high school. Since pedestrian districts are usually located at or near cross streets where a signalized left turn pockets are located, none of the lanes on 82nd should be striped for less than 12 feet wide. A slightly wider row of 66 feet between the curbs may be better. A slightly wider row also better aligns with tri-met and metro's latest public surveys where respondents overwhelmingly demonstrated people want wider streets and more motor vehicle capacity. Thank you. There are rumblings from neighborhoods all over the city about the lack of off-street parking. No on-street parking on 82nd.

Wheeler: Thank you. Thank you.

Parker: Motorists must be on any cic committees.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: I just realized that your amendment is in the package that the mayor moved, so it's already on the table. We will vote on it at the end of next week, but the staff supports it, and I think you should be good.

Wheeler: Next three, please.

Wheeler: Would you like to start, please? Thank you.

Michael Liu: My name is michael leo with the Fubonn shopping center. Hello, mayor and city commissioners. I want to thank you guys for the opportunity for letting me speak to you today. I represent the fubonn shopping center, an international grocery place, with international and retail and other services. We have created hundreds of jobs, and we service over a million people at our center annually. To make the 82nd avenue plan a success, we need to make sure the stakeholders have an opportunity to give an opinion as it moves forward. I have not voiced my opinion on this type of setting before, but the future of our corridor is too important to sit idle. The area highlighted in the 82nd avenue plan would provide improvement enhancement for a diverse population of the community. I travel 82nd frequently. My family chose to relocate our food distribution center to near 82nd. 82nd is an important, arterial for passenger vehicles, commercial vehicles, pedestrians, bicycles, and bus services. The final plan approved for the civic corridor needs to accommodate all modes of transportation. The overall livability will be negatively impacted without the success of -- commercial development in the area. There is one entrance and exit out of the mall. This causes drivers and pedestrians to be very anxious trying to navigate and use 82nd avenue. I believe that having better connectivity with the neighborhood through alternative access points and better sight lines on 82nd will improve the shopping center and the use of 82nd avenue. 82nd will continue to draw more and more traffic as our city grows. We need to find ways to better connect 82nd traffic to the rest of the neighboring roads. Not all traffic needs to cross 82nd. I believe that another access point in and out of the shopping center on southeast 85th would do a lot to alleviate the pressure put on 82nd. With the right safety measures like speed bumps and marked crosswalks, we can allow other roads to service the vehicles that are attempting to travel to other parts of the city without needing to cross 82nd avenue. My family has lived in Portland since emigrating here in 1977. I believe investing in our neighborhood.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it. Thanks for being here. Good afternoon.

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Brent Ahrend: Good afternoon. My name is Brent, a traffic engineer with Mackenzie, and I've been working with Michael with the market for over a year now looking at opportunities to improve access and circulation as Michael mentioned. They are trying to improve access, and the only access is 82nd. It's congested, all the vehicles that need to go there have to use that. We are looking for opportunities. This is all included in Michael's packet, as well, that was handed out to you, if you want to look at it more carefully. You can see the blue star is the only access that they have now. There are two sub-streets, but we can't access them. They are unimproved, local streets, and there are grade challenges. The only opportunity, really, is 85th, which is at neighborhood greenway. Peter, if you could show the next one here. So this shows, this site plan shows where we would access the work here. There is an existing pedestrian-only access but we would like to have an access at that point. This is what we found would, actually, benefit the circulation and kind of consistent with the plan that as Michael mentioned we support.

Wheeler: I am sorry, so the gray area is what you are proposing is the vehicle access in.

Ahrend: For all users, bikes and vehicles.

Wheeler: So off 185.

Ahrend: It improves the connectivity and allows people to come in and out without going out to 82nd and reduce the congestion there. And the last plan, real quick, is, actually, this is from the City's own plan. This shows one of the concepts, option A, for further development of this site, and they, actually, show an access to 85th. Now, because 85th is a neighborhood greenway, we need an adjustment, and we are looking for support from council. We have started discussions with staff. And I think Peter will get into it a bit. It complies with the plan. An interesting note, if this site were vacant today, remember this is the old PCC site, if it were vacant today and we came in with a development, we would be required to build a connection from 82nd to 85th as well as likely extend 84th through the site, which, actually, opens up 85th to more through traffic than we would have just adding this particular driveway.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you. So, you are proposing people are going to the market would go through the apartment complex?

Ahrend: No. This is, actually, just a concept of the future additional development on the back parking lot, but the idea here is that it shows that the intent is to provide another access for that cross connectivity so people don't have to drive out to 82nd just to get in here.

Hardesty: It's a great market, and I absolutely agree that it's scary trying to get in and out of there, especially on the weekend when it's full of lots of folks.

Fritz: I am not clear what you are asking us to do. You said that this is in compliance with the plan. Are you asking for an amendment to the plan?

Ahrend: We are not. It's really two things. One is to express our support for the plan. We think this benefits and to show what we are requesting is consistent with the plan, and because we need an adjustment, we need staff support to have that access, and so we are pointing out that what we are doing is consistent with the plan. I think that Peter can get more of the details.

Fritz: You will have to work through the adjustment process, and we won't be the decision-makers, right.

Ahrend: Understood.

Fritz: I was just worried about approving a driveway. [laughter]

Wheeler: Makes us all jittery. Good afternoon.

Peter F Fry: My name is Peter Finley. I am a land use planning consultant. I wanted to frame the challenge that we have, which is we all want to balance the street system that deals with all kinds of things. We want -- coined the term, controlled connectivity, we want

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to have connectivity through our city, but we also don't want to overwhelm the neighborhoods with traffic, so we have to manage what I call that connectivity. There is a dilemma that we are facing and why we are here now to bring there to your Attention, was there is no mechanism in transportation to do small area plans. We can do the large 82nd plan. We can do a site plan for a redevelopment of the site, but for us to look at this situation and I don't want to be negative because p-dot has been struggling to find a way that we can look at the bigger picture and not be caught into an adjustment because the regulatory approach to these things is really not a way to fix the issue since we have to balance access to the market, which is extremely important, I think, for the district and the growth of the area. We also have to balance the impact of the market on the residential uses to the east. This issue is, actually, the same all the way up and down 82nd. You have residential neighborhoods on both sides of a street with, actually, odot does not allow the access on the street. Odot wants you to have access from the back side in the residential neighborhood, so you are caught in this trap of not having access on 82nd and not having access on the side streets. So we are going to go ahead in the adjustment process, as you know, and we will try and make it work, but we're asking that maybe we can get a bigger picture here and look at what we can do to improve more than just our site, but what we can do to improve the neighborhood.

Wheeler: Great, thank you, peter, and thanks all of you for bringing this vision, And thanks, michael, for all that you are doing. Appreciate it. Next three, please -- Karla.

Fish: Congratulations.

Hardesty: Yes, congratulations.

Stephanie Frederick: Good afternoon, mayor and commissioners. My name is stephanie frederick. I came here today to reiterate the support for the 82nd avenue plan of the brentwood darlington neighborhood association, so since you have received my letters, and we have other speakers, I will yield my time with great thanks to april and marty for fabulous work. Thank you very much.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Michael Sonnleitner: Good afternoon. Michael sunlightner. I live at 1037 southeast 80th avenue for the past 16 years, and naturally, I see a lot of 82nd avenue. Before I was selected four years ago to the pcc board, I was active with the 82nd avenue improvement coalition. And what can I say? It hasn't been -- that hasn't been said. It seems to me that there is kind of a bureaucratic disfunction between p-dot and odot, and I don't mean that to be a personal criticism. I see fingers being pointed in different directions in terms of resolving the problems, and the problems not being resolved. A good example was when I was with alyssa guyer at cartlandia. She was having a town hall meeting, and the owner was considered about the sidewalk, which is owned by pbot, and how It did not really work with the street. Which is owned by odot. And literally, his customers were getting scraped, it is undersides of the cars were being scraped as they came in, and he couldn't figure out how to get that fixed because neither side wanted to really do too much to help it. She managed to work with the solution, which I was impressed with. The problem is we should not be doing that. We should go with jurisdictional transfer with deliberate speed because the liabilities of the community is experiencing now including areas near cartlandia that have no sidewalks whatever, literally no sidewalks on 82nd avenue. These are clear and present dangers to the public that we need to take care of as soon as possible. I thank you for your time.

Wheeler: Thank you, michael. Congratulations.

Moore-Love: Next three are kimberly, robert, and richard shepherd. And they will be followed by lee chen, kwan lee, and ben lang.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Wheeler: Would you like to start, please?

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Kimberly Botter: I can, yes. My name is kimberly boddard, thank you, mayor and commissioners. I have never done anything like this. This is definitely out of my comfort zone. So I guess where to start is I Moved into the madison south neighborhood almost 16 years ago. Not far off of 82nd, and it was apparent -- quickly after moving there I started realizing all the disfunction of 82nd. I don't know if there is a lot more to add. I think you are well aware, but that did get me involved in, you know, seven years ago I became involved with the 82nd avenue improvement coalition, and then some how ended up being the land use chair for the neighborhood association, and I just am very passionate about 82nd. That is what has led to my involvement. I am tired of watching high schoolers just darting across the street at various logical places for them, but there is no crosswalks. The timing signals are horribly short, definitely not up to city standards. I did write in testimony, but honestly, I have a son with a physical disabilities. He has an orthopedic impairment, he wears a brace. He has a very slow gate. For years we, obviously, would like to walk and go to our community park, and just to cross the street is such a harrowing experience. I also have a daycare, so I have other kids with me, stroller, my son who has a slow gate, and you push the button, and you wait. And then finally, you know, it goes, but you don't go right away because there is people running the light. So, you wait until everybody has definitely stopped, and then you start to walk, and it's green Again, and cars are going passed you. It's really a frustrating experience. My son, you know, feels bad that he cannot walk any faster. That is how fast that he can walk, and I am just tired of it being inadequate, just the sidewalks. They are way too narrow. You know that people cannot pass with disabilities or even strollers. Thank you. I just really support this plan, and I hope that you guys will.

Wheeler: And we appreciate you being here. Thanks a lot. Good afternoon.

Robert Krotser: Good afternoon. I am robert, a steering committee member of the 82nd improvement coalition. I just want to say a few words of support. 82nd avenue has the potential to be a beautiful street. Tree line, rose bush line, multi-modal pedestrian-oriented, safe, livable, urban, a connector, not a divider, a bridge, not a barrier, commercial and residential, a new center for Portland. There is opportunity to encourage and support sustainability growth along 82nd avenue. With the proposed zoning changes allowing for more flexible uses, a better street design is necessary to allow for successful future development along the avenue. I support the 82nd avenue plan and urge you to support it, as well. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good afternoon.

Richard Sheperd: Good afternoon. This is the first -- I want to thank both the pbs and pbos staff for putting together these proposals. Mayor and commissioners, many of you attended the avenue of roses parade this year.

Hardesty: Who are you?

Sheperd: Sorry, richard shepherd. I am also an organizer with cloud pdx. You saw how culturally diverse and beautiful this community really is, more importantly, you have seen that the community, the design of the street certainly does not dictate how great this community can be. For instance, you saw the workers who ride the most popular bus line in Portland but are stuck behind the occupancy vehicles and you saw the dangerous conditions for walking and rolling and biking and taking transit. And you also saw the families and friends of those who have been injured or killed in crashes along 82nd. This plan for improvements and for zoning exchanges are a step in the right direction, and I urge you to adopt these plans, but furthermore, we need to immediately fund and install both crossings and leading pedestrian left turns as we did with the Broadway and Grand collision, especially at zones Moore and 82nd where the Madison high school student was nearly killed, as well as also at our high-crash corridors. I can't impress this enough -- safety cannot wait. Lastly, I really urge all of you to work with ODOT, and I appreciate the

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work that's going on with pbot to support the jurisdictional transfer as well as also our other urban highways that are under odot control. The division of this community is not going to be possible without jurisdictional transfer. And without it being controlled by our community, so thank you very much.

Wheeler: Thank you. Thanks all three of you, appreciate it.

Wheeler: We will get to voting on the amendments. The first is the amendment to the ordinance, the package bds amendments, and any further questions? Karla, please call the roll.

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

Fritz: I love it when people come in at the last moment and staff is able to for a quick assessment and determine they have got the right thing going. Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. [gavel pounded] the amendment is adopted. This is a first reading of a non-emergency ordinance. It moves to second reading as amended. To the resolution. Any further discussion? Please call the roll.

Eudaly amendment?

Wheeler: I am sorry, eudaly amendment, let's call the roll on that.

Fish: Aye. **Hardesty:** Aye.

Eudaly: Thank you for your support, colleagues, aye.

Fritz: The most enthusiastic Amendment I have ever seen on my time in the council. I am really happy with this. Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. [gavel pounded] the amendment is adopted. To the resolution as amended, please call the roll.

Fish: Well, a couple of quick comments because I know that we are backed up and we are about to go into budget season. First, I want to thank my friend and colleague, commissioner eudaly, for her leadership in bringing this forward and for her amendment. Second, I want to thank april and marty for two of the best presentations that we have had in a long time. You know, we can't do the work that we do without having highly skilled planners that do the hard work and come and explain it to the rest of us and make it accessible and, you know, I think that marty has probably got a mental image of every square foot of this particular district that she is talking about. We are very lucky to have people of this quality working for the city, so I want to thank you for your presentation and quality of your work. I want to thank all the community members that took time to come out and testify. The testimony was compelling. I live on the west side, but I spend a lot of time on 82nd. I am almost invariably on a good weekend having breakfast at the bipartisan cafe spending half of my time taking the hardesty literature and replacing it with the Fish literature. I am more often than not when I am at a community dinner on the west side, excuse me, the east side, I am at, you know, a restaurant like wong's king or h.k. Cafe, or any of the number of fantastic options that we have in that community. When my family and I want to go on an outing, what better than to go to lents and to go visit zenger farm and foster floodplain and leech botanical garden. There is so much going on up and down that corridor, and it is time that we upgraded 82nd, made it safe, brought it to a more community-friendly place. We stopped the planning and, actually, got into the implementation phase. I think that's the message we have heard from the community. I have great confidence in our transportation commissioner, who has taken on this assignment with real relish, and she is quick to acknowledge on a regular basis how grateful and fortunate that she feels to have this assignment, which she has done an excellent job leading. So, to everyone who made this hearing happen and at our friends at odot and tri-met who are our key partners, thank you, and I am pleased to vote aye.

Hardesty: I also want to thank commissioner eudaly and the Portland department of transportation for the hard work and putting this proposal in front of us. I have to share my skepticism that the state of Oregon's odot will, actually, give us a street that, actually, is

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worthy of being able to drive, walk, ride, or bicycle on. I live in this neighborhood, so that's why you are removing my material.

Fish: I am looking for fair play.

Hardesty: I live in the neighborhood, so what I know is that is the worst street to walk, bike, be on a bus today. The worst street in the city of Portland. What I also know is you don't have to go far off 82nd in either direction to step in huge potholes and where there are no sidewalks. There are no lighting. I mean, so I don't want us to leave here under any false illusions that we are going to have this wonderful relationship on 82nd. There has been a lack of investments in that community for a long, long, long time. I want to caution p-dot that as they negotiate with odot, that nothing except repairing that street totally with a maintenance plan attached to it will be acceptable to bring back at least to me, on this commission. It makes me a little nervous that people say that we should just take it now today. No: As commissioner eudaly said, we have already got 3 billion in deferred -- deferred maintenance that the city is responsible for, so I vote yes as a cautionary tale that I look forward to the real information coming back from these negotiations and just know that I will support nothing less than it being fully repaired before it is turned over with a plan for assisting us with the Maintenance and upkeep. I vote aye.

Eudaly: Well, thank you, commissioner hardesty, I will need you to continue saying that. My head was getting a little big from the praise, and now i've been brought right back down to earth. I want to assure you that we are not going to accept a lemon, and I am hopeful about the negotiations with the odot moving forward. I want to thank p-dot staff as well as bds for bringing forward this plan, and, you know, since everyone has given their shout outs to their favored 82nd avenue businesses, I have to put plugs in for fubonn, one of my favorite places to visit, hvl sandwiches, which is next door, h.k. Cafe of course, the orchard on 82nd, which I was a big enthusiastic supporter of since the beginning, and the great public art that's starting to pop up on 82nd as well as the observatory at montevilla where I had a certain special first date. I am sure that everyone is fascinated at this point. I am happy to vote aye. I am really tired, and I am excited to move onto the budget.

Fritz: Well, thanks to the community. This is a community-driven, community-led plan, and I remember when the community, both the business association and the neighborhood association said, let's call it the 82nd of roses. It was pretty much universal division and kind of laughing. Yet, look at where we have come. The parade every year gets more and more attendance, even when it was raining like this year. I was kind of smiling about the paving. Having walked that parade route, it needs doing. So, and as was mentioned, just seeing all the challenges with the crosswalk and experiencing that while carrying my banner and sign at the same time, but kudos to the community, and thank you for engaging. It's a lot of time in this, and I appreciated the person who came from madison south since she got involved for moving in, and then lo and behold you end up being a land use chair, and one thing leads to another, so thank you for engaging. Thank you, marty stockton, in the development services? Planning. That's what I thought, planning and sustainability, and april in transportation. Sometimes you know, we hear about the silos, and I just realized one of the structural problems and the reasons we have that is because we are going to vote on the ordinance next week, and that's when we will say thank you to mayor-wheeler for his work in leading the planning and sustainability and neighborhood services in partnership with transportation. So this is a, an excellent example of a seamless project where if you had not -- I don't remember which bureaus are representing at times because you worked really well together and with the community, and I was particularly excited about the impact statements and the community involvement that went into this. We have had some other projects where there's been a lot of contribution and concern from property owners about that sidewalk or whatever. Here we have this, you know, we were told that we need to have a longer hearing just so that more

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people could come and say how much they like this project, so thank you very much for all the investments and your leadership of the team, and transportation. I am very happy to vote aye.

Wheeler: Well, my only regret today is commissioner eudaly took her vote and cut off the conversation right as it was getting to the good part of her story. So we're going to have to push her a bit on that in the future.

Eudaly: We will talk later.

Fish: A podcast.

Wheeler: Exactly -- exactly. [laughter] this is really a day to celebrate. In many regards 82nd represents the center of our city, as other people have mentioned. It's an economically prosperous area. It's an area of tremendous potential. It is the most diverse portion of our community, and this is a grand vision, which represents, I believe, a lot of hope and speaks to the optimism that people have for the community. There is a lot of people I would like to quickly thank. First of all, commissioner eudaly and her staff for what I think has been excellent leadership, and I would like to thank the Portland bureau of Transportation, especially, april, who we heard from earlier today. There were many people who worked hard on this, but I know april put a tremendous amount of time and energy into the study. I would also like to thank mary stockton from the -- I am sorry, monte stockton -- marty. What did I say?

Fritz: Mary.

Wheeler: Oh, sorry about that. Marty stockton from the bureau of planning and sustainability for her identical level of hard work and commitment and enthusiasm for this. I would like to thank all the community members for showing up and engaging in the advocacy and governing process, including the 82nd improvement coalition, apano, opal, east Portland action plan, and many, many more. Thank you for your dedication and years of tireless service, your efforts have not been in vain, and we hear you, and we are thrilled to be part of the solution here today. I would like to thank our partners at the state level, particularly to mandy putney from odot. Your partnership in the transformation of this corridor, as you have heard today, from the council and others in testimony is absolutely critical, especially as the primary owner of 82nd. Although they were not able to make it today, I do not want to be remiss in forgetting to mention either senator demreaux or kenny guyer, who have been huge champions of improving 82nd Avenue. Finally, thanks to kari from tri-met and metro councilor bob stacy for being here today. Your collaborative leadership on transportation issues in the city and region is imperative to moving this forward effectively. I vote aye. The resolution is adopted as amended, and I want to announce the ordinance we moved to second reading will have a time certain, the ordinance as amended will be heard on may 29, 2019, at 9:45:00 a.m. Portland city council. Be there: [laughter] we will take a five-minute recess. [recess taken]

Wheeler: I am continuing the meeting of the city of Portland's budget committee from may 22, 2019. Director kenard, do you want to give us a recap on where we are?

Jessica Kinard, Interim Budget Director: Yes, thank you, mayor and council, good afternoon. My name is jessica kenard for the record, the interim budget director, here with ryan, the assistant director to recap what has been completed to date, we have held and closed the hearing on state revenue sharing. We have reviewed the changes in the approved budget as filed, and there's been a motion and a second on those changes. We have heard motions and seconds on several additional amendments from council members, language from the amendments are before you today. We have held and closed public testimony on the proposed changes and the budget as a whole, and today we will first Hear if there are additional amendments for consideration. We will vote to include amendments motioned and seconded, and next council will vote to approve the changes to the proposed budget as presented in the memo as amended. And council will vote to

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approve the budget as amended, and finally we will approve the tax levies. This is your time to allow for additional amendments and proceed to voting on the individual amendments.

Wheeler: Very good. Before we go to the discussion and voting on the amendments, commissioner hardesty would like to make a revision. Commissioner hardesty?

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor, I would like to rescind my motion one from yesterday and replace it with a new motion one. Do we need to vote on the rescinding? No?

Eudaly: Second.

Hardesty: My new motion one reads as follows -- motion to increase funding for Portland parks and recreation and avoid layoffs, option one of two. Allocate \$1,834,097 in one-time general fund resources to Portland parks and rec. These funds will support staffing costs to help avoid layoffs of approximately 35 employees, in fiscal year 2019-2020. The increase for this appropriation is the reduction to the gentlemen fund compensation set-aside of 1,834,097, which represents a one-year freeze of cost of Living adjustments for non-represented employees making 80,000 or more. The effective date of this freeze would be July 1, 2019, through June 2020. Employees with the eligible cumulative cola, fiscal year 2019-2020, and fiscal year 2020-2021 combined, beginning in fiscal year 2020-2021. The city budget office will reduce the compensation set asides by 1,834,097. Non-general fund bureaus should similarly account for reduced cost as a result of freezing cola for non-represented employees making \$80,000 or more. Amended attachments b, c, and e as necessary. You might ask why I have decided to replace my motion one. As we discussed yesterday, there was some concern about whether or not we will be out of our compliance around equity, and I wanted to be sure that if we were freezing the salaries, it would be for the highest paid employees at the city of Portland, thereby, this revision addresses only employees that are making \$80,000 and above. Of this, 1305, 77% of these employees are in a job classified with supervisory or management duties in their job description. Of this, 1305, 49% make more than 100,000 per year. I believe that this is a good stopgap to ensure that 35 employees will not lose their jobs as we figure out together how we make sure that our park system is strong and available and accessible for us all.

Wheeler: Thank you, Commissioner hardesty.

Hardesty: Could I get a second?

Wheeler: I think commissioner eudaly seconded it.

Hardesty: Okay. Okay.

Eudaly: Second the second.

Wheeler: We have a confirmed second from commissioner eudaly, and we will call commissioner hardesty's number one, the new motion number one. Thank you, commissioner. So, we will go in the order they were proposed. The first amendment is the motion to amend attachment d to add the budget note regarding the policy on stipend for advisory body members. Is there any further discussion? Please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. The amendment passes. Amendment two, the motion to amend attachment d to add the following budget note pertaining to the auditor's office prior year underspending and I want to acknowledge that commissioner hardesty's friendly amendment that caps that amount at \$500,000 is also included in this amendment. Any further discussion?

Fritz: I had some questions about this. So this is for financially 2019-2020. So does that mean it would be departed in the new fund?

Kinard: As it is currently written, no. So it would be the underspending That would occur for 1920, which would fall to 2021.

Fritz: And how much has that underspending been over the last say four years?

Kinard: It has ranged. I believe that we looked at it -- I can get you those numbers.

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Fritz: I have the numbers, I just thought that you would have them, as well, because I asked you a couple days ago, and the answer is an average of \$415,333. So if you look at the cumulative over four years from financial 2014-2015, to this, it would be 1.66 million. So I definitely appreciate your cap of \$500,000. Is there any other bureau that gets to keep, or elected office that gets to keep the ending fund balance without telling the council what they are going to do with it?

Kinard: Not for general fund bureaus.

Fritz: And it's my understanding that the auditor's office is not part of the moss adams general financial audit that the rest of the city is subject to?

Kinard: I would have to get back to you on that.

Fritz: I asked the auditor that when we had the moss adams audit, and it was pointed out the auditor's budget is not part of that, and I asked the auditor, then, who audits your budget, and the answer was with -- we are peer reviewed, and we are designated, by state law, to manage the taxpayers' money in the general fund, right?

Kinard: Correct.

Fritz: So colleagues, I am not going to support this even with the amendment. I think that especially as we're likely to head into another recession, \$400,000 a year is necessary, of course, not all of that is general fund, but some of it is overhead funded from the utilities, we know that we are struggling to keep the utility rates as low as possible, and so I can't support having someone -- having an office that isn't subject to the annual audit, have a fund that is not clear what is done with it or reported what's been done with it.

Wheeler: Very good. Any further discussion? Please call the roll.

Fish: Aye. **Hardesty:** Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye. **Fritz:** No.

Wheeler: Aye. The motion carries. Amendment 3, motion to allocate \$100,000 in recreational cannabis tax resources to the Portland housing bureau. Any further discussion? Commissioner hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. I believe that this may be a good pilot. I understand there was a pilot project that happened last year, but I am not sure that we have gotten the information back from the housing bureau about how successful that effort was around the expungement, but I think that if -- since they have had some experience last year, it focused on that, and I think that this is a good amendment that I would support with the caveat that we get more detailed information before we choose to do this again.

Wheeler: Very good. Any further discussion? Please call the roll.

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

Fritz: I very much appreciate commissioner eudaly's ongoing work to address records expungements, and I am very happy that this is one of the purposes of the cannabis tax resources this year. Aye.

Wheeler: I vote aye. The motion carries. Next item. Number 4, motion to amend attachment d, specifically the budget note titled "funding for 3-1-1 to adjust the deadline for passage resolution and to remove the bureau's specific references." any further discussion? Please call the roll.

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

Fritz: I am really excited to see this dedicated funding for 3-1-1, and I really honor you for providing this, aye.

Wheeler: I vote aye. [gavel pounded] the amendment passes. Number five, motion to allocate \$85,000 in general fund resources to Portland parks and recreation for the maintenance of transit mall planners. Any further discussion? Please call the roll -- I am sorry, commissioner hardesty.

Hardesty: That's okay. I have a problem with \$85,000 for planners when we are talking about laying off people. I mean, I just -- I don't get why we're making an investment in

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planners. They look pretty, but I would rather use that investment for people, rather than for things that look pretty.

Fritz: I don't believe that we are buying new planters, but paying people in parks who plant the planters.

Fish: If I could, I will reluctantly support this, but we have a contractual obligation to maintain the planters on the bus mall. What I intend to do is to revisit that agreement because I would like to see if it can be shifted back to tri-met or to the nonprofit organization that manages the mall. Currently, it's a contractual obligation of the parks bureau.

Hardesty: Is that something that comes from the Portland business alliance?

Fish: No, there is a separate organization, Portland mall management, or something. It's a separate nonprofit. It's a separate board. It levies a tax -- there is a tax levy that pays for the improvements. We proposed cutting this. There are some contractual issues that have to be worked out, and I intend to spend the next year working those out. So just by way of context, so I will reluctantly support it.

Eudaly: Commissioner, I want to welcome that conversation as I am --

Fish: You are a member of that.

Eudaly: I am a liaison to the mall committee, another entity that I am not getting the name right today, but I am really interested in how we can enliven our bus malls and use the Resources that we have, so let's talk.

Fish: Thank you.

Wheeler: Karla, call the roll.

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

Fritz: I realize the hard work, the people who maintain them, put into them, aye.

Wheeler: I really appreciate my colleagues, commissioner eudaly, thank you for being the liaison, and commissioner Fish, thank you for your commitment. This is, actually, the third time that I believe that i've been involved in this discussion about the mall planters. It would be good to get this resolved once and for all, so I appreciate your commitment, and if there is any way that I can help, or my staff can help, we are -- I am signing us up. I vote aye. The amendment is adopted. Item 6, the motion to allocation 14,000 in general fund resources to Portland parks and recreation for the poet's beach program administration. Any further discussion? Please call the roll.

Fish: Aye.

Hardesty: While I think that this is a fun activity, I am all about employees keeping their jobs, and I must vote no.

Eudaly: Aye.

Fritz: This is a public safety issue to make sure that when people are going to be using the willamette, that there are hygiene facilities and other components, aye.

Wheeler: Aye, the motion carries, and item 7, the motion to allocate \$17,000 in General fund resources to prosper Portland for venture Portland. Any further discussion? Please call the roll.

Fish: Aye. **Hardesty:** No. **Eudaly:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The motion carries. Number eight, motion to allocate \$900,000 in recreational cannabis tax resources to the office of community and civic life for grants and small business development work. Any further discussion? Please call the roll.

Fish: Mayor, I want to make a brief comment, for those watching us address these amendments in a fairly pro-forma way, it's important that they know that at the hearing that we had yesterday, each of these amendments was read into the record, and we had a chance to discuss it and also had a chance to take public testimony so what we are doing is casting our vote. We are not short circuiting the process. If this is the first time you parachuted in and seen us work on these amendments. Aye.

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Hardesty: I am very -- I am very excited about the office of civic and community life being able to work with those who have been negatively impacted by marijuana law. I think that this is a good investment from the marijuana tax that we currently, as the auditor's report showed, an enormous amount of those dollars went primarily to policing, which was not what the public thought that they were voting to support. I want to make sure that we are working in cooperation with commissioner Eudaly, that we are making every opportunity available for those who have been negatively impacted by poor public policy around marijuana, benefit from these dollars. We have not seen that as of yet. I do believe that there is a plan to make that happen. Because of that, I vote aye.

Eudaly: Well, I want to thank you, mayor, for this allocation. I take restorative justice very seriously. I feel that one of my most important jobs as an elected representative is to seek and deliver remedy to community members for past wrongs, and we are achieving that to some small degree with the amount of money allocated to our grants' program. I am proud of the staff and pleased with how it is going. I vote aye.

Fritz: Thank you, commissioner Eudaly. Thank you for not only swooping in on the available resources allocated but also looking at what was not spent in a previous year's vision zero project to increase the amount that's going to be going out in the community grants. Thank you, also, to your staff working with Claire Adamsick on my staff to set up this year's program at \$700,000. It has been allocated. It has been a good process and a thoughtful process to make sure as we are setting up a program, we are being very intentional about who gets the money and how the grants are written and adjudicated, so I am very pleased with the balance between the prosper Portland, small business development work and the individual small grants, so I think this is a very encouraging start to the cannabis tax dedication to make good on the promise made to the voters in 2016 that it would benefit the people and the communities previously impacted by cannabis prohibition. Aye.

Wheeler: I vote aye. The motion carries. Next item. Amendment 9, motion to allocate \$133,000 in general fund resources to the Portland housing bureau's rental services office. Any further discussion? Please call the roll.

Fish: Aye. **Hardesty:** Aye.

Eudaly: Thank you again, mayor. Aye.

Fritz: I am pleased to see in the budget note it says for augmenting efforts around education, outreach and communication. Aye.

Wheeler: The amendment carries. [gavel pounded] item 10, motion to allocate \$35,000 in general fund resources to the regional arts and culture council for cultural mapping work, eliminate 180,000, and reduce 180,000 for the cultural mapping project. Any further discussion? Please call the roll.

Fish: First, I want to say that it is a point of great pride my office has the opportunity to work with commissioner Eudaly's office on arts and culture in this community. Commissioner Eudaly is now currently the commissioner who is the liaison to the regional arts and culture council, but we have -- we worked very well together, and there is a lot of work in the pipeline. Some of it suggested by the audit that we asked for, and others through the negotiation of a new operating agreement, and third, there are just all kinds of initiatives underway at the board level and council in terms of clarifying the roles and responsibilities and oversight. I strongly support this amendment. I thank my colleagues for bring it forward. Aye.

Hardesty: Aye.

Eudaly: I want to thank the mayor for including this item in his budget. It's one of the steps forward, or steps forward on our arts affordability plan that commissioner Fish developed, was it last year or the year before?

Fish: I can't remember now. [laughter]

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Eudaly: It's really essential to the conversation around arts affordability to know what currently exists in order to identify the opportunities to preserve it as well as see where the gaps in the community are, so I am very excited to get this underway, and I vote aye.

Fritz: Aye.

Wheeler: I support commissioner eudaly and commissioner Fish's hard work on this and their thinking on this. It's very hard for us to know whether or not our resources are hitting the right marks, if we don't know what the baseline is and the resources actually are in the community, and this is something that we have heard from the community has been needed for a long time. So, I appreciate the tip and collaboration and moving this forward, and I vote aye. The amendment is adopted. Next is commissioner Fritz's motion to allocation \$70,000 in general fund resources to the bureau of development services for historic resource review. Any further discussion? Commissioner hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. This is one of those that gives me great pain because I don't believe that we have set the pricing correctly on this particular issue. Whether it was presented to us, we were told that the goal was to pay for this service that we are asking -- that we're asking the city to provide to cover the costs. And for me, I think that that's a wrong way to -- that's why I think that we are in a situation that we are with parks is because we have this mindset that if we can charge people enough for the public service we provide, then we could provide the public service. I think we are doing to backwards. I think that it would be much more appropriate to say, what is in the public's interest? And then based on the rates on that, so I am just very concerned that I don't know why this is our policy, and I guess we will have that conversation at a later time, but I am just not a happy camper that we are charging people based on what we think that we can get out of them, not based on their ability to pay or based on whether or not the geographic areas, low income or not, and I think that setting artificially high prices makes the city services unavailable for many people.

And I vote no.

Wheeler: We are still in discussion mode.

Fish: One of the issues, when we have an opportunity to take up commissioner hardesty's concerns, one of the issues that I will need to be reminded on is I believe at some point we directed the bureau of development services to move to a cost recovery model, and if the council mass directed that your fees have to match the cost, then there are limitations on what the bureau can do with discretionary resources if we so direct it, so one of the questions that I will want to be refreshed on is what guidance has council given, and we can evaluate whether that's the right guidance.

Hardesty: Thank you. I appreciate that, commissioner, because when the staff were presenting this information to us, it was clear that they had been directed, that they had to cover the cost of their salaries and all the expenses associated with that, and that does not seem like good public policy, if That's what we are directing people to do.

Eudaly: As a former commissioner in charge of bds, I can shed a bit of light on this, and that is the fact that we have given up most of our general fund dollars. The bureau is pretty flush when I received it, and as a bureau that relies on fees, we have to charge fees that recover our costs, so, and that is the cost for the service provided, not the entire enterprise, so while these fees did seem high, and wasn't there another amendment to lower them? Yes, I would argue that providing access to parks and community centers benefits the community as a whole, and in this case, we are talking about the individual property owners or developers that are applying for permits, and there is a legitimate reason we need them to pay the -- what it costs us to provide the service.

Hardesty: I would think that would be great for developers but not for homeowners who may, I mean, I would think with homeowners, it would be based on their economic status

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as compared to just a flat fee that everybody pays the same, if I was a developer, I would have more money to pay.

Eudaly: I did bring an item yesterday that reduced the fees for low-income homeowners 50%. I don't think it would apply to this, but there are a variety of ways that we are able to decrease the burden to low-income individuals, but I don't know that we can ask, you know, developers to completely subsidize individual homeowners.

Fish: Can I make a suggestion?

Wheeler: Commissioner Fritz, first, and then commissioner Fish.

Fritz: Thank you. There used to be a \$2 million subsidy in development services, and that was the reason you stated so low-income folks, people who are on the reviews like this where we want people to go through the process, to pay for the services that the -- of the staff, that was cut during the recession, in part, to fund parks, so it was taken out of the development services and put into other general -- into general fund bureaus to the point that there is zero dollars, so this \$70,000 goes into -- it starts to repair that. Obviously, the staff and the bureau have to get paid. We cannot overcharge the developers by state law. So, if we want there to be a program to help lower income folks, we are going to have to provide general fund subsidies, and that's what this does.

Fish: There is one other piece, and this is the great value of having a new colleague who comes in and says, why are you doing it this way, and we can take a soup to nuts approach look at this. I was here during the last great recession, and watched what happened when the cycle turned down. As my colleagues know, what happens is the bureau of development services takes tremendous layoffs, and those layoffs are beginning and will continue if the business cycle continues to slow down. There are restrictions on what the reserve funds can be used for. Reserves are heavily prescribed by council because of some challenges that we face in the past. How much of those moneys can and cannot be used to subsidize, so one of the other considerations is if our fee structure is not set at an appropriate level, we are accelerating the number of layoffs we are going to have, so it's a complicated mix, but I think it's worthy of a broader discussion.

Eudaly: And I will second that comment because trust me, I tried to spend some of that 90 million on things that we really desperately needed, and I really couldn't. We are required to keep a certain amount in the reserves.

Wheeler: I will chime in, this is a really good conversation on this. I agree, commissioner eudaly, there was probably an overcorrection with regard to the reserves, and this, at least, addresses one issue, and my suspicion is next year we will be trueing it up even more, so we are working to find exactly the right balance. I think this is a good step in the right direction. Further discussion? Please call the roll.

Fish: I love this amendment. We had a hearing on fee increases. Some community members came out and objected. Commissioner Fritz prepared an amendment. It passed, reducing the fee, and now we're taking up a budget item to fund it from the general fund. That is the council being very responsive, in my judgment, to a community concern, and I am pleased to support the amendment. Excuse me, I am pleased to support the amendment, comma, aye. [laughter]

Hardesty: Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye.

Fritz: Thank you, colleagues, aye.

Wheeler: Aye. [gavel pounded] the amendment passes. The new motion, number one for commissioner hardesty, this is a motion to increase funding for Portland parks and recreation to avoid layoffs, option one of two, any further discussion? Commissioner hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. I greatly appreciate the opportunity to have presented some motions to try to give some certainty to who I think are the hardest working city employees, which are parks' employees. With all our budget hearings, the supermajority of people we

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heard from were people who talked about how necessary community centers and pools and the opportunity to have exercise programs were. That is a jewel, the city of Portland, and you know, I am fortunate to work for a city that had a visionary that created our park system. Remember this guy? Remember this guy? Charles Jordan, not Michael.

Eudaly: Yes.

Hardesty: The reason we have such an excellent park system today is because -- in spite of everything, he was a visionary man who believed that everybody in Portland should have access to green space community centers that the community had a right to be able to go to their neighborhood community center and fully participate. What is grieving me as part of this process is that we have at least 35, and may be more employees is that just became permanent employees with benefits who have the potential to lose their jobs. We have opportunities to make sure that does not happen, and that's why I have given two opportunities and proposals to you, my colleagues. As the new kid on the block, this is my very first budget process. I am pretty sure that I didn't do it the way others have done it in the past, but that's the fun part of being the new kid on the block, right, you get the opportunity to do things differently. You get the opportunity to have conversations that we may not have had before. This proposal is about protecting our people, not just the employees, but the people in our community who say that without these community centers, they won't have childcare that they can afford. So the seniors who tell us that if they are not staffed, that there will be -- they won't be able to go to a community center and enjoy their exercise. Charles Jordan took a chance on this city when he had this vision of what a world class park system would look like. I am asking you, my colleagues, take a chance. I am putting my effort and my office behind commissioner Fish because I know he cares as passionately as I do about the people being impacted by this budget. I would be appreciative, as the hundreds of people I have heard from, around this budget, if you would support my amendment.

Wheeler: Any further discussion? Karla, please call the roll.

Fish: Well, I am -- before I speak to the merits of the amendment, I would like to take the opportunity to respond to the eloquent words of our newest colleague. Because I have learned a couple things about our newest colleague. The one that I appreciate the most is that she's passionate about our park system. We have had council in the past where we have had three or four different commissioners who have been passed commissioners in charge of the parks bureau, and we thought that was the secret weapon. We had the dice with the stack of people who did it, but what I have come to appreciate is that my friend and colleague has a passion for Portland parks and recreation and a desire to see it be successful. She and I agree on more than we disagree. We agree there are no easy choices. We agree that parks is going to have to reinvent itself in order to be strong in the future. We agree our employees are our greatest resource. We agree that the services we offer to our most vulnerable members should not be compromised, and one of the reasons why in my budget for the first time we shift general fund resources to fully fund the senior rec and adaptive and inclusive, two programs which had to go through the vagaries of the budget process and now are securely funded. Commissioner Hardesty, it is clear to me whether your amendment passes or not, the work begins tomorrow of building a stronger foundation, and Charles Jordan was one of the first people I met when I came to Oregon. I remember his deep and powerful voice when he talked to you, and he was sometimes, would lull you into a conversation, and then get to what he really wanted to say was to educate you about how he viewed the world and the importance of the system. I was so struck by the man that I asked the council to do something we do very rarely. We honored a rule that said you cannot honor someone alive. We renamed it, the Charles Jordan community center. We named it in his honor, and he joined us with his family, and it was one of his last events, and it was one of the proudest days of my life when I previously had

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parks. Here's my commitment to you because I think that there is very little daylight between our view of the future. I will work tirelessly to put parks on that stronger foundation. I will look at different models in terms of structure and funding that, perhaps, allow us to get out of this cycle of every year making these kinds of choices because as the commissioner in charge, I am finished. We cannot continue to have these conversation, they are too discouraging to the community, they are not fair, and there is a better way. More important, I have spent my life as a labor lawyer and a civil rights lawyer putting workers rights first. I know that you take great pride in the work you have done to advance the cause of workers. It has been the cause of my life. I have made a commitment in this process to do everything that I can to find a position for employees that are targeted for layoffs, either at parks or at the city, and we have come up with a process with h.r. That allows people to compete first for openings for which their classification is right now. You are going to say, and I can hear the voice in your head, those sound like good intentions but at the end of the day you will be interested in the numbers, and I will be transparent on the numbers. My goal is to help every impacted employee find a home at the city either at the bureau where we froze a lot of positions were we knew we were having financial difficulties, or the city. I will work tirelessly to make that happen. That's my commitment to you because we share a lot of Values. That said, I can't support your amendment, and I can't support it primarily for two reasons. I believe withholding a cola from an employee regardless of their income is a pay cut. We can have that argument but I believe it's a pay cut because earnings purchase less, the reason we give people a cola, a cost of living increase is so their buying power stays at the pace with rises in rents and food, cost of living, so it becomes a pay cut, and I think it's inequitable to just identify one class of employees, and in this case, ones that have no represented rights, and therefore have the least voice, and say you are going to carry the burden disproportionate to others, so I think it's an inequitable way of doing it I share the goal, and I will try to do my best. I vote no.

Hardesty: Do I have to vote now? How do I know whether it passes or not? You know I can see the writing on the wall. To say I will be disappointed if the council votes down this one or the next one, you will have another opportunity.

Fish: I am only make that one speech one time.

Hardesty: That's good. This is the right thing to do. I believe employees making -- we're not cutting people's pay because again, people will be getting this cola next year. It is a delay rather than a pay cut. You have to think about who are we talking about being impacted? We are talking about people who were classified for a long time as seasonal employees, who were part-time, who had no benefits. Would just recently had the privilege of becoming full-time city employees with benefits. This budget gives us the potential to remove classifications of parks employees, and those are the employees at the become of the pay spectrum. I can tell you me and my staff will be okay without a couple extra thousand bucks this year. I think if you ask people making \$80,000 or more, most would say I will survive. Sick wait until next year for a couple of thousand more. Especially if it will save other people's jobs, so I vote aye.

Eudaly: Well, I appreciate commissioner hardesty's commitment to the city workers and her attempt to preserve these positions. I need to point out that we all, we have all demonstrated a commitment to workers throughout our tenure, and I believe that has been lost in this debate. I especially feel the frustration and the pain of the community members who stand to lose the programs and instructors, parks and community centers are essential to the fabric of our neighborhoods, and the health and resilience and quality of life of our communities. I have faith in commissioner Fish and director long and after many conversations, suggesting a variety of my own alternative scenarios, I really have to support the commissioner in charge and the director. They are doing -- in conjunction with

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the bureau of human resources, they are doing above and beyond to make sure that although the positions are being eliminated, that doesn't equal the job loss for those employees and are minimizing as much as possible. The hardest part of the conversation is the preschool at sellwood. I think that I know that there are other losses or reductions at community centers, and I am hopeful for those employees and those communities. I have spoken to commissioner Fish's staff, and they are also working diligently to come up with an alternative for the families that have registered for the fall program. I do want to put a shout out for those preschools. It's only three hours a day. It's not childcare for working families. It is a really needed respite for parents, and it's also one of the -- they are also one of the few preschools in the city that take children with disabilities, private preschool are able to easily deny children with disabilities based on limited criteria, so it's just especially sad to me that those opportunities are going to be reduced, and I hope that we can work to bring them back. Throughout this budget process I have heard from Portlanders who want to work with the city on stabilizing the parks funding, and I hope that offer still stands. It's frustrating to see cuts at a time of relative economic prosperity, but I need to point out that that is in no small part due to the federal government digesting in things like affordable housing and transportation, and our need to step up and fill in that gap. So, there is a greater burden on local government with costs increasing faster than revenue. I lost my place a bit. So the conversation has been -- this conversation has been framed at guesting from police to invest in parks -- well, this is about cola, but I will refer to both. While I clearly have issues and concerns with our police bureau, I think that it presents us with a false choice and presents us with a short-term fix. I want to say that I am very committed to finding a permanent revenue stream for housing programs and policies with the hope that will take some of the pressure off the general fund, and we won't come back year after year having these parks conversations. This is my third budget process, and parks has dominated the process every year, and as much as I love parks, we have other vitally important issues to talk about and to fund, and they are not getting heard. So regretfully, I vote no.

Fritz: Thank you, commissioner Hardesty, for caring so much about parks, and as commissioner Eudaly and Fish said, that's a shared priority, looking after employees. In my first budget in 2009, I proposed freezing the cola for non-reps, I think it was over 80,000, it might have been 100,000 was the number. I lost 1-4. And I learned a lot about the city structure, which is now more challenging with the pay equity study and compensation work done in h.r., so I can't support this motion not knowing what the implications would be on all of the delicate work that's been done in human resource, and when some employees have been told you don't get anything else but the cola because you are at the top of your pay range, that is -- it's a conversation that has to happen with our community, our 6,000 employees, and our 1300 -- however many non-represented employees, they deserve a voice in this conversation. I stated in my budget speech last year, my commitment to a vibrant park system began before I was elected to the council and will continue as long as I am on the council whether I am the parks commissioner or not. And that commitment continues. I was advocating for Portland parks long before I got on the council, and I probably will continue to do so after I have left. Every year I was the commissioner in charge of parks, which was 5.5, it was a struggle to ensure that adequate resources were provided to keep a vibrant park system. Even though we received significant ongoing funding, thanks to commissioner Fish and I always managing to find a third to get that ongoing funding, every year we have to take actions like holding the positions vacant for months when someone left mid year and moving funds to stabilize the programs and borrowing to make sure that we ended up with a positive balance. These challenges have been building over many years, which is why I directed parks to start work on a cost recovery policy, a fiscal sustainability study, and vision planning. Council provided funding

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for all of these projects in last year's budget, and they are in progress, while council also decided to keep Sellwood and Hillside open last year instead of cutting them as I proposed in what's year's budget. Because of the change of the assignments, the task of addressing the park's shortfalls transferred to commissioner Fish, and I applaud the work that he and his leadership have done to put together a plan, although while horribly difficult to accept, is nevertheless, necessary. I thank Claudio Campuzano for working diligently first in the city budget office and then for parks, identifying the problem and helping to evaluate the finances coming up with this plan. I am also grateful to the interim director and the former assistant director for their diligence in working with the senior management team, including equity manager Art Hendricks to minimize the impacts on vulnerable staff and communities, and let's be clear it's noble the recently hired workers in positions eliminated, but throughout the bureau and the director's office on down, the only places where there are no layoffs, commissioner Fish prioritized some services, and urban forestry since it is able to get the fees, also able to continue to protect the open forest. I feel honored that I got to play a part in the changes in parks, and I believe those allow us to work through these challenges, will result in a more stable and resilient, and sustainability organization. Parks needs permanent, dedicated funding sources that will ensure the long-term viability of the park system, and we need parks' facilities and programs that use taxpayers' money and user fees in a sustainability, responsible manner. I can't support another one-time allocation to keep the aging facilities open and programs running at this year's level. Parks and programming and facilities are crucial for the livability of Portland, and I hope that by next year's budget we will have some options for keeping Portland parks and recreation a world class system. I do have great confidence in commissioner Fish and new parks director Adena Long. Thank you for your leadership in these times. They are difficult in so many ways, and calling the choices difficult is like calling childbirth uncomfortable. This is a sad, a very sad parks budget, and still it is necessary, and I reluctantly vote no.

Wheeler: I appreciate the discussion. I vote no, the motion fails. Hardesty amendment number two, this is a motion to increase the funding for Portland parks and recreation to avoid layoffs, option two. Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you, Mayor and colleagues. You have another opportunity to fully fund parks. This proposal provides for reducing the Portland Police Bureau's budget so we could fully fund the park employees to ensure that there would be no layoffs. This also is part of the proposal that says the gun violence reduction team be renamed from the gang enforcement team, could give us the resources frankly to fund our park system if we would reduce the Portland Police Bureau's budget by a million dollars, and then not buy body cams that we cannot afford, nor do we want, nor do they benefit the public at large. Budgets are a moral document, and it is the footprint of where we say that we want to go. We can use pretty words or we can talk about valuing people, and I know that my colleagues all are people who have, over the years, stood up for working people, stood up to ensure that the most vulnerable voices who never make it into this room, make it in. I think that the conversation that we had yesterday around the police budget and this gun violence reduction team was some of the most honest conversations that I have ever seen in this building. They cannot end once a budget is passed. Whether people want to acknowledge it or not, people experience the police and Portland differently based on their socioeconomic status, based on their race, based on what part of town that they live in. To have a police officer sit in front of me who has been working the street for 25 years saying, they don't know. People can walk away from the conversations, is not true. Not if you are black. Not if you are brown. Not if you are a young person. Not if you are houseless. Not if you are powerless in our community. Mayor, as the police commissioner, I hope that you and I will have much deeper conversations about the need to do things a bit differently. I hope the police bureau will be open because over my 20 years of advocating for police

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reform, it is clear to me that there is no desire for accountability within our police bureau. We are supposed to trust whatever comes out of the police bureau, whatever data they choose to provide to the public, and over and over and over, I know that I have not been told the truth. It takes audits. It takes bringing the department of justice, civil rights division to town. It takes independent people outside of Portland police bureau to tell us what's really going on. It takes me having conversations with people on the street on a regular basis. Let me say I know this is not a conversation at the moment about the police budget, but if we really were voting on values, if this budget really reflected our values, we would not be funding School resource officers. We will not be funding 28 officers to ride around looking for guns. We would not be holding money back to hire more police officers into a system that is dysfunctional. When I have heard my colleagues say, well, there is good and bad in the gang enforcement unit violence reduction team, there is for good when 59% of the people that look like you are stopped, searched, harassed, on a regular basis with no trail to determine why that was so. There are not two sides to this. There is justice. There is fairness. We have an opportunity by defunding a department that needs a lot of help, to fund a department that has risen over and over again to serve the people in the city of Portland. I want disappointed that this probably will also go down in flaming defeat. I am okay with that because, you know, this has been the first open and honest conversation that I believe that we participated in on what kind of city that we want to have. Being the new kid on the block, let me just say that yes, I know what my bureaus are. But, I see that just like me, other people understand that I was not elected to just care about fire and just care about 9-1-1 and just care about the bureau of emergency management. I care deeply about those bureaus, and I love the fact that I have the honor of working with those fine men and women. I don't live in a bubble. I don't live in a silo. The people who elected me did not elect me to think in a silo. I want to be clear to my colleagues that i, in no way, mean any disrespect to any of you. I know how hard we all work, and in fact, before I got here, I couldn't figure out why you spent so much time in this building. I understand that a lot better now. I mean no disrespect to any of you. I know the caliber of people I am working with. I would not be true to myself and my value system if I didn't do everything in my power to make sure that we had a public conversation about whether or not we are investing based on our values or investing based on what we have always done. You have my proposal. I will be happy to see what my colleagues have to say.

Wheeler: Commissioner eudaly.

Eudaly: Just a point of clarification, commissioner Hardesty, you still have three amendments.

Hardesty: I believe I have two left.

Wheeler: I believe only one other.

Fish: Amendment two is on the table. That has to do with the body worn programs being done.

Eudaly: I have that, but I was confused.

Fish: Most of -- her comments were to her third amendment.

Eudaly: I wanted to make sure that there was an amendment I was missing.

Hardesty: I don't have any additional.

Eudaly: Got it, so we are on parks option two. I am good.

Wheeler: Any further discussion? I will add one point, I know that there are -- there is a strong desire to have conversations about police bureau policy, and I had a conversation with commissioner eudaly this morning, and I think a very fine idea would be for us to have public work sessions on some of these issues surrounding policing policy, when it's body worn cameras, the gun violence reduction team, whether it is cool resource officers, or other issues, I think it would be helpful for us to at least hear the same information at the same time and ask questions with everybody in the room, hear from some people with

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lived experience who are directly impacted by some of the programs, so that next year people don't feel pressured into using the budget process as the only opportunity or only on-ramp for meaningful dialogue around policy. That's something that I would strongly encourage and I will be discussing that with my colleagues, but that's something that I would like to do. I believe that the police bureau would be very interested in that concept, as well because there is a lot of confusion, and sometimes, misinformation about what these policies are and what they mean and the implications are for the community. I do appreciate that opportunity, and I will get back to each of you as to whether or not that's something that would be worthwhile.

Eudaly: I appreciate that, and I want to say there is a legitimate disagreement about the policy, not just confusion.

Wheeler: Fair enough, absolutely.

Eudaly: It has been frustrating to sit here for 2.5 years and have so little opportunity to get down to the brass tax and the police bureau because while it does sit in your portfolio, it's something that we are all held accountable for, and it's something that impacts our entire community, and I appreciate your willingness to invite our input and also help us achieve greater transparency and understanding about the bureau.

Wheeler: That is fair, and your point is well taken. Frankly, from my perspective, there is a lot that I am proud of that we've been working on in the police bureau, and I would like to have the opportunity to showcase that, as well. Very good. Any further discussion?
Commissioner Fish?

Fish: No.

Wheeler: Please call the roll on motion 2.

Fish: I am not prepared to make fundamental change in police bureau policy through an amendment to the mayor's office proposed budget, particularly on an issue like body cameras where I have past supported the program. Commissioner Hardesty has raised some significant concerns with the program. I look forward to the Opportunity to have a robust discussion about this program and hear all my colleague's views but not support changes as an amendment to the Mayor's proposal. No.

Hardesty: Thank you. This is my opportunity. I did not know that there were other opportunities to talk about body worn cameras or the gun reduction, violence reduction team/gang enforcement team. We get the budget May 14? We are ready to vote. That is not ample time to have big public policy conversations. Now maybe because I am new, I don't know that these conversations may have happened somewhere else out of the public eye. I appreciate you saying you are committed to work sessions around these issues, and these are issues that impact everyone in the city of Portland. I am not against our police force. Over the last 20 some years, I have met and worked with some wonderful Portland police officers, some excellent Portland police officers. I know Portland police officers who retired without ever pulling their weapons. Those are not the ones that we hired back, most of the time. What I am opposed to is year in and year out getting reports of who has been stopped, and who has been searched, and it being accepted as fact. The chief, in 2011, presented the first stop data, and colleagues I want you to know that those numbers have not moved at all since 2011. I wonder how the white community would feel if 59% of them were being stopped annually, and they only represented 6% of the population. I wonder what other community could have such a lopsided enforcement without the city council being outraged. Since 2011, african-americans and latinos have shared the story of how they encounter law enforcement. And nothing. You may know that I consider myself quite frankly the expert on these settlement agreements between the department of justice civil rights division and the city of Portland. I was on the other side begging the department of justice to come here because there was no justice in the city of Portland for african-americans and others who share my experience of policing in the city of Portland. I am the

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expert on the department of justice settlement agreement. I have been at this much longer than I've been in this seat. I come with that experience, with that world view, with that community perspective. I am woefully disappointed that we are not stopping the over-policing of African-Americans while we seek to get it right. I vote yes for my amendment.

Eudaly: Similarly to Commissioner Fish, I am not prepared to support an amendment not fully understanding the impact of the changes to the police budget, but I do want to go on the record stating two things -- this situation, I think, shows how problematic it is for new commissioners coming in, in the middle of the budget process and the fact that we don't get to have policy conversations before we get to this point in the budget. So, I have also tried to dig into policy issues during the budget conversation. It's, I guess, not the best place to do it, but sometimes it feels like it's the only place to do it, and I also want to go on record as saying that I have kind of growing doubts about the effectiveness and the utility of the body cameras, and I am really looking forward to that conversation because while I am not going to support this amendment, I am not necessarily in support of us moving forward with a policy that has nationally not shown to be consistently effective and may be incredibly expensive to us moving forward for data storage. I vote no.

Fritz: I truly appreciate Commissioner Hardesty and her staff looking for more funding for parks. I just wish there was a way that we could keep the programs going. This proposal is about body cameras. That decision was made in a public hearing after we heard lots of testimony, I think you may have participated in that session. I know lots of community members did, so that's how we need to make -- if we are going to change it, and like Commissioner Eudaly, I am open to revisiting that discussion, but it needs to be done in a public hearing the same way that Commissioner Hardesty led us to revisit the joint terrorism task force involvement, and so as much as I would like to find new funding for parks, this can't be it. We had hundreds of emails from community members about parks funding, and I appreciate everybody who has written in. I am woefully behind, I think I have 13,000 built up in my inbox, and I was struck by how many people who are passionate about parks and said, and don't cut police because we need community safety, as well, so I am grateful that more community members are joining us on the council in grappling with how do we pay for all of the services, and maybe we need new funding, and maybe there is multiple things that we will have more urgency to look at so that we can particularly for a program, for a service like parks, which may seem optional, but I don't believe it is, I believe that we need to find a way to get stable funding, and I am open to having a further discussion about body worn cameras. No.

Wheeler: I vote no, the motion fails. Amendment 3, motion to eliminate the Portland police bureau's gun violence reduction team by realigning general fund resources and staffing resources to other programs. Further discussion? Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you, I want to say I have already spoken to that measure. I want to thank Commissioner Eudaly for seconding my motion so that we could have the conversation. I think it's important these conversations happen in the daylight in public, and that the public knows that we are making decisions based on whatever information that we have that we are participating in, in the public process. I want to appreciate my colleagues. I appreciate your patience as we have gone through this process. If there is a better process to advocate for the things that I think reflect the values of Portlanders, then please share it with me. I would be happy to participate in that. I was elected citywide, just like the rest of you, so I get the privilege of representing people citywide on issues that are not in my portfolio, so I thank you, colleagues. I am disappointed. No surprise there. I am absolutely disappointed that we will have employees that will lose their jobs because we think that's a good result. I hope that Charles Jordan will, ultimately, be proud of the work that this council does because he put his heart and soul into building us a world class park system, and I fear for the new director who I can't imagine starting day one and being told, you need to

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cut \$6 million out of the budget and have a good day. I can't imagine that, but I want to thank you all, and we will get onto the business of passing a budget. Thank you.

Wheeler: Further discussion? Please call the roll.

Fish: No. **Hardesty:** Yes.

Eudaly: I am going to characterize this as a protest vote. I am not really happy with either alternative. I want answers to my questions that I have now asked three years in a row. I want more opportunities for us to discuss and decide as a body with public input on police policy. When I asked for a rationale for police staffing or allocation of resources, I expect an answer, and I will say it again, I am really struggling with the resources that we put into the gun violence reduction team when we have dozens of people dying on our streets, hundreds of people being seriously injured, and thousands of people in traffic collisions, and we put so little resources into traffic enforcement. We cannot simply engineer and educate our way out of this problem. People are flagrantly disregarding the law and taking other people's lives into their own hands, and it's a public safety crisis, and at this point in my mind, and I am really looking forward to having that conversation. I vote yes.

Fritz: It has been a good conversation, and I appreciate my colleagues for engaging in it. As I said yesterday, when we had the gang enforcement team, now known as the gun violence issue, I have heard from commissioner Hardesty, I have heard from People who were gang involved and who are now saying that this program is something that they want. They repeatedly said they want the gang violence reduction team officers to respond to them, and that they believe this is a program that is crucial. Yes, commissioner Eudaly, I share your concern we need to also prioritize traffic safety, and the gun violence is disproportionately impacting people of color, and they are dying, as well, so without more information, I cannot support cutting this at this time. No.

Wheeler: I would look forward to further discussion around traffic safety. I agree with commissioner Eudaly, the enforcement piece needs to be in alignment with the engineering and the education piece, and there are conversations to be had there, and in a prior conversation that I had with the commissioner I also noted that traffic enforcement division plays a critical role in other matters, including large public events in our community and we should have that conversation and speak with the folks who run that team and what their perceptions are and what their recommendations would be to us. I vote no. The motion fails. I believe that completes all of the amendments that are on the table. Colleagues, we have one arcane step here. We need to vote to approve all the budget adjustments as amended in attachments b, c, and D as amended by the individual floor amendments, and to do that I need a motion to approve the changes to the proposed budget as presented in the memo.

Fish: So moved.

Fritz: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion from commissioner Fish, second from commissioner Fritz. Just to be clear, this is not a vote to approve the budget, rather this is a vote to include and approve the adjustments that we discussed, and then after that, we will vote on the budget today.

Fritz: Today.

Wheeler: Today, absolutely, today. With that, we now have -- we have to vote on that, is that correct, Robert? Please, call the roll.

Fish: As I understand this, this puts the matter before us.

Wheeler: Puts it on the table.

Fish: And we vote on or down, aye.

Hardesty: Aye. **Eudaly:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. [gavel pounded] okay. Now, I will entertain a motion and a second to approve the budget as amended.

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Fish: Motion to approve the budget.

Fritz: Second.

Wheeler: Motion from commissioner Fish, second from commissioner Fritz. Any further discussion? Karla, please call the roll.

Fish: It's late, and we've been working at this for a long Time, but mayor, if you could bear with me I have a few comments I would like to make. In my view one of the most significant things we do is craft a budget, and I believe it's also the most significant thing that a mayor is judged by, his or her ability to craft a budget and gain support for that budget. So I think it's important as we reflect on the budget before us that we take a moment and look where we have come from and where we are going. Thank you, mayor, and I want to thank you at the outset for introducing is a new budget process this year. It required us to think about bureaus and their budgets in a new way and to build the budget from the ground up, and I think that it was a -- a significant improvement, and I hope we can enhance it. I am pleased to support this budget. The process was collaborative, and ultimately, the budget is responsive to community concerns and reflects many of our shared priorities as a council. It also advances a number of my priorities, including significant investments and supportive housing, including funding for deep rental subsidies and services for people struggling with homelessness, mental health challenges, and addiction, and continued support for brownfield remediation or work to convert contaminated land into productive community use, and funding for the Portland film office, which supports film production in Portland, see Funding to support the albina vision, a community-driven plan for redeveloping the rose quarter and repairing the damage done by urban renewal, establishing the age friendly coordinator position and the bureau of planning and sustainability to guide the city's work on age-friendly services and practices, and launching a dark skies initiative, also in the bureau of planning and sustainability, to reduce urban light pollution, and our support for the Portland rose festival, our official festival. The budget also includes significant one-time funding for the parks bureau to continue summer programming, to keep columbia pool open for another year and transition other spaces to new models. Is the park bureau will also receive much needed ongoing funds for operations and maintenance of parks and playgrounds, including many in east Portland. Thank you, mayor wheeler, for your partnership and vital support of our parks in this budget. I want to acknowledge that there were no easy fixes for the 6.3 million structural gap that parks faced. The more we looked at it, the more we realized one-time funding was not the solution. They would extend the problem for another year, allowing it to grow and worsen. It would be a dis-service to our community to parks employees and the council's stated goals of equity, affordability and fiscal responsibility to avoid Addressing the root cause of the bureau's budget model. The bureau and the budget advisory committee put together a thoughtful, balanced approach to closing the 6.3 million gap. They prioritized equity, long-term financial sustainability, safety and maintenance. And with the one-time support in this budget, the transition will be on a time line that continues summer programming and provides additional time for the bureau, the workforce, and the community to plan for the future. Now a word to our workforce. This budget affects 50 people directly and includes potential layoffs of deeply valued colleagues. Parks and human resources are working closely with each affected person. Our goal is to help affected people find other positions at the city. Parks already has shared with me about half of the people affected, assuming a july 1 set of layoffs, can be moved to other positions within the parks bureau. For those who can't, we're looking at positions at the city. Parks also is providing support, including career counseling, interview coaching, skills assessments and resume and cover letter help, both in workshops and one-on-ones. We are grateful to our partners at the bureau of human resources for the initiative that they launched to prioritize affected employees for hiring in certain classes

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citywide and affected employees are, specifically, invited to participate. Colleagues, I am committed to continuing the hard work of stabilizing the parks bureau and building towards a sustainability future. That includes looking at new models for funding and delivering the services the public expects. I will have more to say about this important effort later. Again, mayor, thank you again for your leadership and collaboration on this year's budget. I want to thank my colleagues. This has been a spirited budget season. I learned a lot from each of you, and I appreciate the collaboration from each colleague and their offices. I also want to thank my bureau teams. Directors Jordan and Adena Long. Adena Long is looking to probably see if there is a clause in her contract, an opt-out after three months. We are lucky in the city of Portland to have leaders like Mike Jordan and then Adena Long leading bureaus, and I have the honor of working with them and their senior leadership teams, and I want to say a word about my team. Of course, it is the prerogative of each of us to say we have the best team in city hall, expect I really do. [laughter] I have a team that has been together for some time that is very deep, is deeply committed to public service. I don't want to get emotional as I say, this but they have stepped up when their Commissioner has not always been at his best. I cannot think of a greater compliment that I can pay to my team than when I have not been able to do my work at the level that I have come to expect, they have made it seem that we have not missed a beat. In fact, they remind me that we have done some of our best work during my health stretch. So, to Sonia and to the senior and to all of the people, the public servants who work in my office, I just want you to know it is a joy to come to work every day and have a chance to work with people of your quality. It's pure public service at its best, and I am fortunate, so with all of that, it is now time to vote, and I voted aye.

Hardesty: It's not fair to make me cry before I give my response to the budget. But what an eloquent statement and how wonderful that you have staffed that have stepped in and kept your office running like a fine-oiled machine. Needless to say I am disappointed that we were not willing to vote our values today, and invest in the people that make this city of Portland great. I have heard from the day I got here, there is no money. There is a deficit. We can't do things but yet we know where piles of money are located, in the police budget. The budget is a moral document. I have talked about how it is funded, speaks to our values, and I also want to add how it is created also speaks to our values. The council only scratched the surface and discussions over where our money goes. Frankly, I would like to get less reports. And spend more time talking public policy in these chambers. Had we engaged in a robust discussion, I believe that we could have done more to make the decisions that supported what our community asked of us. Especially as counselors just hearing about the 1.6 million going to school resource officers, despite students and community members saying that they want no part of school resource officers, and the city auditor's report that came out today talking about the 800k parks golf courses received to stay a float, and they continue to have budget deficit and problems, as well. We did not get a chance to talk about that. Now, I wasn't so naive as to expect my colleagues to jump onboard my proposal, but I did hope that they would take pieces of it, and seriously consider it. I look forward to working with my colleagues to make the budget process an inclusive and participatory as possible for next year. I want to collaborate with everyone to work creatively together on a budget that the city can be proud of. That means bringing the conversation in planning at the front end and not treating it as a footnote once the public get outraged. I am hopeful because we have made some gains in this budget, I am excited that we will be funding the Portland street response, the mayor has included the Portland street response, the census, and the anti-displacement, and health and wellness coordination for fire and rescue, and all those were incorporated into the budget, and I am sure that there is some people saying why weren't you satisfied? Shouldn't you be happy? You got what you asked for. I am not happy because there is still losers in this budget.

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They are fine city employees. I am not 100% happy because I believe that a collaborative process would have given us a better end product. I look forward to moving forward, but before I give my vote, I want to acknowledge the incredible team that I have. You said you have the best team, and I am sorry, you know I love you dearly, however, comma, I have got the best budget analyst on the planet, Kirsten Johnson, who has been extraordinary in helping me understand this complicated 5.6 billion budget, and I believe her when she says that we could do this. We could do the right thing and not lose one employee. I want to thank Mack McNally -- Matt McNally, who I can never remember the title he has here at the city, but he's my community organizer, and he does a fabulous job. Every time I come into this chamber when it's filled top to bottom and we have got overflow rooms, I have done my job right. I want to thank my incredible chief of staff, Colleen Edwards, who is not here at the moment, but she has done fabulous work to help us to stay focused on our vision, and last but not least, Doug Bradley, who is a very cool policy dude, even though he is a -- one of the sharpest dressers at city hall, he still spends a lot of time doing the work that I have hired him to do. I support a lot of things in this budget. However, I am voting no.

Eudaly: Well, I have to mention, as I mentioned before this is my third budget process, and while each year has been different, my frustrations remain the same, and those frustrations are around how hard it is to have a conversation about the various competing priorities and urgent issues we face when they are drowned out by a single issue. I think we did better this year, but there is room for improvement on the public engagement piece. Our budget is a statement of our values and priorities, and I think we mostly got it right, and we are wisely allocating our limited resources. I say mostly because our budget process always involves compromise. We each gave up things that were important to us, and accepted the inclusion of things that were not in the interest of the greater good. Because almost none of the items that I was fighting for in the budget got any play in the media or the public, I am just going to mention a few things that I am really proud to see pass. First is full funding for the joint office of homeless services, which served 35,000 individual, either experiencing or facing imminent homelessness. Two, we increased the funding for the rental services office, which serves landlords and tenants. Tenants make up nearly half of the population. We are in the midst of a housing crisis, and it's important that we get this office beyond up and running and to functional in order to advance the work that we want to continue -- the continued work we want to do around tenant protection and housing. Three is census funding. I am a little disappointed that we didn't get full funding. I want to mention that we scraped our budget. I really hate that term. Can someone tell me a different term.

Fish: Scrubbed.

Eudaly: We scrubbed our budget, yeah.

Wheeler: Caressed.

Eudaly: There was no caressing involved. [laughter] at civic life, with a shoestring budget, we came up with a saveless, and we are still using the file maker pro, so there are things that we might have wanted to spend some of that money on, but we are spending it on census and specifically convening the city's with other agencies and philanthropic organizations to count, hard to counted communities, which will mean a lot in dollars for our state, and it's almost guaranteed to mean an additional congressional feat and also paints a better picture of who is here in our community, and therefore, how we need to allocate our resources differently. I am really proud of that, and I appreciate the mayor funding 250,000 of that. Fourth is the anti-displacement directive bps. We adopted 11 anti-displacement measures in our comp plan, and at some point, I realized well, that is a great plan, but would say going to hold us accountable for those anti-displacement measures? And that began a conversation, and has resulted in this anti-displacement directive, which I am really excited to get to work on. I am almost done. 311, I just want to take this

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opportunities to say -- Portland, please stop using 9-1-1 as customer service. We have an information and referral line. It's 823-4000. We have a police non-emergency line, but those calls do go ultimately to 9-1-1. If it is non-urgent and non-emergency, call information and referral. 50%, roughly 50% of the phone calls to 9-1-1 are low priority, non-urgent, non-emergency, and what those calls mean is longer wait times on the phone for people who are in legitimate and possibly life threatening emergencies, and as long as longer arrival times for aid. We really need to stop, and I think that 311 is essential to taking on a chunk of that burden as well as just providing much better customer service to our community members. And finally, I am really excited about the street response team. I am looking forward to seeing how that develops. In closing, I want to thank my colleagues. I want to thank my staff, especially, my policy team who worked on the budget, Marshall, Jamie and Polly. Thank you to my bureaus and the bureau staff. And especially to the community members. I know that like me, many of you didn't get everything that you wanted. I hope that you appreciate the hard work that went into this budget and the hard decisions we had to make. I vote aye.

Fritz: So this is my 11th budget cycle. Every year has been a unique experience. This is my first budget when I had the utility bureau, despite my title being the commissioner of public utilities. I am the second woman ever to be in charge of the Portland water bureau. We were able to set rates and ensure that adequate funding is available for operations, maintenance, and capital projects -- what a concept. It is more efficient than agonizing over every line item detail like we have today, which has been my experience with all general fund bureaus. Particularly, parks. I am grateful to commissioner Fish for restoring the public trust in the utilities and for partnering with me, the water bureau was assigned to me to ensure continued, seamless collaboration between the two utility bureaus. I remain committed to establishing a 311 system, and I appreciate Mayor Wheeler being the first mayor I worked with who shares my belief that this basic service is a priority. I believe the program should continue to be coordinated by the office of management and finance, and thanks to our amendments adopted today, this conversation will involve all council offices over the next year while insuring adequate, ongoing funding for the program as it develops. And I do thank the mayor for supporting funding of many of my priorities and those of our colleagues on the council. As she just alluded to, commissioner Eudaly submitted the directions to develop funding to address the displacement, rental services, and the census, all of which the mayor supports, as do the rest of us. Commissioner Hardesty championed the street, Portland street response in partnership with street roots and the mayor. And there is funding for developing a triage program in the 9-1-1 center, as well. The mayor is preserving the rapid response vehicles in the fire bureau, which results in Portland fire and rescue being the only bureau not held to the 1% cuts mandated in the mayor's office initial instructions. The mayor continues funding for Portland United Against Hate, which is a shared priority of the council now transitioning to community management. I was worried that without the bureau of champion, Portland United Against Hate might get Legislators, and I appreciate Mayor Wheeler for making sure the funding continues, and the mayor works with commissioner Fish to fund a transition for parks, including almost 700,000 in ongoing resources as well as around 4 million in one-time funding. That's up almost a third of the available new ongoing funding and almost a quarter of the available one-time dollars. And still, this is not a good result for parks. Usually at this vote I feel a sense of hope and satisfaction always with a touch of frustration as commissioner Eudaly alluded to, we never get everything we want. Today I am sad. This has been a really hard process, especially for community members and staff affected by these cuts. I wish that there had been another way. I was not able to find it, and I did not see another way forward in a way that I could support as I mentioned earlier. So that's sad. Moving to the things I'm happy about. I thank the mayor for including funding for a new position in the

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office of equity and human rights to work on disability issues. And mayor wheeler also included funding for a joint request from human resources and equity for accommodation fund to be administered by human resources to ensure that employees who need accommodations are provided for. Perhaps the line item giving me the most joy for the lowest allocation is in this \$5.5 billion budget is the \$5,000 that mayor wheeler has allocated to the diverse empowered employees of Portland for affinity group events opened to the community that celebrate city employees, histories, identities and values. I cannot begin to describe the glee with which this allocation was received. And I can also not describe the good that this money is going to do. I'm grateful the strength programs will girls strength, boys strength was restored from being cut from the bureau using realignments as the mayor reassured me. The strength programs may be the most popular program administered by the police bureau. Cutting them would have resulted in a strategic blunder and losing a nationally renowned program that aims to get upstream of domestic violence and human trafficking crimes. I know we can't bind future councils, but if we could, I would put an invincible shield around the strength programs to keep them funded for the foreseeable future. The budget includes funding for historic resources study as we passed earlier. I believe this is important both to preserve buildings that are historically significant and inform our re-enforced masonry buildings discussion. We need to identify those urm buildings that are worthy of preserving and develop a system which will encourage them to be retrofitted. I appreciate the council's support for my amendment allocating the one-time funding to reduce fees while the study is in progress. I look forward to the discussions regarding the future process for allocating cannabis funds in a more open and equitable manner. Commissioner eudaly and I will work closely with the offices to bring a proposal to the council on how to address the concerns raised as well as the original language of the measure and intents of the council when it was referred in 2016 to involve the entire council in choosing ongoing and one-time allocations. In this year's budget, we have allocated nearly \$1 million of cannabis tax revenues for business development and small grants for communities impacted by cannabis prohibition, and \$500,000 for permanent supportive housing which I think may be the first ongoing allocation for permanent supportive housing which is a cause for rejoicing as well as continued funding of vision zero projects and the police traffic division. These are exactly the new investments I envisioned when I worked so hard to refer and pass the tax. Thank you to all of the Portlanders who engaged in this process to each of my colleagues especially mayor wheeler to the chiefs of staff, especially kristen dennis, the mayors chief of staff and Sonia schmanski. Jessica kenard in the city budget team, amazing work: My bureau directors, dr. Markeisha smith in equity and mike stuhr in water. To my staff, i'm a mother of three. Each of my children is my favorite child. I can tell you why each of them is my favorite child. My staff are my favorite staff and i'm really grateful to claire adamsick, cynthia castro, christina nieves, Yesenia carillo, Nissan kwan and my chief of staff. Aye.

Wheeler: Well, first of all, I want to thank my colleagues and their staff. I definitely want to give a big shout-out to the interim budget director jessica kenard. She not only had to -- [applause] -- step up in a big way, she did it while we were reforming the budget process it wasn't just about creating the budget, making sure it was balanced and making sure our priorities were included in the budget but it was reforming the budget to be a completely different platform that was more accountable, transparent and completely reworking the public engagement process. I want to thank you and your entire team for that I want to thank all the bureau directors who spent lots and lots of time working with all of us in this room to make sure that their interests were clear and that their budget opportunities were clearly illustrated for me in the budget and all of us who were working on. It on my team, kristen dennis, my chief of staff spent -- I don't know what -- millions of hours. Millions of hours it seemed. Most of her time over the course of the last, what, three to four months,

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andrea valdorama who spent a tremendous amount of time on this budget. I thank everyone on my team who did that. The community at large always shapes the budget and always helps us focus on the priorities and always helps us ascertain strategies and solutions we don't always see ourselves. I want to put one marker down. I agree with those who identify the parks issue as being significant. It's a structural deficit it requires a long-term strategy that provides sustainable funding and keeps our costs in alignment and I do trust commissioner Fish, the commissioner in charge, and adina long, to work with all of us and find a solution and bring it back. We look forward to that. I vote aye. The budget is approved as amended. Colleagues, we have a couple more items here and then we'll be done.

Kinard: As a final step, state statute requires the budget committee to approve the tax levies. Mayor will now read a script to call for the vote.

Wheeler: I didn't write this. This is from ors. The city shall levee the full permanent rate of 4.5770 per \$1,000 of assessed value and \$15,042,646 for the payment of voter-approved general obligation bond, principle and interest, and \$168,768,476 for the obligations for the fire and police disability and retirement fund. And .4026 dollars per \$1,000 of assessed value for the children's levee. Furthermore, the city shall levee the amount listed on the attachment e for urban renewal collections. Can I get a motion and a second?

Fish: So moved.

Hardesty: A second.

Wheeler: A very fast second from commissioner on approving the tax levies. Any discussion on the tax levies? Thank god no: Please call the roll. [roll call] thank you to the taxpayers of Portland. That's the money we're investing in this budget, aye.

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

Wheeler: I vote aye. The tax levies are approved.

Kinard: Now that the budget's been approved by council, at proved budget will be sent to the tax supervising and conservation commission, tscc for review, tscc has 20 days to review the budget. They'll then conduct the hearing on the city's approved budget, tuesday, june 11th at 10:00 namm council chambers and then final budget adoption is set for wednesday, june 12th at 2:00 p.m. Here. Public testimony could be provided at the june 11th tscc hearing and the june 12th budget adoption hearing.

Wheeler: The meeting of the city of Portland budget committee is now adjourned. Colleagues, we're now going to reconvene the prosper Portland budget committee.

Council adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Fritz: Point of clarify, how many more do we have to do? Do we have prosper? Are we the rates as well?

Hardesty: Weren't we supposed to vote on prosper?

Fritz: I wondered how many items were left?

Wheeler: Prosper is next. Then I have one quick amendment and we're done. Colleagues, where we left off on the prosper budget item 478 is we've already heard the presentation. We've already taken public testimony. I have one technical amendment that's been offered by prosper Portland. The prosper staff can come up. As you will recall in the city budget, we allocated \$17,000 to prosper Portland for venture Portland's feasibility of the frog ferry water taxi service. We need to do that here as well. So i'll entertain a motion.

Fish: So moved.

Fritz: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion from commissioner Fish and second from commissioner hardesty. Please call the roll. I'm sorry -- It was Fish? He didn't offer the second. It was commissioner Fritz. Please call the roll. [roll call]

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Fish: Aye. **Hardesty:** No. **Eudaly:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. Motion carries. I'm now calling to entertain a motion to vote to approve the budget adjustments in exhibit a of the resolution 7311 as amended.

Fish: So moved.

Eudaly: Seconded.

Wheeler: We have a motion from commissioner Fish and a second from commissioner eudaly. Any further discussion? Please call the roll. [roll call]

Fish: Aye.

Hardesty: I want to quickly say I want to make sure that we work with prosper to make sure people that's been impacted by bad marijuana law are going to benefit from the business opportunities that this budget provides. Aye.

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

Wheeler: I vote aye. The budget is approved as amended. Any further discussion? Very good. The meeting of the prosper Portland budget committee is now adjourned. We are adjourned. Thank you, everyone.

Council adjourned as Prosper Portland Budget Committee at 5:54 p.m.