



CITY OF
Portland, Oregon

Official
Minutes

March 24-25, 2021

Date and time

March 24, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

Council recessed at 11:11 a.m.

Officers in attendance

Keelan McClymont, Clerk of the Council; Matt Farley, Deputy City Attorney

Consent Agenda

Item No. 174 was pulled from the Consent Agenda and on a Y-5 roll call, the balance of the Consent Agenda was adopted.

Date and time

March 24, 2021 at 2:19 p.m.

Council recessed at 4:47 p.m.

Officers in attendance

Keelan McClymont, Clerk of the Council; Linly Rees, Chief Deputy City Attorney

Date and time

March 25, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.

Council adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

Officers in attendance

Keelan McClymont, Clerk of the Council; Karen Moynahan, Chief Deputy City Attorney

MARY HULL CABALLERO
Auditor of the City of Portland

By Keelan McClymont
Clerk of the Council

PORTLAND CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
City Hall - 1221 SW Fourth Avenue
WEDNESDAY, 9:30 AM, MARCH 24, 2021

Those present by videoconference were: Mayor Wheeler, Presiding;
 Commissioners Hardesty, Mapps, Rubio and Ryan, 5.

Disposition:

City Hall is closed to the public due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Under Portland City Code and state law, the City Council is holding this meeting electronically. All members of council are attending remotely by video and teleconference, and the City has made several avenues available for the public to listen to the audio broadcast of this meeting. The meeting is available to the public on the City's YouTube Channel, eGov PDX, www.portlandoregon.gov/video and Channel 30. The public can also provide written testimony to Council by emailing the Council Clerk at cctestimony@portlandoregon.gov.

The Council is taking these steps as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and the need to limit in-person contact and promote social distancing. The pandemic is an emergency that threatens the public health, safety and welfare which requires us to meet remotely by electronic communications. Thank you all for your patience, flexibility and understanding as we manage through this difficult situation to do the City's business.

Provide Public Testimony: City Council will hear public testimony on resolutions and ordinances (first readings only). Testimony is not taken on communications, reports, second readings, proclamations or presentations in accordance with Code 3.02.040 F. and G. Public testimony will be heard by electronic communication (internet connection or telephone). Please identify the agenda item(s) you want to testify on, and then visit the Council Clerk's agenda webpage to register, www.portlandoregon.gov/auditor/councilagenda. Provide your name, agenda item number(s), zip code, phone number and email address. Individuals have three minutes to testify unless otherwise stated at the meeting.

The deadline to sign up for the March 24-25, 2021 Council meetings is March 23, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

Email the Council Clerk at councilclerk@portlandoregon.gov with any questions.

COMMUNICATIONS

167 Request of Mary Sipe to address Council regarding affordable housing (Communication)

PLACED ON FILE

168 Request of Scott Weber to address Council regarding Hazelnut Grove Tiny Cabin Village as a benefit to the Overlook Neighborhood (Communication)

PLACED ON FILE

CONSENT AGENDA – NO DISCUSSION		
<p>169 Reappoint Jeff Bachrach and Martha Williamson to the Development Review Advisory Committee for terms to expire September 12, 2022 and October 10, 2023 (Report introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Ryan)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>		CONFIRMED
<p>*170 Authorize Directors of the Bureau of Environmental Services and Bureau of Development Services to apply to the Federal Emergency Management Agency for floodway and floodplain map revisions on behalf of the City (Ordinance introduced by Commissioners Mapps and Ryan)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>		190329
<p>Mayor Ted Wheeler</p> <p>Office of Management and Finance</p>		
<p>171 Accept recommendation of the Central Eastside Industrial Council and approve the removal of the 2.3 percent annual escalator amount for Central Eastside Together Enhanced Service District license fees for one year to begin July 1, 2021 (Resolution)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>		37534
<p>*172 Amend Intergovernmental Agreement between the Office of Management and Finance and Portland State University to pay the City’s pro-rata share of interim property management services for the new commercial multi-level condominium building at 4th and Montgomery not to exceed \$451,000 (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30007662)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>		190330
<p>Commissioner Carmen Rubio</p> <p>Bureau of Planning and Sustainability</p>		
<p>173 Consent to the transfer of Gruetter Sanitary Service Inc. residential solid waste, recycling, and composting collection franchise to Portland Disposal & Recycling (Ordinance)</p>		PASSED TO SECOND READING MARCH 31, 2021 AT 9:30 AM
<p>Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty</p> <p>Bureau of Transportation</p>		
<p>*174 Authorize a contract with Oregon Department of Transportation for the purpose of cost sharing power and maintenance responsibilities for traffic signals, rectangular rapid flash beacons, and other traffic control devices along state facilities within Portland city limits (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>		190335

<p>*175</p>	<p>Authorize a contract with WSP USA for design and surveying services in amount not to exceed \$1,766,410 (Ordinance) (Y-5)</p>	<p>190331</p>
<p>176</p>	<p>Authorize a Subrecipient Grant Agreement to Community Cycling Center in the amount of \$20,000 for FY 2020-21 and FY 2021-22 for the Parkrose School District Safe Routes to School program (Second Reading Agenda 158) (Y-5)</p>	<p>190332</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">REGULAR AGENDA</p>		
<p>177</p>	<p>Appoint Kimberly Moreland to the Portland Historic Landmarks Commission for term to expire March 24, 2025 (Report introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Ryan) 20 minutes requested Motion to accept the report: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Hardesty. (Y-5)</p>	<p>CONFIRMED</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Mayor Ted Wheeler City Budget Office</p>		
<p>178</p>	<p>Amend Portland Utility Board Code with housekeeping changes for clarity and to increase equity and inclusion (Ordinance; amend Code Chapter 3.123) 10 minutes requested Item 178 will be referred back to the Office of the Mayor.</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING MARCH 31, 2021 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Office of Management and Finance</p>		
<p>*179</p>	<p>Authorize contract with Dell Marketing L.P. to purchase Microsoft Office 365 licenses and Microsoft software as a service for amount not to exceed \$6,500,000 for a three year period (Ordinance) 20 minutes requested (Y-5)</p>	<p>190333</p>
<p>180</p>	<p>Authorize price agreements for wastewater treatment and structural engineering services in support of the Bureau of Environmental Services' Columbia Blvd Wastewater Treatment Plant in amount not to exceed \$17,125,000 (Ordinance) 10 minutes requested</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING MARCH 31, 2021 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Bureau of Transportation</p>		
<p>181</p>	<p>Assess benefited properties for street, sidewalk, stormwater, and mast arm traffic signal improvements at the NW 23rd Ave, Vaughn St, and U.S. 30 intersection in the NW 20th Ave Local Improvement District (Hearing; Ordinance; C-10049) 10 minutes requested</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING MARCH 31, 2021 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Commissioner Mingus Mapps</p>		

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<p style="text-align: center;">Bureau of Environmental Services</p> <p>182 Amend contract with HDR Engineering, Inc. for additional support services for the Columbia Boulevard Wastewater Treatment Plant Renewable Natural Gas Facility Project No. E10033 for \$283,039 (Second Reading Agenda 164; amend Contract No. 30003218)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	190334	
<p>FOUR FIFTHS AGENDA</p>	190336	
<p><u>WEDNESDAY, 2:00 PM, MARCH 24, 2021</u></p> <p>Those present by videoconference were: Mayor Wheeler, Presiding; Commissioners Hardesty, Mapps, Rubio and Ryan, 5.</p>		
<p>For items 183 and 184, no additional oral testimony will be heard. The written record will remain open until March 30, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Submit written testimony to https://www.portlandmaps.com/bps/mapapp/proposals/#/s2hc</p> <p>*183 TIME CERTAIN: 2:00 PM – Amend Title 33 Planning and Zoning to facilitate the provision of shelter and housing options for Portlanders in need (Previous Agenda 165; Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioners Rubio and Ryan; amend Code Title 33) 3 hours requested for items 183-184</p>		CONTINUED TO MARCH 31, 2021 AT 3:00 PM TIME CERTAIN
<p>*184 Amend City Code Health and Sanitation, Emergency Code, Public Improvements, Water, Property Maintenance Regulations and Affordable Housing to facilitate the provision of shelter and housing options for Portlanders in need (Previous Agenda 166; Ordinance introduced by Mayor Wheeler and Commissioners Rubio and Ryan; amend Code Titles 8, 15, 17, 21, 29, and 30)</p>	CONTINUED TO MARCH 31, 2021 AT 3:00 PM TIME CERTAIN	
<p><u>THURSDAY, 2:00 PM, MARCH 25, 2021</u></p> <p>Those present by videoconference were: Mayor Wheeler, Presiding; Commissioners Hardesty, Mapps, Rubio and Ryan, 5.</p>		

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TIME CERTAIN: 2:00 PM – Accept the 2020-21 Annual Report on Sister City Activities (Report introduced by Mayor Wheeler) 1 hour requested

Motion to accept the report: Moved by Hardesty and seconded by Mapps.

(Y-5)

ACCEPTED

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Key: ***** means unidentified speaker.

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Wheeler: Before we gavel in, I want to take a few moments here just to acknowledge that our nation is hurting yet again from a tragedy caused by gun violence. This time, most recently, the mass shooting in boulder, Colorado. Over and over again we see gun violence harming our communities across the nation. Too many lives are taken by senseless gun violence. Last week, we saw a spree of racist murders that targeted Asian American women outside of Atlanta. To the families, to the loved ones and to the communities traumatized by the recent mass murders, we stand with you. We also know all too well the consequences of gun violence here in Portland, Oregon. I remain firmly committed to working with my colleagues, the office of violence prevention and the many community partners to reduce gun violence here in our home. This is a national problem, of course, but we must find local solutions that work for the needs of our community. I'd like to ask for a moment of silence for those lost in recent mass shootings.
[moment of silence]

Wheeler: Thank you, colleagues. Before we gavel in, I'll ask if anybody has any thoughts they would like to share. Commissioner Hardesty? Good morning.

Hardesty: Good morning, mayor. Good morning, colleagues. Thank you, mayor, for asking for that moment of silence. What we continue to see across the nation is hate being the leading cause of so much of the mass shootings that are taking place across our country. People's lack of knowledge and awareness and empathy for people who are not like themselves. I don't want to inflate the rise in mass shootings with the rise in gun violence that is also happening all across the country. I see them as two separate issues. I see one issue is one that is led by hate. And we've seen that play out over and over and over again. We have too many young white men with too much access to firearms. That is what we see play out in mass shootings all over the country over and over and over again. And yet, we continue to make excuses for them. When that happens. The reality is that there are too many guns in our society. We need to fix that.

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There is no reason that we continue to see so much mass collection of fire arms and violence. We have seen it in our own community. We've seen it both by the police as well as by the community members. So for me, the big issue is violence. And how do we reduce violence in our community? How do we reduce domestic violence which also is up 150-300% in the last year? How do we make sure that children who are not being reported for child abuse get the help that they need? I hope that we as a council will take a -- will take holistic approach to the gun violence in our community and the rise of hate creating opportunities for mass shootings. Again, thank you for the moment today. Thank you for the opportunity to speak up. My empathy and sympathy goes out to the Asian-pacific islander community who since the beginning of the pandemic has been hit over and over and over again with racist, hateful rhetoric. It's time for us as a community to stand up and not allow these incidents to go unchecked and unacknowledged by us. We have an obligation to make sure people feel safe in this community. I can tell you people of color haven't felt safe in this community for a long, long time. I hope we collectively will address the hate, will address the harm, and will address the need for healing. What we need as a city is to heal. We cannot heal if we are not acknowledging the racism that impacts our day-to-day life in the community and the people who are targeted by it. We could take a knee jerk reaction and say yeah, we just need more guns on the street. Because that will fix it. But we know that won't. Because we have lived through more guns on the street. We know it doesn't fix it. Figure out how to heal as a community and figure out how to center the folks who have been most harmed over the last four years by hateful rhetoric that created the opportunities for people to continue to act out in ways who does not reflect who we are, doesn't reflect our values and certainly doesn't reflect what we want to build coming out of the pandemic. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you, commissioner Hardesty. Commissioner Ryan?

Ryan: Yes. Good morning, everyone. Good morning, mayor. Thank you for setting aside this time to be silent, and now share opportunity to share comments. Thank you, commissioner Hardesty, with poignant words. My heart is filled right now thinking about the loved ones who have lost their daughter, their auntie, their mother, their cousin, their father, their 'cuz on the hate and to -- their cousin on the hate. And the untreated mental health in Atlanta and boulder. It was necessary we weave in what happened in Atlanta last week. The hate we saw in Atlanta with the loss of eight lives, six of them Asian, shocked to the core many of us. Especially those in the Asian and the pacific islander communities. We have seen a rise in violence against our Asian neighbors perpetuated by a racist former president. What you are feeling is something we are

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feeling in the city of Portland as well. The violence that took nine lives in boulder is also felt deeply. These were individuals going about their day. To the grocery store. Completing a task that is necessary, somewhat mindless at times. A lot of us just assume we're okay. But precious life instead was taken. For many, this tragedy is very triggering and adds to the constant threat we feel when we step outside of our homes. The tragedies while heavy and painful are not surprising. The systems that uphold and enable hate and violence in the communities deeply rooted and layered. Together as a community that embraces each other and works with one another with the common goal of keeping each other safe when we can overcome and change the systems with more investments in the communities that are targeted. And are most deeply impacted. Thank you, again, for taking a moment to allow us to center ourselves at this time.

Wheeler: Thank you, commissioner Ryan. I appreciate your comments. Very good. With that, then, we will -- I don't see anybody else's hand raised. We will now go in to session. This is the Wednesday, March 24, 2021, session of the Portland city council. Keelan, please call the roll.

Good morning.

Clerk: Good morning, mayor. Rubio?

Rubio: Here.

Clerk: Ryan?

Ryan: Here.

Clerk: Hardesty?

Hardesty: Here.

Clerk: Mapps?

Mapps: Here.

Clerk: Wheeler?

Wheeler: Here. Under Portland city code and state law, the city council is holding this meeting electronically. All members of the council are attending remotely by video teleconference. The city has made several avenues available for the public to listen to the audio broadcast of this meeting. The meeting is available for the public on the city's YouTube channel, egov pdx, www.PortlandOregon.gov/video and channel 30. The public can also provide written testimony to the council by e-mailing the council clerk at -- cctestimony@PortlandOregon.gov the council is taking these steps as a result of the covid-19 pandemic, the need to limit in-person contact and promote physical distancing. The pandemic is an emergency that threatens the public health, safety and welfare, which requires us to meet remotely by electronic communications. Thank you as always for your patience, your flexibility and your understanding as we work

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together and manage what is a difficult situation to do the city's business. We'll now hear from legal counsel on the rules of order and decorum. Good morning.

Matt Farley: Good morning, Mr. Mayor and council.

Wheeler: Hey, matt.

Farley: To participate in 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 on resolutions or the first reading of ordinances. The published council agenda at PortlandOregon.gov/auditor contains information about how and when you may sign up for testimony while the city council is holding electronic meetings. Your testimony should address the matter being considered at the time. 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 your time is up, the presiding officer will ask you to conclude. Disruptive conduct; such as, shouting, refusing to conclude your testimony when your time is up or interrupting other's testimony or council deliberations will not be allowed. If there are disruptions, a warning will be given that further disruptions may result in the person being placed on hold or ejected from the remainder of the electronic meeting. Please be aware that all council meetings are recorded. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you, matt. I concluded between your public message and my public message, we are probably putting the whole world to sleep every Wednesday morning. I think next week we should try to sing it or do something different. [laughter]

Farley: I will work on that this week.

Wheeler: At least you read it with feeling. I appreciate that. So first up, colleagues, is communications. Keelan, we have a couple of people signed up. If you could bring the first person in at 167, please.

Clerk: Request of Mary Sipe to address council regarding affordable housing.

Wheeler: Ah, Mary. Welcome. It's good to hear from you again.

Mary Sipe: Good morning.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Sipe: So nice to be here. So my name is Mary Sipe. After watching city council sessions on tv for a number of years in 2017, I decided to begin attending city council in person every week. One of the reasons I made this decision was because I observe people giving public testimony that was inaccurate and I felt compelled to speak up and set the record straight. It's one thing if members

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of the public gives misinformation but it's more concerning when members of the city council give misinformation. On March 9, in commissioner Hardesty virtual open house commissioner Hardesty made a comment about affordable housing. Affordable for who, she stated? She said affordable units are 80% of the median family income, m.f.i. She stated income restriction for family of four at 80% of m.f.i. Is in the range of \$28,000 with the minimum income requirement in the range of \$70,000. It's not the first time I have heard her state this figure. I lived in affordable, section 42 low-income housing in Portland for over ten years and I have researched and confirmed that the majority of affordable housing in Portland is 50% and 60% of the m.f.i., not 80%. Please see the table of income and rent from Multnomah county which I provide and you will see the maximum income for a family of four to be eligible is \$73,600. \$55,000 at 60%. And \$45,050 at 50%. This is the maximum annual income you can make to be eligible. If your income is more than that, then you do not qualify. There is no minimum income requirement to be eligible. The only minimum income requirement is that the monthly income 1.5 times the monthly rent. If you look at the chart I submitted you will see the maximum rent for a two-bedroom apartment at 80% is \$1,650 a month. That is monthly income of at least \$2,487. Which equates to a minimum annual income of \$29,844. Not \$70,000. Or \$14.35 per hour. At 60% it would be \$22,374 or \$9 an hour. 50% it would be \$18,648. And \$10.45 an hour. I agree with commissioner Hardesty we need more 30 and 40% apartments. However, someone making 30% of 40% of m.f.i. Would still qualify for a 50% to 60% m.f.i. Apartment because the income does not exceed the maximum as long as the monthly income is 1.5 times the rent. Maybe we should stop using the term "affordable" and go back to using the term "low-income." thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you, Mary. I think commissioner had a comment.

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. Thank you, Mary. I appreciate you checking my data. And I think the data that I referenced is the data around the housing that we have been building over the last couple of years. And when you look at what the income restrictions are, I think in that category, I am, I believe I'm 100% correct. I think you are also correct. Because you are talking about what we used to call "vouchers" for low-income housing.

Sipe: No.

Hardesty: No?

Sipe: Are you thinking of section 8?

Hardesty: Yes. I'm thinking of section 8.

Sipe: I'm talking about the section 42, low-income tax credit programs which are the majority of

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what we have in Portland and what I live in. Also I think so you are saying your numbers refer to the inclusionary housing?

Hardesty: No, my numbers are referring to the -- I'm forgetting the term right now. Maybe commissioner Ryan can remind me. But you know, the housing where we give the developers a tax break for the five years and then it's permanently affordable.

Sipe: That is what section 42 is on the federal level. Are you talking about here in Multnomah county?

Hardesty: I am talking about the MULTE program here at the city of Portland. And so if you look at the proposals that have come through -- actually, I'm happy to have this conversation. I realize we are doing this in public. My main issue was to thank you. I really appreciate seeing you at city hall. In the good old days when we met there and I'm happy to have the conversation with you.

Sipe: I would love that. I think people don't really understand what we have available. I really appreciate that. I do look forward to seeing all of you in person again.

Hardesty: I do, too. Mary, let me just say I agree with you. Let's stop using the term "affordable housing" but it doesn't mean anything to anybody. Right? Let's use the term -- I started using the term "housing people can afford to live in." that is a lot different. Thank you, I appreciate you being here today.

Sipe: Thanks, commissioner.

Wheeler: Good back-and-forth. I appreciate that. Mary, it's always great to hear your voice. And commissioner Hardesty, thank you for that. Sorry. I muted myself. Next up, 168. Next individual.

Clerk: Request of Scott weber to address council regarding hazelnut grove tiny cabin village as a benefit to the overlook neighborhood.

Wheeler: Welcome, Scott. Good morning.

Scott Weber: Good morning, Mr. Mayor. Good morning, city council members. Yes, the gun violence. We see it a lot here in Portland. It's very troubling. I'm nearly 60 years old. I grew up here in Portland. I did a remodel once for the guy that set the center section on the Fremont bridge. I have built a lot of homes in this city for people that made their money from Microsoft. In 2010, my wife got a brain lesion that took her out of a very good job. And ended our five-year ministry house where we had helped 51 people. I started to collapse to the ground with paralysis. That is when we fell on your streets, Mr. Mayor. Not as drug addicts, not as criminals. Basically two people that disabled out of the workforce. Through this, we lost our home. My college degree was not going to be useful. Especially now since I've undergone so many surgeries. What have I done to cope with that? I went to college. I got educated. I picked up the

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guitar 13 years ago. I play every day and I study theory with a metronome. I know many musicians. I have been around the country five times. I put a red cross on the back of my van. I owe the city of Portland parking tickets and I intend to make those. I made it in the "New York times" for feeding people on the streets and I made it in the "new York times" for being a medic. I was a medic in the army. With all that said and all the gun violence and the hatred going around, I never distinguish between who was black, white or Asian. My heart breaks every day that we go downtown and we run trash crews and we do other things. I support my wife in that. She carries the briefcase now and I make the bed and cook. It's fun to be on that side. You know, I don't know if I said I'm with hazelnut grove. Gosh, I know Mr. Mayor you have got to be tired of hearing that. I want you to understand something. I have done all the things I just told you from sleeping in a doorway behind an umbrella. I have done it from sleeping under the trees in the mountains. I have done it from inside a van living in a van. I have done it in the front sit of a geo where we lived in that for six months. I never really did anything other than fall to my disability to fall in to this. And to be looked at as a drug addict. I can key in to what Jo Ann Hardesty is saying. Until we get over the labels we put over one another and the differences of how we look like. I have felonies from 30 years ago. I turned myself in and I ended my life there. I want to tell you yes, you have shelters for people all over town. I think that is great. I would certainly say go first. I'll take the hit. I'm of the belief that my life is pretty much been lived. But that doesn't mean it has to be corrupted. But you know what? Hazelnut grove saved my life. Literally. I was coming out of my second surgery where I lost significant portion of my stomach. I fell in to doorways and bushes. After they cut me from stem to stern and took eight feet of my small intestines. I was in the bushes with my wife who never left my side. You just got to know I put that down there to know that here I am, I'm at hazelnut. I love these people. From the money I came here I started pulling weeds and making it a better place. I take care of Greeley. I cleaned your rain drains. I saw the cars going down there and I know how fast they. Go I don't want to see an accident. I go to interstate and I swept that. I swept the sidewalks and I made sure all was clear up there. I make sure the bike path, priority, is clear. We took out three trees that fell over the bike path. And we mended the fences. Pick up the trash. We have the best looking stretch. I have no place to go, Mr. Mayor. If hazelnut grove ends, that is almost like a death sentence to me. I can't take doorways much more. My health, I'm 60. I have seen people practically die in my arms. I have guns in my face and I've been shot at. I'm a veteran but I didn't go to war. I've been more at war out here than when I went in the army. That has to change. Let me finish with this. I love this city, Mr. Mayor. When it comes to picking up trash, I targeted the Lloyd district for three years. I was

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went around and I said it will be fourth down and 20 with the paint can if you don't stop assassinating our businesses. Without the commerce we can't make it as a city. I watch night after night as I got evidence of the people. I learn police can't use the evidence on their film because it's redaction. I can get you through redaction. I'll just film them, while they are doing it. At great risk to myself. I have had knives pulled on me and guns pulled on me and I have been in fights. But this is my city. I understand some of constituents come by here and they don't like the look of hazelnut grove. Give us through the spring and the houses will look brand new. I have 40-year construction background. But nevertheless, nevertheless, this is essential that we are here. You don't want this to look like -- you know, I don't want it to look like the park out there off of marine drive. Delta park. I don't want it to look like Laurelhurst neighborhood. I grew up here. I remember when the neighborhoods represent. I appreciate the city. I gave my life for this city every day to see the residents of the lower class, your constituents that are poor. Make sure they respect the city they live in. We try to enforce that at a level no one else can reach. Police, patrol, security guard, businesses. The hate from the public can't touch these people. We can. We can speak through that. We speak to people who have a knife or a hatchet in their hand and they are wearing helmet and their face is painted. But you know what? We have cried with them, ate with them, sat with them. Mr. Mayor, hazelnut grove is like a headquarters. I was in the military. It takes having a place, a base of operation. We send so much stuff out of here in our van. We take in donations and we go out. We are constantly busy. We are celebrating now nearly eight months of sobriety because of it, Mr. Mayor. Thank you for your time. Thank you for your concerns.

Wheeler: Scott, hang around for a second. I think I would like to acknowledge a couple of things you said. Commissioner Hardesty has her hand raised first. Commissioner Hardesty?

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. Thank you, Mr. Weber, for making time today to participate in communications. Let me say that we need your help. We have some committees I think you would be ideal to be on. And if you would be kind enough to leave your contact information with the clerk, I will be happy to reach out to you. Let me say thank you. Thank you for sharing your story. It's a story that brings me almost to tears because it's not the first time I have heard a similar story. And thank you for your service as a former vet. I want to acknowledge your service to both our community and our country. I look forward to you and I having a conversation, Mr. Weber.

Wheeler: So, first, I want to acknowledge and thank you for being here. Second of all, I want to acknowledge your citizenship in this community. I appreciate you taking a stand against

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violence and taking a stand against criminal destruction. I appreciate that. I appreciate your courage. I appreciate the fact that you are looking out for your neighbors. I appreciate the fact that even though you are in a position of vulnerability, you are looking out for others who are also vulnerable. I agree with you that people who are on the streets for whatever reason should have access to humane alternatives, as I have said many times. Everyone deserves a place to call home. You and everybody else who are currently on the street. The balancing act that I do as mayor is while I am trying to find compassionate approaches to getting as many people as quickly as possible off the streets, I also have to manage all of the other issues that are related to the city. I think you will acknowledge as you did in your testimony that there are many unregulated, unsanctioned camps that are creating a lot of problems around the environment, around public health, around livability, around the safety issues. That is also my responsibility. And the problem that I need to address. So I'm trying to find that balance. For the folks at hazelnut grove, one part of that balance was the St. Johns village. We worked very, very closely with you and the other folks living at hazelnut grove to try and find a smooth transition from the hazelnut grove site to the sanctioned site at st. Johns village, which if you have seen it lately, it's actually spectacular. It will be well manage and it will have access to hygiene services, to water, the showers to laundry, and case management and housing and other services that so many of your friends as you acknowledge so desperately need. And I think that is a better solution. You know it's unpopular for me to say that. But that is what I honestly believe. It's not safe for people to just be out on the streets. You have acknowledged that there are safety issues as well. But nobody has a monopoly on the truth here. You sound like a great guy. You sound like somebody I like, somebody I respect. I want to extend to you the same officer that commissioner Hardesty extended. Work with us. Help us find those viable solutions. Help us reach out to who are far more vulnerable to you are and let's get them off the street. Let's get connected whether it's substance abuse treatment, health services, youth services, domestic violence services, job and educational opportunities, any alternative to what we know is a very dangerous and potentially hostile environment which is living outside in the elements on our streets. So, I really appreciate that you came forward today. I respect you for it. Thank you. Thank you for, as commissioner said, your service to this nation. Frankly you deserve better. I hope this is the beginning of the dialogue and hopefully a productive one as well. We need your insight with somebody as lived experience. I need your help and I need your acknowledgement that we are managing many facets of this homeless crisis. While we all want to be humane, myself especially. I know history will judge me for my actions here as mayor. I want to be humane. But I also want to get people

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off the streets. That is my goal. Thank you for being here today. Keelan, I think we have -- does that complete communications? Do we just have two today?

Clerk: Yes, it does.

Wheeler: Consent agenda, has any items been pulled?

Clerk: Yes. 174 has been pulled.

Wheeler: 174 pulled. With the exception of 174, which we will move to the end of the regular agenda, call the roll.

Clerk: Rubio?

Rubio: Aye.

Clerk: Ryan?

Ryan: Aye.

Clerk: Hardesty?

Hardesty: Aye.

Clerk: Mapps?

Mapps: Aye.

Clerk: Wheeler? Aye. Consent agenda adopted. Regular agenda item 177, please.

Clerk: Appoint Kimberly Moreland to the Portland historic landmarks commission for a term to expire March 24, 2025.

Wheeler: Commissioner Ryan?

Ryan: Good morning, mayor. Good morning, Kimberly Moreland. Nice to see you on the screen. I have the pleasure to say things about you before you can address us. It's a pleasure to appoint Kimberly Moreland to the Portland historic landmarks commission to fill the role of the heritage planning consultant. Kimberly is historic candidate as her extensive experience in preservation, urban planning, advocacy and heritage consultation locally and across the state of Oregon. Kimberly is a tireless advocate for advancing equitable outcomes for people of color and spent 30 years educating the public about the African American history in Oregon with emphasis on historic places. Kimberly serves on the board of the Oregon black pioneers, and architectural heritage center and member of the Oregon heritage commission. Kimberly's experience will provide unmatched depth of knowledge local black history and her voice on the commission will help advance the commission's goals on ensuring preservation, justice through its advocacy role. For these reasons, Kimberly is an exceptional candidate and will be particularly a good fit for the heritage planning consultant position on the Portland historic landmarks commission. We're humbly grateful she is willing to lend her time and her energy to this role. With that, I do

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turn it over to Hillary Adam at the bureau of historic services. Thank you for stepping up to provide your service. Take it away.

Hillary Adam: Thank you, commissioner Ryan, mayor and councilmembers. We have been you'd say pursuing Kim's talents for a number of years. And some of you may remember that she provided testimony at last year's state of the city preservation report. I am very excited to have the opportunity to have Kim serve as one of the, to fill one of the professional seats on the Portland historic landmarks commission. It's a very interesting time for the commission. Advocacy is a huge part of what they do besides just doing simple land use reviews. We are looking at broadening the scope of our, I guess you could say our inventory of the historic resources. Hopefully some day with an actual cert but I think some of Kim's work with the African American resources, the cornerstone project, from a couple, from several years ago. And then some current projects that she is working on with the bureau of planning and sustainability to designate a few more resources which she could tell you about. We are super excited about that. Just super grateful that she is willing to spend her time with us. So, thank you.

Kimberly Moreland: Thank you. If I have a moment to just say thank you. Good morning, mayor wheeler and commissioners. Thank you so much, commissioner Ryan, for approving the historic landmark recommendation to appoint me as one of the commissioners. I am so excited. And you know, I looked over my career and I couldn't believe that it has been 30 years since I have been involved documenting the history of African Americans in Portland which led me to some wonderful opportunities to look at historic places. It's going to be such a joy to help the city move forward and telling the full story about the city of Portland. And just I'm honored to be part of the m.p.d. That we recently approved to kind of recognize African American historic resources. I just have a love for historic preservation in general. And a love of Portland, the city of Portland. I look forward to learning more about all of our historic resources. And ways we can protect our city as we continue to grow and often times our resources are threatened by growth. It would be great to help the city maintain that balance. Thank you, again. Thank you for your appointment and I look forward to helping the Portland historic landmarks commission fulfill their mission.

Wheeler: Thank you. We are thrilled you are willing to serve. Commissioner Hardesty and then commissioner rubio?

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. Hillary you did a good job. I'm shocked that you convinced Kimberly Moreland to volunteer her time with us. I'm grateful she said yes. She certainly has been a trail blazer around preserving black history in Oregon. I have to say she is remarkable.

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And having the kind of talent that Kimberly Moreland will bring to our historic preservation commission, I think it will be a culture shock for us all but in a good way. I think we are at a point where we must center the real story of our history and not the whitewashed version that so many of us are taught in our education system. I am thrilled, Kimberly, that you are taking on this role. I believe you will provide such a wealth of information and knowledge to people who are really struggling with where the balance is. You are strong. Your voice is necessary. I want you to know if you need my help, I got your back. I look forward to your service. And the fabulous work you will do to help us preserve all of our history as we move forward after this pandemic. And start rebuilding. Thank you, thank you, thank you for your willing to serve. Thank you, Hillary for your insight in to finding an incredible candidate. Thank you, commissioner Ryan, for making it happen. I'm grateful and I'm excited. I don't normally get excited about appointments. I have to say they happen regularly. I am absolutely excited about this one. This one will show results immediately. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you.

Moreland: Thank you, commissioner Hardesty.

Wheeler: Commissioner rubio?

Moreland: That means a lot. Thank you so much.

Rubio: I also want to echo commissioner Hardesty's words. I'm super excited about this appointment. Ms. Moreland you are an exceptional addition to the landmarks commission. And I was reading your bio and you are just such an accomplished author and historian for all Oregonians and we're incredibly fortunate to have your leadership in the city in multiple ways. And you are really joining at a time when we are all very much challenging and holding ourselves accountable to think about whose stories and experiences we are lifting up and whose has been silenced and correcting the narrative right now. So I also want to appreciate the tremendous work you have done to document this important history for it has literally shaped generation of young Portlanders here. It will continue to do so in an even more visible way in the institutions. We appreciate your commitment to the community service. You are involved in the other things at the community that are actively improving the lives of Portlanders here. I want to say thank you. I'm excited about what it means for all of us. And for agreeing to serve.

Moreland: Thank you so much. That means so much. Thank you.

Wheeler: I move the report.

Hardesty: Second.

Wheeler: We have motion and a second from commissioner Hardesty. Keelan, please call the roll.

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Hardesty: I think -- never mind. Commissioner Rubio's hand is just still up. It's okay. It's all good.

Clerk: Rubio?

Rubio: Aye.

Clerk: Ryan?

Ryan: Thank you again, commissioner Moreland. We are delighted that you are going to be part of improving the culture at the city. We stand on shoulders. Yours are pretty awesome. Aye.

Clerk: Hardesty?

Hardesty: Definitely aye.

Clerk: Mapps?

Mapps: I just like my colleagues; I want to express my appreciation for Ms. Moreland's willingness to serve our city. I look forward to working with you. It's a delight for me to vote aye.

Clerk: Wheeler?

Wheeler: Amidst all the self-loathing that Portlanders are well known for when it comes to the local government, there is a provision both in our charter as well as in the culture of this city of community engagement and community service. So where in other cities it's just the self-loathing piece, in Portland it's self-loathing combined with the direct community engagement of some of the truly most knowledgeable and experienced people in our city. And this is one more example where truly phenomenal leader Kimberly Moreland is stepping up to provide her time, her talent, her energy and allow all the rest of us to benefit from her experience. To me this is really one of the coolest things about Portland government. Is this direct opportunity for people to engage and bring their experience and expertise to the table. You are a perfect candidate for this. I know you are a hard worker. You come highly recommended. We are all supportive of you. I'm very happy to vote aye. The report is approved. The appointment is approved. Thank you. We look forward to hearing a lot more from you in the future. Appreciate it.

Wheeler: Next item, 178, please.

Clerk: Amend Portland utility board code with housekeeping changes for clarity and to increase equity and inclusion.

Wheeler: Colleagues, the Portland utility board known as the p.u.b. Provides oversight to the bureau of environmental services and the water bureau. The city budget office tasked with staffing the p.u.b. As a more neutral third party outside the utility bureaus. This seems to provide housekeeping changes to modernize code language and brings it in line with the current board practices and allows for the p.u.b. To provide stipends to the members in accordance with the city policy and/or guidance from the commissioner in charred. Director Kinard from the city

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budget office will speak more on that subject. But before I pass it along to director Kinard, commissioner Mapps, would you like to add anything?

Mapps: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. I just would like to thank the p.u.b. For their service to our city. I appreciate their hard work. In helping b.e.s. And the water bureau spend the public's dollars effectively. I largely request the language they have requested but I'm concerned about endorsing one of the advisory commission recommendations. That is the suggestion we provide stipends to members of the p.u.b. In general, I am very much open to stipends for volunteers who serve on our city committees. At the same time I know the office of the civic life is developing a formal policy on this. And one of my concerns or hopes that we could align the two processes so that if we do provide the p.u.b. With a stipend we do it in concert with the policies that are developed out of civic life. I would also like to ask the city attorney to identify other ways to provide incentives for the volunteers to serve on the committees. These might be anything from bus passes to internet access and other potential nonmonetary forms of compensation. But with that caveat, I'm delighted to endorse the p.u.b.'s recommendations.

Wheeler: Thank you. Commissioner Mapps. With that -- sorry, commissioner Hardesty?

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. I guess I could wait until after director Kinard spoke but I wanted to support commissioner Mapps. I think we have a very disjointed system of providing stipends. Some people get them, some don't. You may remember we did bring a policy to city council last year that was really cost prohibited if we were going to provide stipends for all the community oversight boards that we were going to -- that we have at the city of Portland. So I'm not sure that any additional work has been done to move that proposal forward or to develop some criteria. I also concerned about the ad hoc way we do this. So it would be my hope collectively as a council we will decide how we will prioritize who gets stipend and who doesn't. What we are doing now is inequitable. It leads to some people having a benefit and many other people not. So thank you, commissioner Mapps, for acknowledging that. I also share that concerned on would rather do it in a much more holistic fashion.

Wheeler: Thank you, commissioner Hardesty. With that we turn it over to director Kinard.

Jessica Kinard: Thank you, mayor. Good morning to you and to the council. Thank you to commissioners Mapps and Hardesty for those comments. For the record, my name is Jessica Kinard. I'm the city's budget director. The city's budget office charged to provide independent and support for the community oversight body of the water bureau. This is geared to technical changes that includes changing the word "citizen" to "people" and changing reference board chair to allow for cochairs and eliminating the current language to prohibit board member res

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receiving compensation unless they receive compensation from employers while time is served. They are technical in language; the last change is a critical prerequisite to offer the stipends to the new and the current board members. While technical in nature it's worth noting that the change seeks to dismantle an inequity enshrined in the code, as the current language allows for disparity for board member based on each member employment status and type. Additionally as the office of the community of civic life working on citywide stipend policy by the council, taking this action will ensure that the board will move forward in alignment the new citywide policy once it's ready. I whole heartedly support this change and I appreciate the p.u.b.'s work to bring it forward. It lifts provision bition on stipends it does -- prohibition on stipends. The p.u.b. Has a desire to offer the stipend on the recruitment cycle so I'm working with the civic life and I will follow up with you, commissioner Mapps and other stakeholders to seek agreement on the path forward. I acknowledge the challenge of the issues you raised and I'm also concerned about the citywide financial implications and equity concerns going forward. I work to find way forward. [background speaking] I lost track of my spot. The changes today are technical in nature and they do not compel immediate p.u.b. Changes but I want to provide additional context for transparency state knowing that this is an important citywide issue related to stipends. I'm available to answer any questions.

Wheeler: Very good. Colleague, any questions? Let me say I agree with my colleagues that director Kinard you are right. This lifts a prohibition, but I agree we need a system wide approach to this. I believe this is coming back to the council office leadership. I know we have been discussing this for the longest time. I think we were discussing this when I joined the council over four years ago. Really we need to make a decision. That is not your job and it's not the p.u.b.'s job. It's the city council's job. And our leadership team's job to figure this out once and for all. I want to mirror what my colleagues said on the subject. Commissioner Hardesty?

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. Thank you, director Kinard. It's funny to have a director presenting something with a budgetary impact. I'm chuckling about that. I will commit today to follow up with the office of civic life. And just refamiliarize myself with where we left that process. I do recall there was a huge financial impact so let me go back and review what I have and I will share it with my colleagues. Mayor, maybe, as we move -- I can actually send out a memo and tell you this is where we left it. I think it's been long enough most of us don't remember the details of why we tabled it.

Wheeler: I don't so that would be helpful.

Hardesty: Okay. I will make a commitment to do that. Jessica, I will meet with you after I have

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done that analysis. Thank you.

Wheeler: Great. Director Kinard, we're slightly off topic but since we're not voting on this I will go off-topic there. May be other ways to help. Stipends are one way. I hear from a lot of folks. Child care is the deal breaker for young parents. I hear others say it's transportation impediments, they don't own a car. We could get bus passes. There may be other ways to do this where it's not a budget buster but still really peels away barriers that are preventing some people from being able to participate. I would encourage us to take a good hard look. Not just on the commissioner Hardesty. She has got the office of the community & civic life but she is right. We sort of tabled this at some point because we got sideswiped by covid and other issues.

Kinard: Yeah. To be clear, I agree with you. I am following up. I have talked with the folks who are working on this at the office of the community & civic life. And all of the strategies that you are proposing are things they are considering. We'll be in conversation with them. The item in front of you today is technical changes. It's up to you to move them forward. If it's your direction that you are not, you want to be sure that the Portland utility board does not offer stipends until further discussion, then I am happy to give that direction to the board. And take it upon myself to follow up each individually with you as well as with the c.a.b. And others before we allow for the stipends to go forward for this body. I want to say that this item does allow for the board to move forward once that sort of, once we are ready. So we would need to come back to the council for the technical change at -- for the technical change at a later time or move it forward now and you could direct me to come back to you or individually to your policy advisers before moving forward with the stipends for the group.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty?

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. I would just say director Kinard, I would be concerned about passing a policy that says you can when we don't have a citywide policy that says you can. My recommendation is take it back to the p.u.b. To let them know over the next couple of months the city council will make a decision where we stand on stipends. Because if this is pushed forward as an equity issue we cannot create inequity passing a policy.

Wheeler: I have a question, director Kinard. I would assume that is the p.u.b. Paid for out of general fund or paid for out of utility rates? You may have said and I didn't hear.

Kinard: Support for the p.u.b. Paid for by the water bureau and bureau of environmental services. Estimated financial impact of this were the board to move forward with stipends it'd be in alignment for task force recommendations from the civic life of last year with a cap of \$500.

Wheeler: Am I getting stupid? I think I'm getting stupid with age.

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Kinard: It would be split between the bureaus.

Wheeler: Say again.

Kinard: The financial impact is \$5,500 split between the two bureaus.

Wheeler: So is that general fund or utility rate funds?

Kinard: Utility.

Wheeler: Did you say that and I just didn't understand that?

Kinard: No, I think, I have turned my camera off. Sorry.

Wheeler: Good. All right. I'm glad we got that. So that is utility. I would assume that you have already, that this has been thoroughly vetted with legal counsel it's allowable expenditure of the utility rate payer funds?

Kinard: I believe so. I know we have been working with our attorney Robert Taylor on this item. I'm going to confirm with Amy archer-masters who is one of the support staff on this that she has confirmed with the attorney's office this is allowable.

Wheeler: If Robert is working on it, I have great confidence that he has already dotted those "i"s and crossed the "t"s. It couldn't hurt for edification to check on that.

Kinard: I'm happy to come back with you. It sounds like we have a little more work to do on this end and I'm happy to do that and come back at a later time.

Wheeler: Awesome. Thank you. I appreciate it. I take that back about John. He is a nice guy. I don't care if he calls me. I don't want him to sue me or serve me papers. Good. Anything else on the item? Public testimony, Keelan?

Clerk: Yes. We have one person signed up.

Wheeler: All right. Bring him or her on.

Clerk: Katelynn Nyssen.

Wheeler: Welcome, Katelynn.

Katelynn Nyssen: Hello. Can you hear me?

Wheeler: Loud and clear. You sound great.

Nyssen: Okay. I do apologize but it doesn't have anything to do with the current agenda item. I'm speaking on behalf of item 165. Because you did close down the communications for that. I apologize --

Wheeler: I'm sorry. That is not appropriate, Katelynn.

Nyssen: I'm a constituents of yours. Are you not going to hear me?

Wheeler: Because I'm in a good mood and I'm a nice guy, I will violate the clearly stated rules of the city council. You have two minutes.

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Nyssen: Perfect. Thank you so much. So I want to start with the 180 days with outdoor camps. I support everything else. I love hazelnut grove. I like the tiny house ideas. I'm in full support of that but I want to point out that the, as the Portland city council so eloquently puts it, renaming homeless camps as outdoor shelters, I'm just kind of trying to advise against that. We really should focus on the tiny home situation. I listen to all the hours from the previous day, I did testify when there was 108 people. A lot of people were concerned about the 180 days. I think it is important to affiliate that with the crisis at the border, because the house of representatives passed an immigration bill creating a pathway to citizenship for dreamers. Legislation would create a process to earn temporary status as a certified agricultural worker for people who worked at least 180 days in agriculture over the last two years. Spouses and children could also apply for a temporary status under the act. I understand now Katelynn, it says people who worked in the agriculture for the last two years but there is a catch. The legislation would create pathway for workers to go ate green card paying \$1,000 fine and engaging in additional agricultural work depending how long they worked in the agriculture in the u.s. Pay \$1,000, be an indentured servant and work in agriculture and you can become a u.s. Citizen. I think it will find its way between us and the one state between us and find the way to Oregon. It's funny that for 180 days to work in agriculture. There is a lot of agriculture in Oregon. I would like to move on to the talk of race and talking about the Asian hate. I just want to point out that the Portland city council contributed to the Asian hate back when there was a power grab for the police commissioner between ted wheeler and Jo Ann Hardesty. There was an officer, Mr. Lee. Groups were outraged that an Asian person was going to be appointed in to a police assistant commissioner role. And there were groups that were outraged there was no input from the community. And saying that the police deputies are going to be whitewashed. So I'm just saying if you are trying to figure out where Asian hate is coming from, I also spoke on this issue at a Portland city council meeting when I brought this to the attention of the Portland city council that you are being racist against Asian people.

Wheeler: All right. Thank you.

Nyssen: Get a head nod. Appreciate your time.

Wheeler: Two and a half minutes. Thank you very much. No good deed goes unpunished. All right. So next item, 179, please. Sorry. I didn't move -- 178. Was there further discussion on that before I move it to second reading? This is a first reading of the nonemergency ordinance. Moves to second reading.

Hardesty: Mayor?

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Wheeler: Yes, commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Did we agree it was going to go back to director Kinard for durable work?

Wheeler: I think we did. That is your understanding? That is my understanding.

Hardesty: Yes.

Wheeler: Commissioner charge, any objections? That is you, Mr. Mapps. 12:00 noon, we're --

Mapps: No, we're good.

Wheeler: And director Kinard, you understand that.

Kinard: Yes, absolutely. Thank you, all.

Wheeler: Thank you for the presentation. 179, please. I don't hear anything. 179. Keelan are you there?

Clerk: Sorry. I'm here.

Wheeler: All right.

Clerk: Authorize contract with dell marketing l.p. To purchase Microsoft office 365 licenses and Microsoft software as a service for amount not to exceed \$6,500,000 for a three-year period.

Wheeler: Colleagues, this ordinance would extend the city's current contract with dell corporation for Microsoft products to continue the city of Portland's subscription to the office 365 suite of products which have been critical of the past year of substantial remote working. We'll hear a brief presentation from the bureau of technology services to discuss the value of the contract from their perspective, which provides essential collaboration tools for the city of Portland employees. There you have it. Welcome.

Bryan Pirrello: Great. Well, good morning, mayor wheeler.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Pirrello: Commissioners. My name is Bryan Pirrello and I'm the support center division manager in the bureau of technology services. I do have responsibility for the city's contract for purchasing products from the Microsoft corporation. Shawna graber is also here. She is the supervisor of the team at b.t.s. We are seeking for a new enterprise agreement with the Microsoft as the current three-year contract ends may 1, 2021. We have been using office 365 at the city of Portland since 2012. Through this new three-year contract, Microsoft will continue to provide the office 365 solution to most city of Portland employees. Excluding the police bureau. We are requesting \$6.5 million for licenses over the next three years. While Microsoft is the original provider of the solution, they don't allow for direct purchase, and they require value-added reseller or v.a.r. To be used to make the purchases. The city of Portland uses dell as our v.a.r. Software and services under this agreement are used to support the city's collaboration and the

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productivity with the tools like outlook, word, power point, teams and a few others. Without these reliable and ad quite collaboration and productivity tools, our city services would likely come to a halt. The implementation of the Microsoft office 365 solution resulted in a high availability of the collaboration and the productivity tools. Even during the huge uptick in adoption in usage during covid remote work. For instance, between January and May of 2020, the use of the Microsoft teams by city employees increased by approximately 400%. Funding will be provided by the bureaus for the staff currently using the Microsoft office 365 licenses. We are here and happy to answer any questions you have about this.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty has a question for you.

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. Thank you, Bryan, for the presentation. I am curious if we have ever thought about another venue that is significantly less expensive other than continuing to renew these kind of licenses that are, should I say, extremely expensive and really in the new tech age we are in, I think that there are many other options out there. I was shocked to find we were still connected to dell when I came to the city of Portland. That is like really, really, really old technology. So what is the plan for to us evaluate whether or not this still works on behalf of the city of Portland?

Pirrello: Thank you. Thank you for the question. I would like to propose there aren't a lot of other good options for enterprise collaboration solution for the city of Portland. This is due to the broad adoption of Microsoft products worldwide really. And it benefits the city of Portland to maintain the same worldwide standard in order to collaborate with many, most of our partners outside the city. Also a move off of the office 365 solution after the last nine years of use would be a multiyear, very expensive effort for b.t.s. And its stakeholders.

Hardesty: The county seems to be able to run their system very effectively using, utilizing google. So I'm just curious as to why we are still just, you know, because we have done it for nine years, we are still doing it the same way.

Pirrello: Thank you. We do work closely with the county and we are familiar with some of their google implementation. Our information says that really, they are paying very similar pricings to us, that there is not a reduction in the cost because they are using google. In fact, what we know about the implementation, they are using google and Microsoft because of the previous discussion that I just had. Most of the world uses Microsoft solution, they still have to use for instance word to create a document to collaborate with the peers. They have some trouble using the google solution to do so. So they are really in a situation where they are using two solutions and that is a path we'd like to avoid.

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Hardesty: Thank you. I appreciate that.

Wheeler: Commissioner Mapps?

Mapps: Thanks for the presentation. Two quick questions and I'll share both of them and you can figure out how you want to take them. Why does this contract explicitly exclude the police department? What software do they use for this problem? My second question is in my time on the council I have heard commissioner Hardesty raise concerns about the lack of e-mail addresses for the members of the fire department. I'm wondering if this contract creates a lane for addressing that issue?

Pirrello: Yeah. Thank you for both questions. I'll start with the question regarding the police bureau. So, historically there have been these federal criminal justice information rules. We call them cjis rules. It's prohibiting them using office 365 where it lives on site. Microsoft owns the data. That has actually changed lately. The rules and the state of Oregon have made shifts in the way they are handling that situation. B.t.s. is actively working right now with the police bureau to determine if they would like to join the office 365 subscription model in the future. If they choose to do so, it would be as an amendment to this agreement. Regarding your second question about why some folks in pbot and fire specifically haven't had these licenses in the past, we've actually got some really good news that even in the last two weeks b.t.s. and pbot worked together to license more than 200 of their field staff that hadn't been licensed in the past. That has just happened in the last couple of weeks. When other bureaus are ready to do the same as pbot, this contract has room to allow on boarding of any of those staff members in the fire bureau or otherwise.

Mapps: Will that cost extra?

Pirrello: It wouldn't require another trip to city council to extend the subscription because there is room in the contract. But yes, they would pay for the monthly subscription.

Mapps: Great. Thank you very much.

Wheeler: Very good. Colleagues, any further questions on this item? Does that complete your presentation, Bryan?

Pirrello: Yes, it sure does. Thank you for your time.

Wheeler: Keelan, is there public testimony?

Clerk: No one signed up, mayor.

Wheeler: Call the roll.

Clerk: Rubio?

Rubio: Thanks for the presentation. I, too, would just like to go on record that, you know, once it

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is time again, the time is right, I would like more information about exploring the google option. I have heard that at the county there is a lot of more user-friendly attributes I would say connected to the interface. So I would just like more information when at a timely place next time. I vote aye.

Clerk: Ryan?

Ryan: Yes, thank you for that presentation. I'm in agreement with my colleagues about digging in further. I do think that I want to also acknowledge you and your team for allowing us all to work virtually during this time. I realize that you have been through a lot. I want to take this moment to acknowledge that. I also hope that this vendor, the big one that it is, is providing us the best security possible in this time as well. I did want to hear more about that. The city business must go on. It's time sensitive and I vote aye.

Clerk: Hardesty?

Hardesty: I want to appreciate. I know how hard you work to be able to have public testimony as part of the city council meeting during this pandemic. And so I do want to acknowledge that a lot of work has happened to allow us to be able to do the city council meetings from home. To have the public testimony. A lot of us had to learn how to use all this new fancy equipment virtually. Your team has been absolutely patient and very helpful through the transition. But again, I think, you know, there is always new opportunities to look for new partnerships to serve us better. Just because they are big and they have been around forever doesn't mean they are our best option today. I also look forward to when it's time for, long before it's time for the renewal us having a conversation about what other options are out there and how we start exploring those. I'm happy to vote aye today.

Clerk: Mapps?

Mapps: I want to thank Bryan for his presentation today. You have really appreciate the answers to the questions I had. I vote aye.

Clerk: Wheeler?

Wheeler: I want to thank commissioner Ryan for acknowledging the work that b.t.s. Has been doing for the last year-plus, trying to move everything off-site and trying to make my lap tom work and trying to make my cell phone work despite my efforts to make it hard. B.t.s. Has really done an exemplary job. I want to thank you, bruin, and your colleagues so please pass it on behalf of the city council again. Thank you for mentioning that. I'm happy to vote aye on this. Aye. Ordinance is adopted. Next item is 180.

Clerk: Authorize price agreements for wastewater treatment and structural engineering services

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in support of the burr of environmental services' Columbia boulevard wastewater treatment plant in amount not to exceed \$17,125,000.

Wheeler: Colleagues, this ordinance would authorize price agreements to support ongoing needs for wastewater treatment engineering services. At the Columbia boulevard wastewater treatment plant. As well as the Tryon creek wastewater treatment plant and the structural engineering services for the city 98 pump stations. Scott schneider and mike Pimomo from the bureau of environmental services are here to present the ordinance and answer any questions anybody may have about this project. Welcome.

Scott Schneider: Good morning, mayor. Good morning, commissioners. I'm Scott schneider from procurement services. Also with me this morning is mike Pimomo from the bureau of environmental services. We are here to recommend the council authorize the chief procurement officer to enter into five price agreements for the wastewater treatment engineering services and three price agreements for the structural engineering services in support of the Columbia boulevard wastewater treatment plant. May 28, 2020, the city issued request for proposals number 1468 for on call wastewater treatment engineering and the structural engineering services and on July 22, received 15 proposals. Valuation committee scored them with the chapter of the city code and they found brown inc., Kennedy jenks consultant inc., parametric ink and the tectra tech inc. As the most responsive. And the coopers engineers inc. And the p.b.s. Engineering environmental inc. As the most responsive and the qualified proposals for structural engineering category. The city aspirational 20% subcontracting equity goal applies to the services. They have committed to 25% for the business inclusion and diversity. And the awardees are in the full compliance with the city contracting requirements. And I recommend that you authorize the contracts. You have questions about the procurement process, I can answer those. If you have questions about this program, i'll turn it over to mike.

Wheeler: Where is my mute? Commissioner Hardesty?

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. Thank you for the presentation. I guess my first question is really around this is a significant size contract. Why are we doing a \$17 million contract compared to other size contracts?

Schneider: Thank you, commissioner. So I'll let mike talk about the program and the size of the demand. But one thing I will note is these are on-call contracts for as-needed services so the value of the contracts is based upon the historic demand for these periodic needs.

Mike Pimomo: Thank you, commissioner. Again for the record, my name is mike Pimomo with the bureau of environmental services. So yes, I think Scott pretty much answered in terms of

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question of the size of the contract. Most of the work has not specifically been identified. These contracts are a large capacity. And as individual needs are identified specific scope and tasks will be assigned periodically over the next five years to address needs again over the five-year period we anticipate the contracts being in play.

Hardesty: Is there a reason why we would authorize giving you \$17 million and then you kind of figuring it out along the way? I mean is this the normal process for us?

Pimomo: Yes. Thank you for the question. Essentially this is based on historic spend and again, there is a need out, that is out there we have been tracking. The amounts that we have anticipated are already built in to the bureau's c.i.p. Budget to address these needs for the assets. So, when you spread it out over five years the \$17 million is a small portion of the need out there.

Hardesty: Thank you. I appreciate that explanation. I think as the council continues to talk about whether or not who is benefiting from public contracts, when \$17 million is set aside for a very small group of companies to be on call, does that not create barriers for other companies who are emerging that could possibly do some of the work? I don't know the answer to that. I'm putting the question out there. I think we miss opportunities for innovation when we lock in a contract over five years at that dollar amount. I am concerned about who benefits from it. We have aspirational goals across the board, at \$17 million there should be significant benefit for a whole host of the community members. I want to say I'm concerned that we are locking in \$17 million over five years without fully understanding who will benefit and who won't other than the companies that you have mentioned. That responded to the r.f.p. Thank you.

Pimomo: I might add quickly that you know we have aspirational goals of 20%. And I believe all of the win -- winning proposals committed 30% or more for the d/m/w/esb for contracts. It would be split out again for the d/m/w/esb and also the s.d.v. Firms as well.

Hardesty: Do you have a monitoring system in place to ensure as you call them for work you are monitoring they, in fact, have the 30% d/m/w/esb and that it's a mix rather than the normal suspects?

Pimomo: Yes, ma'am. I think Scott can probably speak more eloquently to what the specific tracking and the requirements are on that. But we do have a system to track that.

Schneider: Yeah. Thanks, mike. In these on call contracts because the scope of work aren't known at outset, the subcontracting plans are developed when the task orders are executed. Along the way when the scopes of work are known, then outreach takes place and the task order documents the subcontracting commitment for that particular scope.

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Wheeler: All right. Great. Colleagues, any further questions on this item? I see this as a first reading of a nonemergency ordinance and it moves to second reading. Thanks. Appreciate it.

Clerk: Mayor, this is Keelan. I'm sorry. I just want to put on record --

Wheeler: Yeah. Public testimony. I apologize.

Clerk: No one signed up. Thank you.

Wheeler: Nobody signed up. All right. Good. I didn't screw up. First reading of a nonemergency ordinance and it moves to second reading. Thank you. 181, please.

Clerk: Assess benefited properties for street, sidewalk, stormwater, and mast arm traffic signal improvements at the northwest 23rd avenue, Vaughn street, and u.s. 30 intersection in the northwest 20th avenue local improvement district.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty?

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. My apologies for not being ready for you at the moment. So I will be turning this over to pbot. But let me just say that this item is a key success of the project. It was providing the rare new street connections in northwest Portland. The most densely populated neighborhood between San Francisco and Seattle. The value of the properties in the original l.i.d. Was \$98 million. At the l.i.d. Formation. And it has increased to \$263 million. And it's already at the halfway point of achieving \$.5 billion in development predicted at the l.i.d. Formation. With more development to follow. Redeveloping surface parking lot not only facilitated oriented development but it eliminated an obstacle for extending the street car to Montgomery park in the future. Building connected neighborhoods on either side of u.s. 30 there was bifurcated when the Fremont bridge opened in 1973. Say that three times fast. Building a new northwest Thurman street connection and eliminating a previous dead end east of northwest 21st avenue was a catalyst for trimet to extend bus line 24 from the previous termination at Emanuel hospital to northwest Portland to provide new transit connection over the Fremont bridge. The northwest 20th avenue built with a new protected bike lane design first of its kind in the city and has been recognized for the innovation by the bike Portland. I also want to take the opportunity to thank some key stakeholders in this effort. Craig boruts of Conway, inc., and joe long of glassman coaching and consulting for their excellent work, working with the city and the northwest d.a. Neighborhood association and planning. Phil and Gene Harrison of the northwest district association for close collaboration with pbot. And at this time I will turn it over to Andrew for his presentation. Andrew, take it away.

Schenider: Thank you, commissioner Hardesty. [loss of audio]

Wheeler: Andrew. You are muted.

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Andrew Aebi: Is that better?

Wheeler: Yeah. Thank you.

Aebi: Keelan, next slide, please. So this is a picture on the left of what northwest 20th and up shire looked like in 1930. Used to be a vibrant neighborhood before it was bifurcated by the u.s. 30 ramp when the Fremont bridge was open. You can see the picture on the right where reconnected the street 47 years later. Next picture, please. So, this is one of my favorite slides on the left. This diagram on the left shows how pedestrians were an afterthought. When the Fremont bridge was designed. You can see the little purple arrows on the left. That is how a pedestrian used to have to cross the intersection. If they wanted to get from the southeast corner to the northeast corner. And we reopened that closed crosswalk after 47 years. To make it easier for the pedestrian to cross there in addition to the new pedestrian connection we built three blocks east at northwest 20th avenue. You can see the picture on the top right. We sped things up for transit. While this isn't the rose lane project, key objective was speeding up the bus time traveling through the intersection. One thing we did to reduce delays at the intersection, it used to be going northbound on northwest 23rd avenue. There have was a no right turn on red. We put in a dedicated traffic signal to flush out the northbound traffic to let it get to the u.s. 30 eastbound. Next slide, please. So this is the recap that trimet sent us about six years ago. This intersection was the 19th worst intersection in the city of Portland for transit delays. So that is why we spent the extra money to do the intersection right to significantly reduce those delays. Next slide, please. So you can see the picture on the left from ten years ago. You can see the traffic backing up on northbound, northwest 23rd avenue approaching the freeway. You can see the picture I took on the right last weekend. You can see the traffic flushed out with the new traffic signal. I want to emphasize this isn't an exercise in necessarily building wider streets. It's about building the streets to operate more efficiently with the smarter traffic signals. Next slide, please. Commissioner Hardesty noted the Thurman street connector we built allowed trimet for the first time to operate a bus line over the Fremont bridge. Next slide. This is a picture of the new separated bike facilities on northwest 20th avenue. Next slide, please. This is the final slide. I just want to tie this in to the recent improvements that we did on northwest Naito parkway and the northwest front avenue. Sorry I froze up on my zoom session three weeks ago. But what I just want to share with the council is as of 16 years ago we didn't have a single bike lane or a single bike facility on the southwest or northwest Naito parkway. And the pavement was in bad shape as well. We have come a long way in the last 16 years. Project by project. Introduced bike lanes on northwest and the southwest Naito parkway but just now starting construction on the better

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Naito project. We have rehabilitated key connection from northwest Portland and in the circle of the northwest, that is the 23rd and the Vaughn intersection we improved. You can see slightly to the northeast of that is the new connection underneath u.s. 30 we built. If you look at the geography of the area, front avenue is the most direct route to many portion of the northwest Portland. Combination of improving that connection and building the i.d. We hope will improve the bike modal switch. We approved this at 4.9% versus the citywide average of 6.2%. We have invited testimony from Warren Rosenfeld and I'm happy to answer any questions council might have.

Wheeler: Thank you. Does anybody have any questions before we get to warren? Welcome, Mr. Rosenfeld. Good to see you.

Warren Rosenfeld: Mayor, councilmembers, good morning. I'm Warren Rosenfeld. 2495 northwest nikaili, which is the headquarters of my family recycling business. We have been in business over a hundred year. My tenure has been for the last 43 years. I would say that I have traveled through the intersection of Vaughn and 23rd no less than 10,000 times in that period and I have actually run that intersection no less than a thousand times. More recently we became the ownership group that brought the esco properties. One of the purchase condition was the assumption of the esco contribution to the Vaughn street l.i.d. That took us 30 seconds to agree to. The new signal control and the lane improvement made traffic move. Many thanks to Andrea and the city. The l.i.d. Reminded us the path to success is understanding the challenge and getting everyone develop a solution. Gather up broadest range of the resources and get it done. It's amazing. I can only say thanks from one of the old guys of the neighborhood.

Wheeler: Warren, thank you for being here and sharing your experiences. You put us all to shame with the 10,000 crossings and the 1,000 run across. That is impressive. Impressive work. Andrew does it --

Rosenfeld: Thank you for you acknowledging my age. Thank you, Mr. Mayor.

Wheeler: You are doing great. Keep at it. Andrew does it complete your presentation and the invited testimony?

Aebi: It does. Thank you very much. I appreciate the public-private partnership with warren and others in the l.i.d.

Wheeler: Warren is a good man. Exemplary citizen of city. I mean that. I appreciate everything he does. Any question before I call for public testimony? Commissioner Hardesty is on by the way. She got disconnected but she is on the phone. She is still with us. Any public testimony on the item?

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Clerk: No one signed up.

Wheeler: All right. Very good. This is the first reading of the nonemergency ordinance. It moves to second reading. The next item is item number 182, which is a second reading.

Clerk: Amend contract -- oh, sorry.

Wheeler: What happened?

Mapps: Mr. Mayor, do we have -- is there a four-fifths item? 181.82?

Wheeler: We'll do it at the end. I'll get through 182 and go back to 147 that was pulled and then the four-fifths item.

Clerk: Great. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thanks.

Clerk: Okay. 182. Amend contract with h.d.r. Engineering, inc., for additional support services for the Columbia boulevard wastewater treatment plant renewable natural gas facility project no. E10033 for \$283,039.

Wheeler: Very good. This is a second reading. We have already heard system from staff as well as the opportunity for public testimony from the public. Any further business on this item before I call the roll? Seeing none, please call the roll.

Clerk: Rubio?

Rubio: Aye.

Clerk: Ryan?

Ryan: Aye.

Clerk: Hardesty?

Hardesty: Aye.

Clerk: Mapps?

Mapps: Aye.

Clerk: Wheeler?

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. We'll go back to 174 pulled from the consent agenda.

Clerk: Authorize a contract with Oregon department of transportation for the purpose of cost sharing power and maintenance responsibilities for traffic signals, rectangular rapid flash beacons and other traffic control devices along state facilities within Portland city limits.

Wheeler: Was this pulled by a commissioner or a member of the public?

Clerk: A member of the public. Edith pulled it.

Wheeler: Let me call for her once. Are you on the line? She is not on the line. 174, emergency ordinance. Please call the roll.

Clerk: Rubio?

Rubio: Aye.

Clerk: Ryan?

Ryan: Aye.

Clerk: Hardesty?

Hardesty: Aye.

Clerk: Mapps?

Mapps: Aye.

Clerk: Wheeler?

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. We'll now go to the four-fifths item and could legal counsel confirm we do not have to vote to bring it to the agenda. That has already been done through proper notification? Mark, are you there? Okay. Good. Keelan, please read the four-fifths item.

Clerk: 182.1. Authorize a letter of agreement between the city and the Portland police association representing emergency communications dispatchers to amend the language and article 23 of the collective bargaining agreement to allow for the city to provide one deferred holiday to each p.p.a. B.o.e.c. Member on Juneteenth, June 19th each calendar year.

Wheeler: Commissioner Mapps?

Mapps: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Colleagues, I am delighted to bring this ordinance before council. Let me put historical context for you. Back on June 17, 2020, council approved Juneteenth as an official city holiday. Of course, Juneteenth celebrates the emancipation of those who were enslaved in the united states. This new holiday uniquely reflects the city's core values of antiracism, equity, transparency, communication, collaboration, and fiscal responsibility. Which were also adopted that same day. Now, the ordinance before us this afternoon, is to amend the contract with the boec emergency communication dispatchers. And call-takers so that the city recognizes the official city holiday for these critical employees. For more details on the ordinance, I'm delighted to hand it over to b.h.r. Labor coordinator Jamal Anthony. Can you take it over from here?

Jamal Anthony: Absolutely. Thank you for introduction, commissioner Mapps.

Mapps: Of course.

Anthony: It was a hello to everybody else in attendance today. So, for this particular ordinance here, as you stated on June 17, council approved the Juneteenth official holiday. But the boac, that bureau, the employees received the leave differently from the rest of the employees so all of

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their hours sit in one collective bank. We need to figure out how to allocate hours appropriately. So in interest of equitably offering a Juneteenth holiday to the city employees the city will provide one deferred holiday in 9.5 hours to each p.p.a.-boac representative employee on June 19. Each calendar year. They will be placed in a separate leave bank for the employee's use. The employees will not receive any sort of holiday premium pay for working the holiday. The deferred holiday will be provided whether the employee is on the regular day off or scheduled work day and the deferred holidays are prorated for the part-time employees based on the hours they are regularly scheduled to work in a pay period. As far as for budgetary impact, we view this as a limited to the no budgetary impact for bureau adding this holiday to the dispatchers and the call takers because callers and dispatchers and call takers have to take their time off by requesting it in advance. Overtime to cover the planned staffing absence is present in the budget and does not need to be adjusted. If passed it would be retroactive to June 19, 2020. And remain in effect for duration of current c.b.a. That expires June 30, 2023, at which point we look to integrate this in the successor negotiations moving forward.

Wheeler: Very good. Thank you. Any questions on the item? Any public testimony on the item?

Clerk: No. We had closed testimony before this was made available. So we weren't able to receive any requests for testimony.

Wheeler: Very good. Call the roll.

Mapps: I'm --

Wheeler: Commissioner Ryan has his hand up.

Ryan: That is all right. Thank you. Thank you for the presentation. You said something that makes me want to ask a basic question. Pardon my ignorance and maybe someone listening would have the same question. 9.5 hours.

Anthony: Correct.

Ryan: Opposed to eight hours. My brain wants to know why it's not eight hours?

Anthony: That is a wonderful question. We decided to be generous. I tease. I tease, commissioner Ryan. The employees out in boec, the traditional shift is a ten-hour shift. That is a normal shift the employees work, ten-hour shift. So in order to recognize that we did the 9.5 align for the 30-minute lunch period as well.

Ryan: Now I'm wondering why it's not ten. Thank you for explaining that.

Anthony: Not a problem.

Ryan: Thank you.

Wheeler: Very good. Any further questions or discussion on this item? Please call the roll.

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Clerk: Rubio?

Rubio: Thank you, commissioner Mapps. As well as the staff for bringing this item to council.

Very happy to support and long overdue. I vote aye.

Clerk: Ryan?

Ryan: Yes, I enthusiastically vote aye. Thank you.

Clerk: Hardesty?

Hardesty: Aye.

Wheeler: You heard that, right?

Clerk: I didn't. Did she vote aye?

Wheeler: She is voting aye. On the phone with me.

Clerk: Thank you. I'm sorry. Mapps?

Mapps: I want to thank all the staff who worked really hard to get this issue before council today.

I want to thank Jamal for his presentation. I want to thank our staff over at boec for the lifesaving work they do every minute of every day. I'm delighted to vote aye.

Clerk: Wheeler?

Wheeler: Aye. Ordinance adopted. Keelan, that completes our business for this morning, correct?

Clerk: It does, mayor.

Wheeler: Very good. Colleagues, we are adjourned until 2: 00 p.m.

Hardesty: Thanks, mayor.

Wheeler: Thank you, commissioner. See you soon. [meeting adjourned]

At 11:11 a.m., Council recessed.

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Wheeler: Please call the roll.

Clerk: [roll called].

Wheeler: Before I read the statement I want to thank everybody who was waiting. There was technical issues and we wanted to make sure we were on the air and we had closed captioning available. Those that have been waiting for the broadcast patiently thank you. The city council is holding this meeting electronically. All members are attending remotely by video and teleconference and the city made several avenues available to listen to the audio broadcast of the meeting. It is on the YouTube channel and channel 30. The public can also provide written testimony to the council clerk at cc testimony at Portland, Oregon.gov. The council is taking these steps as a result of the covid-19 pandemic to promote physical distancing. It is an emergency that threatens the health, public safety and welfare and requires us to meet electronically. Thank you for your flexibility, patience, understanding as we mount these challenges to conduct business. Now the rules of order and decorum.

Linly Rees: Because we're not taking testimony today, I think we could dispense with reading how people should testify. That's up to you.

Wheeler: That sounds like a plan. We'll get two minutes of our life back. With that Keelan we two items on our afternoon agenda, items number 183 and 184, if you could read them together, please.

Clerk: 183 amend title 33 planning and zoning to facilitate the provision of shelter and housing options for Portlanders in need. 184, amend code emergency code, public improvements water, property maintenance, regulation and affordable housing and for housing for Portlanders in need.

Wheeler: Thank you. This item of course is a continuation of the shelter to housing continuum project deliberations. Last week we heard several hours of testimony. And we have received over

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2,000 submissions so far in terms of written testimony. I want to thank my colleagues for sticking around for quite a while on the 17th to hear from everybody. I want to thank the public, everybody who -- who -- who -- who with participated in that meeting and many who waited many hours to testify. We appreciate your feedback. We'll discuss what with we heard in the testimony. We're going to have the opportunity to ask staff questions. We would also like to take this opportunity today to at he's informally identify amendments that we with like to be proposing. We don't need it make motions today. And we don't need to vote today. In fact we're not going to vote today but I would like to give staff direction so they have orderly votes next week. It is important that we give them information about the types of amendments we what like to bring forward. Daylighting potential amendments today a gift public the opportunity to comment since the written are second still open at this time. Before I ask all of you and -- and me as well to reflect on the testimony, I ask the bureau staff provide us with a summary of the testimony as they understood it up to this point. I see eric and joe is here. Why don't you jump in, unless my colleagues have anything to say right up front? Gentlemen, take it away.

Eric Engstrom: Do you want to kick it off? Joe is muted. As you mentioned mayor, this is eric. As you mentioned we have received 2,000 written comments so far on -- on the app that folks can use to submit comments. What we're seeing in that testimony and encourage your staff to go through that. Also just -- just a reminder that in the panelist list we have a number of staff from our partner bureau that is helped assemble this package including bbs parks, housing, the joint office and bbs and others. As we're going through this, I'll do my best to try to pull them in are there's technical issues that they can help with. And if you have specific questions for specific bureaus, feel free to ask and we'll get the right person to answer it. Overall, the testimony as you probably know, the overwhelming number of comments is in the using parks and trails for shelter. And also heard a lot about natural areas and concern about the impact of camping in shelter in natural areas. And we mentioned this last time and this is general confusion, understanding the difference between sanctioned facilities and informal camping that people see around town. We'll want to continue to be clear about with that, that this package is about managed public facilities and not are where individuals or informal groups are allowed to camp. Trash collection and clean-up concern was mentioned. Some concerns about crime were mentioned. There is some opposition to outdoor shelters generally are, I think coming from a perspective of preferring permanent housing is the solution. Some for operators. And there's the park specific fears in particular the folks that work around here. They had a couple member requests for them and we worked with those. More support from faith based organizations and

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neighborhoods expressed concerns about geographic balance and notice separations between shelters. There's some request in the Portland neighborhoods from shelter citing about this and the housing and rv. That's the overwhelming number of letters. Earlier in the process before the planning commission, we heard this concerns. At that stage we heard about parks in natural areas and open space. We at that time were receiving a lot of strong support for the rv and tiny house options. We had support for many aspects of the package. Though the later testimony is in the focused on that as much. That's a whirlwind tour of the testimony. I hope you all have time to look through it in more detail. I'm happy to answer questions.

Wheeler: Do you have more to add?

Joell Zhender: We appreciate the time your offices gave to staff this week. One of the last steps we have to take is to update the finding to reflect the final package. We were going to appeal the final package. That's all I have to add and thank you.

Wheeler: So here's colleagues what I propose we do. I propose that we give a little space here for -- for the city council to be able to -- to -- to express what we heard and what some initial thoughts are. I'm going to ask staff to take us through the various broad sections of the proposed ordinances starting with -- with -- with -- with -- the general questions relating to sheltering and then get to the questions of open spaces and trails and the like. We'll chime in and ask more specific questions in each of those areas. That will be a staff facilitated discussion that I would like to leave space right now for the council to reflect on what we heard during that testimony. I'll let whoever wants to jump in first, jump in first. If not I'll jump in first.

Hardesty: Mayor, I think I have my hands up button.

Wheeler: Really?

Hardesty: Yeah, craziness in the reflected on our screen.

Wheeler: Click on the list. I've got it.

Hardesty: Happy to jump in. First I want to appreciate the incredible work done by dps to bring this forward. Anytime we're talking about changing land use, you know, it creates a lot of fear and anxiety among people. I want to really appreciate joe and eric's continuously excellent work to lay out what the choices are that we as a council face. You missed an opportunity to be part of the council when influential jack was here. That was a multi-year, I believe up to a fine year project and made it to the city council. I want to also say that I appreciate most of the -- I appreciate all of the community testimony but what I especially appreciated was the compassion and empathy that most people use in understanding that we're in a crises of a magnitude that we have not seen before. And that could get a lot worse before it actually gets

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better. I -- I share the concern about lifting eviction moratorium. We need to keep people in their homes. Mortgages must be paid at some point. I hope we as a council will continue to center our the folks who are most impacted by these divisions. Having said that, I think there's a misperception about -- about how -- how parks and open spaces would be utilized under this proposal. I don't think we did effective job of talking to the public and what we're talking about is self-managed operations which would have limited number of campers and have access to laundry pickup and other necessities to make it operate like most that operate the day in the video. I also want to remind the public that the camps are the safest outdoor opportunities that -- that -- that -- that our community members that are living in -- outside have. Because they manage the behavior of the people who are inside that camp. And we heard testimony like that from -- from a whole host of communities that live around south camp. I personally do not have any amendment that I plan to put forward. I'm very interested in what the council, how the council will act, the eviction moratorium and whether or not that is something that we should have at the ready in case the state and the county refuses to act. I'm concerned about what would happen there. Otherwise, I'll say I'm in support of what has been presented to me. I like forward to hearing from my other colleagues about if they have any other people that I should consider. I'm -- I'm -- I'm pretty happy with what we've been presented with so far. Don't have any real problems with it.

Wheeler: Hardesty. Rubio, I think I saw your hand go up there.

Rubio: Thank you, mayor. I indicated before that I wanted to create places to have more discussion about this and housing and hear from the community. So my hope was that -- that continued community input was -- was helping us clarify the dimensions of the proposal and the best possible form. I'm pleased with that. Last Wednesday was a long day for all of us. It did help me clarify some of my proposal and deep in my knowledge as well, particularly hearing from folks with this experience and -- and thing that I hadn't considered. I just hope that as we continue to move forward with housing and other big policies and like economic recovery and community safety and climate change that we really allow ourselves the time and space to collaborate with one another and get the policies right. We'll always have time my urgent decisions to make. That's the nature in this role. In this case, the emergency, or maybe we're acting quickly in response to something that just happened. I really hope that we can continue to work together and collaboration regardless of our bureau assignment, so we're in the limiting our long-term work and we're moving it forward together. That is what this community expect from us. So I'm really appreciative about the thoughtful way that you all done that in this

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instance and I'm also very glad we took the community to share their perspectives. I like to echo what was said and give appreciation to the thoughtful work of planning and working. As well as the complex work of the team at dps to bring us to this point today. We are seeing the end result of years of work. We're so appreciative.

Wheeler: Thank you. Commissioner? Anybody else? Commissioner Max. I can see you all fine.

Mapps: Like my colleague said, I want to express my appreciation to staff that put together this really visionary proposal for how to serve the community more effectively and I want to thank the Portlanders that turned out to testify. I appreciate your humanity and commission to the city. Like Commissioner Hardesty and the mayor I want to remind the public that I think there has been some misunderstanding about the scope of the proposal, especially red stamping in public or open spaces specifically in parks. My reading that was never what was on the table. It is not something I support. I think there's situations where we may use our public spaces or open spaces to -- to house the homeless. There's some minor amendments that I planned to -- I've advanced today. The big proposal that I want my colleagues to consider and staff to consider is bring out the discussions of RVs and tiny homes. This is an important issue. It frankly has been overwhelmed with public concern about camping in open spaces. I suggest council we -- we break the tiny houses on wheels issue and the R.V. issue out and we have a separate work session on that. My main concern here is it will balance the need for alternative shelters and at the same time we protect the environment.

Wheeler: Commissioner Ryan.

Ryan: First, I'm giddy right now, to have to say it, the university of Oregon men and women in March Madness. Got that out. I want to say that the testimony last week in my opinion, since I've worked at council, it was mentioned before, just thoughtful. You could tell people that testified were speaking their truth. It was refreshing and worth every testimony. Great to be in a city that is engaged in the entire city. Last Thursday, what was that, last Wednesday afternoon. It was a really I love Portland moment. Commissioner Hardesty, I'm glad you brought up our vision moratorium. Callahan and I are talking about this but more importantly we're taking action. It won't be an emergency conversation in June. I appreciate you bringing it up. Asking me about this a while ago. Director Callahan and I are in frequent conversation Papadopoulos they'll be -- we'll come back to you within the next month of some update on how that is going. Thanks for bringing that up. I'm sorry I failed to mention that until now. Anyway, looking for a lot to do, so I'll be brief.

Wheeler: We got everybody else? Correct? I want to acknowledge the public. It is a theme we all

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mentioned and it is fantastic to have that public input. We appreciate it. It gives us an opportunity to better understand the issues that are in the proposed ordinance. Also napped where -- where it needs to be strengthened. I heard a hot during the public testimony, I took extensive notes and we will discuss this on amendments on what we heard. First and foremost, I want to acknowledge what -- a couple of you have acknowledged that overwhelmingly, regardless of whether -- we're very supportive or not supportive, what I heard people say they have compassion for people living on the streets. They're looking to us, the city council to be humane as well effective in our approach to address that crisis. There's a theme of compassion. Second of all, it goes without saying that the biggest concern that was raised was around the question of shelters and camping in parks and trails and natural areas. While I agree with the concerns, I will say that I don't think some of those concerns are necessarily well founded based on the hajj. I think there's opportunities to clarify the language. That would address concerns. I heard about the desire for shelters to be equitably distribute throughout the city and the city's efforts it provide safety and stability for those experiencing homelessness. I heard about working toward solutions in providing shelter to people that live outside. Not directly related to -- to this particular set of ordinary napses but completely relevant. The package changes that we're considering codifies what we've learned since the beginning, the very beginning, the state of emergency. It recognizes the option to create shelter in many areas across the city to meet the need that exist in those areas. These changes are important. I agree with the steps to insure that we can have a highly effective diversified and geographic space for those experiencing homelessness. With the remaining time, we'll work to identify the amendments that should be put on the table next week. We have bureau staff obviously available from multiple bureaus to answer any questions or better inform our decisions. We're not going to make formal motions during the meeting. We'll come back with thoughtful amendments for motions. I believe the first area that we wish to discuss pertains to the covid deals with group living. It is to remove it from the zoning code and expand where group living uses may be located without a conditional use permit. There wasn't a large amount of testimony about this. The staff has technical amendments based on what I thought were incredibly informed testimony. We'll walk through those proposed ideas.

Engstrom: As you mentioned, we have suggestions related to this section. We didn't get a lot of testimony on it. I want to thank my colleagues at bds that always spend a good deal of time looking through draft language and sometimes catch glitches that are very helpful as we move to council. A number came from the building services. Thank you to those staff. There's

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unanticipated consequences. And one of the impacts of the way we reorganize the code is we left ambiguity for certain kinds of group living structures depending on what would apply to those structures. Specifically I'm talking about congregate structures that are group living structures that don't meet the definition of a dwelling unit either because they don't have the ingredients of a dwelling unit or maybe because there's a very large number of bedrooms relative to kitchens. Three standards were left a little unclear in our recommended draft. One related to -- to what the mass and bulk of -- of the buildings would be allowed to be. In other words floor area ratio. And for multi-family and mixed use, we have an outdoor requirement that encouraging balconies or shared space so residents have some access to the outdoors. We had had that requirement for group living as well. We left a few of the connections, the connective tissue in the code unclear. So fixing that -- is another element. And then finally related to parking we want to make sure what parking requirements apply it group living situations, typically congregate structures. For those that are around during the residential infield project, you might remember that -- that as part of that project, you removed the off-street parking requirements for -- for single dwelling homes and when we reorganize, there were dramatically more parking. They will create that same situation for small group living uses that don't require conditional use in single dwelling zones. With your permission, I'll share a screen briefly to share those.

Wheeler: Go for it. Eric based on what you told us so far, these sound like they're largely technical.

Engstrom: Yes, but we always want to be transparent about what they are. The first is related to congregate. You should see the congregate housing facilities in single dwelling zones and inserting language that -- that -- that explains what that is up about the convention in the documents is the highlighted text will be the thing that is being changed because the document has underlining and reflects the underlining amendments being made. When we amend the amendments we use the convention of the highlighter to show the part that is changing. I'll try to be clear as possible about that. We're changing text. Then there's a footnote in the table that talks about -- about -- about floor area and where to go to find the students if that. We're adding footnote that says including any site with congregate housing facility. We're giving it the same floor area as a single dwelling unit in that section. That's the first item that iance mentioned. The second is the outdoor area requirement. Here we're changing the language to be more generic to be on the site with the residential use and then we're adding in reference to sites with congregate housing facility so that is clear. And then making sure that the specific standard is cited and this is something we loss in the shuffle when we eliminated the former group living of

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the chapter that that code went away and we're restoring here. That's the second element. The third I mentioned the parking requirement. That's changing something in chapter 266 which is the zoning code parking chapter. So basically we're adding a -- a section here that is for group living and it is basically saying, it is not requiring if it doesn't have additional use. That would be for the small group living facilities that are under 3500 square feet and the package wouldn't require conditional use review. That gives them the same footing as the single dwelling situation. Then also changing the -- the -- changing the table to refer to bedrooms which is consistent with the provision in the way we're reframing the group living situations to not be addressing sort of the people relationship of bedrooms and the current density. This is around development standard. There's one other change that pds is requesting. When we eliminated the definition of household, we may have caused them a little more difficulty enforcing the accessory short-term rental regulations. That refers to homes in terms of how many people could be in a structure. The current practice is that -- that -- that a household can include up to five unrelated individuals and so in this particular short-term regulation, what we're saying is -- we're -- and we had already delete the -- the reference to the -- to the household but we're adding the number five there so that they have a reference point for the rental in that situation. Otherwise, there's not any sort of hook for them to be enforcing the volume of that use.

Hardesty: If I may?

Wheeler: Jump in.

Hardesty: Eric, I'm curious as to -- if this would -- if -- if making this change would have an impact on the air bnb market and if so, you know, I'm always worried about when we change policy, what are the unintended consequences and really curious if this would impact and create loopholes for air bnb that do not exist today.

Engstrom: It is actually keeping us from opening new loopholes is the way I would characterize this. The current enforcement are using and that's the number of unrelated people in a structure. And the current regulations refer to the household definition. This is also addressing a type a short-term rental. These require less process. The larger -- the larger situations that still require conditional use are in the -- not affected by this limitation is my understanding. I don't know if -- I don't know if any of my bdf colleagues who are on the call, if you have anything else to add on that question? Either Matt or Kristin if you're on the call, if you have any further thoughts.

Hardesty: If you're not worried I'm not, but I thought I would mention it for the public record.

Engstrom: I think this is essential my keeping the status quo through different language since we removed the household definition which got us this before. Those are are the elements

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related to household living and as I mentioned those are all fairly technical and minor. There was not -- as far as I'm aware, we have not received requests if -- from any of your offices if larger policy amendments to this section.

Wheeler: Very good. Public record is still open and those hearing things and following along, want to make recommendations that's still very much appropriate and appreciative. So it sound like you have heads-up on that to two ahead and draft specific amendment language for those technical amendments that you brought.

Engstrom: I'll mention to you across the board, with all of this, I'm sharing language that is preliminary and what will be going back and making sure that this is in fact the language we want to use. In most cases I'm sharing actual language today. But it is tentative still.

Wheeler: That's good. I appreciate it. We'll wrap up that section and now transition to another topic, amendments related to shelters in title 33. I anticipate a lot of the discussion here is around amendments related to open space and natural areas and definitions about -- about -- about the technical amendments. I suggest we begin with what everybody is most interested in discussing and that's open space and natural areas. Why don't I kick us off. Commissioner Ryan has insight into this. I want to clarify what the project does and does not do when it pertains to open space zones. I think there was some confusion on this subject last week. In the recommended draft, permanent shelter is prohibited from open space zones. Temporary shelter is allowed but only under very specific conditions. That's number one, during a declared state of emergency and number two for a limited number of days during a calendar year. Areas on open space include natural areas but they also include developed infrastructure such as buildings and parking lots that can be appropriate and suitable basis. This challenges us as a community -- with how we grapple with multiple priorities simultaneously. As a council we're leveraging the city's limited resources to serve everyone in our community, both house and up housed while preserving our important natural areas that make Portland such a special place to live and call home. I think we heard a hot during the public testimony last week. I want to reiterate this project is not about legalizing unsanctioned camping. The code again states quite clearly the permanent shelter is -- is prohibited from open space zones. We're trying to move barriers and have more managed programs run by agencies and partners that can achieve positive outcomes on both of these priorities. As an example of the partnerships that can be done, I want point to a partner. The focus is on metros. They run a shelter in the Charles Jordan community center this winter. I want to thank them and I want to thank the parks bureau leadership for their use of that space. I think that was an effective and smart use of space during

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the crisis. We were able to keep hundreds of people safe. We're not talking about a wholesale departure from what we're currently doing today. And Rubio led the work on drafting amendments related to open space and natural areas for us to consider. Commissioner Rubio.

Rubio: Thank you. I also want to thank everyone again who testified last week about this and the many other parts of the agreement and contact with our offices. We have had ongoing conversations with -- with the hand office, with the joint office of homelessness services and the bts and the offices about shelters in open spaces. And then to those that might be watching, I also want to reiterate what the mayor said that open space zone is a term in the city zoning code. It includes several properties besides parks and resource areas. That came through in the testimony as well. During this section, a high level of review of -- of amendment idea that had been discussed on March 17th. All of the options, I'll turn to staff who will provide additional information and answer questions. First there seems to be agreement from the offices that there's not intent and this never was the intent to put temporary outdoor shelters in parks and natural areas. Council recognizes and does agree that this intent was not as clearly reflected in the policy as it should be. We need to clarify it through amendment. Therefore, we would add amendments that -- that state temporary outdoor shelters aren't included when we talk about open space zones and natural area overlays. What we want to be clear about is that council will continue to have the ability to activate all open space zones in the case of emergency. This will be the impact. When emergencies hit us and it is our responsibility to consider all available options and this is what we currently have in place and will not be removed but stay intact. The mayor has also expressed an interest in allowing temporary shelters in parking lots and open space zones. This could mean parking lots at parks and community centers and golf courses. If we move forward with an amendment for assistance. There are also other parking lot options not in open space zones. We're really open to the conversation about parking lots. Last week we heard testimony about underdeveloped or utilized properties that are not parks and natural areas that could be candidates for permanent shelters as well. This sparked a really good conversation and council officers have discussed the possibility of directing all city bureaus to examine the city property for suitability and for transitional shelter accommodations and affordable housing. This wouldn't be a change; it would be a directive. The shelter allows temporary shelters in community centers without declaring an emergency. This would give the office the flexibility they need to activate these without going through a lengthy process. There may be a weather event or weather events that aren't the level of an emergency but the conditions still warrant an effort to bring people in. We're not proposing an amendment. So now

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I'll toss it over to Eric from DPS to go into more details.

Engstrom: I'll share my screen and go over -- staff prepared tentative language around these different ideas and I can walk you through that. Before I start, I'll mention that -- that -- that this issue was something that was debated at the -- at the level of the Manning and Sustainability Commission. It was one of the dominant issues in the hearing. They did -- some of the amendments that we'll discuss here were also discussed by the Planning and Assisting Commission. Some votes were split votes. They did not make changes to this aspect of the proposal but it was definitely discussed. So with that I will try again to share my screen. Okay. The first topic that the Commissioner mentioned was the idea of excluding various natural resource overlay designations in the map from the -- from the -- from the temporary shelter clause. Those include the environmental overlays and the river natural overlay and the river environmental overlay and the Pleasant Valley natural resource overlay. Those are commonalities that they're to serve and protect and identify natural resources throughout the city. I'll mention that -- that we've drafted tentative language for the options we're discussing today. Some of these affect the same sections. So one thing we do next after today is -- is depending on your -- your general direction, we may have to weave these tomorrow. They're in the mutually exclusive. In several instances we have not done that weaving together part. I wanted to mention that. So the -- that's -- the change to H. Is related to that. That's the 180-day in a calendar year clause that has been the subject of a lot of testimony.

Wheeler: May I ask, what I'm seeing in purple, that's -- that is added language, is that correct or are you highlighting that as an area for proposed change?

Engstrom: In this case that's added language. The non-highlighted is -- is -- is already part of the proposal. It simply says that outdoor shelters are allowed as a temporary activity for up to 180 days in the calendar year and we would be adding the statement that the natural resource overlays are excluded.

Wheeler: Okay. Good. We're being more specific in terms of the language as opposed to intent; we're being explicit.

Engstrom: This has never been an intent for many of us, either the joint office or the -- or the various bureaus involved with this to put shelters in these overlays but making it explicit is what we're doing here with this language.

Wheeler: That will put people at ease.

Engstrom: The language below to 33285 is parallel language that would deal with permanent shelters and it has been the suggestion that if you're going to identify the list of overlay zones in

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the temporary section, you may want to have the sail list in the permanent chapter. Right now the permanent shelters are prohibited. They -- they -- they do not exclude the -- the -- it does not currently list the value or the two river overlays. We wanted to correct that alignment issue, if you're going to make changes to the section h. Any other questions?

Wheeler: Commissioner Mapps has a question.

Mapps: I have a question about the h here. The outdoor shelters are only allowed for 180 days within the calendar year. How about this scenario. Let's say we open up a -- a mass shelter in July, stays in place for 180 days. The calendar -- can you keep it in place for another 180 days?

Engstrom: It is per calendar year. So as written yes, although as a practical matter what we've heard from most of the shelter providers is the need is really in the winter. So -- and for small period in the summer during heat or smoke days. So more likely scenario is someone would open something up in October or November and keep it open over the winter. You would be straddling both years and you're -- you're saving your allowance for the next fall. Less likely you're open for 360 days in one streak but the language does allow that.

Mapps: Maybe at some point I hike to unpack that for my colleagues and staff. Thank you.

Engstrom: I'll just mention here too, the -- this section and the current language that is recommended refers to mass shelters as well as outdoor shelters and just a brief reminder that mass shelters is the zoning term for the indoor shelters where people are in congregate rooms and the outdoor shelters would be the village model or that kind of situation. Okay. If this are no other questions, I move on to the next topic that was identified by the commissioner. This was dealing with the paved parking lots. This is changing the same section, so if we like more than one of these, we'll weave them together. For now what this does is it breaks out the mass shelter and outdoor shelters into separate clauses and for the outdoor shelters, it excludes things that are not -- not -- not -- that exist in paved parking area from that -- that provision. The mass shelters we did not modify because those are by definition indoors and the outdoor shelters would be the ones that are outside. We would say that would be something only appropriate in the parking area. A reminder that the outdoor shelters include a couple of different possible models. The term is broad enough to cover things like the village model. It would include tents or yurts and the parking model for the people to be in a safer space than just beside the road. All of those different approaches are captured within the term outdoor shelter as currently drafted. The second aspect of this is, if we're going to allow them in parking areas. We have to say what that means for required parking in the zoning code. There's already a provision in the code that allows farmers markets to require parking spaces for a period of time. We would add to make it

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clear that the shelters can also do that. If we didn't make that second piece of this amendment, questions would come up about, even though they theoretically didn't pave parking lots, they could say you can't do it because you would be taking away required parking. You can do that temporarily as part of that use. Any questions about the approach here? Any other questions, I should say. So again this was responding to the idea that -- although Jen my we did not have in mind using parks and open spaces as naturally as a place to put outdoor shelters. There may be limited situations where it would be appropriate and parking lots were identified as one of those potential uses.

Wheeler: I do have a question. So right now what we're doing is talking about city property. So in the event that -- that -- walk us through, what would happen in the event that a decision was made somewhere, somebody got the idea that they wanted to use a parking lot for a temporary shelter, a parking lot in a park's facility. What would the procedure be or the process?

Engstrom: Good question. This is where it is important to understand that zoning is a -- is a -- an authorizing code. It doesn't dictate that something must happen if it is an allowed thing. What we're doing here is we're allowing it hypothetically through the zoning and the zoning wouldn't be a barrier to this. And zoning doesn't authorize unauthorized uses of property from the property owner. If the parks bureau or water bureau and there's land owned by metro and -- and o dot in some cases. Whoever the property owner was would still make the decision about whether they wanted to allow the use on the property. In the case of parks, they have existing procedures for how they permit nonpark uses and I would invite park staff is here in the room if they would like to speak to that particular question about how they would approach that.

Wheeler: That would be helpful. I think part of what I'm getting at is there are still checks and balances, even within this. Given it is a parks facility and the public has a great interest in their park's facilities, it is ultimately still going to have to be approved by a sitting city commissioner, particularly the commissioner in charge, one would presume.

Engstrom: All of the -- the zoning code does is by removing the zoning code piece, you're authorizing it to happen without having to go through bds to ask land use section.

Wheeler: As anyone in the city will tell you, there's a starting point and more to the process.

Engstrom: I believe Todd from the park's bureau is here. I don't know if he to add to anything I described.

Todd Lofgren: Todd, parks and rec. We have city policy through our nonpark use permit or temporary construction staging or nonpark uses are approved. That's like a real estate

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agreement or a permit of use for park's property. It doesn't require public process. There's no proposal or review process that is external. It is an internal staff review that is approved by the park's director.

Wheeler: Thank you. Any other questions about this section here? The next section that we looked at was -- those are sections that deal with temporary uses of parks and open space land. Then the next topic goes into some of the other aspects of open space and other shelter aspects.

Hardesty: Before you go to the next section, let me ask you the opposite question. Which is today, we have a lot of people that are houseless and living in open spaces and parks and a whole host of places trying to exist on the streets in the city of Portland. After passing what ultimately my end up at the city council this is not forcing people into specific places to camp.

Engstrom: No. The code doesn't govern how the city wants to handle the informal camping that is occurring right now in the street or parks or any other public space. This governs the permanent siting of facilities. How the city wants to handle that in the county would be up more to the joint office and the city council.

Hardesty: The city council would have to take a proactive stance in order to exclude people from -- from areas that they are sleeping in today.

Engstrom: I mean the broad intent of this package is to -- to facilitate the permitting of more managed facilities so we have more options than the informal camping we're seeing today.

Hardesty: I understand that.

Engstrom: How you make that transition is a separate question.

Hardesty: Yes. That's my question. I mean -- I'm getting questions about -- about -- about what does this mean for people today. Who are not in a managed camp? We have a proposal with the joint office to create new partnerships to set up managed camps. I want to make sure that it is on the public record that this is -- this is -- this land use change gives us more options but it is not mandating anything.

Engstrom: Correct. It also does not, for folks who are -- are camping in public spaces right now, it does not necessarily make them suddenly legal and more legal than they are today. This is again about public facilities and -- and -- and -- and hopefully giving us better options for places where this are services and be sheltered in a more humane way.

Hardesty: Yes.

Engstrom: I know mark is on the call. I don't know if the joint office has other comments from an operational perspective about that question. Okay. I'll move on then. As I mentioned, I think those were the primary amendment that is we heard from in terms of helping clarify the open

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space. The other items on the list I think are -- are slightly different topics.

Wheeler: I was bound to do that once today. Does that then complete your presentation of amendments that are being proposed from the staff perspective?

Engstrom: On that particular topic, yes. Once you move on we'll have more to share.

Wheeler: What is the next topic?

Engstrom: My understanding was that the next topic was -- was -- was more broadly permanent sheltering in the open space zone. You had some -- you had some testimony about -- from the Portland neighbors welcome about providing some path if -- for permanent facilities in the open space zone and we needed to talk about that testimony.

Wheeler: Okay. Do you -- okay, that's fine. Why don't you talk about that. That starts getting and away from minimum lot size and the rv questions?

Engstrom: The rv questions come at the end.

Wheeler: You go ahead and walk us through that. Just facilitate and walk us through that and it would be helpful. Go through the different areas as you see them needing to be called out.

Engstrom: So this next topic was, you heard in the testimony from Portland neighbors welcome a request to allow permanent facilities in the open space through some kind of council action. And then staff looked at that and there's really two approaches to that -- to that request. If council wanted to make that and we recommended some slightly different language than what came in through the letter that you received. Mostly so the terminology end up with what we use elsewhere in the zoning code. The one way you could achieve council approval of that -- if it was desired, would be to allow that to a -- it a type four procedure through a conditional use. Type four procedure is going to include a council hearing. So we've come up with language that would do that by amending one of the seconds of -- of 33100. And then also in -- in section 285, you would -- you would -- you would clarify that outdoor shelters with -- with -- and -- right now, this version is -- is showing outdoor shelters but similar approach could be taken if there was council interest in other types of shelters. What we've done here in this -- in this section here is to show that it is -- the type four procedure in -- under number b subzone there. That's one way to do it. Through land use, if you want to do it through the zoning code. Another way that is discussed and I don't have specific language for this. This is not -- the zoning language but commissioner Rubio mentioned the idea of a separate directive outside of the zoning code to ask bureaus that have property to identify surplus property and that would of course include some land that is in the os zone. If you did want to. If you have land zoned os and is not used as a park or natural area where you felt that shelter or housing was appropriate, you're always -- it is

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always possible to rezone that property through a future planning action. You could include a follow-up action.

Hardesty: I have a question. So today, if a bureau that cannot use the land that they own by city policy, they are required to -- to -- to operate to another bureau and then second sell it for the highest dollar amount they could get. If we're thinking there's land that we own and other governments own, then that policy will have to change at the council level. It won't change if it is based on [indiscernible]?

Engstrom: All this would do is to direct that inventory and you would have to come back and decide what policies need to be changed and what zoning or policies or any other regulation needs to be changed once you came up with that list of properties that you think are appropriate.

Hardesty: Can't we change the policy prior to having a list just knowing this is coming back.

Engstrom: You could. We did not write that option up. There's nothing in the -- in this approach that would preclude that.

Hardesty: Thank you.

Engstrom: I guess the other thing is a reminder on this. If this approach is taken, reminder there's a variety of agencies that own property so you want to engage with all of those entities and make sure that they saw this coming. Other thing about this approach is that -- when you take the zoning approach as -- as is evidenced by the testimony you're giving right now, everyone that lives near a park is going to have a certain amount of concern or worries that their site might be -- up for -- up for some use. Taking the inventoried approach would -- would potentially reserve the concern once you have identified sites for the actual sites being identified rather than having a concern spread through the community for all possible parks and open spaces. I think that -- I think that -- I think that -- I think the zoning staff believed that the -- that the inventory approach is a cleaner way potentially because the -- the zoning code doing a conditional use review through type four procedure in an open space would be a challenging review. You may get a better process if you consider through zone change after inventorying, after identifying the potential property. Again, both options are only if you choose to entertain the Portland neighbor's welcome testimony that they would like some narrow provision for use of permanent facilities in open space areas. Any other questions or thoughts on that topic?

Wheeler: Not seeing it.

Engstrom: Okay. The next one is a technical change that staff is asking when we wrote the definition of -- of outdoor shelter we were a little less than elegant when it comes to how we

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load the vehicle question in to that. That was in addition midway through the process that we wanted to make sure that we were accommodating the potential for the safe parking facilities under this definition. So there's two places this definition shows up, one in title 33 and other is 30 if purposes of some fee exemptions.

Wheeler: Could you go back. I'm sorry, I'm getting lost in the weed here. I want to make sure I know what you're talking about. When you say vehicle issue, this is two that were raised during public testimony last week. There was the question of rvs and I think that's what you're referring to. There was also the question of these tiny homes on wheels. You need to be clear about what you're talking about up about

Engstrom: Neither of those. What we're talking about is -- is for the outdoor shelters which is our -- our definition that encompasses a broad array of village style or outdoor styles shelters facilities. This is not the individual in r.v.s.

Wheeler: You mentioned vehicles, what does this have to do with vehicles?

Engstrom: With the outdoor model we wrote it without the word vehicle and we were talking about cabins or yurts or the village model. We added vehicles to this because -- for two reasons, one is there may be situations with tiny houses on wheels may be the thing that people are sheltering in. A second was that we wanted to include within this definition the capacity to handle the safe parking style of facility where people who are camping in cars or other types of vehicles would have a safe place to go. The definition includes vehicles in the list of possible accommodations in an outdoor shelter. We did that in a -- in a slightly confusing way. We just have a wording -- rewording suggestion that is down below to make it a little clearer, we think. The other thing I'll mention about there definition is that b.e.s. Has mentioned to us that this last -- last where it says may or may not include shower facilities, it may say sanitary facilities. That might be a further word swap that we suggest. That's recent feedback we got. The word vehicles was up here in the original language. We reworded it to be less ambiguous. This is tentative language. So you can ask us more questions before you vote on it. The next item is question of shelters on institutional sites in single dwelling zones. Maybe I'll skip over that one and go to the -- to the site size question. This was something that -- that had come up with regard to -- right now the standards for outdoor shelter have a minimum site size and through discussions with -- with -- with -- about some existing facilities, it was noted that we have at he's one facility out there and we may want to be nor flexible. You could either the -- the existing recommendation is here. And the wording down below would remove that standard. You could also just change the number to a different number if that would be what would be conteam

mated.

Wheeler: The question was simply -- that's fine. There was a reason why I was less concerned about the maximum size than I was the minimum size. I wanted to know where the 5,000 square feet came from. It was arbitrary. We have shelter sites out there are that are less than 5,000 square feet. I think r2d2 probably fits in that category. The point of the exercise in this regard was institutions that wanted to use their -- their -- their facilities potentially to set up organized, managed sheltering options but they didn't have 5,000 square feet. I wasn't comfortable going down to zero though. I left that open as a point of discussion. I want it make sure we're talking about professionally managed and unsanctioned. You get to zero you're talking about more of a mom and pop than an institution than a trusted partner that would scale at the larger level. I was hoping why you would make recommendation as well.

Engstrom: One of the logics behind having a standard at all is there are other development standards like the setback at the edge of the property. If you get small it becomes unfeasible to meet those development standards. But whether it is 5,000 or 4,000 probably is not too much of a concern but if -- I think if you were down in the range of 1 or 2,000 you would not be able to meet standards in the code.

Hardesty: Are we talking temporary or permanent?

Engstrom: This is permanent standard.

Hardesty: I agree with the mayor. I think 5,000 might be too much. 3,000 might be what? Fine. I'm not sure what -- because -- because any shelter I've seen has been different configurations and as a board member, I've been through a lot of shelters and I don't think most of them -- most of them would fit the 5,000 square foot criteria.

Engstrom: For reference the 5,000 is a standard sized lot in Portland. The minimum lot size for residential is 3,000. That gives you a scale sense.

Hardesty: It does.

Wheeler: This is all great, we could go through the entirety of the document and fine tooth detail, if that's what my colleagues would like to do, we can do that. I like to stay focused on the big issues that require testimony. This is a minor issue.

Engstrom: We can adjust this number on-the-fly next time.

Hardesty: You heard the balancing act that commissioner Hardesty and I are trying to do. I don't know if it is 5,000, 3,000. I know it is not zero. I think maybe we should move toward comments or discussions on the amendments that we previously were introducing related to open space. I think that's where the majority of the conversation was last week and I think maybe that's where

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the council would like to focus its attention. I see commissioner Ryan has his hand raised. We'll go to commissioner Ryan.

Ryan: Thank you. Actually I took your queue that we could move into some open dialogue among ourselves.

Wheeler: Good.

Ryan: Okay. And I just want to start off by thanking you Eric, for that thorough presentation. It was helpful. I'm grateful to my colleagues and the excellent bureau staff and I want to acknowledge commissioner Rubio, we've been in talks about having -- having a methodical thoughtful process because this is such a necessary and complex proposal. I appreciate your leadership in how you played this out. It is landing well. I think all of us as Portlanders, we have to be transparent about what many would say is a number one issue that is gripping our city, that's the houselessness crisis. And we're doing just that today. I appreciate that. I wanted to get my voice in here because I was a commissioner in charge of the bureaus on the front lines providing aid to those in the houseless crisis. I believe it looks like having it in an open space to open enough shelters with access to services across the city so that we can meet a goal that we can all agree on. I start off with the goal. All Portlanders have a safe space to rest and find stability and access to those service that is will lead to the housing instability. So the status quo just can't continue. That's why we're here and looking at the code. Parking lots, buildings, undeveloped land. What is clear is we need a wide array of choices throughout the city, throughout the city it meet the need we see every day. Whether we talk about our neighbors on the street and camping in the parks and the status quo again is not going to cut it. It is a public health crisis. The amendments that we have on the table are major step in that right direction. This was brought up earlier, we have action and motion at the moment. We have actually over 3,000 respondents to the joint offices request or proposals for alternative shelter. The desire is to meet this need that is out there and we also have three million in proposed funding for the alternative shelters from -- from -- here together proposal amendment that the voters passed the proers forral that the measure the voters passed last May. We have so much to do. It is important to know that we can be agile at these times of emergency. We need to be able to respond to crisis as they come up. I appreciate the dialogue and appreciate that we realize this has to be urgent and agile. Taking time and being thoughtful right now, it is going to save us so much time as we go forward. I'm looking forward to discussing the amendments. Thanks again staff for listening so thoroughly to the testimony last week and for connecting with all of our officers and I think all of us have staff members that have been working really hard on this. I

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know we're grateful for that and looking forward to the dialogue.

Hardesty: Got hungry. Totally understand.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you mayor. Thank you for that commissioner Ryan. It is fabulous when I feel that the entire city council is in sync around a vision and I believe that we are in this case. I think clearly there are some -- there's still questions out there clearly the community has questions that we will answer today. I will say that I appreciate us using every avenue possible to address the growing houseless population that are living on our street. As we heard today at the -- at the communications, there are a lot of reasons why people are on our streets, medical reasons, other -- other -- other -- loss of jobs, loss of -- of housing for whatever reason. There's a lot of reasons why people are on the street. I appreciate the thorough approach that we're taking to -- to making additional options available. If we were going to vetting people, I would be opposed to that. Again, unless we're able to provide a safe shelter for all -- all of the people that are houseless we cannot with a good conscience start pushing people in the place that is may or may not fit with their individual needs are. I am really supportive of the direction that we're going. We won't get it all done this time. We can come back and continue to refine it to make it better so that it lives up to the values that we are putting into this work. I want to really thank commissioner Rubio for her openness in the process and really her inclusive nature to make sure she was talking to all of us every step of the way through the process. I think that's a model that we all -- model we all appreciate and know we get a lot better policy when we take the time to have those conversations and take the time to build -- build support across the board.

Commissioner Rubio, great job. I look forward to us coming back. Again, I don't think we'll fix it all as to commissioner Mapps point, I don't think we want to slow this down while we get it right. I do think, the last thing we want to do is exacerbate the issues that -- that -- that -- that allow people to be house less in the first place. I really support thinking about how do we do that in a way that is really specific to that need as well as the need for -- for tiny homes on wheels. I'm still not quite sure why that is an issue. I -- I think -- I clearly think we need to do more work on that. Thank you. This is good work. And again verifying the sustainability. It is kind of that group that just works behind the scenes for years. Engaging people and trying it make good public policy and -- I just want to again appreciate the work that they've done. So thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. I know that -- if you started to go in -- in the outdoor sheltered definition and the minimum site size definition. I want to focus narrowly for a moment on the open space. Before we move on to those two, I want to make sure that we're given clear guidance to the

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bureau around the amendments related to open space. We heard suggestions on the open space particularly around exclusionary language. It is language that clarifies the intent of the city council around natural areas and open spaces. Was there any further discussion on that issue or any further guidance that we would like to give the bureaus with regard to -- to what Eric and Joe mentioned around the open space questions? Are we generally not good then with the direction that staff had proposed? Very good. And again to the public, if you do not agree with this, let us know. Please, that the record remains open and you can still testify to us directly at cc testimony at Portland, Oregon.gov. That's also available on the website. The next area Eric you mentioned was around outdoor shelter definition and -- and could you be more specific in terms of the guidance you're asking the council for in regard to the definition?

Engstrom: I think the definition change was we saw as a technical rewording so we want to make sure that you're not confused about that or any other questions.

Wheeler: Any further questions. Do we feel we've given sufficient guidance based on the presentation? I'm giving a thumbs up. I see commissioner Hardesty and Rubio's Mapps and Ryan. We're good. Minimum site size. I don't know if anybody else has anything else to contribute to that conversation. Eric, you heard slightly nebulous feedback from commissioner Hardesty and myself. That's the best we could come up with for right now. I think you heard the intent we're trying to address. I appreciate your trying to make it consistent with the standard lot size in the city of Portland. That makes sense. On the other hand, I think we could be slightly more flexible just in the down to zero. I'll let you maybe think on that and maybe make suggestions. Maybe somebody else has ideas too that could help us with that. So what else do we need to give you guidance on in order for you to feel satisfied.

Engstrom: The next topic was the question that came from a variety of testimony around whether faith based institutions, religious institutions in the single dwelling zone should have more flexibility. This would be moving away from the open space.

Wheeler: I apologize, commissioner Ryan has his hand up.

Ryan: I kind of jumped too soon. I wanted to hear what Eric had had to say on this.

Wheeler: Jump in when Eric is done then.

Engstrom: If it is already, I'll share that document again. The background on this topic was that -- if you recall for those of you on the council last year when you adopted the expanding opportunities for affordable housing project, you gave institutions in the single family zones which are primarily religious institutions and some other things like rotary and other groups like that. You gave more flexibility to use the site if the affordable housing projects without their

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conditional use permit. In that project we had testimony and then we had some testimony through this project that we should be more flexible with shelters as well with those same sites. That was part of the Portland's testimony. They had asked that we reconsider that and be more flexible. The current recommendation for a type 2 conditional use if an institution is putting shelters on their sites. The one exception is shelter serving domestic violence victims are allowed by right, up to 130 square feet in the proposal. Outdoor shelters with more than 20 individual sites would be prohibited in the single dwelling zones. That's the current recommendation. Then just a reminder under state law the institutions are currently allowed to host people camping in vehicles. That's outside the zoning code. That's the state law directive provision. That's the status of the current proposal. In response to the welcome testimony staff had come up with language that could be added to chapter 33, 285 that would -- would be similar to what we had done with -- with -- with -- with the affordable housing, essentially allow in the single dwelling zone up to 20 shelters, 20 shelter, individual shelters which would be either beds or pods when it is for institutional use. That's changing there.

Wheeler: Before you move up with that, can you define for us in code, when you say existing institutional use, does institutional have a very specific meaning when we're talking about zoning?

Engstrom: Yes. 85 percent of what that means is religious institutions and some sanitary sites and some private schools that fit into that category. This are a few fraternal organizations that have -- have clubhouses that -- that -- that fell into this category. So it is -- it is a term that is referring to -- to -- to the -- it is generally a group use that is -- doesn't need to be religious but it is of a similar nature where you got people congregating in -- in an institutional setting in a -- in a single dwelling zone in this case.

Wheeler: I think we all agree a cemetery would not be the right place. Would it hurt to be more specific?

Engstrom: You could and we could explore subsets of this. The general reason for using institutional use, is we don't want to necessarily use the zoning code to give religious sites a specific right to do something that nonreligious rights don't have for freedom reasons. But we do -- we could be slightly more specific there. Okay. Thank you. The other thing I would add about this proposal is although we've had testimony about this topic throughout the process this would be a change in the proposal and -- it -- it by itself could be something that a lot of people might have an opinion about. So similar to the -- to the suggestion that you may want to have more discussion of the rv and tiny house thing. If we go down this road, I think staff has

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thought that you may want to open up testimony for this particular topic by itself so that you have a little more public feedback on this. This has been lost in the -- in the overall flurry about open space. You know, shelters on church sites could be as controversial as the neighborhood park in some situations. You may want to give people a chance to weigh in on that.

Wheeler: Of course. I think we've been transparent on that point but we welcome feedback.

Hardesty: Mayor, you may remember, reed talked about camping on the lots quite a few times. You may remember we slowed it down some of them so we could do it right. I think the public had a lot of opportunity to weigh in on that particular issue. Because I don't think we're changing the rules at all. Are we?

Engstrom: As I mentioned the current state law allows a limited number of people to camp on church property already. This would be an extension of that up to 20. It would give more flexibility not just with vehicles but with other formats. So it would be an expansion based on what is allowed now. As you said this has certainly been discussed for quite some time.

Hardesty: Thank you.

Engstrom: Any other questions or comments? The next topic down on my list was -- was -- was -- question about the right-of-way stuff. We would be switching gears again unless there's other.

Wheeler: Anything more on that before we switch to the right-of-way. Commissioner Ryan.

Ryan: Actually, you basically answered everything in detail. Our office -- I was attached to this one. I appreciate all of the work you did and the way you presented it. Thank you. Glad we listened to the testimony from Portland neighbors. I am -- mark, are you -- are you there? There you are. Could you -- Since we were talking about the size of the lots and I know you have a lot of perspective and some insight and point of view that would be helpful I think for everyone to catch.

Marc Jolin: I'm at performance services and you may be shed light on this, but as I'm thinking about the minimum size or fit that was -- was up for discussion, the 5,000 feet, there's a -- there's a model of safe park that -- that exists in Eugene and other communities where you have the single operator and you have a smaller number of people living in vehicles or sleeping pods on multiple different private -- these are private property around the community. That scattered site approach is something that we know does work in other communities. I think as we think about the minimum size of alternative shelters, is it possible to -- to insure that -- that that is kind of model that is viable and with us. That was the question. Might to be careful as we foreclose that.

Engstrom: I think from my perspective, minimum site size is something that is -- is -- is spread

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throughout the zoning code for a lot of different uses. In most cases, in most cases for most land uses, there's a minimum size. So as long as the number here is not a huge number it shouldn't provide too much of a barrier to that sort of thing. The definition of site could be inclusive of the entire property or subset and there's flexibility about that. If we picked a number smaller than 5,000 that wouldn't present too big of a restriction in terms of that model. Most the sites you're going to be dispersed on would be that size.

Wheeler: I think you have a headed in this. You can move us into the next area.

Engstrom: I will share again. As I mentioned this next topic has to do with the right-of-way. One of the elements of this project was to look at temporary encroachments in the right-of-way as relates to -- to services to the homeless. This is in section 17.44. As we got into -- as we got closer to the finish line here, pbot has noted that they're still a little uncomfortable with this section and would like to have it addressed in -- in a longer term effort that they're undertaking to clean up other aspects of title 17. It is noted that section 17.24 is a broader encroachment permitting process that gives them flexibility. Some of the things we were trying to do. They requested that we drop this element of the proposal in order for more work to be done through a different process. We revied that and don't think it is presented, the project to defer that piece. You did get amendments requests from Portland neighbors welcome to further amend this. We think that's not necessary because the other referenced already essentially provides that. Our recommendation is to drop this section. For reference I got it up on the screen. But we would just drop amendments to this section and leave it as is for now. I don't know if -- if there's any pbot folks that want it add to what I said. We're comfortable with the idea that the current code provides enough flexibility in the short-term.

Amber Clayton: This is Portland bureau of transportation. I want to affirm everything eric has said. The original intent around the code language was to clarify that we would be able to support service providers and oms in particular as being able to permit sanitation and hygiene and those are things that we're already doing in partnership. So we don't feel that -- that at this time any additional coaching is necessary for what we're doing to support our various partners in this work. Thank you.

Engstrom: Any other questions about -- about that?

Wheeler: So, if I understand correctly, then we're maintaining the status quo on that question. You're eliminating it.

Engstrom: It would be an amendment to eliminate that section of the proposal. It is maintaining the status quo of the current code.

Wheeler: It is the status quo.

Engstrom: Yes.

Wheeler: Cool, thanks.

Engstrom: We already talked about minimum site size. Those are all of the elements I had on my list until you get to the -- until you get to the rv and tiny house topic. To we want to -- to shift gears to that topic?

Wheeler: Yeah. Let's go.

Engstrom: I'll start by introducing the topic and reminding you that when we started this package, this topic was not part of the original council directive that caused this project.

Wheeler: I'm sorry to interrupt you. I'm getting word from legal counsel that she feels there hasn't been clear direction on the discussion of permanent shelters in open space and can we get clarification from legal counsel on that, please.

Linly Rees: I'm following eric's list and watching head nods. Eric identified one item as allow shelters and open space and he identified two particular options. I did not hear from council which option they were interested in. If eric is comfortable I'm fine with that but I didn't hear it.

Engstrom: I was going to assume that both options are still on the table for discussion next week unless the council has -- has -- would like to give us a direction on one of these.

Wheeler: Can you give us a succinct summary of the two options, please?

Engstrom: The first option was a direct translation of the welcome request that there be a hand use zoning approval process for a permanent shelter. The alternative approach is outside of the zoning code so you would -- you would maintain the prohibition on permanent shelters in the open space in the zoning code. Instead, you would direct bureaus that own property to take inventory and identify surplus property that could be directed toward shelters and housing. Some could be open space and if it was we would rezone it if it was to be used for that purpose rather than trying to build in an allowance within the zoning code.

Wheeler: Joe, I think you have your hand raised too. I'm not 100 percent sure. Is that hand raise?

Zhender: It is not.

Wheeler: Colleagues, I don't know if you had thoughts on the two comments, those two directions. Why don't we flesh that out more? I like it hear from the public on it. I don't think I have a strong preference one way or the other. It feels to me like the first option is -- either option, it would come through council or a zoning process?

Engstrom: Type four procedure does my nature go it city council.

Wheeler: The second option?

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Engstrom: The second option, if you directed bureaus that own property to identify surplus property, I presume that any disposition of that property would also have to come back to you in some form just in the through a zoning process.

Wheeler: Explain to me why we should care.

Engstrom: I think -- the -- the first option retains an allowance for permanent shelters in the open space zone. That may make people nervous. You're allowing for the possibility.

Wheeler: It will still have to go through a public process if I understood correctly. That's how it is now.

Engstrom: Right. The second option of doing a non-zoning solution and identifying property would also come back because if it was open space, you need to rezone it as well. It is whether you want to go through conditional use process or zoning process. I think -- I think the main difference in my mind is if that -- if you're going to have a provision in the zoning code you are potentially -- I think more neighbors of public property may be nervous because you haven't excluded the possibility that their park is going to be --

Wheeler: It could be used as an affirmative step in other words. The conditional use would require that -- that -- whoever wants to sponsor in to actually come forward and -- is there also a notification process we either of these.

Engstrom: Either way you would getting noticed. In the zoning code, the section option is cleaner because it does that but it still gives you the wiggle room to rezone in the future which is always your prerogative.

Wheeler: Right.

Engstrom: The second option probably sends a slightly stronger signal of you -- that you're -- you're not going to be seeking open space land for this. They both offer neighbors an opportunity.

Wheeler: Our intent here is obviously not to freak everybody out and scare our constituents. Given that, it sound to me, it sound to me like the conditional use process would give people more confidence that there's a more rigorous process associated with this.

Engstrom: They're both similar processes.

Wheeler: Make your recommendation.

Engstrom: I would say that we're the elected leader and when you say that we are -- are not planning to do that today then I think that the public should accept that and if we ultimately find out that we have some open space that we own then we will go through whatever the public process is that we need to go through if we want to use it as housing. I don't want to lock

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us in boxes that we then have to take action to get out of. As a council we should have as much flexibility as we need. This crisis is going to get worse before it gets better.

Wheeler: I'm trying to get to the answer commissioner Hardesty. I'm sorry if I sound impatient.

Hardesty: My recommendation. My proposal is as it read today, rather than changing it and we have to come back and take another city council action if we need to.

Wheeler: Commissioner Mapps.

Zhender: I have the actual happened. The most direct way is -- is rezoning approach because you have -- you have your work, either way you're working with the bureaus if it is public sites to declare them surplus and evaluate them for the mission of whatever the bureau owns that property for. And that will be a deliberative process. We will talk through all of the pros and cons of that. The conditional use is fine. We actually then have to create the criteria by which the hearings officer and unless that's the wrong, but bds or that system that eventually you make that decision and -- and I think the more direct and easier to understand purchase is the -- is -- is look for items, identify sites that you think might be of value and rezone them at the appropriate time.

Wheeler: That's compelling. It makes more sense to me given that to rezone then than go through the conditional use process. Is that accurate?

Engstrom: I'll add, that more defensible from the legal perspective because we don't have to explain how that conditional use process will be consistent with the open space zone and we deal with the recategorization of the land on its face through the criteria that we would apply to a zone change.

Wheeler: Lily is about to crush our dreams.

Rees: I agree with eric. From a policy perspective, either. Defensibility wise, not having conditional works great.

Wheeler: Great. Any objection to this as the direction we should go? The zoning approach versus conditional use. I think we have it. Eric. Well done, congratulations. Joe, thank you. We have a head nod. Good work.

Hardesty: Thank you. We would have moved on and he would have been scratching his head.

Wheeler: Another day at the office. Another day at the office. Or the kitchen as the case may be.

Engstrom: I think we were going to transition to the rv and tiny house question.

Wheeler: Yeah. Please.

Engstrom: So, as I mentioned before, this topic has -- was added to the package in the fall after we had published an initial discussion draft and received feedback and at that time we were

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getting testimony supporting the inclusion of the rv and tiny house question. As most of you know now, the current city code precludes occupancy of -- of an rv or tiny house on wheels. But the city has been de-emphasizing enforcement of that code since 2017. So this was an attempt to -- to sort of provide a longer term policy resolution to that question. For charity, the zoning code currently does allow you to park a rv on a residential property or any -- any property that the zoning code governs where vehicles can be parked. Under state law and the zoning code, would consider either a rv or tiny house to be a vehicle. Tiny house on wheels. This was added in the fall based on testimony asking for it to be added. The planning commission discussed it to some extent and changed some of the standards that apply to it. Ultimately recommended that -- that we include this element. Most of the testimony about it right now that you're getting is related to -- to -- to -- to the requirements that we have in the recommendation that the rv or tiny house, that the site hosting the rv or tiny house has a campground utility hookup including a sanitary sewer pipe hookup available. I know that b.e.s. Has some technical information about this aspect that they would be happy to share. I believe Marie is here from b.e.s. And I know commissioner Mapps that's you're bureau. I don't know if you have anything else to add by way of introduction.

Mapps: I like to invite Marie to help us understand this issue more thoroughly.

Marie Walkiewicz: Thank you. I'm Marie Walker. This has been a gratifying effort for our staff and we appreciated the collaborative approach that e.t.s. Has set out and the work across the variety of bureaus and with the commissioner's office. Eric, would you pull up the presentation?

Engstrom: Thanks for the reminder. I forgot I was going to drive that. Bear with me. Sorry.

Walkiewicz: Eric was kind enough to do that for me. This shelter to housing really -- really, the rv in 2017 when commissioner Eudaly had a direction to reprioritize investment for those in okay paid rvs and in sub commercial property groups go to the next side. She did this in response to concerns about housing affordability with the goals of offering creative solutions to create affordable housing and to support responsible tiny home and r.v. Owners and to provide safe and sanitary housing for those individuals in need and in the interest of upholding safety and health standards. So she had this temporary directive waived and shelter housing does put into place code changes that allow permanent occupancy of r.v.s in tiny homes. We two from this temporary situation in response to a crisis and allowing to live in a tiny house on wheels. This requires that people in rvs and tiny houses be served by basic utilities through a durable campground style hookup or electricity, water and sewer. I'm going to -- to focus most of my attention on sanitation because I work at the bureau of environmental services. Second, that's

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where you got the majority of your testimony about this provision. I want to clarify; we understand that not all rvs and tiny homes have plumbing. So those -- those vehicles that don't have plumbing are expected that the residents would get access to sanitation through the hosting home on the sites. So those -- in real situations in essence the rv and tiny homes operates them in an outside bedroom. For rvs, the requirement is they must be connected to the sanitary system by a campground style dump station. Next slide, please. We understand that there's a lot of concern about cost related to making this connection and I think this was one of the places where sheltered and housing project has shown a light on the code and to see what we could do to make these costs proportional to the impact and support the need we have for affordable housing options. Sheltered housing and permitting for sanitary connections would be a plumbing permit. The cost for the plumbing permit is 143 dollars to make this connection. The development charges would be levied and rv and tiny house on wheels, actually connecting it an existing sewer line that is serving the main house on the site. So there's no need for you know laying a new sanitation line. That's actually a very low cost. The other advantage of the permit is that it can be handled very quickly. There's obviously a private cost also for making that connection, for making that physical connection happen. On many sites where we have rv or tiny house located very close to the home and where the -- where the sanitary line is, these costs can be really low. Really just a few hundred dollars to make that connection from the rv to the sanitary line. There's some situations where the costs could be quite a bit higher. We know that the slope of the property, the location, and where the rv is going to be to where the sanitary line. This are are other factors as well that could effect how -- how inexpensive or costly it is to make that connection. One of the changes that bes is going to make in response to the sheltered housing program is to make available to the programs that we already have in place. So folks wanting to make the connection can utilize these programs. They have been in place for quite a while. They're in place to support people that are required to make a mandatory condition. Not everybody has cash on hand. The next program is the income qualified individuals. The interest rate on that loan is 1.5 percent interest. People can ask to have -- to have the payments deferred for up to five years. And that's sometimes renewable deferral. For folks age 62 years old or better, the deferral can be until the point of sale of the house. Essentially they get a low cost loan from the city to pay for their private costs of making that plumbing connection and depending on their income and age they may not have to make that -- pay back that loan in full. We have the private program for other folks who may have a higher income but still lack the cash on hand to make the connection. , to pay for those connections. Those programs have a more standard

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interest rate and a standard payback schedule. The other advantage I want to point out with -- for sanitary connection in terms of costs is that once that connection is made there's no ongoing cost to the rv, the person living in the rv or the tiny house on wheels unless it is to pay the -- the person carrying the water bill and sewer bill and paid for their associated water use. Their only the costs are related to that additional cost for water on this site. So next slide, please. I focused really on the practical sites. We know that for folks who have limited means and are really struggling with their housing, it comes down to how does there work for me and how can I afford it. So we totally understand that. We also have to think about why would we require this connection. First of all, just want to affirm that sanitation is a human right. It is a serious concern we're hearing from folks experiencing houselessness and also of the broader community. Real concerned about how do people get their hygiene needs met and what happens if they're in the able to get those needs met. For rvs and tiny houses located on -- on under single family lot, having this -- having this -- this sanitary connection insures that they have autonomy which is important. We appreciate autonomy. If they need to wash dishes or shower or use the facilities at any time of the day or night, they're in the reliant on access to the adjacent house or the goodwill of their next door neighbor to get in when they need to. We appreciate that. We understand that many people living in rvs or tiny houses -- tiny house on wheels needs to be connected to a vehicle in order to be moved to a gas station. Nearest gas station costs five dollars. We understand that not all rvs are currently mobile or able to be mobile. So -- so having that sanitary connection means we don't have to worry about that. And by addressing those issues we reduce the list of discharge. Unfortunately, the discharge, human waste and other waste is -- is -- is a big problem with the city. We have people dumping waste into facilities and landscaped areas. Often people, even people that use the rvs recreational will dump their sewage into a main hole thinking that it is connected to the -- to the sewer when in fact it may be going into a sump in the ground and not going anywhere, it may be going to the river and the streams. That's a big problem. Environmental services is responsible for insuring that we keep our waters clean and we protect public health. When we have these discharges we're responsible for responding and cleaning those up. That's difficult and expensive and requires enforcement against the people that are are doing the discharge which -- we rather prevent that situation and have things work well for people rather than having to respond and react.

Hardesty: Let me stop you a second. Ask the question. Sure. So let's talk a bit about -- about the necessity to be hooked up to a sanitation system for rvs. You know we have a lot of -- of -- disabled rvs all over the city of Portland. I suspect people living in vehicles that cannot

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move will not have the resources to apply for a loan from anybody, even if it is a low income loan, low interest loan. Nor would they actually qualify if that was the only thing they had was a rv that didn't work. I'm curious as -- as we talk about makes spaces for rvs are there other alternative that is you looked at that wouldn't require each individual rv to have its own hookup, for example, if -- if -- if we -- we put facilities on the site where we're going to allow rvs to be, would that change your -- your approach to this proposal?

Walkiewicz: So the elements of shelter to housing that I'm specifically addressing relate to rvs and tiny houses on the residential property. Someone owns a home and they're either living in that home or they're renting it out. They're the owner of that home is giving permission for someone to live in the rv and the tiny house on the property. The responsibility then to make sure the proper connections were made would be to the owner of the property. And then they would be the perch who would -- would take the loan. So for instance, if I had a situation where I had family member who was struggling financially but they had a rv I could invite them to live on my property and I would make sure that property was properly serviced. For situations like outdoor shelters, there's more flexibility because they're managed shelters. We have a public entity and nonprofit overseeing it. In those situations porta potties can be used and showers can be used and all of that as long as they're following the correct position. Does that answer your question?

Hardesty: I was on mute. It totally did. Thank you. That was absolutely what I was looking for and hoping for. That makes a lot of sense. Thank you.

Walkiewicz: Anyway, so I already talked about the benefit for public health and safety. I think those are obvious. I -- I just wanted to just remind folks again that the ongoing costs of -- once that connection is put, there's -- there's a minimal. And you know, the costs of pumping is expensive. Maybe not too much one visit but it is when you do it week-to-week to week. The connection already made, that's something they have to worry about. I was asked to share with you a pilot project. This is not specific to shelter to housing but related about a pilot project that d.e.s. Has just launched. This is two provide sanitary pump out services for rvs, occupied rvs that are currently on city streets. This is a need that was identified by b.e. Is and pbot and staff that we get to -- we get to do what we could to reduce folks disposing of waste in -- in unhealthy ways. We learned about a program in Seattle and modeling it after that. We have contractors that are -- are working with folks who have been identified by field staff out by field staff up they provide on call service to r.v. Dwellers Monday through Thursday. We have a route of established folks that know they need weekly service who -- or every other week service and they're served

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on Fridays. The program will operate through June 30th. We have a budget of 10,000 dollars and then we're going to -- we're collecting data as we two along in this process to see how it is used and where is the need? Are there logistical issues and we'll evaluate that and figure out the next step? That's my presentation. Thanks so much. I appreciate the opportunity to speak with you. If you have any questions I'm happy to answer them.

Wheeler: Can I ask you a question about what you're just discussing, this pilot project, rvs. This is not part of the proposal we're discussing is it?

Walkiewicz: It is not, we shared it because we thought that the interests were similar and you like to hear about it while we had this opportunity.

Wheeler: Okay. At some point I assume you're bringing this back to the council with a different ask or a budget ask or is this just -- what are -- what do you want us to know about this right now?

Walkiewicz: This is for your information. This is already covered in the budget where we don't have an ask for you. We know that -- that shelter to housing in this conversation it raised concerns about how people are getting sanitation. Frankly why we had the opportunity to talk with you we thought we would let you know.

Wheeler: I appreciate the heads-up. I would like more information. I like more information of where are we with this. We were supportive of a program that was a pilot at the time to dispose of abandoned and -- and dangerous rvs. Rvs that were used to make meth and everything else. They were toxic waste dumps and the city was spending a lot of money to remediate those. We still get a lot of complaints about rvs. One complaint you identify here is the disposal of waste into the storm drains which -- which is obviously a significant public health risk for obvious reasons and so I -- I guess on one hand I'm glad that we're -- we're taking steps to protect the environment and the neighbors. On the other hand, I like clarification on where does the city stand regarding rvs parked illegally or abandoned or rvs that -- that -- that are illegally discharging sewage. I like a broader discussion at some point. I would like to have it but I think I need to have it.

Hardesty: Mayor, I can tell you that we have done no enforcement since covid hit. It would be worthwhile for us to have a conversation as we start easing restrictions based on -- on city -- city recommendations around covid. We made a tactical decision that a, because of the city's recommendations that it was unsafe to try to move people during a pandemic. I agree that we have a proliferation of rvs all even the city. We will need it talk about them.

Wheeler: Good. I remember prior to covid and you're correct commissioner Hardesty, during

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that, that program was suspended but I know we also passed an ordinance making it illegal to sell a rv in the city of Portland but didn't have a functioning waste system in it. I guess, you're right that it would be great to -- to go back and have a deeper review. We're getting closer to herd immunity and vaccinations. We need to front burner that. I want to make clear for the public that's separate and distinct and different from what we're talking about today. It is not part of the series of ordinance Papadopoulos.

Mapps: Mr. Mayor, I do -- I think the conversation we're having right now points to the need for -- for -- for more discussion and more information about how rvs and tiny homes fit into the puzzle. And -- both the mayor and commissioner Hardesty shared their concerns in this area. I love to share some of mine. I'm torn between -- between -- at least three competing interests. As the commissioner in charge of the environmental services I'm committed to protecting our rivers from human waste. I'm also taken back to the testimony that we heard the last time we took up this issue. So for example, I think we were all charmed by Tricia who came before council and has asked us to require hooking up to systems. She said she could not afford to hook up to the waste water disposal systems and we wouldn't want to displace her. At the same time we heard from Paul who shared a story with us about his neighbors who lived in a rv and also died in the rv and attributed to no sanitation services in the rv. The stakes are high. At this hour, I don't feel we had enough testimony on this. I don't want to table this issue. It would be helpful for us and the public if we set aside a work session to specifically focus on the pieces of this proposal which deal with rvs and tiny homes on wheels.

Wheeler: That makes sense. Where are we? What more guidance?

Engstrom: These are the topics identified to me in terms of today's agenda. I guess it is appropriate to ask if this is anything any of the commissioners expected to talk about and this hasn't yet been discussed before we go the next step.

Mapps: Mr. Mayor, I do have a question. I don't know if this translates into an amendment, I hope we could get through this issue through -- and getting -- picking the brain of staff. One of the concerns that we heard spoken in our last council session on this issue and certainly I'm sure you're hearing it your e-mail and for the media are the places where neighbors in east Portland and changes may overwhelm their neighborhoods with new shelters. Can someone from staff help us put those concerns in context? Is that a likely outcome? If so what do we do about it and if not why not?

Engstrom: I could put context on that. The proposal that you have before you with regard to -- to shelters and I think this is -- this is -- this probably covers all types of shelters, not just the

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outdoor shelters, allows a greater number of bed in a variety of different zoning designations but primarily where we're being the most permissive are the commercial and multi-family zones where the number of shelter bed is being increased without the need for condition the use review. There was a concern expressed that because -- that those zones are common zones in outer east Portland that would lead to them being an easier target for shelters and contributing to that -- that sense is that land is cheaper there and parcels are larger. Having said that, the commercial and multi-family zoning exists in all quadrants of the city. And there sites that will be available by right without conditional use in north Portland and for example on the Lombard corridor in the northeast. Southwest Portland, Beaverton hills and others have stepwise commercial and some multi-family zoning. The discussion you had about institutional sites and church property comes in to play. Some of the neighborhoods supported adding those sites because this are -- some of those sites in southwest Portland as well. We heard for neighborhood notifications. The track record in a variety of locations. I appreciate the concern and I know that east Portland residents feel they're in the heard and we talk about this. But I also think that the -- that the recommendation as written does provide options for open shelters in all quadrants.

Hardesty: Thank you. We're talking to the action plan group and I know they had concerns as well. But I do think that they're unfounded based on the -- on the -- based on what we're seeing on the ground in the city of Portland and I will also say that -- they're right that the support services in Portland is significantly less than other parts of the city. Though we continue to a high houses population the service supports are not there. That will become more of a problem the longer we continue to have a houseless crisis on our hands. I do think that -- there are some concerns that are real. I'm not worried about us being over, I'm not worried about being oversaturate but whether they get their needs because that's where the concentration of services are. He put his camera on.

Wheeler: There he is. Hello mark.

Jolin: Eric it a good job of summarizing I think what we've been saying. The reality of shelter and especially sustain the kind of shelter we're talking about in this measure it will invariably involve public support and funding. That's the nature of this. We join the city and the county, we'll have a lot -- a lot to say about -- about where we place shelter under this kind of opportunity that has been created with these amendments. I think we demonstrated our understanding that we need to geographically diversify. We have high sections of need but also where is it not being addressed by the shelter programs. Between that and the other criteria that goes into it, beyond

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just the underlying zones, the proximity to other amenities and showing that people can stay as close as possible to their networks. This is not a scenario where I could envision where we could decide to locate a lot of our shelter capacity in one particular area. Less expensive or because this were more lots in that zone. I think what is attractive about this -- about this package is that it really does open up the entire city and -- and all quadrants in the city to sheltering. I think you look at what we've done and certainly what we intend to do around this geographic equity is going to be an essential piece of it. I will say this, shelter is a -- is a burden. It is really an asset to a community if it is run well. But it is an asset that we need to have across the areas of the city. I have heard the concern. I -- I share -- I share Ms. Hardesty; it is not something that folks need to be concerned about in the way it has been put out.

Wheeler: Thank you for that input. We appreciate it. All right, eric, what else do you need from the council? You're muted.

Engstrom: Thank you. Before you adjourn, I think you want to talk about next steps.

Wheeler: I'll get to that. Just wanted to make sure there was no further discussion on the substance from the staff amendment that you from posed.

Engstrom: I'll also mention as soon as we can manage to create the document we'll post a summary of these amendment ideas that have been discussed today through the project website so people have something to refer to. As you mentioned earlier, testimony remaining open so people can weigh in on the idea.

Wheeler: All right. Awesome. First, eric and the rest of the staff, joe, mark, everyone. I want to thank you for -- for the tremendous amount of work that you put into this and your colleagues put in this in a very short period of time. We're very responsive to literally hundreds and hundreds of e-mails providing testimony and hours of public presentation, last week I think we had about five hours of public testimony on this. And I understand that you worked late into the night and over the weekend. I really appreciate it. I want to acknowledge the dedication you -- you and your respective bureau staff members have put into this. Thank you. So next week we will continue this item. The assumption is we will vote on the proposed amendments. At that time we'll consider motions on the amendment ideas that we discussed today. Last week at the close of the hearing, I extended the written comment period until 5 p.m. This Friday, the 26th. In order to give the public more time to offer their thoughts on the amendments we discussed today and there's several times where we said, we really like that input. I like to keep the record open for written comments until 5 p.m. On Tuesday, March 30th. Keep the record open until 5 p.m. On Tuesday, March 30th. If we can do it, can we share a slide with url where comments can

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be directly submitted? Is that -- eric are you still in charge of the screen?

Engstrom: I will attempt to find that. Yes.

Wheeler: If you could look that up, that would be great. While you're doing that the next language that we discussed today would be posted on the shelter to housing continuum project page which is located at www.PortlandOregon.gov/pts/h2sc. Nobody is going to remember that. Is that available on the bureau of planning and sustainability website. Somebody goes to the main page to find that. Can we arrange it so that they can?

Engstrom: I'm struggling to find the right slide. I think I found it.

Wheeler: You've got it. You've got it.

Engstrom: There and this is -- this is the link to the map app testimony system which you can directly enter your comments into. As the mayor mentioned you could send it to the council e-mail as well. The app also allows you to ed an other people's comments.

Wheeler: That's a cool feature. Thank you for setting that up and you could go to the bureau of planning and sustainability website and find the link there.

Engstrom: This is the project website so people should be -- vps and s2hd that's the number.

Wheeler: Thank you very much. Anything else that we need to cover from a legal perspective? Given that this is a zoning related matter?

Rees: No, I think you covered it. We have the record staying open until 5 p.m. Tuesday march 30th, and you have given two options for submitting that testimony and the hearing continued to march 31st at 3 p.m. And I think that should cover it.

Wheeler: All right. Terrific and there's one other item that -- that I just want to bring it council and to the public's attention. So I want you to know I'm letting council as well as the public our office filed emergency ordinance to be heard next week along the shelter to housing continuum for standing the housing state of emergency for one year. There were a number of comments about that in the last session and so I just want to be very clear as everybody anticipated that we will be putting forth emergency ordinance and it has already been filed. It will be heard next week and that will extend the housing state of emergency for an additional year. I'm sure that comes as a surprise to exactly nobody. I thought I would put that out this on the record. With that colleagues, thank you again. Great discussion. Terrific work. Everybody, thank you. We're adjourned.

At 4:47 p.m., Council recessed.

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Wheeler: Portland city council is holding this meeting electronically. All members of the council are attending remotely via tele conference. The meeting is available to the public on YouTube channel. And channel 30. The public can always provide written testimony to the council by e-mailing the council clerk. The council is taking these steps as a result of the covid 19 pandemic to promote physical distancing. Covid 19 threatens the safety welfare. Thank you for your patience as we work through these challenges to conduct the cities business. Now we'll hear from city council on rules of decorum.

Karen Moynahan: You may sign up for public testimony or resolutions or first readings of ordinances. The public council agenda contains information about how and when you may sign up for testimony while the city council is holding electronic meetings. 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. Individuals have three minutes to testify unless otherwise stated. Disruptive conduct should have as shouting or refusing to conclude your testimony or council deliberations will not be allowed. A warning will be given that further disruptions will result on the person being placed on hold. Be aware that all council meetings are recorded. .

Wheeler: Thank you. We don't have public testimony this afternoon. We have invited testimony. We have one matter. It's our sister city report.

Clerk: Accept the annual report on sister city activities.

Wheeler: Today we have the opportunity to hear from the sister city report. Because they were unable to share their 2020 report last year, this presentation will encompass activities that took place during the 2020 calendar years. Portland has nine sister cities that it shares with a voluntary forthing with ties to encourage friendship and exchange. Trade agreements and

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business partnerships. Our sister cities are led by dedicated volunteers and represent an uplift our communities right here in Portland. Through this presentation, the council and the public have the opportunity to learn about the work our sister cities do to make these relationships productive. I'd like to start by handing this over to our international relations director. She'll kick us off today and introduce our sister city relations.

Chido Dhliwayo: Thank you. Can you hear me all right.

Wheeler: Yes.

Dhliwayo: Thank you. As part of my work I support Portland sister cities. Community leaders and volunteers that support our engagement with the local a national committee. Before inviting my colleague it speak, I would like to discuss the work of our international relations program. It's housed within the office of government relations. We promote the city's policies on how to make Portland welcoming. We facilitate a dialogue around pop issues and city plans to address the challenges cities across the world face. While we resorted to doing this virtually. It is my hope soon we'll be able to reengage and share best practices and innovative ideas and build bridges and mutual understanding in the process. Something we desperately in these divisive and divided times. Typically these take place in June held in the atrium of city hall. This reception has been an opportunity to recognize our sister cities bring together local and region partners, have delegates meet with our elected officials and city bureau subject matter experts. Through all this I have the experience of belonging with a community and work with individuals who have decades of experience. Our sister cities play an integral part of our economic impact. Contribute uplifting the lives of Portlanders. The sister cities is a non-profit organization to foster mutual friendship and understanding. Portland's nine sister cities by facilitating cultural, educational exchanges between our cities and abroad. This group, despite the challenges they face, has shown resilience and truly is encouraging. Today, the leadership of Portland sister cities are happy to report on the 2019 and 2020 calendar year. With this I would like to introduce the president of the p Portland sister city association to provide his update. Thank you.

James Autry: Had the privilege of involving as the president of the Portland sister city association I've been to Israel ten times. I haven't made it there yet but it's on the bucket list. I'll be planning to do that as it begins to open up. The particular association with Israel is the southern part. We've been in partnership for 34 years. We have the world's largest desalination plant. It's an ancient city there listed on the Mediterranean. The current mayor is there in the area. This is the Ashkelon district many different aspects of our modern technology has come from that southern party. We identify freeways work with businesses both in Portland and Israel

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and pair up these organizations. We've been working on helping all the sister cities raise up and engage. We put together a Facebook page, website page. I've had the honor of hosting the reception. Here is the information about our reception. We were really disappointed that we couldn't do that last year. Looking forward to the next time we can all gather and get together. These are the different floral parade we have each year.

Philip Postetio: Thank you. I'm with the sister city. Bologna is a city in north central Italy with many claims to fame including the world's first university. Its nicknames are the learned, the fat because they use a lot of butter rather than olive oil. The red. That is attributed to his history as a communist strong hold but may have risen from the penchant for red roofs. Portland receive its first ever visit last year. A weeklong series of events to a dedication and planting to the test guard tone the largest event pbsca has been involved in. The esteemed author children's book held at our Portland museum. The consulate. Mayor was very business and impressed with his reception and the warmth and respect. Pbsca is blessed with an expanding and motivated board of directors. Contributions and skill set both individually and as a community is something to behold. We have reached out and helped Portland area Italian based businesses. We morphed our annual fundraiser saga into a community virtual event. Presentations by black Italian film maker. Author and examiner. We're developing our social media presence by spreading the word of our work and promoting our relations with others. Our youth exchange program could not take place last summer. Ten students from each city with home stays on alternating years. Italy being a densely populated country and aging community, covid 19 has not been kind to Italy. A series of virtual chats that started with former participants and expanded to students planning for this year and those interested in a future exchange. Through the generosity of our supporters we have a bipoc exchange. Grants and eight participants in the future. Since language is important and thank you for your continued support in our sister city program. I truly feel that we are essential in aiding our current recovery and reinforcing the feeling that we are not alone in the world. Thank you.

Rick Lamberson: Hi, mayor-council and distinguished other people here. Guadalajara we continue projects with them and continue the mission of sharing educational cultural and business exchanges as we continue to do that. Go ahead and go to the next slide, please. Thank you. A little bit about the cinco de mayo festival shares the foods and tastes in the city of Portland. We believe we did a good job of that in 2020 unfortunately as everyone was aware, we were not able to have our event in that year. It made us quite sad to do that. It was quite a difficult thing. We really start planning about two weeks after we get out of the park and get that

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cleaned up and restored. As you can see this is a lot of the fun things. On this slide you can see a book of world records that happened last year. Portland is in the book of world records. We look forward to being able to bring more of that musical flavor, cultural flavor, foods. We have several things we do and have continued to do last year and are doing this year. We support our program. Really put together and organized to run the financial funding of the pgsca. A method by which they train fire fighters. That has extended to many fire fighters to central and south America. More than that, Jose collects used equipment including fire truck that's are no longer viable to be used here but in very good condition. We send those down to Guadalajara to be used by them. Our training and other fire men that we send down there through the pgsca actually train fire fighters to save their own lives first and others through this program. It's a very good program. We continued our community giving through in a couple of different ways this year. One quick way is through helping farm workers through central cultural. We sent them a substantial amount of money this year. Meals on wheels, for those people that are home bound, elderly and unable to get out for food. We continue to do our part where we can. I wanted to highlight here that we continue to maintain a relationships with philanthropic organizations. It was started by all rose Arians. This is a reminder of our community giving program. On the next slide just wanted to remind you that we continue to work hard to share business education and cultural exchanges with the citizens of Portland and Guadalajara. This is an image from a few years ago. I hope we can get back to. Our primary goal is not to make money or profits here. It's to bring citizens of Portland together to share an exchange that makes sense. We are not able to do the event next year. With your help, we look forward to do that. Thank you.

Chi Chen: Hello mayor, president of cultural sister city associations. Our associate was founded in November 1987. We have 15 full board members. Our focus over the years would be leading Portland in delegations to lantern fest Ral in February. We're promoting sister high schools and other local outreach programs. We've been a sister city for the last 33 years. It's a major industrial sea port in southern Taiwan. National exposure such as the 2009 war games and buildable structural landscapes. Portland delegation visiting the city officials with the rose festival attending their annual Chinese New Year lantern festival and participate in a lot of their local cultural programs. Any returns the cultural delegation in June with the dasca, our float every year and visiting a lot of local establishments a business over the years. Our flagship events is the annual boat race every year. It is now a local tradition attracts tens of thousands spectators and become one of the iconic moments of spring time. Also hosting on average forty to sixty high school students ever year. Well trained musicians, dancers. Every time they come here to

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perform parade marching band the highest sweep stakes award capturing the hearts of the people. Okay. In 2020 due the pandemic we have pretty much cancelled a lot of time at last minute, the delegation, we cancelled their visit to Portland during the rose festival season. We cancelled most of the programs along with all the corporate sponsorship program. We have to suspend all the fundraising activity that certainly has financial hardships towards the association. In react to the financial hardship in the last year in 2020, we are down twice moving our most important asset, the dragon boat and equipment. We had to move it twice changing the donated space. It is our key expense. One of our key expense of housing the equipment and the boat becoming one of the key operating expense. We try to minimize during the down time. 2020 in July our focus actively participate and help pandemic relief initiative. Economic and cultural office in Seattle help donate 25,000 medical grade masks to school districts. It was well received. And the 2021 during the pandemic international travel restriction, of course in person visit program is restricted at the moment. They propose friendly city exposition and collecting in the virtual format keep promoting the sister city relationship. We are working closely together and the promotional items and photos in the process to anticipate this program. Hopefully we can -- it shows video of mayor -- promoting our last relationship. Last, I would like to suggest some kind of a video conference in the second half of the year to have opportunities to greet each other especially with all the negative publicity. I believe they are eager and more than ready to reconnect with us. Thank you.

Shireen Farrahi: Hi, everyone. Can you see me? Okay. I'm the president of the Russian sister city. It's a pleasure to be here with you all today. Thank you. Here is an overview of our association and activities during the past two years. First of all our website was revamped last year. Regarding the history of Navara, it has been a sister city for over 20 years. Portland and Habari are both renowned for their natural beauty and their confluence of two rivers within the city. Regarding our background, the board of directors was treated to a presentation to revisit the Portland Habari relationship. It was fascinated to hear him describe how it evolved naturally dating back to 1983. This exhibit was displayed for a week in Portland for a new audience to view in a unique, museum like setting. Fast forward to today, we have adapted to adhere to COVID 19 guidelines. Our annual bridge to fall exhibit was held via Zoom, the online forum allowed for the Habari to join us in real time, our Saturday evening was Sunday midday for them. There are musical performance from both sides to include us between twenty bridge to Russia event extra meaningful and memorable. As daily life returns to normalcy it will enhance -- thank you.

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Karin Hansen: I'm a board member of the Portland sister city association. The Portland sister city organization is a humanitarian organization on the continent of Africa. We were established in 1991. It began with a protest of apartheid. Communities that benefit and strengthen the lives of women and children. We have all experienced a great deal of upheaval and uncertainty. We have not held any fundraising efforts yet still found ways to impact positively the lives. This last month china donated two thousand doses of vaccine. Just yesterday, the president publicly received his vaccine in order to encourage more people to join in. A donation that will help them through this pandemic. Cover costs such as medical supplies ppe for children and money for supplies for micro businesses. There you have it. It isn't a whole lot but it's something simple and something that matters and good for others. Thank you very much.

Mami Kikuchi: My name is Mami and as the president of the Portland sister city association. In 2019, we celebrated our 60th anniversary. Beginning in 1959 and continuing with regular and practical and meaningful exchanges. In June 2019 we welcomed the delegation consisting of mayor, city assembly members, and citizens. They enjoyed watching the rose festival parade. Citizens of both cities had a great time together. They cohosted the peace ceremony. The bell was a gift commemorating our 30th anniversary. People tried wearing kimono. Most of our regular activities have been cancelled due to the pandemic. Our members quickly learned how to use zoom for our meetings and events. Koa hosting a series of exchange students. Also, we successfully completed a makeover of our website and just started our biannual newsletter. Right after world war ii, by many volunteers, it was translated into modern Japanese and establish. This unique record will soon be available to the public. To conclude my presentation, I would like to recognize my fellow board members. We stayed positive and continued making progress in these hard times. Thank you.

Bruce Wu: It's my honor to briefly introduce our sister city and what we've been doing the past couple of years. Suzhou was founded in 514bc. It's a really beautiful city. It's located next to shanghai. The city is also famous with its gardens. The city has nine classic gardens. It's the smallest population cities in china. We have a long history of friendship. Portland earned the best sister city creating a friendship between our two cities. The painting you see was wood stock elementary school. As a bridge of communication, our mission -- our association was founded in 1988 between the people of two cities. Next slide. During the past years, we helped six local elementary, middle, and high schools establish a sister city relationship with six schools to communicate with their little friends, families and the learn US. And Chinese cultures. As you can see from the photos in 2019 students like middle school, high school, elementary school

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students. For cultural exchange in 2018 we organized the best of fifty entries being exhibited in Portland city hall. In 2019 we also helped to organize cultural exchange delegation of visiting Portland. They perform [indiscernible]. Each year we organized our network appreciation evening with honor having mayor wheeler from the city of Portland representatives and our sponsors partners and friends for communing and networking. We announced our sponsorship for our international students during our annual event. As you can see, the left corner, the photo was selected in 2019 to be sponsored by the psca. The right corner, you can see the painting by the elementary school was really huge. The psca also work closely with local communities to fight with covid 19 pandemic. We assisted the city of Portland in successfully receive two thousand face masks. We work closely with our partner at pseu donated hundreds of face masks to local hospitals. Next slide, please. This year because of the pandemic, we had to cancel our event for the first half of the year. We are planning on hosting more virtual events. We really appreciate the continued great support from the city, Mr. Mayor wheeler and our friends and Portland. Thank you.

Katherine Morrow: Hello and thank you for the opportunity to share with you today about Portland's sister city in south Korea. I'll share a brief background and talk about our activities last year and about those planned for this year and next year. This map here shows the location on Korea's south east coast about a forty five minute drive north. The photo here shows a panorama of the central core with the river running through the city. The sister city relationship grew out of a relationship started back in 1985 between the port of Ulsan and Portland. Hyundai. Once classified as a highly polluted river, it's been fully restored and ecologically recovered. During the 1990's they quietly studied Portland and built three major parks after our iconic parks in Portland. Ulsan is a power house in South Korea, petro chemical manufacturing cities. It's the wealthiest cities in South Korea. It boasts the largest rose garden and they hold a annual rose garden festival with theirs occurring in May. They also have a large rose bed named in honor of Portland. Cultural exchanges have included joint participation in one another's rose festivals, exchanges with our park's programs, the symphony and college trips to Portland. Delegations exchanges occurred during our respected rose festivals. Since covid 19 hit, -- additionally Ulsan shared their report with the efforts taken with regards to the covid 19 hitting the city. Building on virtual communications and virtual collaborations, exploring new ways to virtually participate in one another's cultural festivals. Further business connections to be had. We'll also be planning for our 35th anniversary. With an eye on the possibility of in person exchanges. We aim to

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strengthen our role of greater understanding of US, Korean and international relations. That is key to the heart of our relationship with Ulsan. Thank you very much.

Wheeler: Thank you. Does that complete the presentations for our sister city associations?

Dhliwayo: You are free to add comments. Thank you so much for your time.

Wheeler: Colleagues. I hope you enjoyed this as much as I did. It's great to see all of our incredible sister city volunteers and the important and passionate relationships from a cultural, educational, and economic relationship. I'll have some comments at the end. I'd like to open up to my commissioners.

Hardesty: The one time in my entire life I was jealous I was not mayor. I decided that I was going to pack my bags and start traveling with you because why does the mayor get this honor and the rest of us don't. The hardest thing about covid for me has been not being able to travel. Immerse myself in other cultures in ways that feed my soul. You have taken me on this ride, this travel adventure that I have been missing to my core. I want you to believe this. When we are able to safely travel again any place in the world we want to go, I promise you I will win the battle with the mayor for my pick of where I go and I look forward to the opportunity to continue to learn so much about other cultures. I would be remiss if I didn't also apologize for the hate that many of you are reading about in the media just the anti-Asian rhetoric that unfortunately is part of our society. I want to be very clear that we embrace every single individual from a every culture, every community and you are always welcome in Portland as long as I am on the city council. I just cannot wait to travel again. I did not want to miss the opportunity to say that what you are reading about and hearing is not who we are. It will never be acceptable in a city like Portland. Thank you very much for giving me the opportunity to do a little travel today. Thank you for sharing your culture and love of people with us here and the city of Portland.

Wheeler: Thank you commissioner Hardesty. Mr. Maps.

Mapps: I'm delighted to have this opportunity to connect with Portland sister cities. Lately I've been thinking about our sister cities a lot. The covid crisis reminds me that we live on a small and delicate planet. The fate of every human being on this planet is intimately intertwined with the fate of every other people on this planet. That is very much my life too. Cities are also a place where we come together to celebrate our history and diversity and where we create new culture. For example recently in esk lon. A popular restaurant chain is offering free sushi to anyone who is willing to change their last name to sushi. Finally, cities are a place where we come together to share our collective joy. If you want to see a great example of collective joy,

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check out soccer's Olympic qualifying tournaments in Guadalajara. I'd like to close by sharing a quick report on Portland with our sister cities. I'll tell you 2020 was one of the most challenging years in our city's 170 year long history. More than two thousand Oregon residents love their lives and exposed weaknesses in our city's social safety net. That's a clear signal that we used the covid crisis to innovate and respond to the world we live in now. That's also a sign that Portland is at the dawn of the most innovative moment of our city's history. Best days lie ahead. I want to remind our friends around the world is open for business once you get vaccinated. We are still the Portland you love. We have some amazing deals on flights, hotel rooms a convention packages. Please come visit us soon. We look forward to welcoming you back.

Wheeler: Thank you commissioner. That was well down. Next, commissioner Ryan.

Ryan: Good afternoon. Following commissioner maps,.

Hardesty: No pressure.

Ryan: I second that. Let me start off by saying there's a few meetings where you are just reminded how much you miss being in live settings. This was definitely one of them. Maybe at the top of the list for me right now. It was wonderful to do this virtual tower. I look forward to building relationships with all of you. I love the art work you shared with the children from other countries. I'm going to do a few top of mind reflections I have. In 1972, I was a kid in elementary school. I was watching the Olympics. That made me feel special. The one that really is big in my heard is the sister city relationship with Zimbabwe. My dear friend was instrumental in building that relationship. I went to several fundraisers on world maid's day. We were building a HIV clinic with all of you in your city. As someone who has lived with HIV since the 80's, that is near and dear to me. I'm so glad you have helped keep that relationship active. The third is around rose festival. A specialty signing ceremony hosted by the mayor that takes place during the festival. When we open the rose festival, it will be different, deeper, and more neighborhood focused as well. The fact is we have so many people in our neighborhoods that is part of your countries as well. I look forward to being a part of that with all of you.

Wheeler: Thank you very much. Commissioner rubio.

Rubio: I just want to thank all of you for this presentation. And how important it is to establish, maintain and strengthen our relationships with our sister cities. Through our changes in national leadership where so much is at stake with our global communities right now. I had the great fortune to attend. I have such amazing memories of that time. The warmth and friendship that occurred during that time. Along with making me a lifelong tequila fanatic. We are all interdependent and connected. That spirit is what came through to me today through your

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presentation. Thank you for this report and for your deep commitment to lifting up our connection to these sister cities. I look forward to a future in the near term where we can celebrate and learn about these things together and in person. Thanks.

Wheeler: Thank you. Commissioner maps I'm going to take up that offer. I'm going to change my name to Mr. Sushi. I want to thank all of you and the leadership you do. I also want to thank all of our volunteers who are working with our various associations. This isn't frivolous. This is about making deep commitments and sharing ideas an educational opportunities and exchange programs. You ever one of these relationships includes important foundational business relationships and business development opportunities. The goal is always to create new opportunities that from my perspective the element is really cultural. Commissioner maps you really stole the show when you pointed out that while the issues may not be exactly the same. The pressures are the same. The experiences are really experiences of commonality. That's what I have learned in my visits to the two sister cities I've had had the opportunity to go travel to. We really are in the same boat. It's fun to make those connections not just personally but on behalf of our cities. I absolutely look forward to participating again soon. I hope to have the opportunity to visit at least one this summer. I don't know if that will happen, we'll see. I'd like to be able to make that happen. And colleagues, I don't want to be in any way exclusive about this. I think there's plenty of work for all of us to do to strengthen our relationships with our sister cities. Travel is only a small part of it. A lot of it takes place right here in the city of Portland. There are many opportunities to collaborate. I want to encourage all of you to actively participate in those efforts. Thank you for that. Thank you all for participating again. Thank you all for frankly ending our last council session in the week on a very positive note. I feel better than I did in the past month just listening to you and the enthusiasm. I look forward to continuing the conversation. Unless there anything else, I will entertain a motion to accept the report?

Hardesty: So moved.

Mapps: Second.

Wheeler: Any further discussion? Call the role. (roll call).

Wheeler: I just don't want this one to end. Thank you everyone. That completes our agenda today is that correct.

Clerk: That's correct mayor.

Wheeler: Thank you, as well. We are adjourned.

At 3:08 p.m., Council adjourned.