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A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **4th DAY OF MARCH, 2020** AT 9:30 A.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Wheeler, Presiding; Commissioners Eudaly, Fritz and Hardesty, 4.

Commissioner Eudaly arrived at 9:34 a.m.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Matt Farley, Senior Deputy City Attorney; and Cheryl Leon-Guerrero and Tania Kohlman, Sergeants at Arms.

On a Y-4 roll call, the Consent Agenda was adopted.

The meeting recessed at 11:22 a.m. and reconvened at 11:32 a.m.

| COMMUNICATIONS | | |
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| 172 | Request of Cheryl Graves to address Council regarding the present state of the City's homeless crisis (Communication) | PLACED ON FILE |
| 173 | Request of Antquane Truss to address Council regarding the homelessness epidemic (Communication) | PLACED ON FILE |
| 174 | Request of Jan Campbell to address Council regarding a tribute to Commissioner Fish (Communication) | PLACED ON FILE |
| 175 | Request of Danielle Somerville-White to address Council regarding a resolution supporting entheogenic plant practices (Communication) | PLACED ON FILE |
| 176 | Request of Sean Green to address Council regarding his experience as a member of the Development Review Advisory Committee and the Bureau of Development Services Budget Advisory Committee (Communication) | PLACED ON FILE |
| TIMES CERTAIN | | |
| *177 | TIME CERTAIN: 9:45 AM – Amend the FY 2019-20 Budget and authorize construction financing in an amount not to exceed \$2,177,000 to DePaul Treatment Centers, or affiliate, to construct a new treatment facility at SE 102nd Ave and SE Cherry Blossom Dr (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler) 30 minutes requested (Y-4) | 189872 |

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| <p>178</p> | <p>TIME CERTAIN: 10:15 AM – Appeal of the Portland Japanese Garden against the Hearings Officer’s decision of approval with conditions limiting the Garden’s office use in the house at 369 SW Kingston Ave to four years (Previous Agenda 125; Findings introduced by Mayor Wheeler; LU 19-192268 CU) 10 minutes requested</p> <p>Motion to uphold the appeal, revise the Hearings Officer’s decision to approve the conditional use review, allow for the requested 10 years and adopt the findings: Moved by Fritz and seconded by Eudaly. (Y-3; N-1 Hardesty)</p> | <p>FINDINGS ADOPTED</p> |
| <p>*179</p> | <p>TIME CERTAIN: 10:25 AM – Approve revisions to the Human Resources Administrative Rules related to recruitment, employment of retirees, inclement weather, compensation, performance management, and prohibited conduct (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler; amend Portland Policy Document HRAR 3.01, 3.06, 4.01, 4.11, 8.02-8.04, 9.02 and 11.02) 25 minutes requested</p> <p>Motion to remove from consideration changes to Portland Policy Document HRAR 2.02 due to ongoing bargaining taking place with labor unions: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Fritz. (Y-4) (Y-4)</p> | <p>189873 AS AMENDED</p> |
| <p align="center">CONSENT AGENDA – NO DISCUSSION</p> <p align="center">Mayor Ted Wheeler</p> | | |
| <p>180</p> | <p>Reappoint Pam Knowles and Sho Dozono to the Community Budget Advisory Board for terms to expire December 31, 2022 (Report) (Y-4)</p> | <p>CONFIRMED</p> |
| <p align="center">Parks & Recreation</p> | | |
| <p>*181</p> | <p>Authorize the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Recreation to execute a Temporary Road Crossing Agreement, amendments and similar agreements with Union Pacific Railroad necessary for the completion of the Gateway Green Development and Restoration Project, if approved by the City Attorney’s Office (Ordinance) (Y-4)</p> | <p>189869</p> |
| <p align="center">Commissioner Chloe Eudaly</p> | | |
| <p align="center">Bureau of Transportation</p> | | |
| <p>*182</p> | <p>Authorize application to Oregon Department of Transportation for two grants in the amount of \$34,996 to develop and implement transportation safety programs, outreach, and education to improve transportation safety knowledge, awareness and experience of people walking, biking, and driving in Portland (Ordinance) (Y-4)</p> | <p>189870</p> |

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| <p>*183</p> | <p>Authorize the Director of the Bureau of Transportation to sign an agreement with the Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railroad for construction services for the North Rivergate Overcrossing Project (Ordinance) (Y-4)</p> | <p>189871</p> |
| <p>REGULAR AGENDA</p> <p>Mayor Ted Wheeler</p> <p>Bureau of Environmental Services</p> | | |
| <p>*184</p> | <p>Amend the Sewer and Drainage Facilities Design Manual and delegate authority to make future revisions to the Director of the Bureau of Environmental Services (Ordinance; amend Portland Policy Document ENB-4.14) 10 minutes requested Motion to add emergency clause because it is in the public interest to have changes to the rules go into effect immediately: Moved by Fritz and seconded by Hardesty. (Y-4) (Y-4)</p> | <p>189875 AS AMENDED</p> |
| <p>185</p> | <p>Amend contract with HDR Engineering, Inc. for additional construction support services for the Columbia Boulevard Wastewater Treatment Plant Renewable Natural Gas Facility Project No. E10033 for \$229,000 (Second Reading Agenda 167; amend Contract No. 30003218) (Y-4)</p> | <p>189874</p> |
| <p>186</p> | <p>Amend contract with McClure and Sons, Inc. for additional compensation to complete additional contract work due to design modifications and changed conditions for the Columbia Boulevard Wastewater Treatment Plant Renewable Natural Gas Facility Project No. E10033 for \$4,452,012 (Second Reading Agenda 168; amend Contract No. 30006166) (Y-4)</p> | <p>189876</p> |
| <p>Office of Management and Finance</p> | | |

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| <p>*187</p> | <p>Amend Revenue and Finance Code to streamline the procurement and contracting process (Second Reading Agenda 1186; amend Code Chapters 5.33, 5.34 and 5.68)</p> <p>Motion to amend Code Section 5.33.130 to require emergency contracts over \$150,000 to be brought to Council at the next possible scheduled session: Moved by Fritz and seconded by Hardesty. (Y-4)</p> <p>Motion to amend Code Section 5.33.060 to maintain authority to award grants up to \$5,000 with no increase: Moved by Fritz and seconded by Hardesty. (Y-4)</p> <p>Motion to amend Code Section 5.33.060 to give authority to award, execute, amend and terminate Intergovernmental Agreements up to \$50,000; removes Procurement from the Intergovernmental Agreement process: Moved by Fritz and seconded by Hardesty. (Y-4)</p> <p>Motion to amend Code Section 5.34.510 to change contract amount from \$250,000 to \$500,000: Moved by Hardesty and seconded by Wheeler. (Y-4)</p> <p>Motion to add an emergency clause because it is in the public interest to get the program started as soon as possible: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Hardesty. (Y-4)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p> | <p>189878 AS AMENDED</p> |
| <p>188</p> | <p>Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement between Bureau of Revenue and Financial Services-Procurement Services, Multnomah County, Washington County, Metro and the Port of Portland for the development and administration of the regional Clean Air Construction Program for approximately \$136,000 annually for seven years (Second Reading Agenda 170)</p> <p>(Y-4)</p> | <p>189877 AS AMENDED</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Parks & Recreation</p> | | |
| <p>*189</p> | <p>Authorize Portland Parks and Recreation to transfer \$60,000 and the Bureau of Environmental Services to transfer \$260,000 to the Peninsula Drainage District #1 for operational and capital expenses in FY 2019-20 (Ordinance) 10 minutes requested</p> <p>(Y-4)</p> | <p>189879</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Portland Housing Bureau</p> | | |
| <p>*190</p> | <p>Approve application under the Multiple-Unit Limited Tax Exemption Program under the Inclusionary Housing Program for 82nd Ave Multi-Use located at 1750 NE 82nd Ave (Ordinance) 10 minutes requested</p> <p>(Y-4)</p> | <p>189880</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Commissioner Amanda Fritz</p> | | |
| <p>*191</p> | <p>Amend the Open and Accountable Elections Program to permit the Director to reduce the total public contribution for special elections if the amount in the Open and Accountable Elections Fund is insufficient (Ordinance; amend Code Section 2.16.090) 15 minutes requested</p> <p>(Y-4)</p> | <p>189881</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Bureau of Emergency Communications</p> | | |

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Authorize a support and maintenance gap contract with Versaterm, Inc. for the Computer Aided Dispatch System used by the Bureau of Emergency Communications not to exceed \$2 million (Ordinance) 10 minutes requested
Rescheduled to March 4, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.
(Y-4)

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At 12:30 p.m., Council recessed.

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A RECESSED MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **4th DAY OF MARCH, 2020** AT 2:00 P.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Wheeler, Presiding; Commissioners Eudaly, Fritz and Hardesty, 4.

Mayor Wheeler arrived at 2:04 p.m.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Naomi Sheffield, Deputy City Attorney; and Daniel Sipe and Ian Williams, Sergeants at Arms.

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| 193 TIME CERTAIN: 2:00 PM – Neighborhood Prosperity Network Seven-Year update (Report introduced by Mayor Wheeler) 60 minutes requested Motion to accept the report: Moved by Fritz and seconded by Hardesty. (Y-4) | ACCEPTED |
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At 3:08 p.m., Council adjourned.

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| <u>THURSDAY, 2:00 PM, MARCH 5, 2020</u> DUE TO LACK OF AGENDA THERE WAS NO THURSDAY 2:00 PM MEETING | |
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March 4, 2020 9:30 a.m.

Wheeler: The wednesday, march 4, 2020 morning session of the Portland city council, good morning. Karla, please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Here, now we will hear from legal counsel on the rules of order and decorum, good morning.

Matt Farley, Senior Deputy 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 meeting 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 reading 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 and would like to show your support for something said, please feel free to do a thumbs up. If you want to express that you do not support something, please feel free to do a 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 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: Very good. Thank you, first up is communications. Karla.

Item 172.

Moore-Love: She will not be coming.

Wheeler: Next is 173.

Item 173.

Wheeler: Is she here? Nope. Sorry. All right. Next up is 174.

Item 174.

Moore-Love: She sends her apologies she is not feeling well.

Wheeler: 175.

Hardesty: She is not here either?

Wheeler: I was interested to hear what that was, I will have to stay in suspense. 176, please.

Item 176.

Wheeler: Very good. I know Mr. Green is here, and good morning. Good to have you here. I do appreciate the fact that there is a number of people who call in and said that they

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might be sick and I appreciate their taking that step to protect everybody, and we will make sure that we can rotate them back in as they feel better. Mr. Green, welcome. Thank you for being here.

Sean Green: They are going to distribute my testimony. My name is sean green, and I own a business called aforma and serve as vice chair of the northeast coalition of neighborhoods. Over three years ago, commissioner eudaly's chief of staff Marshal Runkle urged me to get involved with the development review advisory committee, also known as dracc. At this table a year ago during my appointment I was asked by commissioner Fritz how, how well I could serve the neighborhood interests given the fact that I am a contractor, and my response was i've been involved in service to my community for most of my life, and much longer than i've been a contractor. Further the fact that I have had first hand experience with permitting, inspections and general contracting gives me the advantage when discussing a topic. I have is a masters of public administration from the hatfield school of government doesn't hurt, either, and I have taken volunteer service to the extreme at bds, serving on numerous committees including sharing the process of technology committee and a member of the bds budget advisory committee, the financial advisory committee, the demolition subcommittee, and last month I volunteered to serve on the newly formed public works committee. I have great pleasure getting to know better the amazing people who work at bds. While it is, it has never been perfect one of the most inspiring aspects of Portland is the history of working together to try to better our city, and I am here in that spirit, the most successful organizations in the world make a commitment to continual improvement and center their work around respect for people. The defensive knee-jerk reactionary response that is prevalent including many aspects of the city government, is doing our city a great dis-service. The fastest way to lose the immense value being added through civic engagement and the even greater potential value that could be added with civic engagement is by people getting the feeling that their voice doesn't matter, and that the effort they put into making a positive difference will be for nothing. My civic engagement issues are what some might call – many civic engagement issues are what some might call wicked problems or problems that do not have a clear and easy solution and are often underpinned by incorrect measurement values. These are the times when we most need a diverse and thoughtful community to come together. A number of my recent efforts to make our city better have been emotionally taxing and have resulted in official city response or a lack of a response, that is hurtful. The way in which each of you, your staff and the various city bureaus interact with each other matters, each of you set the standards for a city, and people follow your lead even more than you may realize. I love my city and respect and honor the commitment each of you have made to serve our community and often thankless task and one that I can only imagine is also emotionally taxing. I am here to support each of you and the work that you do to make our city better. Thank you.

Wheeler: Commissioner eudaly and hardesty.

Eudaly: A few questions for sean green. Since we did not take testimony last week during hearing about the demolition rules, we did not get to hear from all stakeholders and I have a few prepared questions for you. First, an someone deeply involved in the demolition debate, do you believe inspection protocol as it stands now will work?

Green: The demolition subcommittee did really great work to improve the inspection protocol, and to address nearly everyone's concerns. I think at this point, it's best to monitor the new process that we have. And to make improvements as necessary to achieve our goals, I will say that I wish that we had come to this place faster and with less effort.

Eudaly: I agree. Do you have any constructive criticism for how we could have caught and addressed the inspection problem sooner?

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Green: I wish we had a culture committed to continual improvement, such that when someone brings up an opportunity for an improvement that it is not met with resistance, the most successful organizations seek out the problems as part of a commitment, striving for perfection, in general, I could sum up my feelings as first, if we are going to have a policy, let's follow it and if we feel like there is aspects about it, let's change it. And second, always be willing to listen and solicit feedback. I would be happy to drill in with specifics at another time.

Eudaly: Do you have -- sorry, based on your analysis how many demolitions likely occurred that did not comply with the new rules after they were adopted?

Green: I think if we define during demolition in the common sense way when the excavator is knocking down a house, the data that we started collecting at the end of September 2019 shows that we did not often have an inspector on the site to see the demolition is person and to ensure the demolition was being conducted in a way that complies with our laws. Given that a correction notice and that violations can only be issued when observed by an inspector, we need to be more critical of the program data that is used, that uses the corrections notices as an indication of how well it is operating. I think most programs would be well served by critically examining the metrics that we use to determine the success.

Eudaly: Okay. So the reason why I worked to develop and pass these demolition regulations is because there is no safe lead exposure in children, I want to -- I feel like I was -- I was less vocal than I wanted to be last week, it is hard sometimes to criticize city staff from the dais but I want to express my frustration with how this was handled. I talk about sometimes the bureaus are moving at different geologic speeds than council offices, and it's hard to redirect these giant machines and its also hard when staff doesn't support new rules and regulations or doesn't enforce the letter of the spirit of the rules, so I am disappointed that this important regulation we put in place to protect children from permanent brain damage was not implemented adequately by the bureau. Exposure to lead can harm a child's health and cause well documented adverse effects such as damage to the brain and nervous system, slowed growth and development, learning and behavior problems hearing and speech challenges. This can impact cognitive ability, decrease the ability to pay attention and that can lead to challenges in school, childhood lead poisoning is 100% preventable. That was the intent of the regulations and again, I am disappointed that the regulations were not implemented well, and I am very grateful to you, Sean, and other activists who worked to correct the situation.

Green: I think it's important to recognize, and I recognize this, that the people actually implementing the regulations, the folks on the ground doing the inspections are doing their best to uphold the law and serve our city well. That particular program, I think, fell into a category where there was organizational chaos. We had a new to the state division manager brought in, who is an amazing person doing great work, a new middle manager brought in, was promoted to work on that program and the line level manager went from managing one inspector to four, and they needed to be trained up on these new regulations, so I recognize I don't want to seem as though I am critical of the staff doing this work but I think that when it comes time to review a program, there is ways to do it. A way that, ways that are thoughtful and open to the positive improvements.

Eudaly: Thank you.

Wheeler: Commissioner hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor and commissioner eudaly, for your questions. I just want to say, Sean, that any community members who volunteer their time to try to make the city better have my deep appreciation, so thank you for your willingness because many times, of course, these committees operate behind the scenes and so there is no glory to being on a volunteer on a city oversight board. Having said that, I think what I have learned through this process is it is helpful always when we have oversight boards that have a

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responsibility to work with the bureau that when we hear presentations we should hear from the advisory committees as well. Just like with the stadium the advisory committee has a very different perspective than the professional folks who come and present in front of us. I have a great deal of respect for the city employees and the hard work that they do, but we cannot make good decisions unless we are hearing all sides of the issues. That is why I try to be intentional about asking direct troubles, and I am troubled when I ask a direct question and get an answer less than enlightening, that that is not a -- I do not want to reward that behavior, right. I think we can only make good decisions when we have the facts in front of us, so as a council we need to maybe reconsider how we hear those reports and who we hear from, so to end where I started which is thank you very much for your willingness to volunteer, and thank you for your courage to find avenues to have your voice heard, whether or not they were appreciated on the committee you served on so thank you.

Green: Thank you.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: Thank you for taking the time to come in. It is helpful to have a follow-up session. I asked you the question last year to put on the record because some people do have a thought, and you gave a good answer and I want to say for the record you have done an exemplary job of representing a number of viewpoints, and thank you for your work on the committee.

Green: Thank you.

Wheeler: Interesting conversation. Appreciate it. Thank you. And I am glad that we could dive deeper since nobody else was able to come for communications today.

Fritz: I obviously said something really interesting. Thank you for coming.

Wheeler: Thank you for your service. The consent agenda, we have that this week and that's new and exciting. Have any items been pulled?

Moore-Love: We have had no requests.

Wheeler: Please call the roll on the consent agenda.

Fritz: My mother said thank you very much for excusing my absence for the past two weeks, my mother had a wonderful 90th birthday, aye.

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

Wheeler: We are glad to have you back, commissioner, and I vote aye and the consent agenda is adopted. First time certain item, please, no. 177. Please.

Item 177.

Wheeler: Very good, good morning, everyone, and the fall bump as you will recall, council located general fund dollars to the depaul treatment to help to increase the capacity of the treatment beds in the community. This new development which you will hear about shortly will ensure new opportunity for those with addictions to receive both residential and day treatment programming and our contribution which now includes additional resources from the Portland housing bureau, will ensure that a portion of those beds will be affordable. I want to thank the depaul treatment center, Gerding Edlen and the gateway community for their incredible vision related to this project, I will turn it over to the director Callahan, who is not here so turning it over to you guys and you will sort it out for me. Thank you.

Molly Rogers, Portland Housing Bureau: Good morning, mayor wheeler and commissioner. Molly rogers, the deputy director of the Portland housing bureau, and I am here for shannon callahan, who could not be here today, and I am delighted to introduce Maree Wacker, the ceo of the depaul treatment centers and Carly Harrison, who is the development manager at Gerding Edlen. They are the development consultants working on the project.

Wheeler: Good morning Carly thank you for being here, we appreciate it.

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Rogers: This is a rendering of what the new facility is going to look like on 102nd and southeast cherry avenue, there will be a total of 70 Adult treatment beds provided in this new facility, 24 of them will be medically withdrawn management beds, and additionally, will be paired with an 80-person day treatment facility expecting to serve almost a thousand outpatient clinics a year. This is a rendering of the courtyard view, which includes community gardens and beautiful residential and outdoor community spaces that is meant to be a healing place. We have many partners and are leveraging many resources in this project. Phb's resources will support ten of the 70 treatment beds, those will be regulated and to be affordable for the household earning less than 60% and those will be regulated for a period of 60 years. And the \$2.2 million is leveraging about another \$20 million of, or \$27 million of other resources from mostly depaul treatment centers as well as new market tax credits, other private leveraging and other private donations to make the project work. And I am going to turn it over to -- actually, Carly, and Maree, if you want to share anything about the type of folks coming into the treatment center, what are they experiencing and any of the demographics you can share? And the services.

Maree Wacker: Good morning, mayor wheeler, and members of the council.

Hardesty: You can move that closer.

Wacker: So first of all, I want to express our deep appreciation for the city's support in making this project happen. We simply could not do it without all of you and in particular the mayor's office Kristin Denis and other members of that team, and director callahan and her team, as well. We have -- we are expecting to serve 5,000 people for addiction treatment, co-occurring mental health services, the majority of the individuals have an alcohol addiction, about 50%, another 40% opioid use and the meth piece of the business is definitely increasing in terms of people's addiction, which is unfortunate given the potential long-term impacts on their fiscal health and their mental health. About one third of our patients are homeless when they come to us, and everyone who graduates and completes the program, we make sure that they have a place to go to when they leave, as well, as we offered job, attaining a job and those other skills, as well, and about almost a third, about 28% of our patients come from communities of color. So we are very excited to bring this project to the community, in addition to the treatment services, we will have a new endeavor which is about community education, so we really have plans to offer speaker series, small community gatherings on a bimonthly basis on different topic areas and addiction prevention, and we hope to provide a greater community resource that will help to educate and reduce the stigma related to this disease.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fritz and then hardesty.

Fritz: Thank you for being here. Is it for men and women?

Wacker: Yes, absolutely.

Hardesty: And I am assuming that the demographics will change radically based on the community you are moving into? And so I am curious about how staffing is going to reflect the needs of this very diverse community that speaks about 52 languages, and which is a lot different from your former location. And let me just say that I am thrilled, this is my neighborhood. I am so thrilled. I can't wait. We desperately need this in east Portland, but I am concerned that without staffing, that really reflects the community you are now going to serve, that we may not be as effective as we need to be.

Wacker: Thank you for your question. Currently today about, a little over a third of the staff are from communities of color, and we have several, other than English speakers, on the staff, but I would concur the opportunity to build deeper resources in those areas is something that this organization will be and is focusing on.

Hardesty: And you said people who successfully complete your program, have housing at the end.

Wacker: Yes.

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Hardesty: Is this housing that is housing that they can afford permanently afford to live in? Or is this housing that they are still going to be housing insecure a month later?

Wacker: I don't know that I can fully answer that question. I can tell you that we are in the position lots of times that we are paying first month's rent to stabilize them and they have had an opportunity about 30 days before they graduate to work and save, and most of the housing is oxford housing. We have other partnerships, central city concern, bridges to change, and other entities that provide housing services.

Hardesty: I didn't know that we have oxford housing in Portland.

Wacker: We have a lot.

Hardesty: We do? We have got to talk. I need to learn more about what's in my own community, thank you.

Rogers: Are there any other questions?

Wheeler: I have broad questions, and these are entirely unfair questions, and you may not have the answers. I spend a good portion of my day and my evenings talking about addiction and as you indicated this is predominantly focused on alcohol addiction and substance abuse, but as I am sure that you are keenly aware we are seeing more drug addiction in the community, we're seeing more of our houseless population becoming addicted to meth and other substances, and there are times it feels that our system is being overwhelmed, if you were zarina --

Hacker: I like that.

Wheeler: What advice would you give us as we, amongst other communities, up and down the west coast are struggling with this increased Preponderance of substance abuse and addiction? Where do we start in terms of getting arms around this issue?

Wacker: The first things I would offer is we need to imbed addiction treatment services, peer mentors and others like that inside of those organizations serving that population. We know, as you suggest, that many of these individuals are facing the disease, and we can make a great deal of effort by making it easy for people to access services and understand and not be afraid to get help that they need, so that would be one. I think in the schools, as well, we have the resources right now to provide only one councilor in benson high school, and we believe that person has more work and kids wanting help than she can help, and oftentimes they want help without their parent's knowledge, so insurance cannot be accessed to pay for it. The more resources we can provide to helping kids in school seeking that help, I think, is a good resource, as well.

Wheeler: And when people come to you, they are not exclusively addicted to alcohol. Some have other substance abuse?

Wacker: Absolutely.

Wheeler: And what is your success in treating people who have other substance abuse issues other than alcohol?

Wacker: I do not know that statistic in particular. Our overall completion rates exceed national averages, the national average is about 47%, and we usually hit around 55, 52% in terms of the completion rate, but I can't provide that information.

Wheeler: Has your demographic shifted in recent years or remained relatively stable? How has it changed, if it has?

Wacker: What we are finding is that individuals have much more severe mental health needs, and so it is no longer a usual or typical patient with an addiction issue. 75% of the patients have a co-occurring mental health disorder, and we are seeing an increase in the sp&i population.

Wheeler: I am sorry, which.

Wacker: Yes, I am sorry, seriously and persistently mentally ill, and those individuals are seeking treatment, which has caused us to increase our programming for people who have an acute either mental health or physical health need because those are the individuals

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that are going to the hospital and emergency departments for care. And we can provide a much more cost effective way to help those individuals. And what's cooler about that is those individuals who would keep returning to the emergency department are graduating treatment currently at a higher rate than individuals who are not coming out of the hospital emergency departments.

Wheeler: Thank you, and now I will ask you the ultimate unfair question but one asked of me over breakfast this morning, and I gave my answer but I am curious to know what your answer to the question would be. The gentleman asked me why it seems that there is an increasing prevalence of mental health issues in our community. What is driving it? Do you have a sense?

Wacker: I have several theories but I couldn't say for sure. No.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: I think people are now talking about it, whereas before it was something that you did not talk about or didn't ask for help, and if you did you can't get it, so I really appreciate the work you are doing. I did have a follow-up question but it has gone out of my head -- oh, yes, you are still fundraising for this project?

Wacker: We are. We are trying to identify an additional \$1.4 million.

Fritz: And if someone is watching this television show and wanted to donate, how would they do that?

Wacker: Please contact me, Maree Wacker at depaul treatment centers.

Fritz: What's the website?

Wacker: It is depaultc.org.

Fritz: Thank you very much.

Wacker: Thank you.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: I had a question about alcohol detoxification. I think that over the years we have learned some lessons about what you do when someone is suffering from alcohol poisoning. Can you tell us what the current best practices are when you are trying to detox someone who is overexposed to alcohol?

Wacker: Well, I would tell you that detoxing from alcohol can be, and often is life threatening. We provide detoxification with medication, and so that the effects of the withdrawal from the substances are not as severe. And the other thing would be that we can observe them, and you know, lots of times there is dts, which are --

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Waker: Yes, I have a hard time saying it, so the best practice is to get them into a medical treatment facility that can offer those really important transitional drugs.

Hardesty: Thank you for that because I asked you that question selfishly because central city concern stopped their hooper contract, and they did it very intentionally because they also have learned over 30 years that just putting someone in a cell to detox them was not the best practices that we have garnered over the last 30 years, so I am appreciative to understand that there has to be a medical component to detoxification, and it should not just be assuming someone will sleep it off and be quote/unquote normal when that's over. Thank you very much, I appreciate that being on the record.

Wheeler: Very good. Thank you, this has been a good conversation and we appreciate the work you are doing. We will hear from public testimony now. Did you have anything that you wanted to add? I apologize.

Carly Harrison: I am Carly Harrison and work with Jill Sherman at Gerding Edlen. We've been partnering with depaul and Maree here for the last several years helping them and we are grateful to be here And get to have ground-breaking soon. It takes a village to pull these high impact projects and notably on the financing side but all the partners involved so thank you to mayor wheeler and the commission. Yeah, so thank you.

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Wheeler: Carly you are in charge of the development of the project, is that correct?

Harrison: Yes, along with.

Wheeler: Along with joe, and you represent an entire team. The schematics are stunning and if you know the facility that depaul is in, when you compare it to the status quo, it's spectacular, and I want to thank you for working with this great team and putting something forward that not only beats the adequacy test, it really is something to be proud of. It's phenomenal and I think it will be a great vision for the future. It sets the bar very high, so thank you for that.

Harrison: Thank you, that was our aim.

Hardesty: Do we know when ground-breaking is anticipated?

Wacker: April 23.

Wacker: You should have an invitation and if not it will be there shortly.

Hardesty: I have not had it yet but I am looking forward to it, unless it's in my hood.

Wheeler: Now we will hear from -- we will hear from public testimony for a while. And I am sorry, who do we have signed up?

Moore-Love: Shedrick wilkins and lightning and maggie.

Wheeler: Very good. Come on up.

Shedrick J. Wilkins: I am shedrick wilkins, I like beer too much and I consider myself an expert on this topic. Number one when I was homeless for a year in 2011 and 2012, when I went to the city team ministries, they breathalyz you, and if you have alcohol you are out on the street and I don't want to freeze in the cold weather and be drunk. Another thing was the bud clark commons. I spent six months there, and if I drink I am out on the street and plus I would lose my spot at the bud clark commons, ok. And number two, when I was studying at psu university, I had to get drinking down to one day a week, I can't take four classes at the same time. Alcohol works two ways, it stops you from worrying about thing, but I have to worry about a test and study it, and that's the thing, right. And also, people think alcohol makes them more creative, and I am not too sure about that. Once a week is pretty good, and another thing is to -- my son is 24, and I took him on the submarine at omsi. He did not ask one question, he is 24, and I am 62. You cannot drink on the submarine. So the navy knows this. You know what, a bar fight in a submarine but they did smoke a lot, and along the submarine but never drank, so the navy knows you don't want bar fights or a drug crew having a party under attack, so talk to the navy and another thing good about beer, it has fluoride in it, if it's brewed in wisconsin, and it's also an antiseptic. All beer from Wisconsin has fluoride in it, but Oregon is not, and another thing is don't tell a dental hygienist that. They don't want to hear that kids will drink beer so they don't have cavities. I respect the depaul trucks am I worked for target, and the depaul trucks took food from the, from our target store to the food bank, and so as I recall, so they have trucks, and they provide that as transportation to the food bank which is near the airport, the central processing area.

Wheeler: Thanks, shedrick, appreciate it. Good morning.

Lightning: Good morning. My name is lightning and I represent lightning super karma. I think that the project is very good, very positive, and Gerding Edlen are a class act. Anything they are involved with to my opinion will be exceptional, and as you can see by the layout and everything you see on this, it is going in that direction. My biggest concern is what the speakers mentioned is on the increase in the meth use and the potency, and again, I am hoping that we are going to start making comments on where the most meth is coming from and understand you need to talk about that and to prevent that from happening and the potency that we are seeing, and as you know in these centers the main concern is on the violence in the centers and how you are going to deal with that, and as you know at the emergency room hospitals when they were -- People were seeking help and they had the police called on them, arrested, taken down to the jail and transported to

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the state mental hospital, to me, that was appalling, but what we are beginning to see is more types of community types of oriented centers, which I think falls back to the settlement agreement, and it is very positive. Again, on the supportive housing measure, will fit into that game also, and we need to focus on more supportive housing being constructed as commissioner hardesty stated. Are they going to stay in supportive housing and not just keep circling through the centers? So again, like I say on this project, very positive, and I like what I see, and I will be watching it very close, and again, if that measure does pass, a lot of that money, I assume can be directed towards these centers in the future and in housing, and again, that measure is a \$250 million ongoing sustainability money which we have never seen before. Even on the affordable housing bond that's not a sustainable income stream, so again on the mental health side and the addiction services, we should see in the next six months to a year some amazing things happening, which is beneficial for the people and their recovery and for them sustaining a life in which they can live in a housing unit, supported and maintain that housing, and that's the key is to maintain that housing because these centers are less effective unless they can get into that housing and stay there. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it. Good morning.

Maggie: Good morning. Maggie, Portland homeless town hall. You know, different types of populations become addictive for different reasons. You have athletes, you've got senior citizens who get hip and knee replacements, and you have college students, you have got the mentally ill, you know, there is plenty of mentally ill people not addicted to drugs, who don't take drugs. There is a variety of reasons, but in all the reasons of addiction, we call these drug treatment centers and St Vincent and Depaul, you be what we call their motto? We are here for you until the money runs out, and they cycle them on and off the street. That's what we refer to the Depaul treatment centers. They go back on the streets of course do drugs, go back in, get treated, and the insurance runs out and go back on the street. So this is going to be no different. They are just building another treatment center and doing things the same old way that they did it before. So as lightning says, if you do not have the permanent supportive housing component, then you know, you are not doing anything different, okay am so as far as permanent, supportive housing, it's like you can look at the different populations, and ask yourself, or the medical community what supportive housing do they need? Someone who is severely schizophrenic needs a certain type of supportive housing, somebody who is, you know, maybe bipolar needs a certain type, you know, and you have got to tailor the services to what is going to help them function. The way to do that is to ask them. I meet people on the streets who are schizophrenic or bipolar who have left sro housing because it was so horrible you cannot provide housing so horrible that, like the shelters and sros, they will leave and they will go back out and they will sleep on the street. Okay. And I mean, I meet schizophrenics on the max who spend money in the hotels and when the money runs out they go and take the max out to the end of the line and sleep on the street because they cannot be in a shelter. They are too, you know, it's too stressful. So, you know, anxiety is at the bottom for them, not, you know, as this gentleman said, you know, to stay clean and functional.

Wheeler: Maggie, if I could reflect on that, you make some really good points here, and first of all, I think we have to acknowledge the Depaul treatment center is one part of the continuum of care, and you are challenging us to go beyond the treatment piece and talk about where do people go after they are done with the treatment piece.

Maggie: To stay functional.

Wheeler: How do we ensure that they don't just come back on the streets or fall back into a cycle of addiction? And if there is one thing that gives me hope about our ability to address the homeless crisis, particularly, as it relates to the most chronically homeless, those homeless the longest and co-existing conditions, whether it's addiction or mental

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health or disabilities, or whatever, it is the system-wide commitment that we are starting to see around answering your question, what's next. What happens once somebody comes in and where do they go next and how do we ensure two, three, four, five years from now they are successful where they are. I don't see that so much being the responsibility of the depauls of the world, our responsibility with the county and other service provider partners to put the system together, and to be honest the system has been hellishly fragmented for a long time, but I am starting to see the right leadership and the right place and the right partnerships and collaborations and an understanding that this is a system, and if there is any piece not holding up its weight the rest collapses you were that weight, so what you expressed is something that I am spending a lot of time thinking about. I really appreciate you raising it.

Maggie: Okay. I appreciate that you are thinking about these things. And you know.

Wheeler: I want obsessing about it.

Maggie: Okay. Because it's a dog pile, and I am looking at the comments of the people who are running, and I am going, you flunk, and you flunk, and you flunk, and you did not get it. And you know, and you are not getting it. It has to be these components, okay. Thank you.

Wheeler: Okay, so unless there is anything else this is an emergency ordinance. Karla, please call the roll.

Fritz: Well, picking up on what maggie just said, mayor wheeler, you get it and you've been working hard on this for three years and looked at the system in partnership with commissioner sharon meieren. I, for the first time in 12 years are hopeful we are starting to get more of a system with fewer gaps. So obviously, this is not because we live in the united states where we don't have a system with no gaps, and we don't get federal funding. That is huge part of the problem, of the solution. Thank you very much to depaul for your leadership in this, and I am delighted it is going in east Portland, east Portland deserves nice places and facilities and nice services, and good services, and good jobs so I hope that as you move forward to opening the center and expanding your staff you will be looking to local hiring, and Gerding Edlen will look at using local sources and not just staples, and we want this in great, local businesses in east Portland to contribute to the services to get the facility constructed, and it's really Ideal. My parents live at cherry wood village, which is by cherry blossom drive and so the location that you are right next to Portland advantis hospital beginning in january I got really great care, and I would recommend it to anyone. Close by the east Portland community center is close by, and I hope your clients will be encouraged to go and avail themselves of the community services. Alcohol treatment is not -- it's not covered by insurance in the same way, particularly when it's co-existing with mental health care and ever since i've been working in health care in 1986, it has been a challenge to find that insurance and the way to do it forward and, that's why depaul is just such a vital part of this whole system. I know that commissioner Fish is happy listening to this on the other side knowing that this is a route to permanent supportive housing, and that the permanent supportive housing will be there, as well so as was commented it's really all coming together. So thank you, mayor, this was not at all easy to make this all come together. And you and your staff have been creative and fiscally responsible working with director callahan, the Portland housing bureau staff and the state of Oregon and thanks to mabel mcdonaldson for making this a reality, and there is a million dollars gap so be sure to look into this program because it's for everybody. It's not only for people who have helped the homeless but for everybody, and so it's going to be a really fabulous facility that I think is going to be very much needed and very well run. Aye.

Hardesty: I also want to add my appreciation to mayor wheeler, when I first got here we were having conversations about this vision for depaul treatment center, in east Portland,

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and in my neck of the woods, and after seeing the renderings, I am just in awe. Everybody deserves a beautiful place, everybody, and so I am grateful, a, that there will be a community meeting hub because that's one of the things that we truly lack in east Portland is a place for community members that is beautiful. That's not in the church basement no, disrespect to church basements, but something that can bring in the sun. This is a vital part of what we need to do to make sure we're protecting our most vulnerable people and I want to be clear, 70 beds is not going to solve our problem of lack of mental health beds, and in the city of Portland. And it's not even close to solving the problem but it's one piece of the solution. And my hat is off to depaul treatment for understanding that east Portland needed a facility like this. And as commissioner Fritz said, it's just ideally located. It's just a win-win-win for the community. I also want to give a shout out to the financier, which I always call magic workers because as someone who serves on the board, of a nonprofit, that provides a very low income housing for families, I know what it takes to put these projects together, and most of the time there is a lot of prayer involved and a lot of sleepless nights and just not knowing until the ends whether or not all of the dots are going to come together. So I applaud the creativity that goes into moving this project forward. Look forward to being at the ground-breaking, and I am very happy to vote aye.

Eudaly: I want to express my appreciation for the critical work that the depaul treatment center does, and since we are making plugs and soapboxing this morning I will just put in my plug for supporting and encouraging our regional partners and our state to meaningfully invest in homeless and housing services, and one of the reasons that we are seeing an increase in the people with mental health issues and homelessness is that Portland and Multnomah county is the de facto service provider for the region, and we really need our neighbors to be able to serve their own community members so people can stay in their communities where they have the best chance of recovering and getting back on their feet and so that we can begin to turn the tide on this really urgent matter. I have lost three family members to alcohol addiction and abuse. I feel incredibly fortunate to not face that challenge myself, but I know how vital it is and I am happy to support this. I vote aye.

Wheeler: This is a big step forward. I remember when a few short years ago, we were pondering whether or not the depaul treatment center would continue to exist in our community, and the thought of losing all of these treatment beds at a time when the demand is growing seemed unfathomable, and I appreciate, Maree, the work you put into this and your board has put into this and the other advocates who have been relentless in trying to move this vision forward. It has been great and like lightning I am really pleased and Gerding Edlen is engaged in this project because they do exceptional work, and frankly, you know, they are noted globally and we want them to do work right here in Portland, Oregon so I am glad to see them engaged in this way. The housing bureau, I want to thank everybody for their hard work, as well. The city was often pushing on this model because it was very important to us that if we were going to put the public dollars into this model, there had to be a benefit to lower income people to gain access to these services so to me iterate the money that the city of Portland is putting into this project goes to the 10 beds that will be regulated at 60% mfi for a period of 60 years. Our contribution is a relatively small portion of the overall contribution to this project that I think is a very important contribution because it opens up access for people who might not otherwise have access to these treatment opportunities. And this is a great vision, I am glad that the city of Portland was able to play a role. It's no surprise to anybody that this one is personal to me. My father spent many years affiliated with the depaul treatment centers. He would be very proud of this vision. I vote aye. [gavel pounded] thank you. The ordinance is approved. Good luck. [applause] as we like to say at this phase, congratulations, your

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ordinance is passed. Don't screw it up. [laughter] commissioner Fritz used to say that all the time.

Fritz: No. No. [laughter]

Wheeler: Karla next item is time certain 178, if you could read that, 10:15 we're good.

Item 178

Wheeler: Colleagues, we returned to vote on the revised findings and decision for the Portland Japanese gardens. These updated findings reflect our tentative decision to uphold the appeal. Is there any further discussion? Thank you. Do I have a motion to uphold the appeal, revise the hearings officer decision to approve the conditional use review and allow for the requested ten years and adopt the findings?

Fritz: So move.

Wheeler: We have a motion, is there a second?

Eudaly: Second.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fritz moves, commissioner eudaly seconds. Karla, please call the roll for a final vote.

Fritz: I very much appreciate the city attorney's office for their careful writing of the findings, in particular, the conclusion that although the opponents argued that the approval criteria are not met because of the use of the kingston house of an office created livability impacts in violation of the approval criteria, and the city council does not find the arguments or evidence in that regard persuasive and it's really important to remember that in the quasi-judicial proceedings where we are acting as judges have the rules been followed or have the rules not been followed, it's only the approval criteria which can make a difference in our decision, so the approval criteria can be met with the conditions that are now in the report, and I am happy to support this. Aye.

Hardesty: I believe that the hearings officer was very clear. There were specific rules that were supposed to be abided by, the party didn't do anything to change the outcome of them not moving in that time period, and I cannot in good conscience reward people who did not play by the rules. There was a reason why they were given a ten-year limit, and because they did absolutely nothing to actually change the outcome. I will be still a no vote. I vote no.

Eudaly: Well, the Portland Japanese gardens is one of the gems of our city. It was not determined that the use of the house contributes in any way to the various livability issues brought forward by the neighborhood. I would support this item if we were making it permanent, and I am happy to vote aye.

Wheeler: So just to remind people, my preference was to go with the compromise brought forward by city staff, there were not sufficient votes to uphold that compromise, I hope that the Japanese garden works with the community members to help to help ensure that no future council needs to take this item up again. I vote aye, and the motion carries. Next item. 179, please.

Item 179.

Wheeler: Colleagues, this ordinance amends and clarifies the human resources administrative rules to reflect changes in both state and federal law, and to make some other housekeeping changes, to clarify the policies and rules for our city's employees. The human resources administrative rules ensure the city is upholding the highest ethical standards, acting as an employer of choice and serving in the best interests of the community. This is an emergency item, and it is so to avoid continued conflict with state of Oregon legislative changes that came into effect on January 1st of this year. Revisions to the administrative rules will be retroactive, therefore, to January 1, I've been informed that there is a need to introduce an amendment. I am proposing an amendment, and therefore, to the ordinance, to remove from consideration Changes to hrrar2.02 due to ongoing bargaining which is taking place with the labor unions, if the amendment is adopted we can

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direct the bureau of human resources to come back to council when they are ready to request the changes to hrar2.02, and the director of hr Cathy Bless is here, and she will key up this amendment and answer any further questions.

Cathy Bless, Director, Bureau of Human Resources: Absolutely, and good morning, mayor and commissioners. Again, Cathy Bless, director of h.r. We had some ongoing conversations with our union partners, related to the definitions of hrar 2.02, which is really outside of the legislative changes that are mandated, and so really in an abundance of caution and to be collaborative with the union partners we want to just pull the hrar 2.02 and of course, we will bring it back when it is ready to be adopted. I would very much like support in amending the ordinance the eliminates 2.02.

Hardesty: So move.

Fritz: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion from commissioner hardesty and a second from commissioner Fritz. Any further discussion on the amendment? Please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye, the amendment is on the table.

Bless: So as a background over the last year, bhr received feedback from employees on the hr administrative rules. In November they sent out a solicitation to email to all employees, and labor unions, and for feedback on the rules, we also created an hrar rules revision page so employees had a place to look for all of the documentation. We received over 100 comments from employees and labor unions and, we distributed a second draft in December of 2019, did a notice and comment period that started on December 11, and went through January 6. we had several informational meetings to discuss the proposed changes with the employees. The proposed revisions were finalized February and the result is this ordinance. And as a follow-up to this process, comprehensive training on the new rules will occur this spring for managers and supervisors. The changes and clarifications really are as follows. Under rule 3.01, recruitment process, it expands equitable recruitment processes to include the competitive recruitment and limited competitive recruitments, this expansion applies to at-will positions and already includes regular, temporary casual and limited duration employees. Amendment to the rule 3.06, employment of retirees is required due to changes in the state of Oregon around pers, and revisions are necessary to rule 4.01, drug and alcohol use prohibitions to clarify the definition of drugs to not include cbd products, and which are federally legal, to minimize up front budget impacts with inclement weather incidents, 34.11, modifies how these incidents are paid, and The rule provides eligible employees deferred holiday hours equal to the number of hours the employee was regularly scheduled to work on the day of the event and instead of a regular pay for time not worked. Rule 8.02, hours of work and overtime compensation, for flsa covered employees, this clarifies that due to the unique nature of these operations, emergency communication supervisors employed at boec and serving on a 24-hour shift should be eligible for overtime based on all hours paid over 40 in a work week excluding paid sick leave. Work schedule changes are also expanded in rule 8.02, not to include the overtime compensation under this section is not applicable to the short-term schedule modifications such as work schedule changes made in response to an inclement weather event unless otherwise required by law. Modifications to rule 8.03, hours of work, and are necessary to address other exceptions in the rare circumstances, the provisions in rule 8.04, compensation, eliminates verbiage no longer applicable to the bureau director contracts, revision rule to 9.02, performance management, establishes clear priorities, support, frequent and meaningful feedback, and ensures equitable assessments and individual performance, this revision aligns with the process and goals of the city's performance manage systems, success factors, and finally, amendments necessary to is 11.02, prohibitive conduct are generally required to clarify and expand on

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examples of prohibitive conduct for city employees. This expansion was approved in 2019 under resolution 37413 to replace rule 4.05, outside employment and volunteer activity so that is a cleanup were I am happy to answer any questions you may have and now request council to authorize bhr to make and implement the proposed changes as described.

Wheeler: Commissioner hardesty has a question.

Hardesty: Thank you director, my question has to do with the overtime rule as it related to employees that work a 24 hour shift.

Bless: That provision was added for the emergency communications supervisors, it was at the request of the boec leadership to provide overtime on paid leave excluding sick time because their supervisors are regularly forced to work beyond their normal schedules due to their 24-7 operations, currently, if the supervisor takes vacation earlier and is forced to cover four hours for a peer who calls in sick, they don't get any sort of premium. There makes the leap from a 9-1-1 operator to a supervisor, and even less appealing than it already is for dispatchers.

Hardesty: I appreciate that, and dispatching, I was more thinking fire, which was a 24-hour shift, and I want to make sure that we are not exacerbating inequities in our systems when we talk about putting a rule in place that impacts all employees. I want to make sure that we consider what happens to employees who work 24 hours and that they are not unduly impacted by this change. Most of the time it ends up costing me more money than I anticipated, so I just want to be really clear about what this really means for us.

Bless: Absolutely. So the rule itself is unique to the emergency communications supervisor classification. It would not expand beyond outside of the 9-1-1.

Hardesty: But I would expect that others as we do negotiations we will be looking for an expansion of that rule so I want to make sure that --

Bless: We would not forward that interest.

Hardesty: I see that we have legal counsel who is ready, willing, and able to assist us in this.

Heidi Brown, Chief Deputy City Attorney: Good morning, mayor and commissioners. This will previously --

Wheeler: : Would you identify yourself.

Brown: Heidi brown from the city attorney's office, my apologies. This will previously have included certain supervisors, under certain circumstances, where they would get overtime, and it did not cause a big issue at that time. That got changed in hopes of being more uniform with the application of it, and in this case, the realization by boec was that was creating this, you know, unfair -- the compensation was enough to entice people to want to move up to the supervisor, supervisory level but it was previously in place so I would hope, be hopeful it will not have the consequence that you are worrying about.

Hardesty: I am concerned, when we are thinking about making minor changes, we don't sometimes think about what the impact is on our shift workers so thank you and appreciate that.

thank you.

Wheeler: Commissioner eudaly.

Eudaly: I have a few questions so employees are expected to report instances of harassment discrimination and retaliation regardless of the origins, would that include harassment and discrimination and retaliation for members of the public.

Bless: So that is the rule that was pulled, 2.02. Still working on all of those pieces.

Eudaly: Sorry, I missed that detail. The reason I ask is because I will hearing from many city employees that they are experiencing an increase in the harassment, in particular, and internally and from the members of the public. And that members of the public are finding creative ways to harass and bother the employees that are women but the conduct couldn't necessarily be construed as sexual harm because, for instance, they are making

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animal noise at only women that work with the public and a space open to the public. How are we going to address things like that?

Bless: The human resource administrative rules are conduct rules for employees and how we treat each other. How the public treats a city employee is really outside of the scope of what the hrar's are intend to provide. I do think that it's an incredibly important issue, and I will let heidi speak on kind of the public interaction.

Eudaly: I also think it's an ilmportant issue, and I need to know where those rules and regulations live. Is that more of a state level issue?

Brown: Commissioner hardesty, excuse me, commissioner eudaly, sorry, I have got that in my brain. [laughter] we do want to ensure that our employees have a safe and protected workplace, and we have had instances with other commissioner office that is we worked with to help when they have had folks who have been subjected to discriminatory treatment. What you described, whether it's sexual or harassment based on gender, all those things are prohibited in the state law and we would want to at least work with all our employees in an effort to protect them from discriminatory and harassing treatment, whether it's from colleagues, which the administrative rule covers or from citizens, so if you are hearing of instances like that, if we could have the employee or manager or someone let bhr now and they would work with our office to try to be creative and figure out ways to help protect that employee.

Eudaly: My next question is about the language about off-duty conduct that creates a disrespectful work environment.

Brown: That's been -- we are still working on that. That's part of the language that the union and our office is working on that commissioner Fritz's office raised with us too.

Eudaly: I want to raise my concerns about that because we have at least a couple of well publicized instances of that kinds of behavior without seeming to be able to do anything about it. So I would like to know more about that, and my final question is, um, could you briefly describe how the changes to hr 2.02 are stronger than the current rules?

Brown: The main gist to the changes we were making were because there is a new law, the workplace fairness act, that is going into effect in october. Well, there is one part that went into effect last october but that has to do with the statute of limitations and expanding the bulk of it which has to do with how we need to interact with employees, when we receive a complaint that falls under 2.02, the bulk of that takes effect this coming october the rule is looked at to address that and while we were in there was an interest in bhr and our office in trying to clarify issues, not so much to change it because I think it comports with what we understood was the interest in, as far as protecting employees from discrimination, harassment and retaliation so the intent was not to change the rule but to better explain it and have something within the rule in addition to our 2.02 training that will help people to understand what conduct we really are looking at.

Eudaly: I would like to be kept informed moving forward because I am concerned about this issue of employees being harassed by members of the public, and if they are getting creative about the harassment, then we need to get creative about our response.

Brown: I would be happy to talk with You with the director Bless about this and learn who is being subjected to it and talk to their managers about ways that we can help protect the people from that because that really -- we don't want that to happen. Some of it we cannot control but to the extent that we can provide the support and protections for them absolutely because we don't want people subjected to that.

Eudaly: Thank you.

Wheeler: Very good. Now we will hear public testimony on this item. Karla, any public testimony?

Moore-Love: Yes, three people signed up. Lightning, maggie, and shedrick.

Wheeler: Should we dice up the order you can maggie, do you want to start first this time?

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Maggie: Sure.

Wheeler: Thank you. I appreciate it.

Maggie: So years ago back in college I used to be a phone operator, and I had the wonderful opportunity to break protocol, and we had one of our accounts was one of those guys who flies the helicopters or the company, that flies the helicopters to put out forest fires. Normally we are supposed to page them, but it was the middle of the night, and the guy called me and it was obvious that life and limb were in danger, so I called this guy at home, and woke him up and I was not supposed to do that, but I did and because I called him at home this guy who called me did not lose his house. Because the flames were licking at his house and if I did not call the helicopter guy at home, he would have stayed in bed for god knows how many minutes, and so it's very important what 9-1-1 does, they save life and limb. So I would say, you know, if anybody regardless of an employee or a family member or public, is harassing someone and getting away in the job of somebody who is, you know, job it is to save people, I would say that's taken very seriously, but if they are off duty and it's something personal that has nothing to do with their job, when they go through the normal protocol of, you know, whatever authority you would contact, you know, is it bullying? Is it online bullying? Wouldn't they contact the police like anybody else? I mean, we don't have a -- a monarchy, its not a king, you're not working for the king.

Hardesty: I am happy to answer that for you Maggie. We have a code of conduct we expect from city employees that every employee receives when they are hired. There is no exceptions to the code of conduct, whether you are elected or whether you are hired at a front desk.

Maggie: Okay, so this is if the city employee is responsible for the offending behavior? Okay.

Hardesty: This is all about city staff, not the public yet.

Maggie: I would say to any employee definitely you want to hold yourself up to the highest level because you are a role model for everyone, for the public, so think about that every day, you are a role model for the public. So thank you.

Wheeler: Thanks, maggie, good morning.

Shedrick Wilkins: Good morning, I am shedrick. I believe let's say that there is a rally at the mayor's office house and someone asks an employee, where is the mayor's office house, and that person says well, go and look it up by yourself, they are stuck in a no win situation. If it's embarrassing to you, why did you tell this person where my house was that, and at the same time, they were rude, and have them look it up themselves, so I don't believe that the employee has a right to know, or annotated, this had something to do with a rally at your house and that they were -- if it's ruled by you they should be demoted or fired, that needs to come up. That they were really under a bad situation here, where you are saying, in hindsight I was embarrassed by the press, but the employee was in a no win situation because you're either rude to the person look up the mayor, yourself, and I think mayor hales was the first person to be involved with this kind of thing, and you got involved, too. People are finding out where your house is at, it gets on the news and they are stuck, you're either rude to the person who asked the question or if they say, find it yourself.

Wheeler: And just to be crystal clear, your point is well taken, and but my house is number one, readily available online, and I have not been aware of any employees asking about that issue nor have I retaliated against any employees who shared where my house is, but number two, just so people know I don't live at my house any more, and that's also been made clear.

Wilkins: If you evaluate me as an employee I have the right to annotate that question was asked to me that day.

Wheeler: Thank you. Good morning.

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Lightning: My name is Lightning and I represent lightning super karma. One of the things I saw on the 2.02 against workplace harassment is jokes. Someone saying a joke. I am offended by that joke you just said. When we look at that, its interesting when you are looking at mayor bloomberg and what elizabeth warren said about him, and if he was working here, would he be fired. If he was supplying money to the city through grants, would we stop the grants and say, due to the comments that elizabeth warren stated, we are not taking your money anymore. You either make a stand or you don't. What does that money mean if someone is making those comments and they are found to be make those, and they are signing non-disclosure agreements that they made those, and you receive money from them, and I know the city of Portland would receive no money from the bloomberg organization on any type of grants and you deny it immediately and give it back and I agree with you 100% on that. Now on the overtime issues, I think that there has to be a cap put in place on just how much overtime you can do and I don't know if that is really controlled by the union, and I want to see that set in a position, there has to be a cap, that's all, just put a cap on it and we are good on that. The issue on the weather conditions. We are in a situation right now, let's take it one step farther and talk about covid 19. Are we going to have discussions on that as far as on the employees that can see the room appears to be more empty today which I think there can be a reason for that, that's my opinion. If the employees say I am scared, everything I am seeing right now I want to stay home and I want to continue my pay. I think they should receive it, it's a far reach but not too much of a reach when you look what's going on in china, you look what's going on in other countries, and you look what's going on beginning here. So we're going to cross an area here which I think really needs to come up for discussion. What are we going to do on this covid 19 pertaining to the city employees? If they are called to come into work and they feel that their safety is in jeopardy how are they going to be treated? Will they be retaliated against? There needs to be a plan taken into consideration at this time on covid 19. And that is my main concern right now. More than anything that I can deal with in this city right now. And I study everything, and I go over the mapping and everything on this and the pathogen mapping and everything and every scientist and what they say. And let me tell you, the city needs to set something up now, and I am asking that to be set up immediately. Thank you.

Hardesty: Commissioner hardesty and then I have a comment, or sorry, commissioner Fritz and then hardesty.

Maggie: There is tons of retaliation from trump's administration so comment all you want on that.

Fritz: Lightening, we have administrative rules that allow people to do tella working and there is a process that they get approval from the manager and can work from home if they get that.

Lightning: Covid 19. Put that on the record.

Fritz: In. We have had it for years.

Lightning: Put it on the record, covid 19, say is on the record.

Fritz: No.

Lightning: Thank you. Thank you very much.

Fritz: Also, we passed state-wide paid sick time so everybody in Oregon, who works for an employee of five or more gets to stay home when they are sick, and we encourage people to do that.

Wheeler: Commissioner hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you, commissioner Fritz. As an emergency room nurse by training and someone who has been in the healthcare field forever I just want to reiterate that the last thing we want to do is make people lose their mind about a potential virus that may or may not impact folks. Let me be clear --

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Wheeler: Lightning, don't go because I want to say something. Give us two more minutes.

Hardesty: We are not exploiting you. Today has been a fabulous day with you.

Wheeler: It's an upside down day, we are inviting you back, sit down. [laughter]

Hardesty: See what happens when our communications people leave? All of a sudden we have time. But seriously, I have absolute confidence in the Multnomah county health department, and just so you know, the bureau of emergency management, which I am in charge of, are doing daily phone calls. We are providing daily information throughout our entire first responder system, there is no need for people to lose their minds at this time. We already have systems in place that if necessary, we will be able to deploy, right. So again, the best advice is wash your hands, and if you feel sick, stay home, and use your sick leave or your vacation or whatever you got, right. Let's not feed into the hysteria around people who are immigrants and refugees. I have heard that people are not drinking -- 35% of the population is no longer drinking corona beer because they believe that that's where you get the virus. We have an obligation --

Lightning: We have a serious virus right now, this is comical right now, I disagree with the statement.

Hardesty: I have made nothing.

Lightning: People need to take this serious, study China, study the other countries

Wheeler: Thank you, lightning.

Hardesty: Now we're going to kick you out, bye-bye. It has been a good day.

Lightning: Thank you very much.

Hardesty: You know, it's hard to compliment lightning when he does not quiet down so that you can share that we all have a concern, but we also have to be responsible with our concern. And we have to make sure that people who are the most vulnerable have what they need to get through this crisis. I have every confidence in our health department, and our first responders that we are ready and able to respond when it's necessary.

Wheeler: The only comment I wanted to make to lightning, and unfortunately he left. We have director bless here from h.r., and there are contingency plans under development for the city employees and communications are going out to the city employees. That's all that I wanted to contribute to that particular conversation. Thank you. Please call the roll.

Fritz: Well, interim director cathy bless is doing an absolutely fantastic job, and some interim directors are hesitant to do things, and while they are in that role, and you have absolutely grasped the urgency of these issues, so these are a lot of changes in these administrative rules, and my staff and I have gone through them and we very much appreciate them. We thank you for working with us and the city attorney's office for taking another look at the 2.02. I can't ever say 2.02 without thinking of commissioner Fish, and you know, just -- no, 12 years ago, we did not think that we needed rules on how people behave in the workplace, and then low and behold we did because if you don't have the rules and you cannot say that that's not okay. Thank you for allowing more discussion of it. As commissioner eudaly has put some of her concerns on the record, it is one of the most important that we all care about, and so look forward to that coming back in short order, in the meantime, happy to support the changes, aye.

Hardesty: Aye.

Eudaly: I think I made it clear I am concerned about city employees being harassed for doing their jobs. So I look forward to how we can address that in the upcoming changes to h.r. 202, and in the meantime I am pleased to support this and I vote aye.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Thank you for your hard work on that. To the regular agenda, 184, please.

Item 184.

Wheeler: The bureau of environmental services oversees the design of sewer and drainage facilities. The sewer and drainage facility design manual was adopted by the city

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council back in 2007, it's a administrative document used by bes prior to developers and number of other city bureaus that construct public works improvements in the public right of way. This ordinance asks us the council to adopt a revised manual which includes changes to be more seismically resilient and to be up to date on accepted civil engineering design practices. This ordinance also authorizes the bes director to amend manual as needed in the future to keep up with similar changes. Here today to give us a brief presentation are bill ryan, our chief engineer, colleen Harold who's our equity manager, and ben fitch, who is the quality analyst they all do hard work with the bureau of environmental services, and we're glad to have you here. Thank you.

Bill Ryan, Bureau of Environmental Services: Good morning, mayor. Commissioners. Thank you very much for that introduction. I want to give a little further introduction to colleen and ben, colleen was a design engineer for several years, and she is responsible for several of the larger sewer rehab projects that have been constructed throughout the city during that time.

Wheeler: For the record could you add your name and title?

Ryan: Bill ryan, chief engineer for bes.

Wheeler: I appreciate it.

Ryan: Thank you. As I said, colleen's been a designer and she took on the additional responsibility or different responsibility of taking charge of the quality of all of our standard and specifications which you can imagine is a real exciting position. We are very grateful to colleen for all the great work she's done and for ben fitch who has also done yeoman's work to assist in bringing together the sewer and drainage facilities design manual.

Colleen Harold, Bureau of Environmental Services: Thank you for having us. My name is colleen harold.

Ben Fitch: And I'm Ben Fitch, an analyst at the bureau of environmental services.

Harold: A correction, I am now the quality manager, not the equity manager.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate that.

Harold: We're going to do a presentation, ben and I, it takes five minutes, and we'll go back and forth and tell you what we've done. Again, we're here to support the ordinance and ask you to approve the updated revision of the manual as well as then give the director authority to amend the manual as needed in the future, go to the next slide and you start.

Ryan: So the project objective is pretty straightforward. It's to update the sewer design manual, the last update that occurred was in 2008 with a couple side erratas that were not put into the manual itself. So simply put, we needed to update the manual and reference what we're actually doing in practice and standards of change. So it was just to bring that forward and make it actually line up with what we're doing today.

Harold: We have taken the manual, we've updated language figures, policies, codes, and title could-outs and references, we've looked at all the equations, we've made sure they're correct and reflected that. We've updated and pretty much rewritten chapters five, six, and seven that relate back to the zoning codes that are coming in November to you. We've had expanded the sections of choices, materials, which in the past designers have had to ask permission to use, now they are in the manual. Which creates efficiency, you don't to ask to use them, they're there for you to use. And it increases the tools and their toolbox which we wanted to do, and --

Hardesty: We have gender language in our manual?

Harold: Yes. All the manholes are now maintenance holes.

Hardesty: Maintenance holes?

Harold: I really -- yeah.

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Hardesty: I am not -- I'm laughing because it never occurred to me that our manuals would be gender anything, that that would even come up, but as soon as you said manhole cover, I was like, yeah, of course.

Harold: I wish there were women holes now, but they're manholes. They're maintenance holes.

Eudaly: I don't wish that.

Hardesty: Let's move on.

Harold: So we've increased some sections, we've added a resiliency and seismic consideration section, because, again, our city is proactive that way and we wanted to create just a paragraph or two to challenge people to start merging this into their designs and in particular with sewers. We also have added the use of trenchless technologies into a section because we do -- we are state of the art, the city of Portland in trenchless technologies, we do cured in place, we do microton lean and horizontal directional drills and other cities call us because we're the experts in those construction methods and we want that to be in the manual and for them to continue to call us. So those sections are updated as well.

Fitch: With the next slide you'll see our schedule and timeline. This schedule has included two inside internal reviews of the manual, the 50 and 90, and it's also included a public review that had two public information sessions, and we have received and responded to consultant contractor and manufacturer comments to address their concerns and make the manual better with their help. Another note is if you approve today, we will still be doing our normal public reviews, so this is going to go strictly internal. We will still go to the public and make sure that our consultants are aware of what's going on with the manual changes and they are an active voice in what's going on.

Fritz: Do you have a technical advisory committee? I know we have the Portland utility board, but they're not necessarily for technical experts. Do you have a group that you rely on for things like this?

Fitch: We have -- colleen talked to nuca --

Harold: Northwest utility contractors association. We also took it to drac but we do have -- we also have bes standards and practices, so if we hit a problem of any kind or an issue we didn't know how to advance, we brought it to our in-house standards and practices made up of upper management and lower management to help us find the path to solve the issue. If there was one.

Fritz: I'm glad to hear we did have public input as well.

Fitch: We do have public input and we received very good feedback from -- there was a technical -- an outside technical expert who represented a concrete association, and they gave us very good comments and helped some of our equations out. So we have received also internal and external -- technical experts, yeah.

Fritz: Is it specified as to what the public engagement will be for future manual revisions?

Harold: The manual speaks to any edits, comments, update -- corrections, you can fill out a form and give it to ben and I online and we'll address it immediately.

Fritz: When you're going to make a change, is there a specified, like you just showed the timeline of public meeting, comment period, is that had going to be still in effect?

Fitch: That will remain the same, even though internal if you accept this proposal we'll no longer have to come to you for changes. We're going to keep the same process so there will still be a public review and comment period.

Fritz: And that's required what we're approving? Great.

Harold: And I would like to say that no major issues, we worked with other bureaus, they're included in our public outreach, and there were no major issues, in fact we worked together on inlet ownership and maintenance. So I wanted you to know that.

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Hardesty: If I might, I don't think that it's great to know that this sewer and drainage facility design manual will continue to be updated. I guess the question is, under what circumstance would you come back to the city council seeking our input before you made - - what would be the process of -- for you to seek out input for making additional changes if it was like different than the norm, different than just language change? What would the scenario have to be in order for you to want to come back in front of us for authorization and approval for changes?

Ryan: Commissioner, I can't imagine what the circumstance would be, but I know that we'll be working with our commissioner directly in future changes, and hopefully they'll be able to identify -- this is something that probably goes beyond this, so right offhand I can't think of a circumstance that would create that.

Hardesty: I would suspect that if you're about to make a change that requires us to invest tens of millions of dollars into it, that you'd probably want to talk to us before you made a change like that, right?

Ryan: Certainly.

Hardesty: All right. Thank you. Any other questions? Please continue.

Harold: Just lastly, we want this manual to be a live document. So we're going to have a live link, of course our -- there will be hard copies located at the Portland building, and at the bds permit center for your pick up and purchase if you want something offline. Ben and I will continue to be the contacts for that, any changes or updates, and then I just want to thank ben as an equal facilitator during this manual update process, and it really made this update come to fruition, and I just want to thank him for his work. Thank you.

Hardesty: Any additional questions? Commissioner Fritz?

Fritz: Thank you, president hardesty. Madam president, I regret we're probably not going to be saying that at the national level for the next four years, but I'll say it at the local level. We can do it here. I just have a question about the storm water management manual, that's different from this.

Harold: It is. But along that line we worked very closely with the storm water management manual team, because we want these to look like a set, and they come together. A lot of the two manuals had great overlap and we worked on separating that when we did this manual. Which was part of why this ended up on my desk, is that overlap became confusing. So we work with that team extensively to make sure that we were in agreement, and that the duplication was removed when possible.

Fritz: The storm water management manual, changes would come back to council, is that correct?

Harold: Absolutely.

Fritz: I would just say an editorial comment that I feel absolutely no expertise in sewer design. So I am happy to change this to be an administrative process. I think when it comes to storm water management it's something average people are interested in because we might be digging the ditches ourselves. So I'm glad to hear you've made those things separate and made them all complete.

Harold: Thank you.

Hardesty: Thank you commissioner Fritz. Any other questions? I just have a question. If we approve this, this manual then becomes retroactive to January 2020? Is there a reason why we would -- is that -- am I not accurate in that?

Harold: I would like to make it start today.

Hardesty: Because my question would be, if -- why not bring it in time to make it start like once the council has voted on it.

Harold: Absolutely, let's make that record.

Hardesty: Excellent.

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Fritz: To make it start today we would have to change it to be an emergency ordinance, which the mayor is not here for. We have to have four people to do that. I think it's definitely a good idea to make it that, so maybe we could not vote on this until the mayor gets back.

Hardesty: I think he'll probably be back. Let's see if there's any public testimony -- have you completed your formal testimony?

Harold: Thank you, yes.

Hardesty: Karla, is there any public testimony?

Moore: We have one person, Maggie signed up.

Hardesty: Thank you very much, please hang out and we'll see if we are able to make that change happen. Maggie, come on up. Are you declining to speak? Are you done? Okay. In that case, we could just table this until the mayor comes back for a vote, and just go to the next item. And what is the next item?

Moore: We're on 185.

Hardesty: Is that the pleasure of my -- okay. So we'll just table the current item and go to the next one until the mayor returns. And we anticipate him coming back. His phone is here so he didn't go too far. Karla, please call the next item.

Item 185.

Hardesty: Thank you. Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: This is a second reading.

Hardesty: It's a second reading. Okay. Any additional conversation? Mayor, we are on 186 --

Moore: 85. 185.

Hardesty: 185. Second reading, and we're calling for the vote.

Fritz: I wasn't here for the public hearing, but my staff and I have reviewed the record, thank you Yesenia Carrillo my staff, happy to vote aye.

Hardesty: Aye.

Eudaly: I'm happy to see us move one step closer to achieving commissioner Fish's vision. I enjoyed a congenial relationship with commissioner Fish that involved a lot of good-natured ribbing, and I certainly got a lot of mileage out of bes in that arena from failing sewer pipes, and poop to power, but in all seriousness I think this project puts us on the cutting edge of publicly owned renewable energy. I support this limited use capturing of capturing for on-site use, which is better than flaring, while renewable natural gas is certainly an improvement, it is an interim step toward our climate goals and it's no substitute for a transition to clean electricity, but we might as well capture those gasses, they're going to be released anyway. I would like to thank bureau of environmental services staff and Asena from commissioner Fish's office for their work on this project. I vote aye.

Wheeler: This was a true passion of commissioner Fish. I'm sorry he isn't here today to see this to fruition. But he probably is, right? He's probably watching and he's laughing about his poop-to-power joke. And it never gets old, does it? I want to thank him for his leadership on this, and his vision in working with bes. This was great innovative thinking on the part of the folks at bes to do something really, really interesting, and worthwhile to the public and Asena Lawrence who is here today worked very hard on this issue for commissioner Fish, and I'm glad we're just here today to have the opportunity to see it to fruition. It was a great presentation, good public testimony, I'm proud to vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. We're going to go back to item 184, it's my understanding we're going to put an emergency clause on that, i'll entertain a motion.

Fritz: We have to give a reason. I move to add an emergency clause because it's in the public interest to have changes to rules go into effect immediately.

Eudaly: Second.

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Wheeler: We'll give that commissioner hardesty as a second, if that's all right, commissioner eudaly. You've got to be fast. That's why I got the coffee, you need the buzz to be able to be fast. Karla, please call the roll on the emergency amendment.

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

Wheeler: Aye. The amendment is adopted. The main motion is amended, please call the roll.

Fritz: Excellent work on this, and I really appreciate the very thoughtful way you've gone about doing it. You are absolutely the experts on sewer design, and the public benefits because you've really had some very innovative solutions in here. Thank you both for your work, all three of you. Aye.

Hardesty: Ditto what commissioner Fritz said. I vote aye.

Eudaly: Aye.

Wheeler: Thanks for your hard work on this. I vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Next item also a second reading, item number 186, please.

Item 186.

Wheeler: This is a seconder reading, we've already heard a presentation on this item. We've taken public testimony. Is there any further business? Seeing none, Karla, if you could please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Next item is number 187.

Item 187.

Wheeler: I have a brief introduction and I believe there will be amendments. This is a second reading of an item that we've been considering for some time now. Lester Spitler first introduced these proposed changes to the city's procurement code in march of last year when we permanently increased his position signature authority to \$1 million for goods and services, construction, and professional technical, and expert services after a pilot period. In august of last year, we had a work session with procurement services team, it was an interesting work session. And in the interim lester and his team has met with several of us and our staffs to hear potential concerns and discuss potential changes in a little more detail. As a reminder, these proposed procurement changes are intended to streamline the procurement and contracting process for the city. The city procures and contracts for hundreds of millions of dollars each and every year. Procurement services is our central support team that ensures the city's being good stewards of the taxpayer dollars that we spend, and also making sure that we're doing so as efficiently and effectively as possible. I understand my colleagues have a few amendments, and I would certainly like at this point for people to introduce those amendments should they so choose.

Fritz: I think they were introduced into the ordinance. Aren't we just voting on this as a second reading?

Hardesty: No. My understanding is that we -- the amendment I proposed, and I am not sure about the amendment that you proposed, will need to be added today, because just found out this morning that my amendment was not included. So what you have here is the amendment that I had recommended. I was a little frustrated as well.

Fritz: This is the fifth time this has been on the council agenda. I was ready to vote and say how great we've come --

Wheeler: Lester, could you add some clarity to this, please?

Hardesty: I was a little surprised to find that out myself.

Fritz: It's the sixth time, actually.

Wheeler: Hi. Lester, what's going on?

Hardesty: Who are you?

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Lester Spitler, Chief Procurement Officer: Lester Spitler this is the first time the amendments are being proposed after the first reading. So the first reading was on November 6th, and since then there hasn't been an official opportunity to propose the amendments. So that's why we're doing it now.

Hardesty: So let's do it.

Fritz: If my staff was watching in the office and bring in my amendments --

Wheeler: Let's take a five-minute recess.

At 11:22 a.m. council recessed.

At 11:32 a.m. council reconvened.

Wheeler: We'll go to a couple -- there's a second reading, 188, why don't we get to that.

Hardesty: Do we need to table --

Wheeler: 187 we'll table for a moment. We'll go to 188, please, Karla.

Item 188.

Wheeler: Very good. Here's commissioner Fritz already. Thank you very much. Commissioner Fritz, I just asked Karla to read 188, which is the iga with metro, Multnomah county, Washington county, on the administration of the Portland clean air construction program that we heard about last week. It's a second reading, and unless anybody has any objections, we'll call the roll. Karla?

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

Eudaly: Aye. I just want to say I'm very supportive of this work, and concerned with our air quality, Multnomah county has the worst air quality in the state, and Portland is in the top 30 worst air pollution -- worst for short-term particulate pollution in the country. I vote aye.

Wheeler: This is a great extension of the work we're already doing at the city level. We passed our own clean air construction standards, we funded it in the last budget, this expands our partnerships beyond the borders of our fair city to acknowledge that the air shed does not know borders. I'm happy to vote aye, the ordinance is adopted. And we'll go back to 187, which was open. Commissioner Fritz, would you like to propose your amendments first please?

Fritz: Thank you, mayor. Thank you to the procurement staff for working with my office on this. The first is an amendment to section 5.33.130, emergency procurements. Provides authority for the chief procurement officer and bureau directors to execute contracts resulting from emergencies of any amount, we've kept commissioner in charge of approval, that was what the procurement office had proposed. My amendment requires emergency contacts over \$150,000 to be brought to council at the next possible scheduled session.

Hardesty: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion from commissioner Fritz and a second from commissioner hardesty on Fritz one.

Fritz: The 2nd is 5.33.060 authority of directors, it leaves the current status quo of maintaining authority to grants awards of up to \$5,000 with no increase.

Hardesty: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion from commissioner Fritz and a second from commissioner Hardesty on fritz two.

Fritz: And the last one is section 5.33.060, authority of directors to give the authority to award, execute, amend, and terminate intergovernmental agreements up to \$50,000, it's currently \$5,000 and removes procurement from the intergovernmental agreement process.

Hardesty: Second.

Wheeler: We have a motion from commissioner Fritz and a second from commissioner hardesty one Fritz 3. Commissioner Hardesty you have an amendment as well.

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Hardesty: Yes, mayor. Thank you. Section 5.34.510, prequalification of offerers. A, it says the city of Portland requires prequalification of all prime construction contractors. Except for prime construction contractors that are enrolled in the prime contractor development program. Say that three times fast. On public improvement contracts with an estimated value of a half million dollars or greater. Per ORS 279C.430. [1] when allows public agencies the option to adopt their own rules for mandatory prequalification's of contractors, desiring to bid for public improvement contracts led by that agency. The chief procurement officer has the authority to require prequalification for public improvement contracts, a half million dollars or less. The city shall not consider a bid from a bidder that is not prequalified, if the city required prequalification.

Wheeler: I'll second. We have a motion from commissioner Hardesty, a second from myself. That will be Hardesty one, colleagues, I'd like to introduce an amendment as well to introduce an emergency clause to this ordinance.

Hardesty: Second.

Wheeler: We have a second. The emergency is actually multifaceted, number one is commissioner indicates indicated, we've been hanging on to this for some time. We would like to get the program started as soon as possible, particularly presuming the passage of commissioner Hardesty's amendment relative to minority contractors, I think it's important that we get this ball rolling sooner they're than later, I think there's a public benefit case to be made here that is a strong one. So I move an emergency clause.

Hardesty: Second.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty seconded so that Wheeler one, so with all of that, is there any further -- we'll open this up to public testimony, because there's new amendments. Would anybody like to testify on any of these particular amendments? Come on up. If you can introduce your name for the record again. Good morning.

Charles Bridgecrane Johnson: Good morning, Charles Bridgecrane Johnson for the record. Thank you madame president Hardesty and mayor and Fritz and Ms. Eudaly being left out of the amendment game, but one thing I think would be even more -- for the public when you're approving this as an emergency is -- first of all, when the charter review comes, we really should develop some new language that distinguishes just urgency from emergency. It's urgent to do things in the public benefit, it's an emergency when one of the bridges falls into the river. Or maybe also I haven't been here earlier in the day, San Francisco considers the coronavirus an emergency, that's different than just tweaking the procurement rules to go up to a million dollars of buying power for the chief procurement officer. The amendments I think make it even better, the overall in the interest of good governance they would -- when you're saying it's an emergency, it would have been better if the staff had done the initial documentation and the three exhibits available online had said how many items in this interim would have been streamlined. Is there only two items in four months, or five months that would benefit from the streamlined process? Then it's not a big cost savings if there were 29 items, unfortunately I've not gone deeply into the budget to know what percentage of our city's awarded contracts hit the million dollar threshold, but when we elect y'all, whether it's by a hundred thousand votes or 150,000 votes, we definitely want you to be able to be fluent with that language about who are the biggest contractors, where do the various threshold levels fall. But I know you're being attentive to that and I think these amendments make this stronger, so it's not too hard to swallow the emergency language. Thank you all.

Wheeler: Thank you. Commissioner Hardesty did you have a comment?

Hardesty: I just wanted to respond to Charles's question. Just so you know, when I first got here that emergency clause made me a bit batty because it appeared just about everything that we did was an emergency. And this particular case, however, I feel that the procurement office has done their due diligence by reaching out and really trying to reach

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agreement with the other council offices, and this has been going on for quite some time. And so while -- so for me, the reason I'm supporting an emergency is because I want them to actually go and get those contracts out the door, rather than continuing to come back to council trying to seek agreement, right? I think we've got agreement, so let's just move it, because the value system is the same, the question is how we get there.

Johnson: Thank you, madam president and all y'all.

Fritz: Just to note I did ask the 2011 charter commission to look at that issue and the charter commission decided not to. That's how the process works. We'll be having another charter commission next year -- I encourage you as a community member, we don't get to tell the charter commission what to do. You do. So I encourage you to make that point again, please.

Wheeler: I agree the nomenclature is confusing on that one. Very good. We will take votes on the amendments first, then to the main motion. First up is Fritz, number one relating to emergency procurements. Any further discussion? Please call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. [gavel pounded] the amendment is adopted. Fritz two, which is related to the authority of directors.

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

Wheeler: Happy to support. [gavel pounded] I vote aye. The amendment's adopted. Fritz number three, related also to the authority of directors.

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

Wheeler: Aye. [gavel pounded] the amendment is adopted. Now to hardesty one, related to prequalification and prime contracting amongst other things. Call the roll.

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

Wheeler: Aye. [gavel pounded] the amendment is adopted. We'll go to the main motion first. Let me think about that. I'll talk my chances. Let's go ahead and vote on wheeler one, the addition of the emergency clause.

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

Wheeler: Aye. [gavel pounded] the amendment is adopted. To the main motion as amended.

Fritz: Wow. I'm very glad we get to vote on this today. Thank you for very much to procurement services for all the work you've done, for Tim Crail and Claire Adamsick and my staff, all the work they've done. As a reminder, this is the sixth time we've had this on the council agenda. When we had it the fifth time on the 18th of December, the vote then was 2-2. And because commissioner Fish was out on his final leave. And commissioner hardesty and I both had concerns, but in different sections of the code. And mayor wheeler could have dealt with just one of us and made one of us happy to pass something 3-1, and you didn't do that, mayor, you wanted to get to consensus on this, and I appreciate that because it is -- we have four and soon to be again five different perspectives, we're intelligent people who look at things that we got limited public testimony on -- in any of the six hearings I would have to say, but we and our staff do our due diligence and dig into the authority issue, and I appreciate mayor wheeler that you have taken the time to make sure that everybody had input and that we can all support it. I appreciate that very much.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Fritz: Aye.

Hardesty: I also want to appreciate lester. I'm sure lester was pulling his hair out at some point in this process and wondering if we would ever get to a vote on this particular issue. But I absolutely agree with everything that commissioner Fritz said, it's important to me that we do it right, rather than fast. It's important to me that we actually are able to get dialogue and figure out kind of what is the values that we're trying to push forward. When we make these changes happen. And I think all of us agree that we -- the buck does stop

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with us here on the city council. And we don't want to delegate that authority to any department heads, any more than we absolutely need to. Because at the end of the day the voters will be asking us why we made decisions that we made and we need to be able to stand behind those decisions. I also want to applaud mayor wheeler, because he did in fact spend a lot of time, a lot more time than I'm sure he thought he would spend, actually having conversations about how this process would work. The good thing about having five distinct voices is you have five distinct perspectives, and the goal is always to get to agreement. Some days we just agree that we're not going to get there. I'm happy today it's not one of those days, and I'm very excited to vote aye.

Eudaly: Aye.

Wheeler: Well, this was more complicated than I think people realized. But it was also more interesting than I expected it to be, and lester, thank you for your patience on this. I think you proved yourself very worthy of the title that you carry as director and you listened intently to what people are saying. And frankly i've learned a lot over the course of this process. I thought it was a good conversation. I learned more about some of the finer points of procurement that I hadn't fully considered previously, I think my colleagues chiming in with various perspectives, I think shed light on parts of the code that maybe the city council hadn't thought about in great detail previously. And so I see this as a collaborative effort to move the ball forward. I'm really happy with it. Thank you, colleagues, I vote aye. [gavel pounded] the ordinance is adopted as amended. Thank you. Next up, 189, parks and recreation.

Item 189.

Wheeler: Colleagues, as we all know, the north Portland area is protected from the columbia river flooding by a series of levees. Peninsula drainage district number one, or pen one, is the westernmost of four drainage districts located in Multnomah county. The four separate districts are expected to be replaced in the next several years by a new single urban flood safety and water quality district that will use a different funding model. But in the meanwhile, pen one has a funding gap resulting from property tax compression caused by what I will describe as Oregon's unique property tax system. This ordinance authorizes two one-time contributions. First, parks will fund \$60,000 of general operating support because parks is also the largest landowner in pen one, at 77% of the district's total area. Second, bes, the bureau of environmental services, will fund \$260,000 of capital maintenance to aid in executing an existing intergovernmental agreement to manage storm water in the district. This additional funding will directly benefit our storm water management system. And we know that relevant budget directors and of course the city budget officer all working to identify a path forward to support pen one until the new district is ultimately formed. I'll now turn it over to Claudio Campuzano our finance manager at parks, and Jonah Biery the business operations manager at the bureau of environmental services. Thank you, gentlemen, for being here and thank you for your patience. I hope you're learning a lot today on other subjects.

Claudio Campuzano, Portland Parks and Recreation: Absolutely. Good morning, Claudio Campuzano finance property technology manager for parks, I think the mayor summarized the nature of the ordinance well. To address the request from peninsula one drainage district, the directors from Portland parks and recreation, environmental services, the city budget and chief administrative officer, we all met with the representatives from pen one and identified some resources to tide them through this current be fiscal year, and this action would authorize those transfers of budgeted one-time resources. I do just want to note while this action addresses the current near-term issues for this fiscal year, the solvency challenge will continue in pen one and to that end the district has made a request through the special appropriations process for fiscal year 2021, and so I believe you'll be addressing that longer-term need over the next couple weeks, but as I said, this action

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merely authorizes the entering into the agreement for the current fiscal year funding that was identified in the fall bump. At this point I'm happy to take any questions.

Wheeler: Very good. Do we have any public testimony on this item?

Moore-Love: Yes. We have two people signed up, Maggie and Charles BridgecrAne Johnson.

Charles BridgecrAne Johnson: Good morning again, commissioners. Charles BridgecrAne Johnson and I want to thank you for that clarifying explanation of pen one. I didn't have time to look at the different resources of the city, but when we're in a situation where the other local governments that we sometimes iga with metro regional government is looking to give us maybe \$300 million of annually renewable aid to homelessness, and then in this fall billions of dollars for transportation spending I hope the city and the legislative affairs office will make it easier to find more information on the potential resolutions for changing this drainage district situation for pen one. The whole -- that whole area while it's within the city limits of Portland, is really part of regional safety and stability, so I think the legislative affairs office needs to be looking at how even though we hate state preemption, what kind of structures do the public need to be engaging with all of our elected officials about so pen one and these other districts can be put into something that doesn't take away from our parks department? It's hard to see even \$60,000 leave a parks bureau that had to lay people off and close community pools. So I look forward to engaging with all of the constituents about a fix. We did hear about a specific amount that had already been requested, I think director claudio mentioned they're preparing for next year, but I didn't hear whether there was going to be a similar amount or a bigger chunk of pie that might go out of parks and other bureaus. Thanks for making this clear and doing what we're obligated to do. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it. Good morning.

Maggie: Okay, Maggie Portland homeless town hall, and normally I would agree with charles about the parks department not getting money taken away. But frankly, if they would just stop their jim crow behavior around the bathrooms and the homeless, I mean, taxpayers pay for the parks, homeless people are -- should be able to use the bathroom. So deal with that situation, and then stop taking money from the parks. As far as, like, drainage systems, I would guess I would want to say to people to be really concerned about pesticides and chemicals, and, you know, if people are peeing and pooping on the streets, guess what? That's all going down the storm drain. So there you go.

Wheeler: Thanks a lot. Appreciate it. Any further discussion? Very good. Karla, please call the roll. It's an emergency item.

Fritz: Thank you for your work. Aye.

Hardesty: I want to remind folks that the city council in its wisdom set aside this money in the fall bump for this, it's not like we're taking it out of parks operating budget. So just want to make sure on the record. I vote aye.

Eudaly: Aye.

Wheeler: Aye. [gavel pounded] the ordinance is adopted. Thank you for your good work on this. Next item is 190.

Item 190.

Wheeler: Ladies and gentlemen, I give you Dory Van Bockel, the development incentives program manager. Welcome.

Dory Van Bockel, Portland Housing Bureau: Good morning. Mayor wheeler and commissioners, my name is Dory Van Bockel with the Portland housing bureau. And we are here with yet another tax exemption to help incentivize inclusionary housing success with this particular project providing five of the 78 units affordable for 99 years at 60% of median family income. It will be the 79th project with close to 600 units of private

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development that we've achieved with in program so far. I'm happy to entertain any questions.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you. Would you give me the date again, it was how many units at 60% of mfi?

Van Bockel: For this particular project it is five.

Hardesty: Five units? What's the total amount of units going up on this property?

Van Bockel: 78.

Hardesty: So 78 units, and we're going to get five at a 60% of the mfi. So what is that income level? What is the income restriction for folks who would qualify for that property?

Van Bockel: I believe for a family of four it's around 48,000. I don't have the numbers at the top of my head.

Hardesty: Do we know what size the units are that will be available for folks at 60%?

Van Bockel: It's a mix of primarily studio and one-bedroom units, and there's two two-bedroom units in the building so one of those will be affordable.

Hardesty: I'm just really not that satisfied with this particular program, because you know, it feels like we get a drop in the bucket, we're doing nothing to address family units in this process. And no disrespect to you and the work you've done on this particular project, but I think it's time for us to look at this program and find out if we're really getting the benefit that we think that we're getting from this particular housing effort. As I've sat here and continued to approve these, three here, four here, most of them are studios, most of them are one-incomes and if there's a 70-unit apartment complex that's been built in a community that may or may not be gentrifying, I am concerned about how those people get access to food, and whatever their self-care products are, in that community. So I feel like we just keep doing these as nickel and dimes, but if we're not looking at the big picture and figuring out are we having an impact or is there a better way for us to use our tax exemption opportunities to really have much more significant impact? Because I -- as a whole I'm just not seeing that we're getting the return that we desperately need on these kind of projects.

Wheeler: Very good. Dory, how would you respond to that?

Van Bockel: In a couple of ways. One is that outside of the central city projects are only required to provide 8% of the total units. If they're provided at the 60% mfi level or below. And so that's part of a program policy that was in place, that will expire actually in another year or so. And after that time the requirement will go up to 10% as it is in the rest of the city, and the same is for 80% units, we put in a temporary policy of 15% that will go to 20 throughout the city. As -- that was implemented by council as a means to ensure that the program did have some success and to help balance what -- the amount of subsidy that developers do have to account for in providing the affordable units for 99 years. So certainly it is a balance that we're looking at and we'll continue to look at with the program, and so that's one of the considerations that council can take in the future as to whether or not we'd want to extend or let that part sail.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: I had a different way of reading the data I have. We're getting five units, three studios, one 1 bedroom, one two-bedroom, that's a cost of reduced property taxes \$22,787 over 10 years. So that's getting five units for \$2,200 at the cost of \$2,200, that seems like a lot cheaper than other things. Isn't this set by state law as to how much we can require?

Van Bockel: Yes, it is. At least we cannot require more than 20% at 80% is the state requirement.

Fritz: So we provide the other incentive to get it down.

Van Bockel: Yes. And so there are tax incentives provided outside of the central city it's true that the building only receives exemptions for the affordable units, so it's not a big

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amount on this particular project. And that's because the cost of construction is lower for a project outside of the central city, it's -- when we're getting into the central city with concrete, larger steel projects, then certainly that's why the decision and the development of the program was made to exempt all of the units in the building because to outweigh the costs. So in this particular project there's only a total over 10 years of an estimated 70,000 of tax exemption provided for the 99 years that we'll receive of affordability out of those five units. There is a small amount of sdc's that will be exempted only for those five units, as well as a small reduction to the construction excise tax for those five units as well.

Wheeler: Commissioner eudaly?

Eudaly: Huh-uh.

Wheeler: Commissioner hardesty?

Hardesty: At some point I suspect we're going to have a full report since the anticipated conclusion of this particular -- you said that the exemption would change at the end of next year, right? So this would sunset?

Van Bockel: Yes, as far as the required percentage of affordable units in each project, yes.

Hardesty: So I would really look forward to having a more detailed conversation about whether or not these nickel and dime developments really are helping us change the outcomes for folks in our community. And though I appreciate that the tax exemption is just for those units, I'm thinking about the people who are living in those units, and whether or not those individuals are isolated, whether or not they're getting their needs met in those neighborhoods where those units are going up, and again, when you have 70 units and only three of them are quote, unquote, affordable, we all know that's not even affordable at 60% of mfi, because basically we're talking to individual, and an individual would have to make, what, 40,000, 45,000, in order to qualify for this -- for these quote, unquote affordable units. And what we know is that people who are working two and three full-time minimum wage jobs don't qualify for those units at 60% of mfi. So I'm not saying it doesn't impact somebody, but what I'm saying is whether or not we're putting our resources in the right place to have the biggest impact for the most number of people. And every time I see these things I am left with that question. So thank you. Appreciate you being here, and again, nothing about this particular project, nothing about the presentation, but just overall as a policy, as a council, I think we have to reevaluate every step of the way, whether or not we're getting a good return on our investment. So thank you.

Wheeler: Very good. Thank you. Appreciate it.

Van Bockel: Thank you.

Wheeler: Is there any public testimony on this item?

Moore: Yes, Maggie and Charles BridgecrAne Johnson.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Charles BridgecrAne Johnson: I'll take your word for it. Good afternoon. I think one thing -- I know you just always are dying to hear me tell you how to be better than you're doing. The best way to describe this location was to say 10 blocks south of madison high school. Madison high school isn't really high schooling right now, it's on reconstruction. But the -- and I -- it's interesting balance between the point that commissioner Fritz raised that we're only waiving \$22,000ish dollars in property taxes, and yet we're getting 70-some apartments and 8% of those will be set aside for people that are going to be at 60% of mfi. It's interesting to wonder where the rest of the people who are going to be paying market rate rents, but aren't making 100% of mfi are going to come from. So this location, I don't know -- I know the police raided a house not very far from this because of some activity to stop fascists in here. Just -- there's a park relatively close to this neighborhood, so I'm glad that we're doing something, but I do think that in addition to all the hard work the housing bureau and/or home forward already have to do, commissioner hardesty's questions --

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madam president, hardesty's questions resonate with me of, okay, we're looking at these five units cut out to reach these 60% mfi people, but what's really going on in that neighborhood? On other agenda items I think there was a project in cully, the presenters talked about the diversity of that neighborhood and the different income levels that those people fell in along with the information about what ethnicities were more common or less common in those neighborhoods, and I think that even though this is a small amount of money, \$22,000, if we're really going to serve the people who have a desperate and severe need, it would help if the housing bureau could give us a little bit extra data about the big picture, and the testimony left it unclear as to whether the sunset of the 8% cap means that the 10% cap is going to spread to cover the whole city, or whether there's going to be no multicoverage outside of the inner core of the city. So I hope you all have clarity you could share that with us. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Maggie: 60% mfi is, what, about \$53,000? So they're going to start with people who make \$53,000? People on social security aren't getting \$53,000 a year. People like me, they don't get \$53,000 a year. That's why we're homeless. So I would say that having gone through 20 pages of government property and looking at subsidized housing and section eight, and knowing that, again, I was -- I will use the words I used at metro -- any rich jerk can go out and buy these contractor housing and they can put in any manager and those managers can be abusive to disabled people, black people, females, gender, raise, lgbtq, and those people can be out on the street because they want to do something else with that. And I want us to get properties and put in managers that are going to have people who have been marginalized by society and are not socially connected and don't have power, and are going to help them stay in their housing or get their housing because with an 80% compliance rate according to the contract, with them not even making -- meeting 80% compliance rate, and then hud looking the other way and saying, oh, you don't want to meet your compliance rates, and having a year to make their compliance rate and year after year after year they never meet their compliance to put people into housing, the number of -- the equity targets that they're supposed to meet, year after year after year, they don't meet them and hud looks the other way. And this is why we end up with a homeless problem.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it. This is an emergency ordinance. Karla, please call the roll.

Fritz: Thank you for your work. Aye.

Hardesty: So I also appreciate us trying to do everything we can to improve opportunities for low-income folks to get housing. Just not sure if this is the program that's actually going to help us make it happen. I vote aye today, but I'm going to be looking at these as these continue to come in front of us at city council I'm going to continue to be asking really hard questions, because I really think it's important to say, to not say that we're building housing that people can afford to live in if we're saying it's at 60% of mfi, and that's somewhere between 45-\$55,000 for an individual, I just don't think that we can actually with a straight face call that housing that people can afford to live in. So I vote aye.

Eudaly: I want to thank you for your work, and I feel like we need to clarify a couple issues. There's a limit to what we can compel private developers to do. And so programs like inclusionary zoning and multi are designed to either require or incentivize affordable housing at the 60-80% level, which while that does not serve the lowest income individuals in our community, it certainly does help fill a massive gap that exists in that income segment. We need to do this as much as possible, so that we can devote our public dollars to serving those who earn 0-30%, which has to be our priority for public dollars. So I'm very interested in the conversation as to whether or not we're getting a good return on our investment, which is the tax abatement, no. No.

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Wheeler: Maggie, testimony is over. No. Testimony is over. I've called the roll. You cannot interrupt. Thank you.

Eudaly: That's really unhelpful and disruptive. So I think like commissioner Hardesty, I'm very interested in an analysis of what we are getting for that gift of a tax abatement. Because I know it's a more complex equation than 10 years of tax abatement for x number of affordability years. So I am happy to support it, interested in more conversation, I vote aye.

Wheeler: Good conversation. Good discussion, and sorry if you could reach out to my fellow commissioners' offices and give them the opportunity to ask further questions, that would be helpful. I vote aye. [gavel pounded] the ordinance is adopted. Next item, 191.

Item 191.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: Thank you, mayor. This is an amendment to the open and accountable elections code to give the program more flexibility in how to handle a budget shortfall for special elections. The program is fully funded for the regularly scheduled elections this year, all three of them, and we'll be providing donors with the full six-to-one match and the full match caps through November 2nd, 2020. Special elections are by nature unanticipated and not budgeted for in the regular budgeting process. And I think that's as we continue to develop this program we're going to need to look at the allocations, I was thinking back to 2008 when there was a special election left by commissioner Sten's resignation, which commissioner Fish won, there was plenty of money in the voter and elections account at that time, so much so we raided it in 2009 and 2010 during the recession. I -- we are I think we hit the budget correctly for the scheduled elections, but special elections are rare and we hope they continue to be so. There are 13 candidates participating in the special nominating election on May 19th. This is creating a potential shortfall in the open council elections fund. The open and accountable election code allows the director to reduce the match rate from six-to-one in the case of a shortfall. It would be -- we believe it would be more predictable for the city to instead lower the match cap. The total each participating candidate can receive in matching funds, instead of a match rate. It would also be less disruptive to candidates' fund-raising strategies and we have received feedback from candidates that they support this change, and the director Motte has done an excellent job of reaching out to all the candidates running. It's also easy for the public to understand how the open and accountable elections program works if the match rate of six-to-one is the same across all races, not six-to-one for the regular elections and lower for the special election. This amendment would allow the program to lower the match cap for special elections instead of the match rate for special -- instead of or would it be either/or or just --

Susan Motte, Office of Commissioner Fritz: It allows -- it gives the director the discretion to lower the match cap in special elections. It doesn't I suppose specifically say instead of the match, so I suppose both could be done, though I've promised people --

Fritz: For this particular case, right. And by design the director of the open and accountable elections program has significant autonomy and authority to set the rules to all as much as possible, while the council order to continue to not want to have it in her portfolio. So with that, I will give it to -- I pass the Michael Cannarella to director Susan Motte.

Motte: I don't have anything to add, though I'm here to answer any one's questions.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty has questions.

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. I just wanted to absolutely compliment Susan. We were all a bit nervous before we launched the open and accountable elections program. We were not nervous because we didn't believe in the program, we were nervous because we were up against some very, very tight timelines. And I just want to take this moment to publicly appreciate the fact that I've heard not one complaint this election cycle about either lack of

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information, lack of understanding, lack of process, and I know that means that you and your staff have been working overtime to share information and make sure that everyone has access to the information. So I just want applaud you. I sat here and thought it's not going to be possible, not in this short time period. Where technology oversight advisory committee having confidence in you and your team, but also acknowledging it's a really, really, really tight timeline. And then we were -- and then we added a new wrinkle with a special election thrown into the mix that none of us had anticipated. I just want you to know how grateful I am for you and your staff and the incredible work that you've done to get us to this point. I have every confidence that this will be one of the best public finance election cycles in the history of Oregon, and it is because of your due diligence in this process. So thank you, thank you, thank you. And I would be remiss if I didn't thank commissioner Fritz for her vision, for her leadership, because we would have never even been talking about this again had commissioner Fritz not had the vision and created the community process to lead us to this effort. So job well done.

Fritz: Thank you, commissioner Hardesty, I appreciate that. I will also state for the record that since this only applies to special elections, all four of us are eligible to vote on it without any conflict of interest.

Wheeler: Very good. Thank you. Is there any public testimony on this item?

Moore: Yes. Maggie, Charles BridgecrAne Johnson, and Shedrick Wilkins.

Wheeler: Can we go to two minutes, please, because I want to make sure we get through our agenda.

Hardesty: And we're hungry.

Wheeler: I won't be too hard about it, but if you try and stay in the two-minute time frame, we'd appreciate it.

Shedrick Wilkins: Since this applies to special elections I didn't know that, but I will say this about campaign limitations on contributions. In the year 2018, newt ran against kate brown for governor. He was trying to say, he got a \$500,000 contribution from nike, which actually has jobs when president trump is saying made in america. Right? And so I want to know that, right? Another one is on 105, knute decides he's going to agree, the doctor says he's going to agree with president trump that we need immigration reform. Right? So -- but actually this caused a no on 105 which was racial profiling, right? So again, in this whole process I met commissioner Hardesty at the no on 105, which was actually -- so getting money from rich people indicates to me that they're having inconsistent philosophies, right? It's not the other way around that they're buying the election. And by the way, I just found out I think that the \$50 billion bloomberg didn't get that many votes and he dropped out.

Hardesty: Yeah, he did.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Maggie: I agree, citizens united was bound to be a bad thing, and here we are, and it's mostly what I want to know is who contributed to which politician so that I can make an informed choice about when I'm voting I want to know where does that politician's loyalty lie? And what I notice about wealthy people, or corporations is that they tend to be apolitical or agnostic and they're just going to ply the person with money. It's like an athlete and sponsorship. Oh, we're going to go with this politician and he's going to wear our hat and he's going to be -- he or she -- is going to be our guy. Or, you know, and it doesn't matter, republican or democrat, these people will just -- whoever they think is going to be in there, they're going to ply that person with money. And you guys are in a weak position where you need the money to go out and campaign or whatever. And it makes it hard for voters to figure out who to vote for.

Hardesty: Maggie, it's really easy for you to figure out who gives us money. There's a system called or star, which is set up with the secretary of state in Oregon, and you don't

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have to be anybody with any special knowledge to actually use or star. You can track every dollar that comes into every campaign, the only exception is donations under \$50 are normally put all together. But other than that, it's open to the public, it is there for the public to be able to hold elected leaders accountable.

Maggie: Yeah. --

Fritz: It's even easier for the open-ended accountable elections program because you can go on the city's website and see all the donations, including the \$5 ones. And you can even look at the map of where they've come from, but you're absolutely right, maggie, the perception of influence is one of the problems I think we're trusting government, and that was one of the reasons we set up this program. So it truly would be open and accountable to you the people.

Maggie: All right. Otherwise, we're just deceiving the voters.

Wheeler: Good afternoon.

Charles Bridgecrae Johnson: Good afternoon, commissioners, madam president of the council, commissioner eudaly, commissioner Fritz. It was good we touched on the fact that for commissioner Fish's seat there is 13 I think registered candidates. And definitely appreciate commissioner Fritz's comments about the city's election website, because as we sit here and people, when they see the picture it gets confusing to remember to call things commissioner Fish's seat or position four, are you actually seated position one, position two, position three, position four, because you can see Amanda Fritz is shaking her head.

Fritz: I asked the commission to change that too and they decided not to.

Johnson: Perhaps, especially in an election year, it would even be appropriate if we have this lovely six to eight-inch newish sign. If there was a number next to the seat, because I don't remember in the voter pamphlet and what we deal with, but I know there's a race for eudaly's seat but can't remember what position it is. If somebody says the people running for position x, I can't remember if they're running for commissioner Fish's special election seat, or whether they're in the goofy decisions of sam adams challenging commissioner eudaly. So there's that, and then on the nuts and bolts of the money, it would be interesting if publicly financed candidates running for the open seat are capped and get less money than is available to commissioner eudaly and the challengers for those seats. We didn't hear any specific numbers about direct impact, and I don't know if those have been cooked up yet, for lack of a better term. Deeply and seriously analyzed with highest ethics. So if that information is available or if there could be a subsidiary report about the dollar and cents impact on the website, thanks very much.

Fritz: That comes next week, we'll be discussing the amounts of money that we're going to allocate for the special election, and there will be a time certain next week.

Johnson: That sounds so good, you can call it an emergency or not, I bet it is.

Fritz: It is. Of course it is.

Wheeler: Thank you both. This is an emergency ordinance as well, Karla, please call the roll.

Fritz: I can't stop smiling. This is a really great thing that the city of Portland is doing that the council is funding. Director Susan Mottet and daniel, you're an amazing work as commissioner Hardesty said, our partners at pacific software foundation have delivered a wonderful project, be and system that works really well, you can go to the open and accountable elections website and find all manner of different information about donations, where they come from, and it's an ongoing system, so it's not like you -- you're one and done, you make your thousand donations and you get a lump sum, you have to keep fund-raising which means you have to keep talking to people, you have to keep expanding the sphere of influence and that's really how elections should work. So I'm really happy with this, I think this is a very elegant solution, thank you to the mayor's office, Kristin Denis for

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suggesting that this would be a good way to do it, as I just mentioned we'll have a discussion next week about how much of the contingency money that we're able to allocate for the special election, but regardless, it's putting -- it's giving candidates a choice. And it is a voluntary program, people that have to use it, but it's meaning that we're going to overall reduce the amounting of money that is spent on elections so people can donate to good things like depaul treatment clinics and other good services instead of needing to spend so much money on council elections. You do need a lot of money to run for the city council, because it is citywide. I of course am very strong opponent of running citywide, because I want to care about all parts of the city and not only the place where I live. So I'm happy that we're then providing this program which means that anybody, a registered nurse, a retired registered nurse could run with public financing and win elections to this city council. Thank you very much to all of my colleagues for your support on this. And thanks to tim crail and previously cristina neives on my staff who helped get the ordinance passed in 2016, she's now working with kate at common cause, as the assistant director there. So I'm very happy to see her continuing the good work, and she's very excited to. Aye.

Hardesty: I think I said everything I wanted to say about this. I want to also I guess just add how excited I am to see so much community interest, to see the diversity of candidates who are stepping up, who probably never saw themselves running for public office prior to the opportunity that the open and accountable elections presented for them. I've talked to many candidates who have said that oh, my gosh, it just -- it's so freeing to not have people demanding that you spend hours every day on the phone raising money so that your voice can be heard. It is absolutely vital that we invest in a public system so that we know that the candidates who represent us, whether or not they choose to use the public system, are candidates that are truly representing what's in the public's interest. I am very happy to vote aye.

Eudaly: Well, I want to point out that you are looking at the seventh, eighth, and ninth women to ever be elected to Portland city council in our over 100-year history. As well as the first woman of color to ever be elected to city council. Although we beat the odds to win our seats, I think it is incumbent upon us to continue opening the doors wider to women and candidates of color and other underrepresented and underserved community members. I am a huge fan of campaign finance reform and getting corporate money out of politics. I would like to see a ban of corporate contributions in all federal in all elections, frankly, and an overturn of citizens united, and real transparency and accountability in our elections. I'm so thankful to commissioner Fritz for advancing this program, and to Susan and Daniel who have done a great job standing this program up in a short period of time. Now we just need to find a permanent home for it. I hope to help in any way I can with that conversation moving forward, and I happily vote aye.

Wheeler: I want to thank commissioner Fritz for her both persistence and passion on this issue. And working with director Mottet and others to make sure this is a successful program. Well done, commissioner, and I'm happy to support this. I vote aye. [gavel pounded] the ordinance is adopted.

Fritz: I literally have chills. This is so great. Thank you.

Wheeler: And I believe -- oh, yes. The next item we're going to move it, do you want to read it, Karla, 192?

Item 192.

Wheeler: We are moving that to 2:00 p.m. per the Tuesday memo. So the director can participate in that. So if people want to hear that this afternoon, 2:00 p.m. Portland city council, be there. We are adjourned.

Council recessed at 12:30 p.m.

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Hardesty: I'll call the afternoon session march 4, 2020 session to order. [gavel pounding] Karla, we had moved an agenda item from this morning this afternoon. Oh, yes, let's call the roll first, see who's here.

Fritz: Here. **Eudaly:** Here. **Wheeler:**

Hardesty: Here.

Moore-Love: Do you want to read the council rules first.

Hardesty: If you want to read an abbreviated version, we have a well behaved audience so a short sweet one would be great.

Naomi Sheffield, Deputy City Attorney: Welcome to the Portland city council. The council represents all Portlanders and meets to do city business. To participate, you need to sign up in advance outside. When you do participate, please state your name for the record, your address is not necessary and disclose if you are a lobbyist or if you're representing an organization, please disclose it. The presiding officer will determine the length of the testimony. It is generally three-minutes unless otherwise said. Please remain seated in council chambers unless you are entering and exiting and if you're 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. Thank you for helping your fellow Portlanders feel welcome, comfortable, respected and safe.

Wheeler: Good afternoon everyone, Kalra can you please call item 192 from this morning, we moved it to afternoon schedule.

Item 192.

Wheeler: Commissioner hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. We have Bob Cozzie who the director of the bureau of emergency communication to explain the need for this update and what the next steps are. Welcome.

Bob Cozzie, Director, Bureau of Emergency Communications: Thank you very much, i'm Bob Cozzie, director of the bureau of emergency communications i'm here today to request an approval of authorizing a support and maintenance gap contract with Versaterm incorporated, for the computer aided dispatch, known as our cad system, used by the bureau. Our original contract with versaterm for implementation, licensing and support is expired, it expired July 3rd of 2019. Boec asked the procurement office to draft a five-year contract with a one-year renewal option for a maximum of 10-years for licensing and support only. Procurement recommended this gap contract to allow ample time to negotiate the new contract with versaterm. The procurement office anticipates back and forth negotiations and that allows boec to maintain support in the interim. The requested amount is \$2 million, which will cover up to two-years of support and allow for implementation of new interfaces with the cad system that have already been budgeted. Such as pro qa, our new medical and fire triage, as well as lobbying recorder upgrade and alarm call processing protocol. These versaterm costs are already budgeted and the vendor has continued even though the contract is expired, they've continued to offer the same level of support. There is no change in anticipated expenses. Upon completion of the

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new master contract, boec will return to city council with a new ordinance for approval. Do you have any questions?

Hardesty: Well done.

Wheeler: Any questions, colleagues? Public testimony on this item?

Moore-Love: I show three people signed up. Ashton Simpson, Ae Sangasyand Kasey Park. Next one is a report, we don't have sign-up sheets for reports. They signed up on the wrong item.

Wheeler: Okay, if there isn't any discussion, this is an emergency ordinance please call the role.

Fritz: I feel quite old because I got the initial versaterm contract settled in my first six months in office, it is really nice to see it was delivered on time, under budget and it works and we're happy we don't have to save to another cad system, so we've been very happy with this term, they've been a good vendor and provided lots of good support so i'm very much in favor of continuing to collaborate with them. Aye.

Hardesty: I want to thank you, director Cozzie. I'm excited we're continuing this contract as we prepare to start training around pro qa. It is important that our system works and thank you for understanding that the procurement process isn't as quick as some of us would like it to be sometimes, and so it is always good to have wiggle room as we're moving from one contract to another. I vote aye.

Eudaly: Aye.

Wheeler: Aye, the ordinance adopted, thank you director.

Hardesty: That was record time.

Wheeler: Pretty fast. Next up is our one time certain item for this afternoon, 193 please Karla.

Item 193.

Wheeler: Colleagues, in january it was my pleasure to participate in the grand opening in waseca, new affordable housing project in our 42nd avenue neighborhood prosperity district. Our 42nd avenue is one of 7 districts that make up the neighborhood prosperity network. The neighborhood prosperity network has been very important of the city's economic development strategy since 2012 it allows those closest to the issues to create solutions that meet the needs of communities that have been historically under served and under represented. Now known as the neighborhood prosperity network, the group encompasses seven community partner organizations that are working to foster economic development across the city. They included the cully boulevard alliance, the division midway alliance, historic park rose, the jade district, our 42nd avenue, the rosewood initiative and the saint john's center for opportunity. Our work to address disparities in opportunity and enlist community-driven solutions to serve neighborhood health and prosperity is key if we're going to continue to be a city of innovation and progress. Today we have the opportunity to hear from director kimberly branem and tory campbell from oprosper Portland who will provide a seven-year update on the neighborhood prosperity network. Good afternoon, thank you for being here.

Kimberly Branam: Good afternoon. My name is Kimberly Branam I'm the executive director of prosper Portland and we're delighted to be here with you today. As which mentioned, i'm joined by Tory Campbell our economic development director and we're here to provide with you an update on the neighborhood prosperity network program. I'm going to provide some context about the program, how we got to where we are today and tory is going to talk about the key accomplishments as well as things we've learned in the last 7 to 8-years and what the next few years might look like.

Wheeler: Very good and director Branam jsut so people know what the agenda is for the remainder of the presentation, we will have invited testimony from the rosewood initiative, the division midway alliance and a business owner from cully central.

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Branam: Thank you. So I just want to start with an editorial, which is in 2011 when we envisioned the creation of community-led, community-driven economic development program, our highest aspiration was that we would have a number of community-led organizations that were engaged in economic development, but it was really an aspiration, and we are just, as we look back on this we are so proud of what we've accomplished in the past eight-years through these partnerships it really has transformed from our perspective, the ecosystem of community led economic development in the city and what you're going to hear and what you already know through these partners is they have made such a significant and out sized impact in each of their respect activity areas in a way that is very much tailored to their individual communities. So i'm not going to take too much time giving the preamble because we want you to hear from them, but we are heartened by this and by your continued support for this project, so thank you. The neighborhood prosperity network program is directly aligned with the strategic plan. We apply our work to support community capacity and workforce development as well as make connections with business development and technical assistance so all that you see in the black ring as well as commercial and mixed use investments to really achieve productive partnerships with the community to solve those things that we cannot solve by ourselves and which in many ways, are better solved through partnership as well as to ensure that we are supporting equitable wealth creation through business development and property ownership as well as increasing access to quality employment and creating healthy and complete neighborhoods.

Wheeler: Is that slide fuzzy, maybe i'm losing my eye sight. Is it fuzzy?

Hardesty: It is a bit fuzzy.

Wheeler: It is not showing that up way on your laptop.

Branam: It's not.

Wheeler: Okay, all right.

******:** We can find a more crisp one.

Branam: We will find a better one.

Wheeler: No worries, thank you.

Branam: The neighborhood prosperity network is our city signature community economic development program, and the overarching approach as I mentioned is a community-led, community-driven, inclusive economic development approach. In 2011 we selected the districts you see here based on the demographic and business characteristics of the area, so in particular we highlighted areas with higher level of poverty than the city average, lagging commercial investments and a higher concentration of people of color than the city average. We also looked for strong assets in terms of community capacity. So we went looking for communities that had muscle memory or had institutions that we could work with, community institutions or nonprofits who we could engage to do this kind of community-led, community driven work. This program built on input we received from key community partners as well as an analysis at the time that showed that compared to other cities across the country, Portland had relatively few community-led organizations focused on economic development. By contrast, we had a lot of community capacity around affordable housing, even a very significant understanding of land use but this was an area we compared ourselves to our cities that we saw we had room for growth. So this map shows the location of each of the seven districts, six of which are within micro tax increment finance districts. The micro tax districts were created to ensure the community-based organizations could help impact the physical environment so each district was created to ensure there would be \$1.25 million generated between 7 to 10-years to be used by the communities to impact local community development, local economic development, saint johns is in north Portland and is included in the interstate tax increment finance district, so that's a slightly different model.

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Hardesty: Excuse me, Kimberly. Is that tax incremental finances that has been financing these locations?

Branam: Yes, so it is a mixture of funding sources, so tax increment finance as well as general fund and revenue share, which is just another way of talking about property taxes. It goes within that \$1.25 million revenue source. And, I think -- do we use ezone and community block grant dollars, as well.

Wheeler: Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: My recollection is its just the city's tax increment finance, that it doesn't affect the school districts or the county. Is that correct?

Branam: It does impact, the thing that is unique about the tax increment finance district is there is no long-term debt so once we reach the \$1.25 million of maximum indebtedness then the districts don't have a tail, and because -- so revenue sharing kicks in at 10%, so at the point at which you are collecting 10% of the maximum indebtedness, which in this case would be about \$100,000 a year, then you start to begin to share the excess revenue with the city and the state school fund and the county. In this case, the city and the county determined they would 50 their revenue sharing portions to these districts which allow for the programming and operating revenues and programming. That was a choice made by city council and Multnomah at the time it had little impact on the county and state.

Fritz: It is not a standard tax increment district

Branam: It's not a district, it is a different model.

Fritz: When Kimberly is saying we, she did this with mayor Sam Adams, its really cool that you started it and now you're the director of the Portland development commission and have seen it through.

Branam: Thank you.

Fritz: You know, also the context is 2011, we're still in the middle of the recession and yet they were looking at where the years that most need the economic boost.

Branam: I really appreciate that, and I have other partners here so Dana DeKlyen was program manager has been with us throughout and we've had phenomenal partnerships and we're proud of our accomplishments since 2011, so thank you commissioner.

Wheeler: Commissioner hardesty, you have a question?

Hardesty: I'll wait.

Branam: I will quickly mention that the program foreach district is led through a place-based community driven economic development non profit organization. They each have hired a full time district manager, they each have a community directed board and they each are really powered by volunteer and community support. In the last year we have taken a look at how the districts have evolved as I mentioned, we wanted to make sure that the program was focused on ensuring the historically marginalized communities could remain and grow in the neighborhoods and so we were looking at the demographic information as well as some other social economic information that I will speak to. I want to speak to a few demographic data points that indicate that the district remain more diverse than the rest of the city and it points to the unique characteristics of each of these districts, we don't have seven districts that are all the same, they each have their own composition. For example our 42nd community is 16.1% african-american as compared to 6.3% in the city as a whole. The rosewood community is 23% Latino, its compared to 10% in the city. The jade district community is 23% asian american which is almost three times as much as the city as a whole and we have more than double the percent of pacific islanders in park rose compared to the city. On the next slide, it also continues to highlight the ongoing income disparities and education levels, so we continue to have differential median households between even those neighborhoods that are closer in, so cully verses the city of Portland, much higher, much lower degrees of bachelor degree or higher education levels within division midway which indicates potential hindrance to accessing certain

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employment opportunities. We have a higher percentage of renters in rosewood than the city as a whole and we have higher preponderances of students of color in st. johns than the city as a whole. This is not news to anybody in council but we wanted to make sure we didn't make assumptions in 2011 and come back 10 years later and see what happened so we're in the process of discussing these findings with our partners. With that I will turn it over to Tory to dig into the details.

Wheeler: Can I ask one question, Kimberly on the prior slide, when you were looking at racial demographic data, you identified four particular areas, four particular identifiers. You know, there are other demographic data we can be using across the city, for example, native american is not included here. Can you explain a little further why these four are being reflected here?

Branam: It is a terrific question. The team has put together and we can share a district by district profile that includes information for white, african-american, native american, asian, pacific islander so it is broken down district by district. We wanted to highlight where you had the highest percentage of african-americans and pacific islanders and asian americans and the latino community, and so that's what this slide shows. You have the highest preponderance of native americans in cully and st. Johns at 2% of the population.

Wheeler: Just to be clear, it is not exclusionary in any regard. If you're not seeing your demographic there it doesn't mean is not important to the district or under consideration. It just isn't the major nonmajority demographic that's being discussed.

Branam: That's right.

Wheeler: Thank you commissioner hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you mayor I was going to wait but since you brought it up on this slide I was surprised to see asian pacific islander separated because traditionally we combine our asian pacific islanders together was there a reason we decoupled that for this particular slide.

Branam: This was aligned with the census, how the census data was reported so I can look to the team.

Dana DeKlyen: I think we just selected --

Wheeler: You could come to the mic because other people listening might be really interested in this they want to hear what you have' got to say.

Hardesty: And introduce yourself.

DeKlyen: Dana DeKlyen, with prosper Portland program manager. I think we grappled with how do we display this information because there is so much information so we gave you a couple highlights so it wasn't like we picked these are our favorite demographics but rather how do we kind of show the example of these districts truly are more diverse and there are some highlights we just wanted to give you highlights.

Wheeler: Great. So the mpis aren't specifically focused on the particular demographics.

DeKlyen: Not at all.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Eudaly: I would like to comment briefly.

Wheeler: Commissioner eudaly.

Eudaly: It is problematic that we can we group Asians americans and pacific islanders together because their communities are facing really different -- or potentially facing different challenges and needs. We have a sizable tongan community and people who are basically climate refugees coming here and their needs are going to be different from some other asian immigrants so I want to encourage disaggregation in that community.

Hardesty: As do I. I was just curious because everything else the city does has asian pacific islanders combined, so if we're going to be able to measure whether or not we are having an impact, we can have some bureaus collecting data one way and other bureaus collecting data another way, so its important that we all need to agree on what data we're

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collecting and how we're reporting that data. I think the same with the african American community, they don't want to be called african-american but we stick them in that box because we don't have another box for them. So I think that is a healthy conversation and we just need to be mindful because if we don't know why the decision was made, then we miss people.

Branam: We will make sure that both on our website and share with the you if the full report and make sure we have an explanation as to why the decisions were made and what the data source is. Appreciate that.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Tory Campbell: Thank you mayor and commissioners, my name is Tory Campbell, I'm the director of economic development at prosper. I want to walk you through a little bit of the program, in terms of both the funding, but also highlighting three of the major priorities. I will share a little bit about some of the successes this year with respects to problem solving and building community. The program funding shows what you it is with respects to the grant that is received on an annual basis in terms of where those dollars are allocated to support each of the networks, so there is a full time district manager, there is opportunities for promotion within the funding to promote each district. There is also opportunities for technical assistance. That's by way of helping to build capacity with the rest of the organizations, district improvements and highlighting the revenue share there are multiple streams of funding that really go together to make the networks work. I want to spend time talking around the importance of community building. The mpns are distinction, their not necessarily business association or a neighborhood association, the really are kind of a community-led and driven organization that is trying to uplift and build the capacity of the neighborhood. Obviously for us there is emphasis on economic development as core essential but you can imagine with an organization like this, they're going to touch the needs of a variety of things that show up in community. They have to be responsive it requires a lot of collaboration with partners and bureaus so they stand in many respects as an epicenter for what the communities experiencing and how they are able to respond to the needs in a very nimble and localized way for each district. Some of these things that have the opportunities and if you will the inventions and solutions that have arisen in terms of problem solving have been around signature events such as our farmers markets, there are two districts that have farmers markets that are able to provide fresh food annually to the community. There's also the jade night market is probably the one that stands out, if you're just measuring the sheer volume of number, but all the other ones are no less important, over two-days, over 25,000 will descend into the jade district and enjoy the wares and smells and sights and sounds of a very diverse and growing community. You will find in every district as they all are finding fresh footing to say this is who we are when we show up at our best there's also again with an emphasis on economic development, each district in their own unique way able to provide monthly seminars and cultural connections. I want to talk more in depth around the priorities that are going to be centered around in business development, workforce and development of properties in each district. The goal for each district is to create and grow and strengthen micro and small businesses through technical assistance and training. This is done in part through our inclusive business resource network, there is a nexus there where the network has identified partners to go out and provide the small business technical assistance for each of the neighborhood prosperity networks. That is a good collaboration showing synergy within existing programs and prosper to meet the needs of each of the neighborhoods. This year, 62 businesses received long-term small business support where 134 businesses throughout the district received about, they received light touch. It shows that you both is necessary and needed and that flexibility work within our programs is providing the opportunity for businesses to call those communities home, to stay rooted and grow and

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expand. The next priority is connection to employment, obviously workforce is incredible. We talked about the profile of each district and why we've chosen them in terms of high concentration of diverse populations, and poverty is expressed there, so we felt one of the core things for people to be able to live in place is to find meaningful work and jobs that pay a livable wage. Bless you, commissioner. One of the strategies is to employ and we've seen tremendous success of workforce navigators. We have four that provides support through all the districts. They are a face in the community that is familiar to help individuals navigate the system, navigate opportunities for employment and work systems inc. is not a contract manager for our work force program, and we're proud of what that has been able to do in helping galvanizing the community. We realize with low unemployment in our state and even our city if you're not employed or under employed, it requires a unique set of interventions to support you so the navigators provide the very unique point of connection. To date, the workforce navigator program has served 1,620 people just to give you a sense of scale in the community, and 81.6% are people of color served through that.

Hardesty: I just wanted to make sure we put on the record when you talk about the low unemployment rate what you're really talking about is a white job seeking population primarily. I want to be clear because I know that young people of color have the highest unemployment rate nationally and locally across-the-board. I know that people of color have twice whatever the white unemployment rate is. I also know that once you just get frustrated and stop looking you're no longer counted in the data, and so I just want to be really clear we're not at a place we are at 5% unemployment, right, just for a very narrow segment about community so didn't want that to be like people think, oh we're all this because we're not all this yet.

Campbell: Agreed. The next area I want to talk about is community-led property development. We're finding that this is a growing capacity with respect to the neighborhood, the initiatives, its interesting because you would imagine with each organization there's a level of maturity and growth that just has to happen for you to take on more complex opportunities in the community. The fact that we have several projects that have taken place that have been built out or purchased and redeveloped is a true sign of the overall growth within the district, so we're very proud of that. So two examples in front of you, the first one is off 42nd and it is a property, let me get in front of me, our 42nd day purchases property shown in the slide, from a long time property owner with the assistance of our neighborhood prosperity initiative opportunity fund and the district is now in negotiations with a local business owner to purchase the building and negotiate community benefits agreements to ensure that priority community members are able to stabilize their business in the district so basically, they purchase the property, they're selling it back to someone when who will operate in the cba that will create more affordable commercial tenancing for businesses in the community. That is a great sign of the community taking their own initiatives and self determination of helping keep businesses in place. The second one is and you are familiar with this is the orchards and 82nd which is a true testimony again, affordable housing at rose cdc did in partnership with apano. These are great examples where the community is showing its real strength and thoughtfulness with respects to the way the community is growing and really trying to retain the core of that community. Just a few more elements to highlight. In terms of problem solving, that is always appreciated. Too often it is to easy for us and the npn is designed, it really tries to do away with, to creating policy and the ivy tower so to speak by really trying to localize it in the community, so any time there is a problem they're solving you have a stronger sense it is meeting the true need in the moment. I want to highlight a few commotion is a space that, again was a property that was purchased by residents within the community of r 42nd. They developed the building. It has 19 housing units and two commercial ground floor spaces. It's one of those things that are directed, we purchase that, we design that,

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these ours and that is incredibly important, another opportunity in terms of solutions which many of you are familiar with is legal services day which took place out at rosewood, which was an opportunity to bring people together to help expunge records of things that are impeding them to move forward in their life and the program is successful and it has not been replicated throughout the city, I know they are trying to find ways to move to a day to an ongoing activity. I believe to date, 2,000 people received services through legal services day. I want to get the number right because got give credit where credit is due. Come on, talk about it. 2,000 individuals have been served and over 6 million in fines have been waived. So I think that's an incredibly profound in terms of releasing people back into ability for upward mobility.

Hardesty: Do you have any data on the kind of expungements that people need most. I remember when I did this when I was working with Oregon action, that we had people flying in from all over the country for the opportunity to get expungements because it they have an impact on peoples ability to get a job, their drivers license, the ability to get their professional licenses, et cetera. It would really be helpful to know, I think we just need to go to Salem and change the law on marijuana convictions so we can stop doing that, investing dollars where we just need to change the law and just fix that. But the other ones i'm really interested in what are the things that people need most that would be very helpful.

Campbell: We can look into that, that is a great question. So the last few elements, just again, these are important metrics you can also tell the narrative of a program through the numbers. These are what we report back to the city, it shows with the funding invested on an annual throughout grant that each district is able to receive so far \$4.4 million have been leveraged in private investment. Obviously, it takes a team to move this forward. We also highlight the importance of volunteerism within each district showing the community is behind this, its not just a stand alone organization by itself and 180 new net businesses within a district, that's also important to know it is still remaining it is the viability and synergy with creating spaces where businesses, I believe you can go here and be successful opposed to elsewhere.

Wheeler: Can I ask for a clarification? What is a net new business? When you say net, what do you mean, net? What is the different between net new business or gross business?

Branam: If you were to look at gross business we would be over counting because there is some number of businesses that have gone out of business during that time period.

Wheeler: So this is --

Branam: The overall additive.

Wheeler: So it is actually considerable which more than 180. That's great. That's impressive.

Campbell: As well as the jobs that have been created within the districts. And the last few slides is lessons learned. We would be remiss if we didn't say we're still yet in a learning posture. These are some of the highlights each district as we already shared in so many ways need as tailors approach that makes a lot of sense. At times it is can be difficult in a business life you can put a blanket on everything, this is more everyone but the more tailored we see, the more important the outcomes are in terms of meeting their goals. Building relationships are key. I think we know that's incredibly important, particularly with the shifting demographics in our city, relationships are at the core of everything we do local fundraising is very challenges, we've seen that can particularly heading into the last few years of this tiff strategy, we realize that long-term sustainability is really on the forefront of everybody's mind. Some of the efforts we've put in the last few years help build the capacity of grant writing also started looking at revenue streams and we will continue to press into that, knowing we want to see the organizations and concepts and the work

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they're representing in their communities be sustainable and then access to capital is necessary to gain community benefits. It takes money to make money. You have to be able to have capital in order to move things along, those are lessons learned with respect to how do we find that and source and ensure the dollars are available. The last thing is next steps. Again, support community led property development, we want to strengthen each districts ability to do that in their own timing and sequence, it is different for each one, but still an important component. We're also exploring other funding mechanisms and strengthening the community boards, as you know everything rises and falls with leadership so the boards play an important role in support of the district leads to make sure they're not only diverse and representative of the community but they also are healthy and active in order to be that backbone for the work at hand. Questions?

Wheeler: I had one question. On one of your early slides, you don't need to find it again, you were talking about the neighborhood prosperity network and you were talking about technical assistance with regard to business development. Is that coming through the ibrn or is this a completely separate parallel program.

Campbell: it is coming through the ibrn.

Wheeler: Yes, you were just making the point that the programs are in alignment.

Campbell: Correct.

Wheeler: Great, excellent, thank you. Appreciate that. Commissioner Hardesty has question.

Hardesty: I was intrigued to see that, in jade district, 55% of the employment is white collar. I'm kind of shocked by that. Does that mean there is a high level of doctors, lawyers, those kind of professionals in the jade district as compared to, say, some of the other districts? For example there some that are kind of evenly divided between service and blue collar, but that white collar number really stood out for me.

Branam: We have our liaison to the jade district here so we can confer and come back up on that one.

Wheeler: Very good.

Hardesty: Excellent presentation.

Wheeler: We will hear now from invited testimony. We have Ashton Simpson, community asset planner for the rosewood initiative this year, and Lisha Shrestha is here from division midway alliance, the executive director. Thank you for being here.

Hardesty: Didn't you walk in with that cute thrill kid?

Ashton Simpson: He is in commissioner Eudaly's office. He was here a couple weeks ago and wanted to talk in the mic.

Wheeler: We also have is it Ae Sangasy?

Eudaly: We should have special accommodations for children who set through council to get one shot at the mic.

Wheeler: I agree with that.

Eudaly: I'll pass a resolution.

Wheeler: Thank you all for being here, we appreciate it. I don't know who wants to start or if it matters who starts.

Kasey Park: Thank you. Good afternoon, commissioner Eudaly, commission Fritz, commissioners and mayor for this opportunity to share one of our program highlights to our culture liaison program. Before we start as you already know that division midway alliance is uniquely positioned in the heart of midway district which is home to long time east Portland residents. First and second generation immigrants and newly arrived refugees. 51% of our community members who live in the district are non-english speakers. Withing the community vision and organization in 2018, with 90 community members from afgani, Burmese, butanese, somali, latino and pacific islander and other communities they helps us identify some issues and concerns that they have. Some

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highlights was the need of community and business incubation space in our district. The other thing they talked about is it is very difficult for them to comprehend classes and services that are offered in english and are really advanced. As a way to address some of the issues we launch culturally liaison the support program to serve these communities and we are launching entrepreneurship one-on-one for english language proficient groups that want to start their own business with support from cultural liaisons, we served 1,017 community members since august 2018 this approach has not only supported our existing programs but also helped us leverage the resources to start new programs, receive grants and partner with city bureaus some examples are our existing programs such as store front grant and business support program are now more accessible to minority business owners. Five out of nine grant recipients are minority business owners, similarly now we are able to provide language support to community members during one-on-one business advising session. This approach also helped us build capacity within the community, and, as a result of that, want a community member lead the community garden in trainings and 12 households have access to land to grow their own food and we are starting a farmers market in 2020. We saw a significant increasing participation from communities of color at our annual event, festival of nations. Last year 75% of the festival planning community members are from communities of color, refugee and immigrants and that changed the whole scenario. Participation and everything. And we are also able to leverage the culture liaison support program to start a new program called youth environmental leadership program, where youth of color leads environmental awareness training, physical improvements in our community and they are leading clean-up day on the 4th of April and you are all invited, you can go to our facebook page and just start there. Just an invitation. And we are also public side of the trimet low income fare program, it is all because our culture liaison support program because 50% of the members enrolled receive language support through this program. What we have learned from this process and experience is the best service can be given to communities when we adopt practices that are holistic in nature, and culturally significant approach. Thank you for npn to provide that opportunity through this partnership.

Wheeler: What day was your clean up day?

Park: 4th of April.

Wheeler: April 4th?

Park: It is 10:00 to 2:00 and I have to check that.

Wheeler: If people wanted to find information on that they can go to your website.

Park: It's on facebook and Instagram too.

Wheeler: Appreciate it thank you.

Ashton Simpson: Good afternoon mayor, commissioner Eudaly, Fritz and Hardesty, my name is Ashton Simpson I am the community planner at the rosewood initiative and we're community center that hosts a whole host of responsive programs for diverse community. Tory stole my thunder a little bit talking about legal services days so i'll talk about the low income fare program we took on at rosewood where we sign folks up for low income fare. In doing so, we do everything but print the card out so from the time we submit the application within a week or two, they have their card in their mailbox so that saves them the trip of coming down here to pioneer square to get an id, so that has been a great benefit to our community. Since 2019 we've been busy taking the same community voices and creating the rosewood equitable neighborhood development plan. That is a lot, I know, but it is great work because it is driven by the outlines in the j.p. Morgan chase grant we were award last year at that point is rooting rosewood into a more vibrant, safer and healthier community. The framework for our plan is to develop to three to five key sites in a half mile radius of the rosewood community center and build on investments made by the city of Portland. Our plan is about address issues identified by the community which

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focuses on housing stability, education, community health and wellness, transportation, climate change, resilience, place making, cultivation of community culture as well as economic and wealth building opportunities. For rosewood's part, this planning process is part of a broader strategy to mitigate involuntary displacement by taking control of under utilized land in which our organization would develop while being advised by the same community voices. It is also very important we have a long-term coordinated vision while aligning public investment strategically and creating a healthier neighborhood. Over the next three months we will be working with several architects as sera, metro, a psu merc team and eco northwest to develop our equitable neighborhood development plan guided and this work will be guided by heavy community involvement, building on the strength of surrounding community partner networks and incorporating the major public investments to a safer and healthier and better connected community. Currently, Portland parks and rec is set to invest \$16 million in the park lane park expansion. \$21.7 in the safety and repaving improvements along stark and 162nd avenue by pbot totaling \$37.7 million of public investment committed to our community. And, oh, by the way, if the t-2020 ballot measure passes there will be an additional \$90 million of funds on 162nd. So the work of the rosewood equitable neighborhood development plan would be to connect those major investments with extensive community engagement and workshop sessions to create our plan which we will use to develop the area from within for years to come. Thank you for the opportunity to present this much-needed work. We look forward to continuing our efforts to achieve a safer, vibrant and healthier rosewood. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Commissioner hardesty.

Hardesty: I just had one question. The knock, knock \$90 million, what did you stay with a come from?

Simpson: Sorry, get there 2020.

Eudaly: We don't call it t-2020 any more.

Simpson: Sorry, that was my mistake.

Hardesty: Are we talking about the transportation bond?

Simpson: Yes, ma'am.

Hardesty: Thank you very much.

Wheeler: That was shameless and totally appreciated plug.

Hardesty: You know more than I do about what is in that package because you believe \$90 million will be invested in the east Portland neighborhood near rosewood. I hope you're right. What is that information based on?

Eudaly: I'm on that task force so I could talk to you off line, but we've selected the top tier corridors and 162nd is one of them. We've got a really nice package coming together.

Hardesty: Wow, I will withhold judgment until I see it.

Eudaly: Okay.

Hardesty: All right, thank you.

Simpson: You're welcome.

Wheeler: Thank you, appreciate it.

Simpson: Yeah, no problem.

Ae Sangasy: Thank you, commissioner eudaly, Fritz, hardesty and mayor wheeler for having me mere to speak. I'm just here to attest that I'm living effort in support of the cully boulevard alliance. I am one of the owners at cully neighborhood. My name is Ae Sangasy, I'm one of the owners of cully central and we are a restaurant bar serving loustian food. Cully neighborhood alliance has been the most amazing supportive organization i've ever known. They provided a lot of support, network and resources to us as business openers and provided a grant for us to do a face lift in our building to make it welcoming, safe environment for the neighborhood and our customers. We've worked with indigenous market last year, providing an area for them to come and sell some of their crafts because

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they've reached out to us with the help from cully boulevard alliance we've networked and they've reached out to us and asked us is there a place where they could come and do an event there because they don't have any funding and going to other places is going to cost them a lot of money. So the cully boulevard alliance has encouraged us it would be supportive of all the thing they've done for us so it only makes sense. We also provide the same support and kind of partnership with people like indigenous marketplace, you know, like a free place for them to come do the things they need to do. So, in that effort we've also reached out to a lot of the cully neighborhood alliance area, to support, there was a fire there last year and we helped raise some money to help support some of the owners that had their house burn down and all those things. So i'm also -- and then, a couple weeks ago, we were in the process of trying to buy the building that we currently lease so that way we would have more of a permanent place to kind of provide, like, positive support places and then making a difference in the neighborhood. With the help of cully boulevard alliance and prosper, we had two-weeks to come up with the funds and we were strapped with time and it was almost an impossible under taking we had to do, but because of the people, the network they had, the resources they were able to provide to us, we actually made it happen and it was like an impossible thing that was possible. So it made us feel like the power of the partnership collaboration, commitment and networking was unbelievable. It goes to show how amazing we were able to accomplish when we come together as a team so I want to say thank you for all that they've done, as small business opening, the support provided but these organizations have been nothing but amazing, our gratitude and appreciation will never be enough. I just want to make sure it is highlight that the things they have done, the effort they provided for us is more than I could ask for as a small business owner, as a first-time business owner, I would never know where to go, what to do and who to look for to get things and the things they have done is they consistently, persistently every day they would check up on us to make sure we got what we needed and all the help we could get in order to move forward with the things we needed to do.

Wheeler: That's great.

Sangasy: Is my mic a little --

Fritz: Just a little close to it.

Wheeler: They're funky. Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: Tell the folks again at home the name of your business and where it is.

Sangasy: Cully central on 60th and prescott and going street.

Fritz: Sounds fabulous.

Sangasy: Thank you.

Fritz: Congratulations.

Sangasy: Thank you.

Wheeler: Thanks a lot, appreciate it. Thank you. All right, kimberly, unless I missed anything, that completes the presentation?

Hardesty: Can I ask somebody to come back up? I have a couple more questions.

Wheeler: Sure, we're ahead of schedule, no worries.

Branam: Thank you. We wanted to respond to the questions around expungement and what for what was expunged and then the composition of the workforce within the jade district. So within expungement, what has been found is that traffic charges that then go unpaid and lead to license suspensions are particularly problematic, as are low-level drug offenses and drug charges. So we work through metropolitan public defender, which is our partner in this work, so we can get more fine grain information if we wanted to share that in a legislative way but from a high level those are the major challenges.

Hardesty: Thank you. Yes, they get money from us from several sources so the next time they're in front of us i'll make sure to ask them for more details about that.

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Branam: Thank you.

Hardesty: Thank you. What you did find out about white collar verses blue collar and service jobs?

Campbell: So, we had a chance to talk to the district manager and highlighted it centers around some of the schooling in the areas so warner pacific, pcc and harris burge, those jobs are nestled in the jade and that elevated that percentage and to the point it makes you say what?

Hardesty: I was, like, yeah, that didn't make sense to me. Ding, ding, ding. And the last question is I noticed that for the rosewood initiative area, the per capita income is \$20,747. That tells a story in and of itself, so it is -- how are the efforts that we're doing through this actually raising the income of residents in the rosewood initiative area? I think there are some low ones but that's the lowest one I saw based on your report.

Branam: Well, I think we can share our perspective on that. I would say that just starting back, if we go back to 2012, rosewood was partner who very early on indicated that creating connections to quality employment was a more appropriate intervention for their district than supporting and having such a focus on supporting individual businesses. So jenny and her team can talk about all they have done to make sure they have a robust partnership with southeast works that they have a lot of connections to employment for people who are formerly incarcerated and who are within the district, but I think they have also looked at how they partner with local schools and they have a program on, for english language learners. They are actively working to make sure that people have the opportunity to connect and to grow their incomes, so -- and identify those barriers that come up to employment so expungement to make sure you can actually have a driver's license can be a really important endeavor.

Hardesty: Absolutely. And especially if the median rent is \$811. If you are only making a little over \$20,000 a year, you can't rent in rosewood area if you are working minimum wage jobs. So it really does highlight the disconnect between where we think housing that is naturally affordable is and where people who are desperate and really on the edges of house insecurities, because I know folks in rosewood pay more to get into sub standards housing and then they can't afford to get out of that sub standard housing because of first, last, security deposit, pet deposit and pet rent in order to move into another location, so I hope we're able to, with the information that you've been able to gather, have a more robust conversation about what additional supports, because clearly, building housing at 60% of mfi is not going to move the needle in rosewood. Thank you.

Branam: Thank you.

Wheeler: I would like to hear something about the future, as well. Obviously relationships matter, I think I recognize everyone in the room at the moment and you built up a community around these programs. What is next? Where are we going from here?

Branam: A really important and good question and one of the, it's the question that we've been having and we will continue to have with each organization. From the on set, we anticipated that each organization would determine what its path should be so whether an organization wanted to eventually become a community development corporation or become part of another existing nonprofit organization or if seven to 10-years felt like the right term of their interventions. So we are, as a staff level, having those conversations with district managers and with their boards about what the future looks like. There are some districts, like our 42nd on the cully boulevard alliance which is actively, with the support of resources from metro and through the general fund considering the potential of a new tax increment finance district, which would support larger districts. I think we are in active conversations, I don't think we can forecast, but from our perspective, this remains an essential ecosystem within the city of Portland so we want to do whatever we can to continue to make sure they are resourced and supported. One of the things that tory

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mentioned is how challenging it has been to raise funds and I just want to under score that the neighborhood prosperity initiative districts have done an exemplary job of raising funds for projects and programs, so they really have met or exceeded what we thought they would achieve when we were business modeling this now the 2012 for overall grants. It has been more challenging, however, and is always the case to find operational funding which is the key gap that we help to secure because we have on going revenue to support district managers and other of that essential, keeping the lights on kind of work. That's one of the key areas that will need to collectively solve for over the next few years.

Wheeler: Yeah, this is a beggars Portland question be, as well. What is the role of government? What is the role of philanthropy? What is the roll of npo's in trying to figure out the resourcing question.

Branam: So we look forward to future conversations with you about that as we engage both at the districts.

Wheeler: That is something i'm very interested in. Thank you, tory, appreciate it. I'll entertain a motion.

Fritz: Move to accept the report.

Hardesty: Second.

Wheeler: Very good. We'll let commissioner Fritz make a motion to accept the report. Commissioner hardesty seconds the proposal. Any further questions? Karla, please call the roll.

Fritz: This is really exciting. Thank you for being here. This represents a lot of work over a lot of team for a lot of people. Thank you very much, coming back to tell not only the council but the people of Portland what have you been doing with money that would have otherwise would be going into the general fund, and I think the answer is absolutely wonderful amount of things. Kimberly Branam, when working with sam adams this was your brain child and now you're the executive director of prosper Portland, I think it is very safe to say that prosper Portland is not your father's Portland development commission and the commission and the work that all of you are doing really has been censoring equity and looking at who are we, who benefits who pays and is that fair. So really appreciate that this -- i'm excited about this program. You know, when we established it during the recession, it was kind of like, oh, every penny counts and can we find, how are we going to make this work with everything else that needs to get funded and the other support for basically jobs at that time so it was a leap of faith and you have really done a wonderful job of repaying our faith and making sure that this worked and it will continue to work. So i'm glad to hear, too, about the next steps. When you have a 10-year program, we're on year seven, you don't want all this great work to go away. We know it is difficult for the districts to raise money within themselves. It is not like, you know, seven-years check and now one of some of the most affluent years of Portland they're still not so he will be perhaps looking from the side leans after this year to find out what you're going to do next and I wish you all the best and again, thank you very much, aye.

Hardesty: I'm grateful for the information that you provided in this report because I think it is a road map of how the city of Portland who benefits and who doesn't benefit in the city of Portland and highlights areas I think are critical for our deliberation. I want to applaud the work that's been done. I've been pushing back on kimberly a lot because I think that there is a desire to take cannabis dollars and maybe back fill some of the money we know will disappear, and i'm not a big fan of that approach so i've been very clear about that because I believe that we have to do so much better with the cannabis dollars that we are collecting and have not invested as we told voters we would. We're going to be having a more deeper conversation next week around the cannabis dollars, but today, for this particular, it is clear to see that the community has been engaged in a way I would say last been very deep, very meaningful and very intentional around making sure we're supporting

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community needs and not necessarily government needs and centering those communities that have been left out of the check prosperity that so many are enjoying in the city of Portland. So I applaud the work that's been done up to this point. I encourage to you continue to think creatively about how we continue to fund and expand these programs, without thinking that there is any one pot of ideal money because there isn't not in the city, but we should continue the conversation about how we invest in the long-term. I vote aye.

Eudaly: All the knocking is going on outside of the building, they don't pay any attention to what is going on inside. I'm a big fan of the neighborhood prosperity network. I support all of the goals that you're advancing, especially stabilizing and strengthening existing businesses, which is something I think we haven't historically done such a great job with, as well as increasing the number of jobs and connecting residents to those jobs. In many of these communities, there are communities where people have been displaced out of the central city and into the neighborhoods where there is certainly less economic opportunities, so that is excellent. I consider this an obligation the city has to mitigate the impacts of development driven displacement which we also haven't done a great job with, I only wish the council in 2209 had the foresight to protect renters and community of color from the wave of gentrification and we've seen it at that time and has only accelerated in the past 10 years. But that's not prosper Portland's arena, and I don't want to rain on your parade, this is great. It is just a moment to reflect on what could have been and what needs to happen moving forward. I'm happy to support. This I vote aye.

Wheeler: Well, first of all, let me just say, this I love this because this is a pragmatic approach to shared economic prosperity. We talk a lot about shared economic prosperity but that doesn't mean anything without significant investments and tangible programs in the community that actually create that shared economic prosperity. That is the first thing I love about, the second thing I love about it kimberly is a visionary, it really is taking the usual process of economic development strategies and completely inverting it and puts the community first, it centers the community and it actually draws its creativity and innovation and ultimately its progress from prioritization and decisions made at the community level. That's great for a couple of reasons. Number one, you don't want us telling you what is the most important thing for you in your own neighborhood and community, and number two we don't have to. Because we have your expertise to rely on, and now that we're seven-years away from that original vision that you all started back in the day, it's easy for me to look at this today and say this is a smashing success. We heard some great testimony that validates that but you didn't know it back in the day that it would be a smashing success. And I think it has become foundational and I look forward to the next iteration, I look forward to being part of the next iteration, work forward to working with all of you to secure more sustainable funding and new paths toward. I think it is foundational, also, because I don't think we would have the inclusive business network or Portland means progress or other initiatives if we hadn't laid the foundation with the neighborhood prosperity network's first. You are all part of it I love being here as mayor of this city where we're doing this innovative and pragmatic work. Thank you all for your tremendous work. Tory, you've only improved it since you've been here, we love having you on the team and I appreciate who came in and participated today and everybody who testified. It is fun and it is working. I vote aye. The report is accepted. And, we're adjourned. [gavel pounding]

Council adjourned at 3:08 p.m.