

January 19, 2022 Council Agenda

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Wednesday, January 19, 2022 9:30 am

Session Status: Adjourned

Council in Attendance: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Commissioner Dan Ryan

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty
Commissioner Mingus Mapps

Mayor Wheeler presided.

Officers in attendance: Linly Rees, Chief Deputy City Attorney; Keelan McClymont, Council Clerk

Items 31, 32, 34, 35, and 36 were pulled from the Consent Agenda and on a Y-5 roll call, the balance of the Consent Agenda was adopted.

Council adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

Communications

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Request of James O'Connor to address Council regarding the considered fole gras ban (Communication)

Document number: 25-2022 **Disposition:** Placed on File

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Request of Rebecca Critser to address Council regarding the proposed sales ban of foie gras (Communication)

Document number: 26-2022 **Disposition:** Placed on File

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Request of Ronald Grimaldi to address Council regarding intersectionality and equity issues (Communication)

Document number: 27-2022 **Disposition:** Placed on File

Time Certain

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Amend Title 33 Planning and Zoning and Title 32 Signs and Related Regulations to revise and update regulations for historic resources (amend Code Titles 32 and 33) (Ordinance)

Document number: 190687

Introduced by: Commissioner Carmen Rubio

Bureau: Planning and Sustainability

Time certain: 9:45 am

Time requested: 20 minutes Previous agenda item 911.

Visit Historic Resources Code Project webpage for more information, https://www.portland.gov/bps/hrcp.

Disposition: Passed to second reading as amended

Motion to amend the HRCP Ordinance, Findings and Recommended Draft Volumes 1 and 2 as shown in the Memo distributed by Planning: Moved by Hardesty and seconded by Rubio. (Y-5)
Passed to second reading January 26, 2022 at 9:45 a.m. time certain as amended

29

Proclaim the third week of January 2022 to be Slavic and Eastern European Heritage Week (Proclamation)

Document number: 29-2022

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler; Commissioner Mingus Mapps

Time certain: 10:05 am

Time requested: 15 minutes **Disposition:** Placed on File

Consent Agenda

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*Pay settlement of Christopher Fosses' bodily injury lawsuit in the sum of \$29,500 involving the Portland Bureau of Transportation (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 190675

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau: Management and Finance; Revenue and Financial Services; Risk Management

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

31

*Pay settlement of Lydia Fuller bodily injury lawsuit in the sum of \$22,500 involving the Portland Police Bureau (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 190680

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau: Management and Finance; Revenue and Financial Services; Risk Management

Item 31 was pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea
Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

*Authorize application for grant in the amount of \$5 million from the Economic Development Administration for O'Bryant Square Renovation - American Rescue Plan Act Travel, Tourism, and Outdoor Recreation Notice of Funding Opportunity (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 190681

Introduced by: Commissioner Carmen Rubio; Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty

Bureau: Parks & Recreation

Item 32 was pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

33

*Approve application under the Multiple-Unit Limited Tax Exemption Program under the Inclusionary Housing Program for Albina & Prescott Apartments located at 4514 N Albina Ave (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 190676

Introduced by: Commissioner Dan Ryan

Bureau: Housing Bureau **Disposition:** Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

*Approve application under the Multiple-Unit Limited Tax Exemption Program under the Inclusionary Housing Program for Cap Hill Apartments-Building A located at 7990 SW Capitol Hill Rd (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 190682

Introduced by: Commissioner Dan Ryan

Bureau: Housing Bureau

Item 34 was pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

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*Approve application under the Multiple-Unit Limited Tax Exemption Program under the Inclusionary Housing Program for Cap Hill Apartments-Building B located at 7980 SW Capitol Hill Rd (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 190683

Introduced by: Commissioner Dan Ryan

Bureau: Housing Bureau

Item 35 was pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

*Approve application under the Multiple-Unit Limited Tax Exemption Program under the Inclusionary Housing Program for Going located at 4544 N Colonial Ave (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 190684

Introduced by: Commissioner Dan Ryan

Bureau: Housing Bureau

Item 36 was pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

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*Authorize application to Oregon Department of Transportation for a grant in the amount of \$25,000 to develop and implement transportation safety programs, outreach, and education to improve transportation safety knowledge, awareness, and experiences of people walking, biking, and driving in Portland (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 190677

Introduced by: Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty

Bureau: Transportation **Disposition:** Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

38

Amend Billing Responsibility Code to modernize and be consistent with Portland Water Bureau practices (amend Code Section 21.16.030) (Ordinance)

Document number: 190686

Introduced by: Commissioner Mingus Mapps

Bureau: Water

Disposition: Passed to second reading

Passed to second reading January 26, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

Regular Agenda

39

*Authorize the Bureau of Transportation to acquire certain permanent and temporary rights necessary for construction of the Central Eastside Access and Circulation Improvements Project through the exercise of the City's Eminent Domain Authority (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 190678

Introduced by: Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty

Bureau: Transportation

Time requested: 10 minutes

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

> Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

40

Adopt Meter Rate Adjustment for the Northwest Parking Management District within the Restricted Event District (Ordinance)

Document number: 190689

Introduced by: Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty

Bureau: Transportation

Time requested: 30 minutes

Disposition: Passed to second reading as amended

Motion to amend the Meter Rate Increase Ordinance to change the date from February 28 to February 26:

Moved by Hardesty and seconded by Wheeler. (Y-5)

Passed to second reading January 26, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. as amended

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<u>Amend Upper Northwest Parking Definitions Code to revise the definitions of long-term meter and short-term meter (amend Code Section 16.35.110)</u> (Ordinance)

Document number: 190690

Introduced by: Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty

Bureau: Transportation

Time requested: 30 minutes

Disposition: Passed to second reading

Passed to second reading January 26, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

<u>Authorize competitive solicitation and contract with the lowest responsible bidder and provide payment for construction of the Cedar Crossing Restoration Project No. E07158 for an estimated cost of \$1,700,000</u>

(Ordinance)

Document number: 190679

Introduced by: Commissioner Mingus Mapps

Bureau: Environmental Services Second reading agenda item 24.

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

Wednesday, January 19, 2022 2:00 pm

Session Status: No meeting due to lack of agenda

Thursday, January 20, 2022 2:00 pm

Session Status: No meeting due to lack of agenda

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January 19, 2022 9:30 a.m.

Wheeler: Good morning, everybody. This is the January 19th, 2022 morning session of the city council. Keelan, please call the role.

Clerk: Good morning, mayor. Good morning, commissioners. 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 and teleconference. 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 egovpdx, www.Portlandoregon.gov and channel 30. Public may provide written testimony to our council by emailing the city council clerk at cctestimony@Portlandoregon.gov. Council is taking these steps as a result of the covid-19 pandemic and the need to limit in-person contact and to promote physical distancing. Pandemic is an emergency that threatens the public health, safety and welfare which requires us to meet remotely be electronic communications. Thank you, all, for your patience, your

flexibility and understanding as we manage through this difficult situation to conduct the city's business. With that, we'll hear from legal counsel on rules, order and decorum. Good morning.

Linly Rees: Good morning, mayor and members of council. 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, reports, or first readings of ordinances. The published council agenda at www.Portland byte gov/council/agenda containing 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 be considered at that 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 use 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 our interrupting other's testimony or council deliberations will not be allowed. If there are disruptions a warning will be given that further disruption may result in the person being placed on hold or being ejected from the remainder of the electronic meeting. Please be aware all council meetings are recorded. Thank you, mayor.

Wheeler: Thank you. All right. First up is communications. Item number 25, Keelan.

Clerk: Request of James O'Connor to address council regarding the considered foie gras ban. It doesn't look like James has joined us yet.

Wheeler: All right. Very good. Item 26 next please. Next individual.

Clerk: Request of Rebecca Critserto address council regarding the proposed sales ban of foie gras.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Rebecca Critser: Good morning. Good morning, commissioners. And good morning mayor Wheeler. Thank you for the opportunity to speak with you today. My name is Rebecca Critser. I'm a student at the animal law clinic at Lewis and Clark law school. And I'm here to talk with you today about the proposed foie gras sales ban. I currently live in Portland but I've only

been here for a short time. I was surprised to learn the city still has restaurants that sell foie gras, albeit, not many. This came as a surprise to me because my image of Portland was one of a city that is leading the way on animal welfare and environmental concerns. Foie gras production is one of the most egregious forms of animal cruelty that occurs in the farming industry. While neither my spouse nor I currently eat meat, we find the foie gras production in particular so troubling that we have made the decision not to eat at entry restaurants that serve foie gras. I understand however that others have already provided you substantial information on the foie gras production. Before today rather than repeat their statements I would like to ask the members of the council if you have any questions on this topic that I might be able to help answer.

Wheeler: Thank you for that. This is communication. So generally unless commissioners have specific questions, this is your time to speak. But I will ask, does anybody have any particular questions they would like to have answered? Seeing none. Thank you.

Critser: Thank you, mayor Wheeler.

Wheeler: You bet.

Critser: In light of there being no questions, might I ask if there are any particular concerns that the members of the council have about this ban on the sale of foie gras at this time.

Wheeler: Not seeing anybody raise their hand.

Critser: Thank you, mayor Wheeler.

Wheeler: Thank you. Next -- I'm sorry, go ahead.

Critser: Just in conclusion, hearing no concerns about the sale of foie gras by the people of the council at this time, I would simply like to conclude by stating that the foie gras sales ban in addition to being a major milestone towards helping reduce animal cruelty and promoting environmental concerns also has the benefit of being a noncontroversial bill. The ban is also very straight forward and very similar to other bans that Portland has currently has in place such as the plastics ban. Finally, a lot of the research has been done by people passionate, not only about animal welfare, but about the citizens of Portland and their well-being. And in light of not being able to answer any additional questions, I would yield my time back.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate you being here today.

Critser: Thank you.

Wheeler: Next individual, Keelan, item number 27.

Clerk: Request of Ronald Grimaldi to address council regarding intersectionality and equity issues.

Wheeler: Good morning, Ronald, how are you today?

Ronald Grimaldi: Hello, council. My name is Ronald Grimaldi. I'm perhaps more well known locally as Ronnie the clown. I want to thank you for having me here. It really means a lot to me. As someone in my provision, mayor Wheeler has been a great inspiration to me. A few month ago I was involved in a motor accident and I broke my funny bone. As a clown, this put me out of commission until I could get proper therapy. Unfortunately, my healthcare under the affordable care act didn't cover such treatment. I would need a proprietary plan for something like that which is only offered at prices that are unreasonable for someone in my situation. I tried to apply for disability checks but I was apparently not eligible. This puts me in a very difficult financial situation. My presence at this civic meeting of Portland community is to address the multitude of issues that I and others similar to myself have been experiencing and it's the ongoing pandemic. For one, as numerous individuals of our community have been out of work, busking has been a source of income. This reliance on pedestrian income is already unfortunate without the problem that ppb produces. The police crack down on public busking has forced us to rely on art forms such as miming for alternative incomes. This won't be as much of a problem when the pandemic ends and I can go back to gigging as a party clown. But you know, honk on wood, as I like to say. Now, I just want to speak from my heart. As a clown, I certainly don't feel underrepresented in local government and law enforcement. It's just that the measures taken to benefit me and people of my profession and identity feel unsatisfactory and inconsequential. Since I know mayor Wheeler take great actions after having listened to my statements, I as a member of the clowning society of America would like to nominate Mr. Edward t. Wheeler for clown of the year and reinstate him as an honorary clowning commission. The clowning society of America stands with you, Mr. Wheeler. Thank you. I yield the rest of my time.

Wheeler: Thank you. And Keelan, does that complete the communications for this morning? **Clerk**: It does, mayor.

Wheeler: Very good. And colleagues, I am trying to log onto my actual laptop. So far, unsuccessfully. But I think I will if anybody raises their hands. We cannot go to the time certains yet because we're still too far ahead of that. Let's go to the consent agenda. Any items been pulled off of consent?

Clerk: Yes. We've had a request for items 31, 32, 34, 35, and 36.

Wheeler: Can you read those again, please?

Clerk: Yes. 31, 32, 34, 35, and 36.

Wheeler: All right. Could you please call the roll on the remainder of the consent agenda?

Clerk: Rubio.

Rubio: Aye.

Clerk: Ryan.

Ryan: Aye.

Clerk: Hardesty.

Hardesty: [off mic]

Clerk: Mapps.

Mapps: Aye.

Clerk: Wheeler.

Wheeler: Aye. The consent agenda is adopted. We will go then to the regular agenda. Item number 39 please.

Clerk: Authorize the bureau of transportation to acquire certain permanent and temporary rights necessary for construction of the central east side access and circulation improvements process through the city's eminent domain authority.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: It's been a while since I talked while I was muted. [chuckling]

Hardesty: Happy new year.

Wheeler: You too.

Hardesty: Good morning mayor. And thank you, council colleagues. I will turn this item over to the extremely capable staff at PBOT Brianna ore is here and Ashley McLay. And they will tell you why we need this power of eminent domain for the improvements we're about to make.

Good morning. Welcome to council. And please introduce yourself. I don't know who's going first.

Briana Orr: Good morning. Commissioner Hardesty, thanks so much for the introduction. My name is Briana Orr, and I'm here on behalf of PBOT And on behalf of my colleague, Gab Graff who was scheduled to present but unfortunately was unable to join us this morning. I'm also joined by Ashley McLay who will be speaking on behalf of our PBOT Right-of-way team. So with that, I'm going to share my screen. Give me just one moment to get that set up. All right. Are folks seeing that presentation? Okay. Great. Thank you, commissioner. I'm going to keep it in this view if that's all right just so I can see. I know it's well, so thanks for bearing with me. Just one moment.

Hardesty: I always love seeing old pictures of Portland.

Orr: Right? I know. Gabe has a fondness for these archive photos. So again, thank you so much for having me. This photo is from 1932, a photo from city archives taken at present day MLK Jr. Boulevard former lay avenue and Washington street. And the folks here cutting a sewer line here. At that time there wasn't a signalized intersection here. So I think it's a good reminder of how frequently our city is changing and how dynamic it is. But here today to chat with you about the central east side access and improvement project and here's a map showing the several locations that we are touching with this project. And those locations include traffic signals at northeast 16th and Irving, southeast sandy and 11th and Ankeny, southeast grand at Washington, southeast grand at salmon. Southeast MLK at salmon. And where we are right now in this project is nearing completion with design. And our construction is anticipated for summer 2022. This project is funded by the metro regional flexible funds program and the total project budget is 4.7 million. And so just to give you an example on the sense of the scope of the these intersection improvements. This is one example, northeast 16th and irving where we have a full traffic signal here where it is currently and always stopped. We're also improving the curb ramps to make them a.d.a. Compliant. And we are adding curb extensions on the south side of the street so it helps shorten the crossing distance for pedestrians. And it also adds a new pedestrian crossing along the north side of the intersection where we don't have one today. And we are also adding green, what we call skip striping, which just allows for more visibility for people who

are biking, and green bike boxes which allow people who are biking to wait in front of traffic so they are more visible and less likely to get hit by a right-turning vehicle. And in terms of public involvement, we've had a multiple years of public involvement on this project as part of our central city in motion plan, which was adopted by city council in 2018. So we have three public open houses in winter of 2020 just before we had to lock down. So we have that photo here back when we used to be able to meet in person with the public, which was so great. Since then, we've had presentation today the central east side industrial council, the central city in motion group and the city bicycle and freight advisory committees throughout 2021. And then we've also mailed notifications to all property residents and owners and business owners in 2020 and just a few weeks ago, the end of 2021, just a few weeks ago. Our right-of-way team has also had communication with the effected property owners as well. So with that, I'm going to hand it off to Ashley to discuss the right-of-way.

Ashley McLay: Thank you, Briana. Good morning. My name is Ashley McLay. I'm here with PBOT Right-of-way. Agenda 39 gives PBOT Authority to compensate effected property owners for needed easements and if necessary to condemn property rights associated with the central east side access and circulation project. For this project, both permanent right-of-way and temporary easements will be needed from several property owners to support the construction of the project improvements. The permanent right-of-way will allow for construction support of certain A.D.A. Ramps as well as signal facilities and temporary easements will be used for construction support. All effected property owners have been informed of the project needs and they were also invited to attend this meeting. That concludes our presentation. If council has any questions, we can answer them at this time.

Hardesty: Very good. Mayor, I'll turn it back to you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Any questions on this item? Thank you. That was an excellent presentation. I appreciate it. Keelan, is there any public -- I'm sorry, go ahead.

Hardesty: Sorry, mayor, I was going to ask if we could stop the screen share.

Orr: Yes. Absolutely.

Wheeler: Thank you. Is there any public testimony on this emergency ordinance, Keelan?

Clerk: No one signed up.

Wheeler: Very good. Please call the role. [roll call vote]

Clerk: Rubio.

Rubio: I want to thank commissioner Hardesty for bringing this forward and also thank Brianna and Ashley for their presentation. I vote aye.

Clerk: Ryan. Commissioner Ryan?

Ryan: Sorry, I was trying to find my mute button. I guess it's in the air today. Hey, thank you so much, Briana and Ashley and commissioner Hardesty for bringing this forward. I was especially tuned into the 16th and Irving stop. I've driven through their many times. When the good students from Benson tech return in a couple of years for their exciting remodel, that adds a lot of safety. I vote aye.

Clerk: Hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you very much, PBOT For your diligent work on this project. Especially Briana and Ashley. And thank you, colleagues for your support. These improvements will increase pedestrian safety in the central east side area. I can't think of a better investment of these dollars. I vote aye.

Clerk: Mapps.

Mapps: I would like to thank commissioner Hardesty and PBOT For bringing these important improvements forward. I'm glad to vote aye on this one.

Clerk: Wheeler.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Before we go to the first time certain, colleagues, my understanding is the first communications individual has now joined us, item number 25, Keelan.

Clerk: Request of James O'Connor to address council regarding the considered foie gras ban. **Wheeler:** Good morning.

James O'Connor: Hello, council. Sorry, I'm turning off my background here. Hello, council and good morning. First off, I want to thank you for allowing me the opportunity to join you and speak on this issue. I'm here to speak on the support of the proposed ban on foie gras sales here in Portland. I am a local resident and I represent a newer demographic that has moved here in the past few years. Part of what attracted me to moving to Portland is the progressiveness of the city. And it's in my humble opinion that bans -- having bans on inherently cruel products like foie gras as well as animal fur would live up to the progressive

standard of our city. In so doing, Portland would follow in the compassionate and forward looking footsteps with cities like New York and the statewide policy of California. I know the has been prior testimony by at least one fellow activists outlining the process of the forced feed ducks and geese, producing the out sized livers from which foie gras is produced. Therefore, I feel it best not inclined to depict the inhumane details today. I would rather like to refute the claims of any opposition who say there is nothing wrong with the process of fattening up duck and geese livers for foie gras production. In my opinion, if goes beyond rationality to assume because the animal has an elastic esophagus that it's then perfectly fine and good to stick metal tubes down their throat of these birds for the purpose of manipulating the bloating of its internal organs. If we were to take this out of context and imagine that another species like a dog had an elastic esophagus, people would be in an absolute uproar. But because unfortunately the real live victims here are non-personalized birds, often those without names, the production and sale of foie gras has really already gone on for far too long. Furthermore, as I've learned, we always must check the source in these matters, the opposition speaks from a position of profit motive. It's a sad and unfortunate that the ducks and geese are put to an end prematurely, following a life commonly depicted by confinement and animal abuse. For what? Profits and the opportunity to consume a delicacy, which start to finish will last no more than roughly about 10 minutes. I pose the question to the council as consideration on this matter. What will the city choose to prioritize? Fleeting sensory pleasure or life? I thank you, and I yield my time.

Wheeler: Thank you. We appreciate you being here today, James. First time certain item, Keelan, please. Sorry, I'm jumping around. The agenda is a little odd this morning. Item number 28 please.

Clerk: Amend title 33 planning and zoning and title 32 sign and related regulations to revise and update regulations for historic resources.

Wheeler: Colleagues, today we're voting on the amended documents the historic resources code project. As some of you know, it's known by hrcp for short. Brandon Spencer-Hartle is here as often from the bureau of planning and sustainability. Brandon, can you please explain the amended documents to us. Good morning to you.

Brandon Spencer-Hartle: Good morning, mayor and members of council, Brandon Spencer-Hartle with the bureau of planning and sustainability. Hopefully this can be the shortest of the hearings today on the historic resource code project. For the clerk, I'm going to share my screen here just briefly. So as you all know remember back in December, council held a hearing on potential amendments to the historic resources code project title 33 and title 32 zoning code and signed ordinance project. At the conclusion of public testimony on December 15th, council took votes on the eight potential amendments, ultimately voting to move six of those amendments. What staff are asking council to do today is to revise several documents associated with the project to incorporate those amendment votes back in December. Assuming that council does that today, we'll be back next week for a final vote to adopt the package of code revisions. I have on the screen the documents that staff are asking council to amend. Your offices all received a memo on January 11th, detailing the same. And all these documents are available publicly on e-files and e-council.

Wheeler: Thank you, Brandon. Is there a motion to amend the documents?

Hardesty: So moved.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty moves. Is there a second?

Rubio: Second.

Wheeler: There is a second. Keelan, please call the role. Unless there is any further

discussion. Brandon, go ahead.

Spencer-Hartle: Mayor, I want to check with our city attorney quickly if that motion works for our purposes today.

Rees: My understanding is the motion is to amend the HRCP ordinance, findings and recommended draft volumes one and two as shown in the memo distributed by planning. Is that correct, commissioner?

Hardesty: Yes, that is correct.

Wheeler: I thought that's what she said?

Rees: I think she did. I'm being repetitive.

Wheeler: Very good. Keelan, please call the vote. [roll call vote]

Clerk: Rubio.
Rubio: Aye.

Clerk: Ryan.

Ryan: Aye.

Clerk: Hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you, Brandon, for making sure we were legal. Aye.

Clerk: Mapps.

Mapps: I feel like I should ask if there is public testimony on this.

Wheeler: This is a land use issue. It goes by a different script. And so no, there is not at this

particular point.

Mapps: Thank you for the clarification, Mr. Mayor. I vote aye.

Clerk: Wheeler.

Wheeler: I vote aye. The motion passes to second reading. This item is continued to January

26, 2022 at 9: 45 a.m. Thank you, all, that concludes this item. Thank you, Brandon.

Hardesty: Not quite, mayor.

Wheeler: What? For today. That concludes the item for today. Thank you. Next item, and I believe we're not on track for the second -- we're not ready to do the second time certain yet. So we'll skip back to the regular agenda. To items number 40 and 41. Please read them together, Keelan.

Clerk: 40. Adopt meter rate adjustment for the northwest parking management district within the redistricted event district. And 41, amend upper northwest parking definitions code to revise the definitions of long-term meter and short-term meter.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty.

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. These two ordinances come before us through an extensive process of evaluation and analysts by PBOT Staff and our resident stakeholder advisory committee or the sac, as they are often called. Staff will go into the details. But this is really about adjusting meter rates and hours in northwest Portland around provenance park to free up parking for businesses in the area and incentivize forms of transportation to games that don't involve the individual getting into an individual motor vehicle. I also have one housekeeping item as we have the wrong date of enactment for this kind of ordinance. And 41, amend code to revise the definitions of long-time meter and short-term meter.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty?

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. These two come to us through an extensive process of evaluation and analysis by p-dot staff and advisory committee. Staff will go into the details. Around providence park. To free up parking for businesses in the area and incentivize forms of transportation that don't involve an individual getting into an individual motor vehicle. I also have one housekeeping item as we have the wrong date of enactment in this current ordinance. I move that we move the meter rate ordinance from a date change from February 28 to February 26. With the first match of the timber season.

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty moves the amendment, I second. Any further discussion on the amendment? Seeing no further discussion on the amended amendment, please call the roll.

Clerk: Rubio?

Rubio: Aye.

Clerk: Ryan?

Ryan: Aye.

Clerk: Hardesty?

Hardesty: Aye.

Clerk: Mapps?

Hardesty: Aye.

Clerk: Wheeler?

Wheeler: Aye. The amendment is on the table.

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. We have two staff members from p-bot. Kristen and raily here to explain the details. Staff, please take it away.

Kristin Alldrin: Thank you, commissioner Hardesty. Good morning, mayor, commissioners. My name is Kristin Alldrin and I manage the policy outreach projects and permits program in parking operations. The two ordinances we bring to city council today further our parking management in northwest, specifically in the restricted event district. One ordinance raises the meter rates in the district on event days. The other changes city codes definition of long-term and short-term meters. Rae-Leigh Stark is p-bot's northwest liaison and she will explain the strategies and goals and their benefits and we will answer any questions you may have. Rae-Leigh?

Rae-Leigh Stark: Good morning, commissioners. I'm Rae-Leigh Stark, the northwest parking district liaison. I'm going to share my screen. Okay, can you all see my screen? Here we go. I will start by giving you background on the northwest parking district. It's one of the city's densest, fastest growing neighborhoods which necessitates ongoing parking management. To keep up with the needs of employees, customers it uses both permits and meters to manage the demand. That means to visit the district you must pay for parking using the meters and if you are a resident or employee you can purchase an annual permit. The stakeholder advisory committee makes recommendations to p-bot. It consists of neighborhood residents, employees, business owners and property owners to discuss the parking needs of the neighborhood. This collaboration is important for the ongoing parking management of the district. We are here to focus on the restricted event district. Which you can see is the lower third of the northwest parking district. During events at providence park parking in this area is discouraged for event goers. Instead the goal is for event goers who choose to drive to park in the vent district which is closer to the stadium and allows for 4-hour parking. The restricted event district is over parked. We are proposing two changes based on data reflected, best practices and input from the stakeholder advisory committee. The first change is about rates. To address the high occupancy we propose to use pricing as a tool to influence behavior. We are proposing to increase to \$4 an hour during game days which matches game days in the event district. We don't want people to drive to games so this may mean an increase in the future. During events the time limits for meters are two hours. However you are currently allowed to meter feed. This changes the definition of short and long-term meters so meter feeding is not allowed. This will encourage turnover. We believe these two changes will influence the behavior of event goers and discourage them from driving. Because parking permits are available for residents and employees we don't expect this to have a negative impact on them. In fact we expect it will free up parking. We will monitor annually for adjustments. Thank you for your time and I can answer any questions you may have.

Wheeler: Doesn't look like we are seeing any at this particular moment. Is there any public testimony on either of these items?

Clerk: Yes, mayor, we have two people signed up.

Wheeler: Let's hear them.

Clerk: First we have Nick Fenster.

Wheeler: It would be helpful if people testify specifically if they were referring to the meter rate a judgment or parking definitions code. If you don't know, that's fine. But if you know which of the two ordinances you are testifying on, that would be helpful, or perhaps it's both. Good morning.

Nick Fenster: Good morning. I actually would like to defer to the second person. I'm the vice chair for the northwest sac. I think our chair would like to speak first.

Wheeler: Go ahead and we will follow-up with Nick.

Rick Michaelson: Sure. My name is Rick Michaelson and I've been working on parking issues in Portland for the last 45 years. I started working on parking in 1977. I am now in my 8th year of chairing the advisory committee which has been quite a process. With the number of members leaving the s.a.c. In September we will use the next few months to summarize our accomplishments and make recommendations for the future. Also a number of small code changes to you all over the course of the next two months to tweak the program based on what he learned. The ordinance before you is the first of these. It's really a tweak, primarily adjust the rules northwest to be consistent. The covid pandemic and our inability to meet in person has had a significant negative impact on our work. We are still proud of what we managed to accomplish over the past eight years and looking forward to bringing more improvements to you in the near future. One of those improvements might be giving PBOT more flexibility so rate increases and minor changes on the parking meters timing etc., doesn't have to come all the way to council for an ordinance. It seems there's general agreement on what to do and this is more burdensome than it needs to be. Just a suggestion. Thank you very much for your time. And now nick will present the recommendation of the committee to you.

Fenster: Thank, hi, I'm nick fenster. I'm the representative with the northwest business association on the parking s.a.c. And as vice chair. Thank you and good morning. I've been asked to read a letter we sent to council December 16th, 2021. Dear mayor Wheeler and commissioners at the s.a.c. We are charged with advising the Portland bureau of transportation on transportation and parking matters in northwest Portland with the goal of

efficiently managing parking and reducing reliance on single occupancy vehicles. [indiscernible] created to discourage providence parking, event goers from parking in northwest Portland. It's helped preserve on street parking northwest, a separate event district south of west burn side was also created to accommodate event goers. The restricted parking district isn't working as effectively as intended and see occupancy rates during timbers games. The stakeholder advisory committee is in support of the following changes and believe they will improve the management during game days. One revise the definition of long-term meter northwest to prevent meter feeding at two hour meters. They made this recommendation based on a motion that passed with 8 yeas and 2 nays. Change to \$4 an hour. [indiscernible] s.a.c. Made it's recommendation 7, yeas, 2 nays and one abstained. City council may hear from members of the stakeholder advisory committee who do not support this recommendation. Thank you, sincerely the stakeholder advisory committee.

Wheeler: Thank you. Keelan, does that complete public testimony on these two items?

Clerk: Yes, it does.

Wheeler: Colleagues?

Hardesty: I see owen here that has 40 and 41. Are you hear to speak on this matter?

Owen Ronchelli: I'm here to answer any questions council might have. I'm a consultant on this project and if there were any technical questions, I'm here to answer those.

Hardesty: Okay, I saw you. I didn't want us to just blow over you as we were moving forward. So thanks for being here.

Wheeler: All right, item #40 is a non-emergency ordinance moves to second reading. Item 41 is also a non-urgency ordinance it moves to second reading as well. And I should have said on 40 it moves to second reading, as amended. Now we will go back to the time certain agenda item #29, please.

Clerk: Proclaim the second week of January 2022 to be Slavic and eastern European heritage week.

Wheeler: Colleagues this is the fifth annual Slavic and eastern European heritage week, it will be read in both English and Russian. The city is proud of its relationships with the communities and it's especially grateful, the Slavic empowerment team, which is a voluntary employee driven affinity group here at the city of Portland organized around shared interest

in Slavic culture and affiliation with Slavic cultural heritage. Because we are virtual again this year, due to covid, we are sad to miss the annual celebration in the city hall atrium we have been able to enjoy in previous years but I know the spirit continues to be celebrated far and wide. And now I will hand it over to the co-sponsor of this proclamation. Commissioner Mapps. Good morning.

Mapps: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Colleagues proclaiming the third week of January 2022 to be Slavic and eastern European heritage week. Before we turn to today's presentation I would like to take a moment to share my perspective on why Slavic and eastern European heritage week is important to the city of Portland. Now there are many reasons to pause and celebrate the contributions, Slavic and eastern European communities have made to Portland. We could talk about the contributions our Slavic and eastern European neighbors have made to Portland's culture. Or we could celebrate the contributions Portland Slavic and eastern European communities have made to the city's economy. Or honor the contributions Portland Slavic and eastern European communities have made to our city's civic and public life. But this year, when I reflect upon the moral meaning of Slavic and eastern European heritage week, I keep returning to a different theme. This year Slavic and eastern European heritage week resonates with me because this moment reminds all of us that the united states is a nation of immigrants. And Portland is a city of immigrants. For example, today, around 50,000 Slavic immigrants live in the Portland metro area. The first wave of Slavic immigrants arrived in Oregon in the 1960's and settled around Woodburn Oregon where they tended to take up farming. A second wave of Slavic immigrants arrived in Oregon in the 1980's. This group came to Portland seeking religious freedom. They tended to settle in east Portland, especially around the foster Powell and gateway neighborhoods. Our Slavic and eastern European neighbors have been a driving force behind east Portland's resiliency and renaissance. And as Portland continues to recover from the social and economic wounds caused by covid, I'm reminded that Portland needs our Slavic and eastern European communities ingenuity, innovation and partnership more than ever. Colleagues that's why I'm pleased this council is taking a moment to recognize the contributions they have made to the city of Portland. That is what Slavic and eastern European heritage week is all about. Here

to talk about more we have Svetlana, founding member of the city of Portland Slavic empowerment team. Svetlana, welcome.

Svetlana Hedin: Thank you, commissioner Mapps. Good morning, commissioners and the mayor. My name is Svetlana Hedin. I'm here as a member and co-chair of the Slavic empowerment team and council. This is our fifth annual proclamation and we are very proud of it. We are proud to take a moment to up lift and honor Slavic and eastern European community living in the greater Portland area. We are here to give a voice and recognition to this unique and beautiful culture that makes our city more diverse and empowered. I would like to recognize Irene conia who was the instrumental leader to identify there was no proclamation for our Slavic community. She gathered our community to walk us through the formation of this proclamation in 2017. She has cord ordinated and led the proclamation with the mayor's office, council clerks and other city officials for five years. I also would like to thank [indiscernible] for translating the proclamation into Russian. Today we have three speakers that are going to share their stories. I will introduce all three of them and then first of the speakers will share his story first. So tino is a prominent community leader and a managing partner of the Slavic family radio and official magazine. He serves on the board of the local nonprofit called Slavic community center of northwest, which helps immigrants from the former soviet union better integrate into their new life while preserving their cultural heritage. The second speaker is [indiscernible], arrived from former Yugoslavia as a 2-year-old. He has graduated from o.h.s.u. School of medicine and is in his second year of residency and pursuing a field of emergency medicine. And a third speaker is [indiscernible], a community leader, English Russian translator and former member of the Slavic empowerment team and member of the Slavic advisory council through the Portland police bureau. I will call [indiscernible] up to share his story. Thank you.

Timur Holove: Good morning, commissioners. Good morning, mayor Wheeler. My name is Timur Holove, an immigrant from Tajikistan. Tens of thousands of lives were lost. At one point we had to help my aunt flee with her belongings in a train boxcar across many countries to the Ukraine. This hasn't -- wasn't new to our family. During the second world war my grandmother and her family were relocated to Ukraine the same way. We came to Portland in September 1998. I remember within a week I was walking through the halls of Gregory

middle school. Many can't imagine the shock that goes through a teenager's head when they see the schools here and schools in developing countries. Not only that but ability to speak and the tremendous emotional stress. I can't say it was easy. Racism, name calling and bullying was happening a lot. Phrases like go back to Russia were heard almost every day. At Slavic community group things became a little easier as more came to the schools. More people led to more issues. There was a lot of talk about drugs and kids from Christian and non-Christian families becoming addicted. Unfortunately I lost a couple family members. [indiscernible] -- didn't have valuable content. When I started my work at [indiscernible] we wanted to have a platform where people can share valuable information in order to make the lives of others better. As many of you recently found out, information can kill and information can heal as well. What sets our platform apart, we source our information locally. We work with local community leaders and organizations that provide us with valuable content to the community. During the pandemic, the work with doctors and some very prominent community leaders to share important information with the community about the corona virus and resources available. I believe through our work we help many people make informed decisions and potentially save many lives. As far as my work with Slavic community center of northwest, grass root nonprofit organization in the region. It's been on the front lines since the start of the pandemic. Through our work we were able to provide the community with p.p.e., cultural specific food, utility and rent assistance. Put together outreach testing and vaccination to serve the community. Every year we put together the Portland Slavic festival which was the staple of east Portland. Only a handful of organizations that serve the Slavic community. I would like to take a moment and say how important the city and other government organization pay close attention and provide necessary support to the grass root organization that truly understand the community needs and offer culturally specific support. Thank you commissioners. Thank you, mr. Mayor. I would like to thank the Slavic team, irene, [indiscernible], p-bot, office of community and civic life, parks and recreation and all of the state and city partners. Thank you so much. That's all I have. Wheeler: Thanks. Commissioner Mapps was there one other individual or does that complete

the presentation?

Mapps: I believe we have other speakers today, is that correct, Svetlana?

Hedin: Yes, we have a second speaker, Irvan Jovanovic Bubic.

Mapps: Welcome.

Irvan Jovanovic Bubic: Hello, everyone. Thank you for that lovely introduction and thank you for inviting me to speak at this proclamation. I'm actually calling in from San Diego, California, where I'm currently working in an i.c.u. And I just sort of wanted to take a moment to go over my circuitous route by which I ended up here. I'm also an immigrant. I moved to the united states just before my second birthday. Before that I was born in Belgrade Serbia, my mom is Serbian, my dad was Bosnian. At the height of the war they couldn't live safely or comfortably in either places. First ended up in Austria, and then applied for a sponsorship and then just by a fortunate coincidence ended up in Portland where our sponsors welcomed us into their home. I grew up in southwest Portland, I went to maple wood elementary school. Southwest Portland schools. Toward the end of high school I actually lost my dad to cancer, so I didn't have any plans on whether I was going to college or what I was planning on doing after that. Ended up applying to one college and went to the university of Montana actually with the intention of studying English. I was an English teaching major when I started. Eventually transitioned to English creative writing and I sort of always been interested in sciences growing up in high school. So once I learned that you could be pre-med and have any major, I kind of slowly started adding back those science classes, biology, chemistry, volunteering, shadowing physicians in Montana, and slowly worked my way back around to medicine. Which brought me to o.h.s.u. Where I graduated a couple years ago in 2020. Initially had the intention in specializing oncology but after my clinical rotations decided emergency medicine was going to be a better fit for me. Again, applied for residency all over the west coast and ended up in San Diego, where I'm in my second year of emergency medicine. Currently, like I said, I'm on an i.c.u. Rotation. Definitely seeing a lot of covid everywhere. After my emergency medicine residency I plan on doing a sub-specialty fellowship in pain management. Ideally moving back to Portland at some point. Just in brief, that's sort of my life story. Again, thank you so much for having me. Thank you so much for inviting me to speak at this, and I'll turn it back over to you.

Mapps: Thank you. Mr. Mayor, I believe we have one more speaker today.

Wheeler: Very good.

Hedin: That's correct. Tamara Burkovskaia, thank you.

Mapps: Hello?

Hedin: We can't hear you.

Wheeler: Zoom gremlins are at it again.

Mapps: I know, welcome to 2022.

Wheeler: She comes back with a hammer, this will fix it.

Hardesty: We need a 12-year-old.

Wheeler: They are in short supply right now. We can see you but we can't hear you.

Mapps: Should we try the call-in number?

Wheeler: Can you hear us? Yes?

Hardesty: She put in the chat there are technical issues.

Wheeler: Maybe she can call in and use the phone. Keelan, do you have access to Tamara?

Clerk: Yes, we can send her the number to call.

Wheeler: Good, does that work, Tamara? We will have you call in on the phone. Good. We do this all the time. So don't worry. This is how we MacGyver it.

Hardesty: I'm having technical issues because of people coming in and out --

Wheeler: Yeah, the sound quality has been okay, but it took me 20 minutes to log on.

Hardesty: So it's probably just me.

Wheeler: Look, I see her twice, but I can't hear her. We still can't hear. Can you just call in on

the call-in line? And Keelan, will you put that in the chat?

Clerk: Yes. I will drop it in the chat.

Wheeler: Okay, thanks. We will drop the phone number into the chat, if you can just call us.

And then we will do it old-school. You will sound great.

Mapps: Do we want to go with commissioners.

Wheeler: Go ahead and start and we will get to the others.

Mapps: In the interest of time, I think I will forego my usual comments.

Wheeler: Okay. Other commissioners? Do you have comments you would like to make at this

time prior to hearing Tamara and hearing the proclamation? Commissioner Rubio?

Rubio: Thank you, mayor Wheeler and commissioner Mapps for bringing this proclamation

forward. I just want to also thank Svetlana and Timur and Tamara for trying to get onto the

call. Thank you for sharing your compelling community stories and experiences with us. This proclamation, you know, really honors eastern Europeans and Slavic community who make up one of the largest immigrant refugee communities in Portland. I want to lift up and appreciate the Slavic empowerment team for all their work to ensure that the city builds an inclusive and diverse workforce that is responsive to their community. But also to appreciate and lift up their civic and cultural and economic contributions as well. I'm a daughter of an immigrant and granddaughter of an immigrant and I also see and recognize your leadership as a part of that community. And your pride and our city is so much better for it. Very proud to lift up your community today and honor all the contributions. It reminds us to hold ourselves accountable to making sure we include to build an inclusive city.

Wheeler: Thank you. Commissioner Hardesty?

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. Thank you, commissioner Mapps for bringing this proclamation today. And thank you to the Slavic affinity group. It's really important that people of color, immigrants and refugees and others find a place and a home in the city of Portland. And the affinity groups give the city employees an opportunity to share their lived experience. And it's really vital that we create spaces that are for folks to share their lived experience and support each other and their development throughout the city of Portland. It's interesting that the Slavic community travels the way of most communities who come into Portland that are immigrants or refugees. But there tends to continue to be a population of immigrants and refugees in east Portland. And it's wonderful to see the engagement of those community members in the fabric of our community. I heard one of the speakers mention the support they were providing during covid, many of our community members would not have survived without culturally-specific support that actually respected people where they were and provided their basic needs and for that, I want to say thank you. Thank you, thank you. Because I know how vulnerable communities are who come to Portland and are not and don't feel heard, don't feel represented and don't feel they have a voice in their civic community. So I'm happy to be part of a council that continues to recognize the uniqueness of our communities and how we are interwoven together. If covid taught us nothing, it's like covid doesn't care where you started your life, covid only cares what you do today and how you

make sure you keep you and your family and our community safe. So thank you for being here today. I'm very grateful.

Wheeler: Thank you, commissioner. Commissioner Ryan?

Ryan: Yes, thank you, mayor and commissioner Mapps for bringing forward this important proclamation recognizing the Slavic and eastern European community in Portland. I appreciate the research you do, 50,000 in our state. And thank you, Svetlana for your leadership to lift the Slavic community year-round. As evidenced by this team you were able to gather this morning. On that note, I learn from story-telling. Timur, thank you for your story, what you have endured, the pain of losing family members. Thank you, Irvin explaining your journey. I'm sorry about the loss of your father while you were in high school. Thank goodness for your resilience that took you to university of Montana and now here you are a doctor, with a heart to heal for sure. I heard that, so please move back to Portland, we definitely need you here. Tamura, I can't wait to learn from you. In general I say this to anyone who wants to listen. The immigrants coming to our country whether as immigrants or refugees, it doesn't matter. They create new communities and emerging economies for a country that has always benefited from every arrival and it makes us a richer community and city and state. I'm so pleased we are taking a moment today to honor the eastern European and Slavic community.

Mapps: Thank you. Mr. Mayor, I believe Ms. Tamura can join us via phone now.

Wheeler: Perfect. Welcome.

Clerk: Tamura, you will need to push *6 to unmute your phone. Tamura, you are still muted. It looks like she may be having some muting.

Wheeler: Okay, well I hate to do this, colleagues, but I'm afraid we will have to move on. So I will do is read the proclamation. Before I do that though, I want to thank everyone on the Slavic empowerment team to draft this proclamation. All of us appreciate it. So on behalf of the Portland city council, whereas Slavic and eastern European Americans are one of Portland's largest immigrant and refugee communities. With over 150,000 people in the greater Portland area. Whereas Slavic and eastern European Portlanders can trace their ancestry to 15 countries of the former Soviet Union and 14 eastern European countries with unique languages, dialects, cultures and histories. And whereas, the city of Portland has many Slavic and eastern European employees and Slavic empowerment team, that works to build a

more inclusive and diverse workforce. Whereas the Slavic empowerment team shares culture, language and art through employees through displays and performances and whereas the Slavic empowerment team collaborates with many diverse organizations in the greater Portland area. Whereas, Portland is a welcoming, inclusive and sanctuary city that celebrates it's growing diversity. Whereas the city of Portland is proud of its relationship with all members of the Slavic and eastern European community and will continue supporting their professional and economic advancement. Now therefore, I ted Wheeler, mayor of the city of Portland, Oregon, the city of roses do hereby proclaim the third week of January, 2022, to be the Slavic and eastern European heritage week in Portland, and encourage all residents to celebrate this week. Thank you everyone, and Tamara, I will ask one more time if you have been able to log on? Svetlana, I'm told you can maybe read the proclamation in Russian, is that correct? I don't want to put you on the spot.

Hedin: Yes, I can do that.

Wheeler: Thank you for doing that.

Hedin: Thank you. [reading proclamation in Russian]

Wheeler: Thank you very much. We appreciate it. Thanks, all of you. And Tamara, I'm sorry we

weren't able to get you on but I know you tried.

Tamara Burkovskaia: I'm wondering if you can hear me now.

Wheeler: Yes, hurrah! [laughter]

Burkovskaia: Well thank you so much for your patience, I really appreciate you waiting. But I'm just adjusting to my new place and apparently technical issues have to be worked out. So if you will allow me to tell my story.

Wheeler: Yes, please.

Burkovskaia: I'm Tamara Burkovskaia, my story is different from [indiscernible] and [indiscernible]. I was born in the soviet union in the part which is now Russia, Siberia to be more precise. When I was 10 years old my family moved to -- like moving from Washington state to Oregon. But this situation changed after the demise of the Soviet Union when all the republic became independent countries and this was one of them. So these were very dynamic times when other countries including the united states were officially recognizing the new independent countries and establishing relations and opening u.s. Embassies in the

capitals of these countries. One day I read an evening newspaper and read about the United States opening an embassy. I thought it would be so [indiscernible] to get a job with the embassy. And I did. I worked for the embassy for 16 years as administrative specialist and then ten years as political analyst. These were absolutely remarkable times. And I was fortunate to meet so many high-level U.S. Government officials who were coming to Kirgizstan. I met with vice president al gore and Hillary Clinton, Madelaine Albright and Condoleezza rice. Many members of the U.S. Congress. I worked for six ambassadors during my time with the embassy, the last I worked for was ambassador Marie [indiscernible], absolutely fantastic person. Looking back sometimes I feel like I'm daydreaming and this would not have happened to a little girl from remote Siberia. Well, anyways, after 16 years with the embassy I used a provision that the united states department of state has for locally hired embassy staff. If you worked for the embassy for at least 15 years and -- was outstanding you could apply for a special immigrant visa which is approved on a case-by-case basis by the secretary of state. And I was the first locally-hired embassy employee in the former soviet union who met these criteria. I applied for a special visa and Condoleezza rice -- almost 14 years ago I came to the united states. Soon after I settled in Portland and connected with the local community, I realized what are the biggest challenges for immigrants. These are lack of English language skills and lack of knowledge about the life in the united states and how things work here. I decided I will be doing everything I can to support immigrants. I started volunteering English as a second language practice, instructor. There were people from all over the world in the class. And they knew that in order to succeed they need some English skills. So for some time I was manager of the Russian Oregon social services which implemented programs for domestic violence and sexually assault. Most victims had no idea that there are resources available to them. So I started writing articles for the local Russian language magazine and radio that timuron talked about. And I was writing about such topics as domestic violence and sexual assault. Resources available to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. What is sexual harassment. And how to get a protective order. At about that time, I became a member of the Slavic advisory council to the Portland police bureau. For the last three years i've been a media liaison for the council. This helped me to broaden the topics of the community outreach and I started covering areas that help people in the Russian-speaking

communities better navigate their life here. There are a few examples of topics covered in the media outlets that is so -- efficiently running. Police reform. Trafficking. Hate and bias crimes. How to act in active shooter situation. How to testify in city council meetings. A lot of coverage for covid and vaccinations. As a member of the Slavic advisory council, I participated in translation of the oregon drivers manual in Russian, which helped so many people to pass the test, get their drivers license and become more employable. I also coordinated many interviews with officials on the local Russian language radio and acted as their interpreter. It's my honor to interview commissioner Mapps for both radio and magazine. And believe me, people in the community do appreciate when elected officials reach out to them and talk to them directly. In the last 18 months or so, my friend and colleague -- I helped coordinate and interpreted a radio show on covid twice a month. We insighted different speakers including public health experts, medical doctors, nurses and community members to talk about the pandemic and vaccinations. I started with Portland parks and recreation almost three and a half years ago. I translated a lot of information for social and print media and the radio to inform the community about the services available at parks and community centers. During my time with the city, I was also a member of the Slavic empowerment team. Two weeks ago, I retired from the city and now I can spend more time with my two adorable grandchildren, 9year-old maxi and 5-year-old [indiscernible] though asked not to mention them until they grow up and become famous but I could not resist the temptation to mention names of my grandchildren. Even though I'm retired I still plan to continue community outreach work because I find it very rewarding to help people get the information that helps them to succeed and thrive. You as councilmembers, if you are interested in talking to the community, I will be more than happy to help you connect with the community. Thank you very much again, for your attention and your patience as I was dealing with technical issues.

Mapps: Mayor, that concludes our presentation today. I appreciate the mayor's show of solidarity with tomorrow.

Hardesty: Apparently the mayor can't get off mute either at the moment.

Wheeler: This is just irritating. So that's me hiding.

Hardesty: Zolan?

Wheeler: I'm now coming to you as Ness, I'm a body snatcher now. Thank you for this. We will now move back to the regular agenda. Last item is item #42 and I will fix this mess of a computer in the meanwhile.

Clerk: Authorize competitive solicitation and contract with the lowest responsible bidder and provide payment for construction of the cedar crossing restoration project, e07158 for estimated cost of \$1,700,000.

Wheeler: Commissioner Mapps?

Mapps: This is the second reading.

Wheeler: Sorry, second reading. Any further business on this item? Seeing none, please call

the roll.

Clerk: Rubio?

Rubio: Thank you commissioner Mapps for bringing this forward. I look forward to learning how this project progresses. I vote aye.

Clerk: Ryan?

Ryan: Aye.

Clerk: Hardesty?

Hardesty: Aye.

Clerk: Mapps?

Mapps: I want to thank my colleagues for the support on this one. This is a great project. I also want to circle back to commissioner Ryan who last week encouraged to reach out to local schools to inform them about this work so they can learn more about the environment. We have done that and that has sparked a rich conversation. So thank you very much, commissioner, for prodding us to be better. This project is about being better and that is why I vote aye. And with that --

Clerk: I have to call the mayor.

Mapps: Yeah, I know. I thought I would drag it out.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Thank you. We will move back to the pulled items on the consent agent, item 31.

Clerk: Settlement of bodily injury lawsuit in the sum of \$22,500 involving the Portland police bureau.

Wheeler: Thank you, this ordinance resolves a body injury claim filed against the city back in 2020. Deputy city attorney Mallory Beebe are here to present this ordinance. Thank you, Mallory and Joseph.

Mallory Beebe: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. This is Mallory Beebe, the deputy city attorney assigned to handle this matter. As you already mentioned also here is Joseph Jesse, the adjuster assigned to the matter. This case stems from a protest on June 6, 2020, which went overnight into the early morning of June 7th in downtown Portland. The plaintiff Lidia fuller alleged she was hit with an impact munition by a p.p.d. Officer while trying to leave the protest. In June of 2020, Ms. Fuller filed a lawsuit in state court alleging battery against the city. Given the risk of an adverse jury verdict, the parties negotiated a settlement through mediation which took place in October 2021. The parties have agreed on a settlement on \$22,500 to resolve this lawsuit. The city attorney's office and risk management recommend that the city council approve this settlement. I'm happy to answer any questions, otherwise that concludes my remarks. Thank you.

Wheeler: Colleagues, any questions on this item? I am not seeing any questions on this item. And who pulled this item, Keelan?

Clerk: Mark Poris.

Wheeler: He is here to testify?

Clerk: Yes.

Clerk: First we have mark Poris.

Wheeler: Thank you.

Marc Poris: For the record my name is Mark Poris, I use he/him pronouns. I asked for this to be pulled, not only because it's a settlement related to police misconduct but because of the way the city attorney's office responded to Ms. Fuller's complaint. On just the second business day after the training deck was made public I'm glad to see the city business goes on. I read the motion for summary judgment. Article on October 27th. Plaintiff cannot identify the law enforcement officer who allegedly struck her with projectile. She can not describe the uniform of the officer who fired the projectile. Group of 50 officers were wearing helmet but Multnomah officers also wear helmets. Plaintiff has no evidence of that officer's intent to injury her. The city is saying unless you can identify the officer who shoots you in the breast

with a less lethal munition has no merit. -- would you do it for \$225,000 or \$2.25 million? When mayor Wheeler announced Robert Taylor as city attorney in February last year. He is what he said, his experience, expertise and deep background leading professionals through times of change will help insure the city's interests are protected. That doesn't appear to be what they are doing. They are using all means necessary, willing to say anything to protect the city's bank account at the expense of the people of Portland. Wouldn't it be great if the city attorney's office was actually concerned with (off mic)

Wheeler: Did he just mute or am I frozen again?

Hardesty: He froze for me too.

Mapps: He is frozen.

Hardesty: I wondered the same thing, if it was me or him.

Wheeler: Are you muted? We can't hear you, sorry. Keelan, why don't we move on to the second person. We will come back if we can get him unmuted.

Clerk: Mark are you there? I can see you. Are you able to continue?

Poris: Do you know how far I got? Let me get to my question for the attorneys, Robert Taylor, do you prepare these motions for summary judgment because you think it's the right thing to do or someone above you in the attorney's office requires you to do this? Or standard operating procedure or some combination of these? And I guess, my question for counsel and the city attorney is what is the purpose of the city attorney's office? It's not clear to me. I'm in favor of this settlement, though like most other police-related settlements it should be 10-100 times more costly for the city. I want to finish by saying according to Portland cop watch now adding up what they have now is 13 settlements for violence of protests between October 2016, the protest against the p.p.a. Contract at substantial and October 2020, the city has shelled out over \$437,000 for this police misconduct. That's all I have to say. Thanks.

Clerk: Next up we have Walter Weyler.

Walter Weyler: Good morning, I'm Walter Weyler but I think you added me to the wrong spot. I'm going to speak on the O'Bryant issue.

Wheeler: Thank you, Walter. Keelan, can you make sure we call him for that issue when it comes up.

Clerk: Thank you.

Wheeler: Next individual, please?

Clerk: Next up we have Alexander Stein.

Wheeler: Good morning.

Clerk: Alex, you are muted.

Alexander Stein: Hey, guys. Thank you for hearing me out. My name is Alex stein, I go by primetime 99 Alex stein on Instagram. The reason 2020 was so bad it started with Kobe Bryant dying. He would have loved the vaccine because he always took the game-winning shot. That's what the vaccine is. That's what people don't realize, it's time to grind and shine and

vaccinate your mind and body if you want to take it to the vaccination party. If you want to go to the court you need to have your vaccination passport. We are living in a world of lies trump supporters coughing on people, getting people sick, people dying. What are you doing about it? We got to mandate these vaccines, that's the only way out.

Wheeler: I'm sorry, this isn't related --

Stein: We are in a society right now, everybody --

Wheeler: A settlement. If you cannot speak to that issue we are going to pf on. Does that

complete public testimony on this item?

Clerk: It does, mayor.

Wheeler: Very good. Any further discussion on this item? 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. Item 32, please.

Clerk: Authorize grant \$5 million for economic develop m administration for O'Bryant square

renovation, American rescue plan act, travel tourism notice of funding opportunity.

Wheeler: Commissioner Rubio?

Rubio: Thank you, mayor. And commissioner Hardesty and I will both give some brief opening comments and turn it over to Tate white who can give a brief overview of the project. Today O'Bryant square sits atop an unused structurally compromised parking garage closed off to the public presenting liability for workers and visitors an impediment to downtown recovery. Portland parks and rec, p-bot are here seeking authorization to apply for economic development administration grant for \$5 million. The intent of the economic development administration grant is to help communities and regions implement sustainable economic strategies to respond to damage to the travel tourism and recreation sectors. We think our proposal aligns perfectly with this federal intent. First to renovate and build O'Bryant square. Second design and create critical green loop and Harvey milk plaza and elements and support the food cart pods success. For success of this proposal, the renovation will be a much-needed infusion to reactivate the site and attract visitors to the green loop, food carts and other. I will turn it over to commissioner Hardesty for some comments. **Hardesty:** Thank you, commissioner Rubio. It's an honor to co-lead this effort with you. This is an opportunity to get federal dollars invested in O'Bryant square. But what I wanted to do is also say that as we know, there's a lot of federal grant potential that is out there. We will do all we can to write for as much federal dollars as we can. I want the community to know the work we are doing on O'Bryant square won't stop if we don't get this grant. We are committed to continuing to improve O'Bryant square and make sure the green loop is completed. The thing I know about federal processes they take a long time. And so I want to make sure that the work we have already done to actually reinvigorate O'Bryant square is not loss through this process and we continue to build on it, regardless of whether or not the federal opportunity is realized. So thank you so much commissioner Rubio. I look forward to continuing the work with you and Portland parks and recreation to make sure that we are improving this infrastructure in a way that continues to the revitalization of downtown Portland. Thank you. I will turn it back to you for the staff presentation.

Rubio: Thank you, commissioner Hardesty. Now Tate will just say a few words on this project. **Tate White:** Good morning, mayor and commissioners. Thank you, commissioner Rubio for the introduction. Thank you, commissioner Hardesty. I am a senior planner with Portland

parks and recreation, and I'm helping to coordinate the application for this grant if you approve. Located between southwest Washington and Harvey milk street and southwest park and ninth avenues, the square is currently fenced off as we've discussed because it rests on top of a parking garage that is structurally failing. The park closure has removed the plaza space from public use. It has become an eyesore in the downtown area with heavy tagging and vandalism. Portland parks and recreation, working closely with the bureau of planning and sustainability and the bureau of transportation, are here today to request approval to apply for an economic development grant for \$5 million to demolish the garage and rejuvenate this part of the central city to better support downtown course recovery and resiliency into the future, build a new fully renovated park, design and build a segment of the green loop to tie the park to the Ankeny west food court plaza and create an additional plaza for people to gather. The intent of the grant is to help communities and regions implement sustainable economic recovery strategies to respond to coronavirus-related damage to the travel, tourism and recreation sectors. Portland parks and recreation and PBOT are collaborating with the support of greater Portland inc., the friends of the green loop, the Portland business alliance and the parks foundation. If the grant is successful, we will continue to work with these partners in and engage many others including nearby property and business owners, downtown clean and save, the regional arts and culture council, prosper Portland and the local community. We anticipate that the grant, if successful, will create a capital project that will generate positive community and visitor presence and spin off economic activity. Struggling restaurants, hotels, retailers, food cart owners all in the area will experience economic benefits directly where the resulting increase in foot traffic and expanded outdoor social spaces. We are asking for council's support to submit this economic development grant application. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Does that complete the presentation?

White: Yes, it does. Thank you. I'm happy to answer any questions.

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

Clerk: Yes. Walter Weyler wants to speak.

Wheeler: Good. All right, Walter, this is your time. Thank you for your patience.

Weyler: Good morning. I'm Walter Weyler, a member of and the board chair of and speaking on behalf of the downtown neighborhood association. We understand that parks is seeking authorization for a \$5 million economic development administration federal grant which, if funded, is to be combined with \$3 million in parks capital funding to renovate O'Bryant park. Pursuing this opportunity for federal funds to invest in this Portland parks and Portland asset is smart, and we applaud parks for taking this initiative. May I say, well done. The DNA looks forward to having land use review of this project in the next few weeks. I take this opportunity to encourage the city council and parks bureau to develop and implement maintenance plans for the assets it is responsible for. I believe the current condition of O'Bryant park is in part due to postponed or avoided maintenance. As a business owner, maintenance must be recognized as good business practice as a necessary, ongoing operating expense. When maintenance is postponed, it always leads to interruptions, degraded operations, higher costs and potential liabilities. Postponed maintenance is currently allowed as allowing trees in our parks to lose major limbs and fall over. And in these parks, this represents potential personal and property liabilities. I urge parks and the city council to recognize their responsibility to fund and execute tree maintenance plans with existing resources and personnel without waiting for new recruiting delays. The DNA several times has expressed its interest in the need for and execution of a maintenance plan for the south park's trees. We will appreciate receiving a copy when it is prepared. Thank you for your time. Two minutes, done.

Wheeler: Beautifully done, Walter, and thank you again for your patience. Keelan, does that complete public testimony?

Clerk: Yes, it does.

Wheeler: Good. Colleagues, any questions? Please call the roll.

Mapps: Mr. Mayor, I have a question.

Wheeler: Commissioner Ryan -- commissioner Mapps, sorry.

Mapps: Thank you. I think this one might be for Keelan. I think this one is pulled off of consent. I was just wondering who pulled it off and if we've heard their concerns today.

Clerk: Commissioner Hardesty requested.

Mapps: Oh --

Wheeler: I think this one was pulled, and somebody will correct me if I'm wrong, because this is actually really good news, and I hope we are successful in bringing this grant forward. Obviously, this has been -- O'Bryant park has been a huge issue for many, many years, and this is a great opportunity to turn the tide down there and improve the square, recover the square. And that would dovetail with some of the investments we've made around the Ankeny food park pod. So I believe it was the hope to bring some light to this issue so that the public could see we are, in fact, aggressively working to address this issue. Am I correct, commissioner Hardesty?

Hardesty: You're absolutely correct, mayor. And I would also say just to give the public also some certainty that, as we know, federal grants aren't guaranteed, right? We put in the best proposal we can. They'll be very competitive. And I did not want to lose the momentum that we've created around some of the improvements we've done. Creating, completing that green loop and doing some of the other work will happen whether or not we get this grant. And so I just wanted to make sure that people knew that we weren't putting all our eggs in one basket. And as the mayor said, this is actually good news. We've been -- I know derek in my office has worked on O'Bryant square for a long time, and so I'm very happy for this partnership.

Wheeler: Yeah, it's good, good all around.

Mapps: Commissioner Hardesty, Mr. Mayor, thank you for that clarification. I have no more questions.

Wheeler: Excellent. With that, Keelan, please call the roll.

Clerk: Rubio.

Rubio: I would like to thank Tate and park staff and PBOT staff who worked so hard on this grant application and doing so to insure we didn't miss opportunity for critical funding. I'd also like to thank staff for their collaboration as well as commissioner Hardesty and her team to develop this plan for the square, and we will hopefully look forward to returning to council with good news in the future. Regardless, as my colleagues said, we are committed to reopening and reactivating O'Bryant square and the surrounding neighborhood. I vote aye.

Clerk: Ryan.

Ryan: Thank you. Commissioner Rubio, I want to thank you for your efforts to advance the reconstruction of O'Bryant square, and it's been an under-the-radar neglect, and it's so needed in our downtown corridor and also the evolving green loop. And, commissioner Hardesty, thank you for your comments about the urgency of now to get this in the queue. Your list of partners, the groups who are supporting this, was quite a vast list who aren't always on the same page. That was nice to hear. And, Walter Weyler, I heard your comments about maintenance needs, and it is a growing concern all over the city. Thank you for that. This is the best next step. I'm excited to see it flow back into the streets of downtown, and again, thank you for grabbing this project by the morning.

And as Walter said, this is smart. I vote aye.

Clerk: Hardesty.

Hardesty: I could not be more eloquent than my colleague, commissioner Rubio, on this matter. This is a labor of love, and we are very hopeful that this partnership will come to a positive outcome. And I look forward to us being on that list, receiving many federal funds as they become available. I'm very happy to vote aye.

Clerk: Mapps.

Mapps: I want to thank staff and Walter for their presentations today and recognize and thank commissioners Rubio and Hardesty for working on this important project. I sure hope that we get this grant and move on to a new chapter in the history of O'Bryant square. For these reasons and more, I vote aye.

Clerk: Wheeler.

Wheeler: Aye. The ordinance is adopted. Thank you, everybody. The last set of items for this morning, can you read, please, items 34, 35 and 36 together?

Clerk: Item 34, approve application under the multiple-unit limited tax exemption program under the inclusionary housing program for cap hill apartments, building a, located at 7990 southwest capitol hill road. Item 35, approve application under the multiple-unit limited tax exemption program under the inclusionary housing program for cap hill apartments building b located at 7980 southwest capitol hill road. And item 36, approve application under the multiple unit limited tax exemption program under the inclusionary housing program for going located at 4544 north colonial avenue.

Wheeler: Question before we jump -- commissioner Hardesty, are you the one who pulled these items?

Hardesty: I pulled two of the three, mayor, and it was the two southwest ones that it appeared the inclusionary units cost more than the market rate.

Wheeler: Okay. And so who pulled the third, Keelan?

Clerk: We received a request from derek that all three items were --

Hardesty: I'm sorry, it was us. I just got a text saying --

Wheeler: Okay.

Hardesty: My apologies.

Wheeler: Fair enough, no worries. I guess my question is this: Do you want a full presentation on all of these, or is there something specific you want to drill down into?

Hardesty: I have very specific questions, mayor, that I'd like to ask about, again, about these

three --

Wheeler: Okay. Let me do this. I'll turn it over to commissioner Ryan since he is the commissioner in charge. And then, commissioner Ryan, I'll let you tailor the presentation to the questions that commissioner Hardesty has, if that is your desire.

Hardesty: That's perfect. And just so you know, mayor, I did talk to commissioner Ryan about the questions that I had.

Wheeler: Great.

Hardesty: And Matthew will not be surprised at my questions because we've had these conversations many times.

Wheeler: I suspect not. [laughter] okay, good. Commissioner Ryan, i'll turn it over to you. Commissioner Ryan.

Ryan: Yes. Thank you, mayor. And thank you, commissioner Hardesty, colleagues. Along with the two following are two projects, multi-applications, two in southwest and one in north Portland. I'm going to turn this over to the Portland housing bureau planning manager to answer these questions. Matthew, please take it away.

Matthew Tschabold: Thank you, commissioner. For the record, I'm with the Portland housing bureau, and I'm available to answer some questions. I think this is the first comment.

Commissioner Hardesty, I know we sent your office some information, but I think I'll put up a

slide while we have this conversation. It may be reflective of the past to demonstrate what we may see in Portland moving forward. So I know this is a question that has come up at some previous city council hearings on multi-ordinance approvals, and so I just wanted to give council a sense of the change in regulated rents versus the change in market rate rents by looking back to 2010-2019. You know, it's hard with our multi-approval ordinances we see on a month-to-month basis to know how our regulated rents today and our market rate rent and our new construction rents and our existing neighborhood rents, what are they going to look like in the future. We don't know for sure, but here is a look at the previous nine years, because that's the census bureau data that's available to us. As you can see, in 2010 regulated rents at the 60% level, that's what this is, were similar to market rate rents. But the change in those rents between 2010 and 2019 are drastically different as the regulated rents are set by hud and they're based on changes in the median income in Portland --

Hardesty: Matthew, if you don't mind me interrupting, this is not information that I care about at this moment --

Wheeler: No, that's, that's fine. Since the commissioner pulled it, why don't we just, if it's okay with you, matt, we'll just go to q&a with the commissioner, and then you can pull those up as required. If that's okay.

Tschabold: Sounds good.

Wheeler: Good, thanks.

Hardesty: Thank you, mayor. Yeah. So my question is, as of now the median family income for family of four in the city of Portland is \$96,900. And so if we talk about housing, giving credits to folks at 80% of median family income and we're looking at studios and one bedrooms, we're talking about people having to make, like, \$70,000 to qualify for an affordable housing unit in the city of Portland. So are we creating more -- are we exacerbating the housing inequity with this program? This is, like, crazy to me that somebody would have to make \$70,000 to qualify for a low-income housing unit, and we say we're building housing people can afford to live in. So that's where I am. [inaudible conversations]

Hardesty: I mean, right, if people are working two and three \$15-an-hour jobs and we are actually saying that we're creating housing people can afford to live in, if I get a map, it just doesn't add up to me. What would you tell a constituent that says, you know, we're building

housing, affordable housing? We're not building it for today, so maybe we're building it for tomorrow. So I guess I really don't have a question about why does the affordable housing cost more than the market rate housing that you're asking for approval for. That's my real question.

Tschabold: Sure. Thank you for the question, commissioner. I think how I would respond to that is, you know, the city has a series of housing interventions across the income spectrum from 30% -- 0% up to 80% of the median income for renters. But our data does show that there is a need for affordable housing at 30%, 60% and 80%. The greatest need of affordable housing is at 30% and 60% of the median income which is why in terms of how we structure our programs across that income spectrum we don't do direct financing of rental units at the 80% level. It's why we have it in our land use and zoning requirements. We do provide offsets around the property tax exemption and other various land use and zoning exemptions. But what that allows us to do is to continue to produce regulated affordable housing, housing with rent caps at the higher million levels where we -- and then we can focus our direct financing, our direct gap financing and other production program at the lower income levels. So it's a spectrum of programs, is how I would respond. And by having zoning requirements that link the production of market rate housing to 60 and 80% regulated housing, we are able to afford it at the deeper level. I can't answer that specifically without talking about that full program context. I think the other --

Hardesty: Matthew, can you tell me when we're going to get the study back on the multi program? What's the timeline for getting that back?

Tschabold: We have submitted all of the scope of work to the procurement office in December, and it is going through the process to post in order for us to bring in a consultant. And we've also already reached out to PSU around the residence survey that you requested, commissioner. They're in the process of executing an IGA with PSU to survey the residents of the units.

Hardesty: I appreciate that. And, Matthew, I know you're not mad at me. You and I have had this conversation a lot over the last three years. But it's clear to me as rental is becoming almost unattainable for working people in the city of Portland. The methods that we're using are actually not putting a dent in affordability in Portland. So I hope later this year we will

have all that data that can inform how we radically change this program or eliminate this program or do something different. Because, honestly, for the return on investment -- and, yeah, we're not losing a lot of tax money in the multi program, but we're also telling people we're building affordable housing, and we're not. And we can't continue to do that. So I'm going to be, you know, I'm -- yeah. I'll figure out how to vote on these as they come up, but, commissioner Ryan, I know you're also concerned about -- I mean, this is just insanity, right? \$96,000, the median family income in the city of Portland today. And yet there's not one zip code that black people can afford to live in that aren't cost-burdened, not one zip code that a white family can have a starter home. I don't think we're looking at this globally. I think we're very narrowly focused in our little kingdom. And so again, Matthew, this is not you. This is really about are we really giving the public what we said we're giving them with this program and other housing programs. So, mayor, I'm done. [laughter] thank you. I appreciate you, colleagues, giving me an opportunity to ask those questions. This just doesn't feel right to me. It doesn't feel right to me for me to approve a program that's supposed to provide affordable housing and then the affordable units are higher than the market rate. It just doesn't feel like this is a good approach to take, and we're just reinforcing something that's not giving us the return on our investment. So thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you, commissioner. Keelan, do we have any public testimony on these items?

Clerk: No one signed up.

Wheeler: All right, very good. So 34, 35 and 36 are all emergency ordinances. We'll start with 34 unless there's any further questions. Please call the roll.

Clerk: Rubio.

Rubio: Thank you, mayor -- or everyone for your comments. And I want to say I share commissioner Hardesty's concerns. I know commissioner Ryan is also very concerned about making sure that we work together to make sure that our legislation better meets the intent of council on these things, and that's why we need the study. And I know that's something that's of major priority, and we look forward to that outcome. In the meantime, this is what we have and we need to move on some of the things that we're bound by, some of these restrictions at the moment. So for those reasons, I vote aye.

Clerk: Ryan.

Ryan: Yes. Thank you. And that was a great conversation, Matthew. Thank you once again for being here and bringing more context to this. As you know, this was a legislation that the previous council did approve with partners from the builders, and they're engaged. And that's the good news, to be active in the supply side of building housing. However, this is also why we approved a study at the end — in the budget that's currently active, and I appreciated commissioner Hardesty bringing this to the council dais so that we can continue to have dialogue about what needs to happen with that study, what kind of conversations need to take place. So I think what's helpful for you, Matthew and the team, is that when you have these conversations at the dais, you have a real good blueprint about what must be addressed in that study. And so happy to hear the update on the state of that with the procurement office on the line right now to move that along. All that said, I vote aye.

Clerk: Hardesty.

Hardesty: Matthew, I just think you do incredible work. I know the housing bureau is committed to, to us having as much housing people can afford to live in as possible. Having said that -- [laughter] I, I hope that as we move forward that we are actually thinking about what people's incomes are as compared to what builders are charging for things, right? There has to be a connection between wages and people's ability to live in their city. And I hope that we are on a path to actually creating something that's much more transparent, because until I got here and started asking people what they meant by affordable housing, this would have gone off as if this was an affordable housing unit, and it's not. We would have talked about it as if it was an affordable housing unit, but the reality is, is that it's not consistent with people who are working for a living trying to struggle in the city of Portland. I'm going to vote yes again, and I'm going to cringe when I do it because, you know, I don't want to slow down progress. We need a lot of housing, but at the same time we have to stop presenting this as if this is affordable in any way, shape or form. We should just call this a tax break for market rate housing and stop pretending that somehow low income people will have any access to these units. I vote aye.

Clerk: Mapps.

Mapps: I want to thank commissioner Ryan for his leadership in bringing more affordable housing to our community. There are many of these projects that I actually think look great. I'm glad to see them come online. I vote aye.

Clerk: Wheeler.

Wheeler: I vote aye. The ordinance is approved. Item 35, please call the roll. [roll call]

Wheeler: I vote no for purposes of reconsideration.

Hardesty: Oh, I'm sorry. I thought it only needed four of us in an emergency. Is that not true?

Clerk: It requires a unanimous vote.

Hardesty: I change -- Sorry, mayor. If I can revote?

Wheeler: Yeah, go ahead.

Hardesty: I vote aye. **Wheeler:** Thank you.

Clerk: Wheeler.

Wheeler: Yeah. I'm going to change my vote then to. Yes. The ordinance is adopted. Item 36,

please. Call the roll. [roll call]

Wheeler: I couldn't hear --

Hardesty: Aye.

Wheeler: The ordinance is adopted. Keelan, does that complete everything on our agenda? I

think it does.

Clerk: It does, mayor.

Wheeler: All right, good. Thanks, everybody. Good conversations today, a lot of important items were covered, some really positive things particularly around the O'Bryant square. I'm really appreciative of that. And with that, we are adjourned. Thanks, everybody.

At 11:26 a.m., Council adjourned.