



Amanda Fritz, Commissioner
 Michael Stuhr, P.E., Administrator
 1120 SW Fifth Avenue, Room 600
 Portland, Oregon 97204-1926
 Information: 503-823-7404
www.portlandoregon.gov/water



IMPACT STATEMENT

Date: May 20, 2020

Council Date: June 3, 2020

Legislation Title: *Authorize a one-time COVID-19 Small Business Utility Relief Program up to \$1 million and an Intergovernmental Agreement with Prosper Portland for an amount up to \$100,000 to administer the program (Ordinance)

Contact Name: Sarah Murphy Santner, Water Efficiency Division Manager

Contact Phone: (503) 823-7444

Presenter Name: Sarah Murphy Santner, Water Efficiency Division Manager
 Amy Nagy, Prosper Portland

Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

The Water Bureau and the Bureau of Environmental Services recognize the importance of providing assistance during the COVID-19 crisis. This legislation will enable the Water Bureau and the Bureau of Environmental Services to establish a one-time utility relief program for up to \$1,000,000. This new Small Business Utility Relief Program will support COVID-19 impacted qualifying small businesses through bill credits to sewer, stormwater and water bills. This legislation will also authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement (Agreement) with Prosper Portland to administer the COVID-19 Small Business Utility Relief Program.

Due to the rapidly evolving situation and desired immediate response, this legislation is an emergency ordinance. This will quickly facilitate Prosper Portland to begin the City's efforts in supporting and providing assistance to help small businesses during the COVID-19 crisis.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

Given the current circumstances, resources can be allocated for the immediate COVID-19 emergency to establish a one-time utility relief program up to \$1,000,000 to support COVID-19 impacted qualifying small businesses. Contingent upon City Council authorization, the City desires to enter into an Agreement with Prosper Portland in the amount not to exceed \$100,000. Funds will be provided by the Water Bureau in the amount of \$35,000 and the Bureau of Environmental Service in the amount of \$65,000. Funding is available in Fiscal Year 2019-20

Please contact us for translation or interpretation, or for accommodations for people with disabilities.

More information · Más información · Thêm thông tin · 欲了解更多信 · Дополнительная информация

Mai multe informații · Подробности · Macluumaad dheeri ah · अधिक सूचना · Tichikin Poraus

www.portlandoregon.gov/water/access · 503-823-7432 (TTY: 503-823-6868, Relay: 711)

Budgets and, as required, will be requested in future fiscal year budgets by the Water Bureau and Bureau of Environmental Services in order to support the COVID-19 Small Business Utility Relief Program.

Community impacts and community involvement:

Prosper Portland focuses on building an equitable economy by carrying out a comprehensive range of economic development programs that support small business. Prosper Portland is experienced in managing programs to provide relief funding for small businesses and will provide administrative oversight for the new Small Business Utility Relief Program for the City.

There are no significant concerns or objections to this legislation and there are no anticipated speakers for this item at City Council.

100% Renewable Goal:

This action does not affect the City's total energy use. This action does not affect the City's renewable energy use.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet

Does this action change appropriations?

☐ **YES:** Please complete the information below.

☒ **NO:** Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount

Gabriel Solmer

5/22/2020

(for) Michael Stuhr, P.E., Administrator

Date