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Emergency Ordinance

***Accept the 2018 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program-Post Fire grant in the amount of \$429,174 and authorize agreement with the State of Oregon Office of Emergency Management to reduce hazardous fuels in the Forest Park area**

Passed

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

1. The Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) was created in 1988, to provide direct financial assistance to implement long-term hazard mitigation measures.
2. The City of Portland is adjacent to one of the largest urban parks in the United States. Forest Park is surrounded on three sides by industrial and residential development and contains approximately 5,200 acres of old and mixed age vegetation consisting of conifers, alders, maples, cottonwood, grasses, thistle, bracken fern, fireweed, and various berry bushes: The risk of loss of homes and businesses built at the wildland urban interface is significant and growing due to the buildup of hazardous wildfire fuels which includes large biomasses of invasive species.
3. On February 6, 2019, Ordinance No. 189372 authorized Portland Fire & Rescue (PF&R) and Portland Parks & Recreation (PP&R) to apply for the HMGP grant on behalf of the City.
4. On June 22, 2021, the federal Department of Homeland Security through its Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) awarded the HMGP grant to the City, requiring acceptance within 30 days (see Exhibit A, FEMA Grant Award).
5. PF&R and PP&R will collaborate on a hazardous fuels reduction project, partnering with The Forest Park Conservancy, a nonprofit organization, to conduct homeowner outreach and education in Linnton neighborhoods.

Introduced by

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Date Prepared

July 12, 2021

Requested Agenda Type

Consent

6. FEMA Grant # FM-5195-OR provides \$429,174, there is a 25% cash or in-kind match requirement of \$143,058 that will be met through contributions of budgeted staff time. Including the City's matching obligation, the total grant budget is \$572,232. The period of performance ends January 29, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

- A. The Chief of Portland Fire & Rescue is authorized to accept a grant award from the United States of America through its Department of Homeland Security (attached as Exhibit A) and to execute a grant agreement (attached as Exhibit B) with the state of Oregon through its Office of Emergency Management in the amount of \$429,174. The Chief is authorized to contribute \$143,058 in City matching funds or in-kind contributions to meet the City's matching fund obligation.
- B. The Office of Management & Finance Grants Office is authorized to perform all administrative matters in relation to the grant application, grant agreement or amendments, requests for reimbursement from the grantor, and to submit required online grant documents.
- C. The Director of Portland Parks & Recreation is authorized to execute a grant agreement with The Forest Park Conservancy in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 to support its homeowner outreach program.
- D. The Chief of Portland Fire & Rescue is authorized to accept on behalf of the City of Portland any subsequent modifications to the grant award (Exhibit A) and the grant agreement (Exhibit B), provided such modifications do not increase the City of Portland's financial obligation or risk. Any modifications that increase the City of Portland's financial obligation or risk must be authorized by the Portland City Council.

Section 2. The Council declares that an emergency exists to meet grant deadlines and any delay in the acceptance will result in delays of executing the critical project; therefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Council.

Documents and Exhibits

 [Exhibit A Award Letter](#) (271.09 Kb)


 [Exhibit B Grant Agreement](#) (188.47 Kb)

An ordinance when passed by the Council shall be signed by the Auditor. It shall be carefully filed and preserved in the custody of the Auditor (City Charter Chapter 2 Article 1 Section 2-122)

Passed by Council
July 28, 2021

Auditor of the City of Portland
Mary Hull Caballero

Impact Statement

 [Impact Statement](#) (26.02 Kb)

Agenda Items

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Passed

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

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