



Bureau of Planning and Sustainability

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MEMO

DATE: August 20, 2020

TO: Ted Wheeler, Mayor
Chloe Eudaly, Commissioner
Amanda Fritz, Commissioner
Jo Ann Hardesty, Commissioner

FROM: Shannon Buono, Senior Planner
Sallie Edmunds, Supervising Planner

CC: Andrea Durbin, Director
Joe Zehnder, Chief Planner

SUBJECT: **Accept report** Dark Skies: Strategies for Reducing Light Pollution in Portland

The Bureau of Planning and Sustainability asks the City Council to accept the report, Exhibit A “*Dark Skies: Strategies for Reducing Light Pollution in Portland*”.

The report provides background on the topic and includes a prioritized list of actions that, if implemented, will reduce the amount of poorly aimed, poorly shielded and overly bright light in our community, reduce negative impacts on human and ecosystem health and safety, reduce energy waste, and increase our ability to see the night sky.

In July 2019, City Council allocated funding to the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability to research current best practices for reducing light pollution and develop recommended actions for implementing the best practices citywide within the next five years. The direction for the project stems from action item EN13 of the adopted Central City 2035 plan, which directs the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability to “initiate a Dark Skies project and implement best practices to reduce the impacts of nighttime lighting and sky glare on human health and well-being, wildlife and energy consumption.”



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REPORT
Title

Accept report Dark Skies: Strategies for Reducing Light Pollution in Portland (Report)

<p style="text-align: center;">INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Mayor Wheeler</p>	<p>CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>9/8/20</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Mary Hull Caballero Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p>Digitally signed by Mustafa Washington Date: 2020.09.08 12:19:36 -07'00'</p>
<p>Mayor—Finance & Administration - Wheeler</p>	
<p>Position 1/Utilities - Fritz</p>	
<p>Position 2/Works - Ryan</p>	
<p>Position 3/Affairs - Hardesty</p>	
<p>Position 4/Safety - Eudaly</p>	<p>By: <u>Keelan McClymont</u> Deputy</p> <p>Digitally signed by Keelan McClymont Date: 2020.09.08 21:44:47 -07'00'</p> <p>ACTION TAKEN: September 17, 2020 Accepted</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">BUREAU APPROVAL</p>	
<p>Bureau: Bureau: Planning and Sustainability Bureau Head: Andrea Durbin</p> <p>Digitally signed by Andrea Durbin Date: 2020.08.28 12:18:58 -07'00'</p>	
<p>Prepared by: Shannon Buono Date Prepared: 8/20/20</p>	
<p>Impact Statement Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>City Auditor Office Approval: required for Code Ordinances</p>	
<p>City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code, easement, franchise, comp plan, charter</p>	
<p>Council Meeting Date 9/17/20</p>	

AGENDA
<p>TIME CERTAIN <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Start time: <u>2PM</u> Total amount of time needed: <u>1 hour</u> (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>
<p>CONSENT <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>REGULAR <input type="checkbox"/> Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz	✓	
2. Ryan	2. Ryan	✓	
3. Hardesty	3. Hardesty	✓	
4. Eudaly	4. Eudaly	✓	
Wheeler	Wheeler	✓	