

# June 8, 2022 Council Agenda

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Disposition Agenda

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# Wednesday, June 8, 2022 9:30 am

Session Status: Recessed

Council in Attendance: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Commissioner Dan Ryan Commissioner Mingus Mapps

Mayor Wheeler presided.

Officers in attendance: Maja Haium, Deputy City Attorney; Keelan McClymont, Council Clerk

Item 499 was pulled from the Consent Agenda and on a Y-4 roll call (Hardesty absent), the balance of the Consent Agenda was adopted.

Council recessed at 11:20 a.m.

### Communications

488

Request of Chelsea Davis to address Council regarding fole gras ban (Communication)

Document number: 488-2022

Disposition: Placed on File

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Request of Andrea Kozil to address Council regarding foie gras ban (Communication)

Document number: 489-2022

Disposition: Placed on File

Request of Natassia Tuhovak to address Council regarding foie gras ban (Communication)

**Document number:** 490-2022 **Disposition:** Placed on File

491

Request of Margaret Tapley to address Council regarding impact of rampant vehicle theft on vulnerable community members and proposal for its mitigation (Communication)

**Document number:** 491-2022 **Disposition:** Placed on File

492

Request of Richard Perkins to address Council regarding Behavioral Health Resource Center security, camping

<u>rules, and Good Neighbor Agreement</u> (Communication)

**Document number:** 492-2022 **Disposition:** Placed on File

### **Time Certain**

493

Proclaim June 3, 2022 Gun Violence Awareness Day (Proclamation)

**Document number:** 493-2022 **Introduced by:** Mayor Ted Wheeler

Time certain: 9:45 am

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

494

<u>Proclaim June 2022 Portland Pride Month</u> (Proclamation)

Document number: 494-2022

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler; Commissioner Dan Ryan

Time certain: 10:00 am

**Time requested:** 20 minutes **Disposition:** Placed on File

# **Consent Agenda**

#### 495

\*Amend contract with SAP Public Services, Inc. to increase the not to exceed value by \$2,648,575 for cloud software and related services through June 2027 (amend Contract No. 30005306) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 190860

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau: Management and Finance; Technology Services

**Disposition:** Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Former Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Absent

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

### 496

\*Amend contract with SAP Public Services, Inc. to increase the not to exceed value by \$4,454,360 for software licenses, maintenance, and related services through June 2027 (amend Contract No. 30005309) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 190861

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau: Management and Finance; Technology Services

**Disposition:** Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Former Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Absent

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

### 497

<u>Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement with Oregon Health Sciences University for Hospital Expansion Project</u> <u>data collection and reporting of apprenticeship and diversity results</u> (Ordinance)

Document number: 190870

Introduced by: Mayor Ted WheelerBureau: Management and FinanceDisposition: Passed to second reading

Passed to second reading June 15, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

<u>Create a new represented classification of Maintenance Mechanic, Trainee and establish interim compensation rates for this classification (Ordinance)</u>

Document number: 190871

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau: Human Resources; Management and Finance

**Disposition:** Passed to second reading

Passed to second reading June 15, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

499

\*Amend Intergovernmental Agreement between TriMet and the City for the Division Transit Project for Construction and Close-Out Services (amend Contract No. 30006859) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 190880

**Introduced by:** Former Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty

**Bureau:** Transportation

Item 499 was pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

Disposition: Continued

Continued to June 15, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

# Regular Agenda

500

<u>Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement between Prosper Portland and Portland Bureau of Transportation to design and construct the NW Johnson, NW Kearney, and NW Park Avenue sidewalk, street, stormwater, sanitary sewer and water main improvements, and necessary off-site traffic mitigation improvements to facilitate future development of the Broadway Corridor (Ordinance)</u>

Document number: 190862

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

**Bureau: Prosper Portland** 

Second reading agenda item 467 (1 of 3).

**Disposition:** Passed

**Votes:** Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Former Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Absent

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea
Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement between Prosper Portland, the Bureau of Environmental Services and the Water Bureau to design and construct off-site water, sanitary, and stormwater system improvements to facilitate the future development of the Broadway Corridor (Ordinance)

Document number: 190863

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau: Prosper Portland

Second reading agenda item 468 (2 of 3).

**Disposition:** Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Former Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Absent

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

#### 502

Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement between Prosper Portland, Portland Bureau of Transportation and Portland Parks and Recreation to design and construct the Broadway Corridor Park and Green Loop Projects improvements to facilitate the future development of the Broadway Corridor (Ordinance)

Document number: 190864

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau: Prosper Portland

Second reading agenda item 469 (3 of 3).

**Disposition:** Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Former Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Absent

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

<u>Approve application under the Multiple-Unit Limited Tax Exemption Program under the Inclusionary Housing Program for Brooklyn Apartments located at 3260 SE Milwaukie Ave (Ordinance)</u>

Document number: 190865

Introduced by: Commissioner Dan Ryan

Bureau: Housing Bureau

Second reading agenda item 482.

**Disposition:** Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Former Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Absent

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

### 504

Approve findings to authorize an exemption for a class of public improvement contracts from the competitive bidding requirements and authorize the use of the alternative contracting method of Price Agreements for Urgent Rehabilitation of Sanitary and Storm Sewers Project 2022-23 (Ordinance)

Document number: 190881

**Introduced by:** Commissioner Mingus Mapps

**Bureau:** Environmental Services **Time requested:** 10 minutes

**Disposition:** Passed to second reading

Passed to second reading June 15, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

### 505

<u>Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement with Multnomah County for vector control services for an estimated amount of \$3,420,000</u> (Ordinance)

**Introduced by:** Commissioner Mingus Mapps

**Bureau:** Environmental Services **Time requested:** 10 minutes

**Disposition:** Referred to Commissioner of Public Safety

# Four-Fifths Agenda

#### 505 - 1

\*Authorize a Letter of Agreement between the City and American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Local 189 relating to wages, hours, and working conditions of Business Systems Analysts I, II, and III, Risk Specialists I, and Police Internal Affairs Investigators (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 190866

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau: Human Resources; Management and Finance

Time requested: 10 minutes

**Disposition:** Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Former Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Absent

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

# Wednesday, June 8, 2022 2:00 pm

Session Status: Adjourned

Council in Attendance: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Commissioner Dan Ryan Commissioner Mingus Mapps

Mayor Wheeler presided. Commissioner Hardesty arrived at 3:56 p.m. and left at 3:58 p.m.

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

Council recessed at 2:46 p.m. and reconvened at 2:58 p.m.

Council recessed at 3:41 p.m. and reconvened at 3:56 p.m.

Council adjourned at 4:16 p.m.

### **Time Certain**

506

Conduct a Proposed Use Hearing on State Shared Revenue (Presentation)

Document number: 506-2022

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

**Bureau:** City Budget **Time certain:** 2:00 pm

**Time requested:** 3 hours (1 of 5)

Disposition: Placed on File

Certify that certain services are provided by the City to establish eligibility for State Shared Revenues (Resolution)

Document number: 37579

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

**Bureau:** City Budget **Time certain:** 2:00 pm

Time requested: 3 hours (2 of 5)

Disposition: Adopted

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Former Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Absent

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

### 508

\*Approve accepting funds from the State of Oregon under the State Revenue Sharing Program for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 190867

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

**Bureau:** City Budget **Time certain:** 2:00 pm

Time requested: 3 hours (3 of 5)

**Disposition:** Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Former Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Absent

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

\*Adopt the annual budget of the City and establish appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 190868

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

**Bureau:** City Budget **Time certain:** 2:00 pm

**Time requested:** 3 hours (4 of 5) **Disposition:** Passed As Amended

Motion to increase General Fund one-time resources by \$1,400,000 for gun violence reduction work to occur:

Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Mapps. (Y-4; Hardesty absent)

Motion to realign resources and positions from the Office of Community and Civic Life Community Safety program as well as move reporting authority from the Office of Violence Prevention to the Office of Management and Finance, Community Safety Division: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Mapps. (Y-4; Hardesty absent)

Motion to remove the budget note titled General Fund Discretionary Policy and Accounting Review & the Parks Operating Levy and replace it with the budget note titled City Budget Practices & Accounting Review for the Parks Operating Levy: Moved by Rubio and seconded by Ryan. (Y-4; Hardesty absent)

Motion to transfer Approved Budget allocated resources from Parks to PBOT for the O'Bryant Square project: Moved by Rubio and seconded by Wheeler. (Y-4; Hardesty absent)

Motion to amend the budget note titled General Fund Discretionary Policy and Accounting Review and the Parks Operating Levy to remove the budget note titled General Fund Discretionary Policy and Accounting Review and the Parks Operating Levy and replace it with a budget note titled Parks Operating Levy and General Fund Budget and Accounting Practices: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Mapps. (Y-Mapps, Wheeler; N-Ryan, Rubio; Hardesty absent). Motion failed to pass.

Motion to add an emergency clause because it is necessary to adopt the budget and establish appropriations without delay in order to provide authority to transact the financial affairs of the City for FY 2022-23: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Mapps. (Y-4; Hardesty absent)

Votes: Former Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Yea

Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

\*Approve levying taxes for the City for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023

(Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 190869

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau: City Budget
Time certain: 2:00 pm

**Time requested:** 3 hours (5 of 5)

**Disposition:** Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Former Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Absent

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

# Thursday, June 9, 2022 2:00 pm

Session Status: No session scheduled

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June 8, 2022 9:30 a.m.

**Wheeler:** This is the June 8th, 2022, session of the Portland city council. Please call the roll.

Clerk: [roll call].

**Wheeler:** Now I'll pass it over to the legal counsel.

Maja Haium: Good morning. Welcome to the Portland city council. City council is holding hybrid public meetings with limited in-person attendance in addition to electronic attendance. If you wish to testify before council in person or virtually, you must sign up in advance by visiting the council agenda at www.Portland.gov/council/agenda. You may sign up for communications to briefly speak about any subject. You may also sign up for public testimony on resolutions. Inperson testimony may occur from one of several locations including city council chambers and the love joy room in city hall and the Portland building. Written testimony may be submitted at cc@Portlandoregon.gov. Your testimony should be addressing the matter at time. Your address is not necessary. Please close if you are a lobbyist. If you are representing an organization, please identify it. The presiding officer preserves order and decorum so everyone can feel welcome and safe. The presiding officer. Individuals generally have three minutes to testify unless otherwise stated. A timer will indicate when your time is done. Disruptive conduct such as shouting, refusing to conclude your testimony when your time is up or interrupting others' testimony or council

deliberations will not be allowed. If there are disruptions, a warning will be given that further disruption may result in the person being ejected.

Wheeler: Thank you. First up is 488 thank you. 489.

Clerk: Request of Andrea Kozil to address council regarding foie gras ban. Andrea, are you able to unmute?

**Andrea Kozil:** Yes, I am. This is my time?

Clerk: Yes.

**Kozil:** My name is Andrea Kozil and I live here in Portland. I wanted to testify on the ban of foie gras. I want to add my voice to many who are in favor of this ban and I want to reveal about what foie gras is. It's the diseased liver of a goose that's produced through forced feeding. So this means that millions of birds on a conveyor belt have a plastic tube shoved down their throats, have a large amount of food forced in their bodies until they become so sick in their liver that they are killed and this is done as fast as possible. So just imagine being a bird, having your neck extended over and over again so that the workers can meet a quota that they're supposed to meet in the number of birds processed every minute. This is just insanity so that people can eat a diseased liver and I think Portland is above this. We do so many amazing things here in Portland and I want to urge you to take a moment to think about the insanity of foie gras and why wouldn't we want to ban that here in Portland to make Portland a sign of the I just want you to think about it so we can make Portland a more compassionate place.

Wheeler: Thank you. Next individual, please. 490.

Cler: Request of Natassia Tuhovak to address the council regarding the foie gras ban. They have not arrived.

Wheeler: 492.

**Clerk:** 491.

Wheeler: I'm sorry. 491.

**Clerk:** Request of Margaret Tapley to address the council regarding impact of rampant vehicle theft on vulnerable community members and proposal for its mitigation.

**Wheeler:** You are here. Come on up. And you can just sit at any microphone that works. Three minutes for the record. Thanks for being here.

Margaret Tapley: Thank you for allowing me to speak. So this past winter, I got my car stolen five times which is ridiculous by any standard. If I thought that I was the only one getting my car stolen, I wouldn't be here, but I've also heard from a lot of people who have also had their car stolen. Trying to figure out this. So I started, you know, spoking to the numbers. I spoke with the officer who helped me recover my vehicle. And it primarily impacts lower income individuals because we tend to drive cars that are easier to steal. We tend to work in neighborhoods with higher crime rates and we're much less likely to have access to secure parking and having your car stolen is quite a blow. For someone like me, your car is your most valuable thing you'll own. Best case scenario, it's recovered, but you're still on the hook for toeing and repair fees. Worst case scenario losing your car means losing your job, means losing your housing now. I would love to see a real focus in the city on reducing the incidence of vehicle theft, but i'm not an expert in this. I don't have any specific policy suggestions to prevent theft from occurring. I am however an expert in getting my car stolen. So I do have an idea for a specific policy change that would reduce the impact of vehicle theft on the people whose cars are getting stolen. And that is that if a vehicle is reported and stolen and located by police, the city should pick up the tab. That's hundreds of dollars that would go back into the pocket of someone who probably really needs it. Of course, I don't think I need to remind this council when you say lower individuals we're talking about single moms. These are all valuable. Whose lives could be impacted by a policy change. Wheeler: Thanks for being here, and you're right, you're not alone. There's other criminal activity in the city and there are lots of solutions that council is working on. I'm

not sure who collects the tow fee. My suspicion is it is not the city. My suspicion is private contractors.

Tapley: Yeah. I've had to pay the towing fee.

Wheeler: May I ask how much you paid if that's not too personal?

**Tapley:** It ranges from \$260 or \$270 to upwards of \$600.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. I appreciate that. And that's something we can look into.

Commissioner Mapps.

Mapps: Ms. Tapley, first, thanks for coming to council today and sharing your story. I'm so sorry that this happened to you. You're absolutely right, you're not alone. We're facing an epidemic of car theft and catalytic converter theft in the city. I do want to offer you some hope. Later on this council will pass a budget for the next fiscal year. One of the things that I hope this budget will contain is funding for 70 unarmed police officers. Those officers largely focus in on helping at least helping people get their cars back. I know it's better to make sure your car doesn't get broken into in the first place. I know starting with this fiscal year, the Portland police has been much more engaged in launching stolen car missions. So they will go out on a Friday or Saturday night and try to retrieve cars that have been stolen. I've gone on ride alongs on several of those, and I have seen in those typical ride alongs, we get about five cars back. A lot of work still needs to be done. We're taking concrete steps to make it better. At the same time, we also need to acknowledge it's not good enough.

Tapley: Right.

**Mapps:** Thank you for your contribution to this conversation and please continue to hold us accountable.

**Tapley:** Thank you for the measures you are taking.

Wheeler: Really appreciate you being here. Commissioner Ryan.

**Ryan:** I agree with everything my colleague there. I just have a question. When that ding went off at 30 seconds, did you think you needed to stop right then?

**Tapley:** I read the rules. I knew I had 30 seconds.

**Ryan:** I didn't know if you were alarmed by it and you cut off. I was just doing a temperature check.

Wheeler: I'm always waiting for the next round to start.

**Ryan:** Right. It does sound like that. I was just curious. That was it. Thanks for being here.

**Wheeler:** Appreciate it very much. Thank you. Did any of the other folks -- we still have 492.

**Clerk:** 492. Request of Richard Perkins to address council regarding behavioral health resource center security, camping rules, and good neighbor agreement.

Wheeler: Good morning. Welcome, sir.

**Richard Perkins:** Well, you know my name. I'm here to request your help in gathering information about the behavioral health resource center which will be opening in downtown this fall under county hospices. The center will help unsheltered Portlanders access treatment for substance use disorder or mental illness as well as providing a place of respite. I co-lead along with Robert Davis who's sitting in the audience and volunteer behavioral health taskforce made up of people with lived experience, professional experience, or both who want the behavioral health resource center to be a success. Not just for the unsheltered who use it but for the other stakeholders who own, work in, or visit the businesses surrounding it. That will take some very deliberate action by both the city council and Multnomah county. The bulk of my testimony is in the form of written communication that all of you should now have in digital form. There are two primary requests being made of the city council today. To help us facilitate meetings with city staff at the street services coordination, it's a new agency, I'm sorry. And several public safety agencies and contractors to increase the understanding of the behavioral health resource center and how city personnel will ensure safety and security at the center and in the area surrounding it. Also, second, to schedule joint sessions of the city

council and the county board with surrounding stakeholders so the community and elected officials can fully understand the benefits of the behavioral health resource center and how it fits into the overall plan for addressing the city's behavioral health issues among the unsheltered population. I realize this is a communication and my time is limited and you will not respond to my request this morning. That said, our taskforce believes this is critical to downtown Portland, so we have copied our written testimony to the Multnomah county board and we look forward to constructive conversations with both you and your staff about the requests later in the week.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Thank you. I do just want to put on the record, it is a county facility and it will be operated by the county, so they will be responsible for security, but obviously it's of concern to us and your larger point about how does this fit into the array of services being offered to people on the streets, that's also of critical importance to us. So I'm very happy to have the conversation with you and anybody else interested in that subject. I've been barking up that tree for a long time about the need for street-based mental health services and addiction treatment for people in the city.

**Perkins:** Well, it's absolutely necessary, but there are nine hotels around it and many high-rise office buildings. So we need to make sure it's successful for the people using it and not detrimental for the people around it.

**Wheeler:** Absolutely. My friend Dan here spends a considerable amount of time talking about not only providing the resource, but making sure the neighbors are happy because what we want is a good relationship with the people immediately adjacent, not a toxic one. So your point is extremely well taken. Commissioner Ryan.

**Ryan:** Have you been to the county and done your testimony there?

**Perkins:** Yes.

**Ryan:** And the good neighbor agreement finalized?

**Perkins:** Oh, no. There is no good neighbor agreement. We're still trying to get more detailed information to what's in the behavioral health resource center.

**Ryan:** Thank you. I don't even know that they're at that phase. That was the question I needed to ask.

**Wheeler:** Appreciate it. Thanks for being here, sir. Was there anybody else? Did anybody else show up?

**Clerk:** No one else.

**Wheeler:** Very good. We'll go to the consent agenda.

Clerk: We've had one request for 499.

**Wheeler:** All right. That one is pulled. Please call the roll on the remainder of the consent agenda.

Clerk: [roll call].

**Wheeler:** Accepted. Time certain 9: 45 a.m. Proclamation.

**Clerk:** June 3rd, 2022, gun violence awareness day.

Wheeler: Colleagues, as you know on May 14th, a gunman massacred individuals in Buffalo, New York. Ten days later, we watched in horror as 19 children and two teachers were murdered in their classroom in Uvalde, Texas. And just a few days after that, five to be exact, we saw ten shootings in a 24-hour period that resulted in ten people being shot right here in the city of Portland. But sadly, the bad news doesn't just end there. There have been a staggering 19 mass shootings across the country in just the last nine days alone it's time to look at ourselves in the and face the reality we have to change in order to put an end to this epidemic. We have to change how we respond to conflict. Settling our differences with a gun should never be the default response. We have to change the way we view gun violence in our communities. We can't let ourselves become numb or desensitized to violence because of the frequency with which it occurs and we have to change the way that we legislate action to guns. It's unconscionable that people can buy guns before they can buy a cocktail. Meaningful legislative action must come from our state and federal leaders. Until that day comes, I'll do everything in my power to show solidarity to

those who have been impacted by gun violence and those who demand action before any more lives are taken. This proclamation is a heartfelt gesture of that commitment that I want to be clear the city of Portland is pre-empted by state law when it comes to gun legislation. And the most important tool we have at our disposal is commitment, advocacy and voice to ensure we make the changes in this state that we need to make in order to protect the people in this state. To speak further on this crisis, I'm glad to welcome Rachel Saslow of the moms demand action for gun violence in America. Thank you for being here.

Rachel Saslow: Hi. I'm Rachel Saslow. For the first weekend of June, we mark national gun violence awareness day with an event we call "wear orange". We wear orange in honor of a 15-year-old girl named Hadia Pendleton. She was shot and killed in a park in Chicago. She had just taken her final exams at school and just a week prior, she had performed president Obama's second inauguration. To honor her life and raise awareness about gun violence in her community, Hadia's friends launched "project orange" and hundreds of people in the united states killed and wounded by gun violence every day. They chose orange because hunters wear the color to warn other hunters not to shoot. It's the color safety that signals a need to protect each other. And, right now, as I probably don't need to tell you, the need for us to demand action has never been more urgent. Gun violence increased when the pandemic struck and it continues to devastate our communities. We are all still reeling from the shootings in Buffalo, New York, and Uvalde, Texas. June 2nd, 2015, would have been Hadia's 18th birthday. Instead it was the first gun violence awareness day. Thank you, mayor Wheeler, in the city of Portland for macroing national gun violence awareness day with a proclamation. Thank you for lighting up the Morrison bridge orange. And while I appreciate your words, I hope that you then can back them up with actions. My work as a gun violence prevention activist in America can be very frustrating as I'm sure you can imagine. Right now, I can barely read about the articles about what is going on in

Washington, D.C. And how the federal actions on guns are getting watered down by the day. So, I encourage you, our city leaders to please treat city gun violence as the public health crisis that it is. We are lucky in oregon to have good safe storage laws on the books. Please hold citizens accountable. Find the people who are doing good work and do all you can to support them. I'm always impressed by the work of the office violence prevention and I hope they have the resources they need to keep our community safe. They understand that gun violence prevention starts with investing in our communities. Do kids have good schools. Do they have safe parks to play in. Do they have nice community centers? All of these go a long way to prevent gun violence. So thank you so much for commemorating the eighth annual national gun violence awareness day and wear orange and for giving me the opportunity to speak this morning.

**Wheeler:** Rachel, thank you for being here and thanks for your leadership. Before I read the proclamation, I want to open this up for comments from my colleagues and I'll just go in order as they pop up on the screen. Commissioner Mapps.

Mapps: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Colleagues, I am sorry this proclamation is necessary, but sadly, this proclamation is needed now more than ever. On a typical day in America, about 200 people are shot and wounded. And, on a typical day in America, more than 110 Americans die of gun violence. On an annual basis, that means that nearly 16,000 people die every year of gun violence in these united states. And, as every Portlander knows, gun violence is no longer a distant problem. Instead, in recent years, gun violence in Portland has increased exponentially. Consider this, in 2016, Portland experienced 14 homicides. Last year, 2021, Portland suffered 90 homicides. And so far this year, Portland has seen at least 579 shootings. 156 people were injured in those shootings. And so far this year, 36 people have died on Portland streets. That's the bad news. Here is some good news. In the year and a half I've served on this council, we have taken some concrete steps which are beginning to bring peace back to our streets. For example, I'm encouraged by the early results we are seeing from the police bureau's

focused intervention team and the civilian oversight group that watches over their work, the focused intervention team focuses in on gun violence and other major crimes. That team has been up and running for about six months and they are already making our streets safer. For example, over the past twelve months, Portland has averaged about 119 shootings a month. But, last April, the last month we have data for, Portland endured 90 shootings. That's the lowest number of shootings in a month that we've seen over a year. I believe the focused intervention team and the volunteers on their oversight board played a significant role in getting those shooting numbers down. Despite those successes, there are more steps this council can and should take to bring down violence. And we can take those steps today by approving the public safety proposal which we will vote on this afternoon. Bypassing that budget, we can reduce wait times at 911 we can run Portland response in every neighborhood of this city, this budget invests \$13 million in violence prevention programs. This budget will buy us 70 unarmed police officers and this budget strengthens our efforts to create a new generation of armed police officers. Colleagues, I'm confident that making these investments will make Portland safer over the next twelve month. I also fear these investments will not be enough to accomplish the goals that I set at the beginning of this budget cycle. My top public safety priority was to reduce gun violence in Portland by 20% by the end of this calendar year. While we have made progress in reducing gun violence, we still have more work to do. Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Thank you, Commissioner Mapps. Commissioner Rubio.

**Rubio:** Thank you, Mayor, and thank you for bringing this proclamation forward today and thank you to the speakers that were here today. It's a sad reality that gun violence eats away at all our communities around the country and children in particular should be especially spared this cruelty and what does that say about us that our country tragically allows these kinds of events to happen and we still haven't done anything significant to address those conditions that enable those things and we all have a

responsibility to be better than this. And, the only real solutions lie in long-term work to build a stronger community where people feel they belong and feel like they have opportunities, but we also need action. And, because when you pair increasing gun sales, the prevalence of ghost guns and the lack of effective safe guns or gun control policies, you get tragedies waiting to happen. And change can only happen when our leadership prioritizes addressing the root causes of violence, the gun proliferation and evidence-based public health and centers and communities that are most impacted. We need the congress and state legislature to take meaningful gun action now. Also, local governments to support intervention and prevention efforts consistently and i'm thrilled that my colleagues and I are all committed to these things. My love and sympathies goes out to all the families who experience this kind of horror and my thoughts are with you today. Taking action is how we honor all those who've lost their lives and build a better community for those they've left behind.

**Wheeler:** Thank you, Commissioner Rubio. Commissioner Ryan.

Ryan: Thank you, mayor, for bringing this forward. And community members bringing this forward. It was really a moving presentation. I now understand the roots of the wear orange and the beautiful story about Hadia Pendleton. Like most of us with a heartbeat, I think it's been impossible to not be reflective about the incidents in New York, Buffalo, and Southern Texas. For me, there was a teacher recovering in the hospital currently that was profound and as was Matthew McConaughey's words in Washington, D.C, yesterday, and I keep thinking we're going to be fooled again and there's always this two-to-three-week period of everyone acknowledging that we have to do something and two years later, we have another incident and nothing happened for the most part, especially in Washington. So I think a lot of us need to remember that and keep pressing on. So focusing locally, I've been noticing the state of oregon has passed some of the broadest gun safety laws in history. Yet, our state still has no laws that target the gun manufacturing industry as Commissioner Rubio mentioned or enforcement of

product safety. In oregon, the sale of military grade assault style weapons and high-capacity magazines are still allowed within our borders with a due need. We need to lean into states like Hawaii and California and craft new and innovative gun safety requirements in oregon that provide guidance for all public spaces. Lastly, we need more adequately trained law enforcement professionals to look at models of identifying potential threats in our community to move guns off our streets. A cause that we've been doing is no longer working and I appreciate Commissioner Mapps spelling out what we're doing in our budget this year that will be helpful for that. So I'm reminded about how crucial our investments are by communities most impacted by violence. And I want to thank community partners. I'm so grateful that that is also in this year's budget. So, with thanks, I'm just grateful we took a moment to do this proclamation. Thanks.

Wheeler: Thank you, Commissioners. Again, I want to thank Rachel for joining us and her continued advocacy including the work she did to draft this proclamation. Every day, more than 110 Americans are killed by gun violence alongside more than 200 who are shot and wounded on average, than people in other high-income countries. 26 times. Whereas, oregon has 544 gun deaths every year with a rate of 12.2 deaths per 100,000 people. Oregon has the 33rd highest rate of gun deaths in the united states, gun homicides and assaults are concentrated in the cities with more than the previous high set more than three decades ago. And whereas cities across the nation including in Portland are working to end the senseless violence with evidence-based solutions. And, whereas, protecting public safety in the communities they serve is our highest responsibility. And whereas, gun violence prevention is more important than ever as the covid-19 pandemic continues to exacerbate gun violence with increased gun sales, increased calls to suicide and domestic violence hot lines and an increase in city gun violence. And, whereas, in January 2013, Hadia Pendleton was tragically shot and killed at the age of only 15. And on June 3rd, 2022, are to recognize the 25th birthday of

Hadia Pendleton who was born on June 2nd, 1997, people across the US Will recognize national gun violence awareness day and wear orange in tribute. And, whereas, by wearing orange on June 3rd, 2022, Americans raised awareness about gun violence and honored the lives of gun violence victims and survivors. Now, therefore, I ted Wheeler mayor of the city of Portland, oregon, the city of roses, do hereby proclaim June 3rd, 2022, to be gun violence awareness day in Portland and encourage all residents to observe this day by supporting our community efforts to prevent the tragic effects of gun violence and to honor the value of human lives. Thank you all. Appreciate it. And, Rachel, thank you. Let's go to 494 time certain also a proclamation, please.

Clerk: Proclaim June 2022 Portland pride month.

Wheeler: In just a moment, colleagues, I'd like to turn this over to Karen Brooks and Kiwanna Clayton presenting their work within the group. That's the diverse and empowered employees of Portland as well as the city's work with LGBTQIA+ issues. The group's work has led to two positions and LGBTQIA+ policy analyst and that's of course filled by Lex Jacukowski and that is currently filled by Matthew. As those who identify as LGBTQ+ are under attack in oregon as well as all around the country. It's important that Portland continue to lead in this space. Karen and Kiwanna, I'll now turn it over to you. Thank you both for beings r being here today. We appreciate it very much.

Karen Brooks: Hello. Hi mayor Wheeler. Hi Commissioners. For the record, my name is Karen Brooks and I work for Portland fire and rescue and I'm a leadership team. Happy pride. I can speak for both of us. We're really excited to dust off our snappy blazers that have been in the closet for two plus years and come out today. So, yeah, we're going to talk a bit about the employee perspective on this affinity group. You've already mentioned some of the things we've done, we want to go over it. We've got good news, we've got bad news. I think we'll start with the good news. I've been on this affinity group since 2011. Long time. I've seen a lot. I feel like for the last few years, we've been at a high point for this group. We have found the virtual meeting structure has

increased our participation, the breath of the participation, Commissioner Ryan even came to one of our popular meetings. You're welcome back any time. You're all welcome. And due to the energy and focus of members of our affinity group and I want to give a special shout out formerly of mayor Wheeler's office. So those include changing the city bereavement policies to better reflect expansion of family. Funding for the two positions that mayor Wheeler already mentioned, policy analyst, and the office of equity and human rights and an HR Person as well and additionally deep affinity group leadership. We have a monthly meeting with Cathy Bless, the director of human resources and we really appreciate that access. It really helps. Council's generous compensation for employee participation in deep groups have had a significant impact in moving forward. Matthew from human resources has given our group vision and agenda much needed visibility and bandwidth. For example, next year, we should see the launch of the first work place equity training's focused on gender and sexual identity. And we are hopeful this is just the beginning of integrating an intersectional LGBTQ+ equity lens into all the work we do here in the city. Now the bad news. What I'm going to talk about, you already know, but I think in moments like this, it's important to say them out loud. There is a coordinated attack on LGBTQ+ people that's been orchestrated from the national political stage that's trickled down to the communities large and small. Portland is the second highest LGBTQ+ residents of any metropolitan area in the nation, but this provides low comfort when we see what's happening in Portland's suburb of Newberg where pride and black lives matter flags have been banned in schools. Newberg is not far away I think mayor Wheeler can jog there, it's close. On a good day. We are -- it feels very close, we are witnessing the dangerous power and unbalance supreme court holds and we see how the election of one governor can wipe away entire states are making themselves in hospitable to LGBTQ+ people and their families. There is a concerted effort to beat our pride down with while we were concerned, we were not scared. We were ready to fight. Pride started as a

protest. We always need to remember our roots. Our roots are about rebellion and survival. We were one of the cities and I proudly worked in city hall when that was unanimously passed by council. More than ever, we need to fort as some who's joined this group, I know how important it is to have a close connection we elected officials. From each of your offices attend a new quarterly internal LGBTQ+ policy focus meeting to have the analyst from the human resources consultant. Members of our affinity group's leadership team and we would love if each of your offices would assign an LGBTQ+ liaison. Lex will convene these meetings and provide the administrative suspect. So if you agree and you have someone from your office you'd like to be the representative, please e-mail them with your person. We hope to get that by the end of the month. We want to get going in September. We hope we can count on you for that support and we thank you. Next up, we're going to have Kiwanna who's a member of our affinity group who's going to discuss multiple identities. Then the pride proclamation will be read and then there will be dancing. We're not going to have dancing today, but generally, that is how our people deal with good things, bad things, and everything in between, so maybe next year. Kiwanna.

Kiwanna Bullock Clayton: Thanks, Karen. Good morning Mr. Mayor, city

Commissioners, as well as city council staff. Today I wish unto you as well as your friends and family a very safe and happy pride month. My name is Kiwanna Bullock Clayton and I utilize the pronouns her, she, they, and them and I worked with the city as a coordinator first for Portland parks and recreation and now as the newest member member of community outreach team at environmental services just as much as I'm proud to be a city of Portland public employee, I'm proud to be affinity group leader working towards an inclusive and work force. Not only is it an honor to share my full support for additional city paid time, for affinity group participation, I'm humbled by the invitation. By my LGBTQ+ colleagues and allies alike to use this time and platform to motivate and uplift other public employees. I like many affinity group leaders manage

the daily responsibilities of the job as well as the demands of public service in general in addition to some of the unspoken hours of the ongoing equity work that happens in today's groups. I have the privilege and the support for my supervisor to continue to keep professionally growing in my career contributing to that growth is having the ability to use paid city time to -- as a supporter, a member, and a leader of many groups like LGBTQIA+ as well as city African American network. Within these groups I've had the chance. Enhance internal group communications and policies and most importantly, understand the significance of professional and accountable brave spaces. Not only do I get the ability to work with colleagues every single day to enhance public employee policies and procedures, tongue twister, but most importantly, we do the work to boost employee morale. These experiences have significantly impacted my four-year career at the city and I stand before you today as one of two communication and engagement liaison cochairs for deep. For the empowered employees of Portland. Now, it's funny, i'm a member of three groups, but now and again after four years, I help to oversee twelve affinity groups. You can imagine the amount of time and the amount of blood, sweat, and tears and efforts you have our work force putting in to make sure that our community and our actual work force is thriving. I leaf you with it's the combination of managerial support that helps me and countless others to show up every day. I and all of the LGBTQ+ public workers like me hold intersectional identities that continue to foster our work and our partnership not in just one group, but multiple groups. The consideration for additional time is not only one more step to the city committing to its core values, it's the city showing its actual pride. Thank you so much.

**Wheeler:** Appreciate it. Thank you. I'll open this up for my colleagues to make comments and I'll close it out. Commissioner Mapps.

**Mapps:** Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Let me start by taking care of a bit of business. I am happy to comply with requests to establish a liaison to the LGBTQIA+ group that's coming together. Michelle for my group will be the liaison for that and I'll be sure she

reaches out to you right away so we can get those in her calendar. But, first, let's talk about Portland pride month. Colleagues, I'm delighted to join you in proclaiming June to be Portland pride month. LGBTQ pride month commemorates the stonewall riots which occurred on June in 1969, the stonewall riots were an uprising by members of the gay community in response to a police raid on the stonewall inn. A gay bar in New York city's Greenwich village neighborhood. With the intent of harassing and shaming customers. That began to change on June 1969 when the New York city police bureau raided the stonewall inn. On that night, the patrons of the stonewall inn fought back and sparked a civil rights revolution. In 1970, a year after the stonewall riots, New York city hosted its first gay pride parade. It was called the Christopher street liberation day and it was intended to commemorate the stonewall riots. The concept of setting aside a day and eventually a month to celebrate and demand gay liberation quickly spread around the globe. In 1971, gay pride parades were held in Boston, Dallas, Milwaukee, London, Paris, west berlin, and Stockholm. By 1972, pride parade spread to Atlanta, buffalo, Detroit, Washington, D.C., Miami, Philadelphia, and San Francisco. And, in 1975, Portland held its very first pride celebration. When a group of about 200 people gathered on the south park blocks near Portland state university for a gay pride fair which featured arts and crafts, food, and dancing. And, in 1976, Portland held its first gay pride march. Now, Portland activists Kathleen Sadot who is known to many of us organized the first gay march. She described that march with these words. Quote, we were marching along and doing chants, being scared and seeing people on the sidewalks who we knew were gay or lesbian but were afraid to join the march. Colleagues, friends, today is important to remember that the courage it took and still takes to come out to celebrate LGBTQIA+ identities and to demand LGBTQIA+ rights. And on this day, it is important to remember and recognize the incredible civil rights victories won by Portland's LGBTQIA+ community. For example, in 1977, the city of Portland issued its first proclamation for gay pride day. In 1986, Portland city council approved an ordinance stating that city

employees cannot be fired solely because they are gay or lesbian. In 1991, Portland city council adopted a civil rights ordinance that banned discrimination based on sexual orientation and housing employment and public accommodations. In 1993, the city of Portland extended health benefits to domestic partners of city employees. In 1998, the city of Portland passed a resolution that implemented non-discrimination protections based on transgendered identities. And, in 2008, Sam Adams was elected mayor of Portland which made him the first openly gay mayor of a major US City. And, today, I have the great privilege and pleasure of serving on this council with my friend, dan Ryan, a long-time champion of LGBTQIA rights, common sense, and human decency. Now, today, we're 50 years removed from Portland's first pride event. Much progress has been made and much work is left to be done. For example, violence against Portland's LGBTQIA+ community continues to run rampant. Housing and employment discrimination against the members of the LGBTQIA+ community is still too common and our health care system continues to fail our LGBTQIA+ neighbors all too often also. Well, there is much to celebrate this pride month. It is also important to remember that there are more battles ahead. And that's why I want to urge all Portlanders to seize this moment and do your part to further the cause of LGBTQIA+ rights here in the city of roses. Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Thank you, Commissioner Mapps. Commissioner Rubio.

**Rubio:** Thank you, mayor Wheeler, for bringing this proclamation to council and thank you Karen and Kiwanna. It's great to see you, Karen, for this important presentation. I appreciate you for your comments. I want to thank you and thank DEEP. For showing particularly young people to feel proud and to bring their full selves to what they do and to demand recognition and dignity. And it's heartening to hear our progress, but we still clearly have work to do. The stories that you shared are frightening and we need to do all of our work to double down on our civil rights and LGBTQIA+ affirming policies. And, Karen, I hear you and our office is committed. Steve Herrera in our office who you

may not know, he's our liaison to LGBTQ+ policy table, so he will be there. And I, again, want to thank all of our LGBTQIA+ employees who stand up and have refused to let them hold their power and voice back. As well as acknowledge all the BIPOC, LGBTQIA+ and intersectional folks and the distinct challenges they face. I do appreciate their commitment to the city and equal commitment to sharing wisdom and support for future generations through actions, through love and to show them that they're worthy and that they're seen. I also want to say how proud I am of the leadership of my colleague, dan Ryan who works with and brings his whole heart and soul into his work and works for our city. He brings his whole self to his work and I'm very proud of him and I'm very proud to call him my friend. And, it's all our responsibility to create this environment and I am committed to supporting this work in our bureaus and in the community. And speaking of bureaus, I want to acknowledge the leadership of lex in the office of equity and human rights for all their great work and also acknowledge our new director Lisa Watson who's here today as well and who I know is equally committed to this work as well. So, thank you again for the presentation and for all the incredible work that you do to make our city better. Thanks.

**Wheeler:** Thank you, Commissioner Rubio. Commissioner Ryan, did you want to make comments first and then I'll make comments and turn it over to you to read the proclamation.

**Ryan:** Sure. Thank you, Karen. And I just love that you mentioned dance. I'll follow up on that.

**Brooks:** You get it.

**Ryan:** Yeah. That's where I came out. Even before I knew it. People were like I think you're gay. Yeah. And Kiwanna, your heart felt leadership is so appreciated. You're quite a team. Your request was heard. I think there's something about there's no money involved, but there's some action. And Darian jones will be attending from our office and I want to join you more often, but I promise to be there at least once a year. And

reflecting this pride month and I was doing the math and I've done about 35 prides which means I didn't participate for 25 years. I think I did that math right. And it was like the last ten years from age 15 to 24, I remember digging through newspapers, watching the bizarre coverage on local news and not having the coverage to go. So, anyway, it reminds me that it's needed. Right. And I guess I'll just tell a few stories with pride. My first one was in New York city because I was living there in 1986 and it was so fun to go to the stonewall tavern bar --

Brooks: Inn.

Ryan: Inn. That's right. Such a cool architecture. For me, I went to Rutgers you know, Rutgers isn't far from New York city so I had a pack of friends and most were straight, but we all went together so it was just a really big day in my life. And in Seattle in the early '90s and it was always up in capitol hill and not downtown. And I think that's the story as I watched in my lifetime going from pride festivals from like targeted "gayborhoods" to more of the center of the city. And I think we've all witnessed that that have been around for a while. So when I moved back to Portland, '97 was the first one and boy the numbers have grown. But the market really moved pride from the fringe to the main stream. We live in a country that's dictated by the marketplace, so never forget that good bad or whatever but it did. It elevated it. There was many to be had. So I kind of went through a rebellion phase like it's not my pride anymore and kind of go with an attitude. And, anyway, just wanted to put that out there. But then I decided to plug into two spaces during that time where when you're looking at the movement and the liberation, it was stuck at two main places and that was at churches and schools. It was a motivation for me to run for the school board. Not to be like I'm going to only focus on LGBTQ kids, no. I'm an out queer and I'm on the school board and I will do just as good a job as anybody else representing all the children in the school district. And when I'd march in parades, it would be with schools or churches and I did that strategically because we weren't going to get to the place until we hit those

audiences. So it's been fun. It's been methodical, it's been incremental and it's happened and we all know what's going on with the minority activists that are on the supreme court right now. You can't really trust anything even if you do popular opinion even in red states, the majority actually are leaning towards now a majority in red states say that we should be -- have the right to love whoever we want to love. So I just was thinking about that a lot this morning and I was about ready to give up again on just going to pride because I had been there done that, how many more can I go to. So I reluctantly I went 2018 or 2019. Covid had our brains all like when were we last there. I saw you last year.

**Brooks:** Yeah. It was the pride movie on the waterfront.

Ryan: That was like all we had. Right. But anyway, a couple years ago, I was on the max and there was this big group from burns or baker, I can't remember which "b" town it was but there were like ten of them and they were so excited and enthusiastic and I listened to why they were so excited to be in Portland and how much it meant to them and I realize they don't feel safe where they live. And so, I think pride for me now is giving that option for people to engage and to be seen and to not feel that shame of that isolation. Because isolation is shame and that's what I felt obviously from ages 15 to probably in my early 20s was that shame that the queer audience that I knew wasn't being represented. That it was just i'm not saying I don't like the mardi gras aspect of it, but that's all they used to target. It's been useful to see the perseverance of the movement and I really thank leaders like you that wear multiple identities and wear them in a way with integrity and that really -- you're walking your talk and that's what matters the most. I put my kleenex up here if you need it. I remember back in Seattle, we had an affinity group, but we met off line literally. We would meet at a bar after work and we didn't want anyone to know we were meeting. So we were in those shadows and that same cycle. So it's just great that we live in Portland and that we are where we are today but that we have a responsibility for people that live in places like burns and

baker to have a place to come in a couple weeks to play with all of us. So, I'm just really grateful to be alive. I'm so grateful to be attending another pride festival and I'm really excited this year that the royal rosarians are going to march in their first pride parade. So it was kind of a fun targeted thing to do. You always have to figure out what is my role in my place at this time. Mayor said do this rose festival assignment and I found out that they hadn't marched, but there were some royal rosarians. I'm now doing what she did. We'd like to know who will be a representative. That was fun. Anyway. I'm just really honored and my heart is full of delight right now. Thanks for being here.

**Wheeler:** Thank you, Commissioner Ryan. And, thank you for reminding us that there's not only a long history and all three of you, thank you for reminding us that the victories didn't come without a cost. Thank you for that and Commissioner Mapps, Commissioner Rubio, thank you for the historical retrospective. We have to remember that rights once won are not secured, they are never secured and so it requires constant diligence, constant leadership, and constant effort. And dan just said something that really struck me. We have to know what leadership is required of us in the moment. And, I'd like to share one story like that. It was 2007 or 2008 and I was the chair of Multnomah county. I was trying to look up the exact date. I couldn't find it anywhere online interestingly enough. I'll do a little research and I'll find out exactly what it was, but I have a small asterisk, small footnote in what I believe is part of the much greater history of LGBTQIA+ rights here in the state of oregon. I was approached as the county chair by a couple of my employees who sat down with me and they said, we need access to health care for our particular situation. And this is where I was introduced really to the first meaningful relationships I'd ever had with individuals who are trans. And, we together crafted a strategy, did the research, built the support internally in Multnomah county to pass the state's first transgender health benefits package for our public employees. And, I was very proud of that moment. As I look back now on 15 years or whatever, it's been a public service, I'm like Dan, I can't really remember. But I look back at maybe the handful of consequential things that I did, that is going to rank highly as one of the most meaningful things that I did. I will also tell you and I've shared the story with many since then that at the time it was not controversial. I got almost no blow back from anybody for having passed that executive directive. And, I'm glad we did and my friend Sam Adams who was mayor, he had a slightly tougher path because he had to do it not through executive order, but he had to get the support of his city council and take it here in front of the public dais and he successfully did that and I'm proud to work with Sam today and it's fun to remember some of the great things he accomplished as the mayor of this city and continues to accomplish as a key partner of the current mayor of this city. Commissioner Ryan, serving with you is not only an honor, it's just a lot of fun. We have a lot of fun together and I think all of that's true with all members of this council, but today I particularly want to remember your leadership and the shining example that you have provided to others in this community at a time where it still requires courage to be open and I want to thank you and I want to thank all three of you thank you for your leadership. As you indicated, two previous members of my staff, both outstanding people. Both of them went on to bigger and much better. And he's very happy there, but he did a great job of representing the mayor's office as did Serafi Allen. I direct you to Cody Bowman sitting in the back room. Cody will continue that relationship and will continue to work with you and he's very excited about doing this and, of course, he'll work with Lex and others and he will be in attendance with my colleagues and other representatives at those regularly scheduled meetings. I also want to thank LGBTQ+ leadership team and all the city employees who work in this context, the LGBTQ and friends affinity group. This is volunteer. It is unpaid. It is a substantial time commitment and the issues are often deep. They're heavy issues and so I want to acknowledge the commitment of our city employees to make this work. I think I'll just end there and say thanks and turn it over to Commissioner Ryan who will read almost all of today's proclamation except the last paragraph. Commissioner Ryan.

**Ryan:** Thank you everyone for -- those were kind words. I appreciate it. So, whereas, the city of Portland is committed to diversity, social justice, equity, and mutual respect as a fundamental aspect of a healthy community and whereas the long and ongoing struggle of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, asexual, and other sexual gender minority LGBTQIA+ communities for basic, civil, and human rights continues to provide an inspiration to all of those who work against discrimination and 0 presentation. And, whereas in a movement it is imperative to remember the history. Especially transgender women of color like Marsha p. Johnson and Silvia Rivera who fought back against the police violence at stonewall. Figures in a long lineage of leaders who have fought. And whereas the principles of the LGBTQIA+ community is vital to the quality of life for all residents and visitors alike in the city of Portland. Known as a safe harbor and a home for this community and whereas pride celebrations have been held in Portland since 1971 and pride marches since 1976. And 2022 marks the 52nd anniversary of pride around the world and whereas we are witnessing a relentless attack on the dignity and rights of all LGBTQIA+ people, but most specifically transgender adults and youth who are not only be denied basic health care, but are being targeted for state oppression and violence. And, whereas, it is vital to not be silent nor have hurt our eyes from the threats of the LGBTQIA+ families, friends, co-workers, friends, and neighbors are facing and find ways to protect each other and continue to be a safe harbor and home for all queer and trans people. And, especially in the face of discrimination, we celebrate with pride with the dedication to service, art, craft, and the mutual aid that the LGBTQIA+ community shares with all the people of Portland through more than two years of global pandemic and ongoing struggles for justice. **Wheeler:** Now, therefore, I ted Wheeler mayor of the city of Portland, oregon, the city of roses do hereby proclaim declare June 2022 to be Pride month in Portland and claim all residents to observe this month. Thank you, Commissioner Ryan. Thank you, colleagues.

**Brooks:** We have something for you too. Can we approach?

Wheeler: Yeah. Sure.

**Brooks:** They're progressive pride flags for each of you.

**Wheeler:** Oh, wow. Great. Thank you.

**Wheeler:** All right. Colleagues, thank you, we'll move to the regular agenda. Item number 500. Look at that, we are at 500 items so far in the year.

**Clerk:** Authorize intergovernmental agreement between prosper Portland and Portland bureau of transportation to design and construct the northwest Johnson, northwest kern, and northwest park avenue sidewalk street storm water, sanitary, sewer, and water main improvements and necessary off-site traffic mitigation improvements to facilitate future development of the Broadway corridor.

**Wheeler:** Colleagues, you'll recall that we heard three ordinances together. This is the second reading. We've had the presentation and there's been substantial public input. Is there any further business before we vote on this item? Seeing none. Please call the roll.

Clerk: [roll call].

**Ryan:** Thank you mayor for bringing this package that will make good on the promises that the city has made to its partners and Portlanders. I want to thank director Branham and the entire team at prosper for their efforts to move this body of work forward. We can't delay in this project any further, so I'm happy to work the site work will begin this month. I vote, aye.

Clerk: Commissioner Mapps.

**Mapps:** Colleagues, I support this ordinance, but I also have concerns. I support this ordinance because the Broadway corridor project is a once in a generation opportunity to reimagine and redevelop a neglected neighborhood in the heart of our city. And the intergovernmental agreements contained in these ordinances are crucial to that project's success. In other words, if we do not build basic infrastructure new development will not come. At the same time, this covers a risk if for a number of city

bureaus including the water bureau, the bureau of environmental services and prosper Portland. Now, here are some of the risk water and environmental services run. If we bill the water and sewer infrastructure for the Broadway corridor and the private sector does not build in this neighborhood, it is not clear who will pay the system development charges, water, and environmental services need in order to recoup our investment in this project. I have looked at the risk and rewards water by supporting the Broadway corridor project. I have also looked at the risk and rewards this project holds for prosper Portland and have come to the conclusion that prosper Portland should move forward with the Broadway corridor project. At the same time, I feel obliged to voice a concern. With this project, prosper Portland takes on a substantial amount of financial risk. After we pass this ordinance, prosper will be responsible for 74% of the expenses generated by this local improvement district. That is a lot of financial exposure. The best option for managing this risk is to find a private developer to partner with this project, but as we cast this vote today, prosper does not have a developer for this project. I have discussed these concerns with prosper Portland and some members of this council and those conversations have convinced me that even under the worst case scenario, there are strategies prosper Portland could deploy in order to manage the debt load and other risks associated with this project. Still, my office will be following the implementation of the Broadway corridor project closely. Colleagues, for these reasons and more, I vote aye.

Clerk: Rubio.

**Rubio:** Thank you, mayor Wheeler, director Branham, and prosper Portland for your work on this and bringing this forward. I vote aye.

Clerk: Wheeler.

**Wheeler:** Collectively, the investments in these three IGAs will help to unlock 300 square feet of mixed use income development including the affordable housing development in phase one. Redevelopment of this area is at the heart of our city. It's a

priority for the city and it represents one of Portland's most significant prospects to further an equitable economy and create a vibrant and welcoming mixed income neighborhood right in the center of our city. I'm very happy to vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Next item also is second reading. 501.

**Clerk:** Authorize intergovernmental agreement between prosper Portland, the bureau of environmental services and the water bureau to design and construct off-site water, sanitary, and stormwater system improvements to facilitate the future development of the Broadway corridor.

**Wheeler:** Colleagues, this is related IGA Any further discussion? Please call the roll.

Clerk: [roll call].

**Wheeler:** The ordinance is adopted. Next item, item number 502.

**Clerk:** Authorize intergovernmental agreement between Prosper Portland, Portland bureau of transportation, and Portland parks and recreation to design and construct the Broadway corridor park and green loop projects improvements to facilitate the future development of the Broadway corridor.

**Wheeler:** Any further discussion on this items colleagues, seeing none. Please call the roll.

**Clerk:** [roll call].

**Wheeler:** The ordinance is adopted. 503 also a second reading.

**Clerk:** Approve the application under the multiple-unit limited tax exemption program under the inclusionary housing program for the look lynn apartments located at 3260 southeast Milwaukie Ave.

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

**Clerk:** Commissioner Ryan.

**Ryan:** I vote aye.

**Clerk:** [roll call] .

**Wheeler:** The ordinance is adopted. Item number 504, please.

**Clerk:** Approve findings to authorize an exemption for a class of public improvement contracts from the competitive bidding requirements and authorize the use of the alternative contracting method of price agreements for urgent rehabilitation of sanitary and storm sewers project 2022-23.

**Wheeler:** This is the first reading of a nonemergency order. Commissioner Mapps. **Mapps:** This comes to us from environmental services. As you know, the bureau of environmental services is responsible for maintaining and repairing the city's sewer and storm water collection systems. Now, occasionally environmental services infrastructure requires urgent repairs. Passing this ordinance would allow BES To quickly respond to urgent sewer repairs on medium-sized projects. By approving this ordinance, this council authorizes the chief procurement officer to issue an RFP To solicit enter into and for an initial one year period. Each of these contracts could be extended for up to three years. That math means the total expenditure of all the price agreements will not exceed \$27 million over a three-year period. This ordinance also contains important innovations around equity and contracting. Rather than awarding contracts for urgent sewer and storm water repairs based solely on cost, this ordinance requests an exemption from some competitive bidding requirements. This exemption would allow BES. To support racial and gender diversity in the construction industry. In sum, passing this ordinance will allow environmental services to proactively address urgent sewer repairs before they become emergency projects which are even more costly to fix and threaten public services, public health, public safety, public infrastructure and the environment. In addition, this ordinance will promote diversity in the construction industry. Here to tell us more about this ordinance, we have Todd Perimon engineering supervisor with environmental services and Joe Dvorak, engineering manager with environmental

**Todd Perimon:** Thank you, Commissioner Mapps, thank you, Mr. Mayor.

Commissioners. Can we start the presentation, please. Thank you. So as Commissioner

services. Welcome, Todd and Joe.

Mapps said, the ordinance being considered today is for a price for competitive bidding for storm and sanitary sewers. Next slide, please. This is key as addressing these urgent sanitary needs. This proactive approach protects public health and safety. There are also unique provisions in this contracting method that allows us to collaborate with the contractor with our design and construction team and allow us to develop innovative solutions and cost-saving solutions on these repairs often times. Next slide, please. This is not new. This form of contracting was initially awarded as a low bid contract in 2018. It's been used primarily to address intermediate sized projects and mitigates all the work that we do including cast in place pipe rehabilitation, as well as maintenance holds and rehabilitation of other types of facilities. Next slide, please. For this round of contracting, we would like to award up to three contracts each of \$2 million per year with the ability to extend each of those price agreements one additional year two times at \$3 million per extension and we would look forward to coming back to council prior to those extensions to share our progress. Next slide, please. So this really will improve equity and diversity within this contracting approach. Rather than award the contract based slowly on low cost, this construction RFP. Approach will allow us to evaluate contractors' approach and history and commitment to equity and diversity. There still will be a price component to the evaluation criteria but will be a more holistic criteria and as I mentioned multiple contracts may be awarded to the highest scoring firms with the intent. Although this construction of RFP Approach is key to improving equity and diversity, it's really only one component. We've been collaborating with procurement services to really apply an equity lens to the entire procurement process. This is evident in the criteria that we've developed. It really stresses the importance of equity and city contracts. We're also reaching out to firms owned by black and indigenous people of color and women-owned firms to create awareness around these upcoming opportunities and we want to continue to review the project specifications with contract stakeholders to identify and remove barriers and/or create opportunities around this

contracting opportunity. Next slide, please. So this contract will allow BES. To address urgent project needs before they become emergencies. This construction RFP Procurement approach will allow us to select contractors that share the city's commitment to increasing equity and diversity in the community and providing annual updates to the council before our extensions on our participation metrics that provides BES And the contractor and the community. So that's the end of the presentation. Thank you very much. I will take any questions.

Wheeler: Colleagues, any questions? Keelan, do we have any public testimony?

**Clerk:** No one's signed up.

Wheeler: Move to second reading. Last item, 505, please.

**Clerk:** Authorize intergovernmental agreement with Multnomah county for vector control services for an estimated amount of \$3,420,000.

Wheeler: Commissioner Mapps.

**Mapps:** Mr. Mayor, I'm pulling this back to my office.

**Wheeler:** The four-fifths agenda item 505-1.

**Clerk:** Authorize a letter of agreement between the city and American federation of state municipal employees relating to wages, hours, and working conditions of business systems analysts one, two, and three. And police internal affairs investigators.

**Wheeler:** Colleagues, this is an emergency ordinance. In 2021, the business systems analysts risk specialist I and internal affairs investigators classifications filed petitions with the employment relations board to become AFSCME council 75 union represents positions. The classifications were then included in the existing DCTU. Contract. And the city and the union held negotiations to determine the appropriate wages, hours, and applicable working conditions for each of the classifications. The letter of agreement details related to wages, hours recollection and working conditions of classifications. We have labor relations coordinators Jamaal Anthony and Annmarie Kevorkian-Mattie here to present the ordinance. Welcome, Jamaal and AnnMarie.

**Jamaal Anthony:** Good afternoon.

AnnMarie Kevorikian-Mattie: Good morning, everyone. I'll get us started. So the ordinance before you is related exactly to as the mayor described it. To authorize letters of agreement related to the business system's analyst, the risk specialist I and the police bureau internal affairs investigator. We negotiated these letters of agreement separate from the overall successor negotiations. As we wanted to have a distinct path for those discussions. Adjustments were made due to -- wage adjustments were necessary for a couple of reasons. First, those non-represented employees were on a grade and need to be moved do a step to be consistent with the other DCTU classifications. Additionally, there were marked adjustments necessary to a contract and retain qualified candidates. We've also included them as part of the recipients for the \$3000, one-time bonus afforded under the DCTU contract. And we additionally provided them a one-time provision to roll over their management leap quotes non-represented employees through the remainder of the 2022 calendar year. And so we're simply looking to all of you to authorize this contract. And/or excuse me, these letters of agreement. We're happy to answer any questions that you might have.

Wheeler: Colleagues? Mayor Mapps.

**Mapps:** Yes. A couple of the questions for staff. I didn't learn about this ordinance until I believe yesterday. So I'm still kind of catching up and trying to figure out all of the implications. Does staff know how much this is going to cost water or environmental services, or water and environmental services?

**Kevorikian-Mattie:** I do have that. If you give me just a moment, I'll get you those figures. So over the life of the contract, sorry, I was --

**Mapps:** How about for the next five years, which is kind of the horizon that I do, we do a rate forecast.

**Kevorikian-Mattie:** Sure. Give me just one moment. I had it here in my email just a moment ago.

**Mapps:** -- an unfair question but.

**Kevorikian-Mattie:** Oh, boy. Okay, there we go. So going to do napkin math here, apologies. That was ready to go. I'm going to give you wanted for the water bureau as well as, do you want for environmental services as well?

Mapps: Yes, please.

**Kevorikian-Mattie:** So for environmental services through fiscal year 2025, which is the full implementation of the contract. That would come at a cost of 382,535. Those figures are somewhat approximate but pretty close. And then for water, we would be looking at a cost of \$379,460 through fiscal year 2025.

**Mapps:** Okay. Thank you very much. I wonder, I know this is a four-fifths item. I'm going to support this today because I know it's important. And I support labor. I do want the record to reflect that I'm learning about this fairly late in the game. You know, we have rate forecasts that we plan for and this is -- I didn't plan for these particular expenses. I'm confident that water and environmental services can figure out how to cut something in order to pay for this. But it certainly reduces our ability to or proposals like this especially ones that come up late make it difficult for us to run the bureaus as effectively as I aspire to. I also recognize that things happen. But I hope that this doesn't happen again next year. Thank you very much.

**Kevorikian-Mattie:** Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Let me chime in on this as well. So this is a four-fifths item. Which means it was brought to, and bobby, correct me if I'm wrong, as a four-fifths item it was brought to the chiefs? Who was it brought to? So it was brought to the chiefs. And the reason this is brought last minute is we just got the agreement with DCTU. It is disappointing there is nobody on who can speak to the budgetary implications of this. I happen to know this was part of the set aside as a part of the labor negotiations that are ongoing. We've reached that agreement with our DCTU employees. The funding for this is accounted for in the set aside. The reason we're voting on this as an emergency

ordinance on a four-fifths basis is because we want to implement it immediately? Is that correct?

**Wheeler:** Why don't you come up and say -- can you introduce yourself, bobby, for the record.

**Bobby Lee:** Bobby Lee, mayor's chief of staff. There is a universe of workers that we negotiation their DCTU labor negotiations but during the process we have new employees coming on board, these are the stragglers we're trying to loop into the overall universe.

Wheeler: Great. Making sure the newcomers get the same deal as the people --

**Lee:** Right.

Wheeler: I got it. Thank you.

**Mapps:** Bobby, can I ask you a question? The mayor -- [off mic] the mayor mentioned the set aside that helps pay for this. Do you know if water and environmental services were included in that set aside?

**Lee:** Yes, so the director of CBO, Jessica Kinard, did share with us that this, this smaller universe of employees and the fiscal impact was shared with BES. And water and it will not affect the water rate. So behind the scene negotiation did occur already.

**Mapps:** Great. Glad to hear that. Thank you very much for that clarification, Bobby and Mr. Mayor.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Colleagues, any other questions on this particular item? Is there any public testimony?

**Clerk:** No one signed up.

**Anthony:** Initially, Mr. Mayor, if I may. Commissioner Mapps, I appreciate those comments. We will continue to try and get things before you as soon as we can. I also want to point out part of the urgency for this is because of the cost of living adjustment that will be happening. We want to make sure that we're saying to the union we want to make good on the deals that we've agreed to. We don't want to have the appearance

we're taking to delay the pay practices with the cost of living adjustment. That allows us to still have discussions with the unions on other topics. Your office has identified the areas of concern. Appreciate you bringing those forward today. Thank you, mayor, for your time. I appreciate that.

**Wheeler:** Always happy when I turn out to be right. And it doesn't always workout that way. So good, we're all muddling through this together. Keelan, did I ask you if there was public testimony on this item?

**Clerk:** No one signed up.

**Wheeler:** No one signed up. All right. Very good. Please call the roll. This is an emergency four-fifths.

Clerk: Ryan.

**Ryan:** Yes. Thank you, AnnMarie and Jamaal, for making the necessary adjustment and I appreciate the dialogue you started, Commissioner Mapps. And glad we've making the necessary adjustments for employees represented by DCTU. I vote aye.

Clerk: Mapps.

Mapps: Aye.

Clerk: Rubio.

Rubio: Aye.

Clerk: Wheeler.

**Wheeler:** I want to thank our labor relations team. And I want to thank the leadership of DCTU, who all entered into good-faith bargaining and negotiations which I think is very reasonable for both sides. And that's the way it should be. I vote aye. The ordinance is adopted. Thank you. We'll go back to the consent agenda. I believe it was item 499, which was pulled. Can you go ahead and read that?

**Clerk:** Amend intergovernmental agreement between TriMet and the city for the division transit project for construction and close-out services.

**Wheeler:** And who pulled it?

**Clerk:** Robert Butler. A member of the public.

**Wheeler:** Okay. Do we have anybody from PBOT Who can speak to this item? Well, we'll hear from Mr. Butler.

**Clerk:** So it looks like robert butler dropped off the call. But there is another person signed up to provide testimony on it.

**Wheeler:** All right. Let's hear the other individual.

Clerk: Fatima Magomadova.

Robert Butler: This is robert butler.

Wheeler: Hi, Robert.

**Butler:** And I wanted to talk about this partnership between TriMet and PBOTWhich unfortunately looks like it's the partnership made by the devil. And the question is the absurd total cost of \$200 million for the transit traffic project on division and an absurd amount of money of \$2 million. And also absurd amount of money of \$7 million, I'll be blunt, moonlighted by the city of Portland from TriMet, encouraging an obvious pay to play arrangement. The exchange for play to play is obvious that PBOT Gives up two lanes of division so TriMet gets a lane along the curve for restricted bus lane and gets a median where we don't need a median between 147thand 174th, for deflecting cars from cross the restricted bus lane. The bat lane we're talking about is a bus lane, it's a hoax. It's a hoax from the beginning because it only goes in one direction. So if it was for real, it would have commuter fast first lane restrictions in both directions, to and from work. This bat lane only goes from work, not to work. Well, it's worse than that. There is nobody that rides this bus during the bat lane. By the time the bus gets to 112th, that's from downtown, it's mostly empty. So why are we worried about how fast it takes to go the rest of the way. Mostly empty. When I counted, seven passengers, peak hour afternoon. I talked to the bus staff. They said, well, by this point, 112th, we're about 11 people on the bus. That means the bus at the beginning of the bat lane our current buses are 75% empty, so why do we have a bus lane other than grandstanding about

what TriMet can do. So the agreement itself is a fraud. Why is it a fraud? Because it says that TriMet has the authority to reach out to the public. Well, they abused that authority. And I went all the way to the board of directors and still refused. And then they attempted to deflect to PBOT and PBOT Was ignoring their authority as well. So when PBOT Found out that the business community didn't want medians they went underground, kept everything a secret with TriMet and went along and proceeded with the project, which was a fraud. The problem is this project needs to stop. We need to restart it at some point in time where we can cure the problems that resulted from this pay-to-play concern. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you. Do we have additional public testimony?

**Clerk:** Robert, is Fatima also going to testify?

Fatima Magomadova: Hi. Hello, this is Fatima Magomadova. I want to start saying thank you for discussing gun violence. I'm a victim of attempted murder. 14 shots were fired into my house where I was with my children. One door from division street. It was barely followed up by the Portland police and nothing came out of it. Today I'm here to object to item 499, intergovernmental agreement between TriMet and the city for the division transit project that's where the 14 shots were shot into my house. In this agreement, I quote, the city has a duty to the general public to provide safe and convenient streets and to protect itself from unreasonable financial burdens imposed by TriMet use of the street. City and TriMet failed to show any interest or being sensitive to our burden that business is facing on division street due to their project. Businesses lose over 40% in income and in fact business next to me permanently closed down because of the concrete median in front of the store. Other businesses downsizing employees and on the way to being permanently shut down. Customers and delivery trucks no longer can get in and out of the parking lot. There is no adequate parking as well. TriMet wiped out all parking on division street curbside eastbound. In the same agreement under community relations, TriMet shall perform all community relations

functions and keep the city project manager and PBOT's public information officer apprised of all activities. TriMet shall perform all private property owner outreach. We were not contacted by PIO from PBOT. Nor TriMet nor anyone to get any information on any project that was supposed to be happening in the front of our store or outside the corridor. In fact, upon our request for further information from TriMet, we were not getting any response. Our numerous phone calls and reasons to contact were left unanswered. Next we wrote a member of the board of directors who was responsible for southeast Portland. Without responding to us, to our concerns. That board member never responded. Upon applying for access to board of directors meetings, we were never responded to. So that conclusively shows that TriMet violated the agreement between TriMet and the city for the division transit project. And I object ongoing further with this agreement where both parties intentionally violated the agreement. If this is not corrected before going forward, our position is that agreement should be terminated. Thank you so much.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Thank you, both. I see Caitlin Reff joined us from PBOT. Hi, Caitlin **Caitlin Reff:** Hello. I apologize. That was a link issue. I have been on and listening, council. I'm Caitlin Reff, major projects manager with PBOT.

Wheeler: Thank you. Any response?

**Reff:** Thank you to the testimony. I will say just as kind of an introduction to the item, the division transit project has been an ongoing partnership between the city, TriMet as well as metro and community partners. It has been an ongoing along priority to improve safety and convenience for transit riders on the corridor. And this project is coming to completion. We are just reached substantial completion milestone for the division transit project with final completion scheduled in the next coming months and new transit service opening to the public this fall. This amendment to the agreement is a result of no change in overall project budget but a reallocation due to some additional city services needed to reach final completion significantly with relation to the traffic

signal and transit signal priority software that is going into the signal system on the corridor. And some other construction support. So also, as we heard from the testimony, we to have a partnership with TriMet where they are the lead of community affairs, we support and respond and track that very closely. And continue to work with community and those living on the corridor to understand any additional impacts or concerns and work to address and minimize those. Thank you for the comments and we will continue to work with TriMet to be responsive.

**Wheeler:** Thanks, Caitlin. Commissioner Mapps has a question.

**Mapps:** Thanks, Mr. Mayor. And thanks, Caitlin, for being here today. Do you know if there is something time sensitive about this particular item? Frankly I would be more comfortable voting today if Commissioner Hardesty were in the room. Can we do this next week without messing something up?

**Reff:** That would be fine.

**Mapps:** Okay. Thank you, Caitlin. And if I may, Mr. Mayor, I would like to address my colleagues on council. I want to say I appreciate public testimony on this. I would be more comfortable casting this vote if Commissioner Hardesty were in the room. But if council in general want to move forward today, we could move forward today. I just wanted to voice that.

**Wheeler:** There is no objection. Can we go ahead and continue this to next week, yeah, but let me do this. Let's make sure the record is closed on this please. People can still submit written testimony but the oral record is closed on this and we'll continue until next week. Commissioner Ryan.

**Ryan:** Yes, thank you, mayor. Caitlin, thanks for being here. I don't think on this item we've had TriMet in attendance, have we? I think it would be smart next week if you had your partners from TriMet here as well. They are referenced consistently by the community that hasn't felt listened to. I think it would be good for the public record to have your partners aft TriMet here next week as well.

**Wheeler:** Is there anybody from Commissioner Hardesty's staff here? All right. Let's keep the record open and continue this until next week. Very good. Thanks.

Derek Bradley: I'm here, Mr. Mayor, I'm here.

**Wheeler:** Do you have any objections if we continue this, keep the record open?

**Bradley:** No, we're happy to accommodate council in anyway. I actually have a meeting

with TriMet tomorrow as well and I can chat with them and let them know.

**Wheeler:** Thanks, Derek appreciate it. Without objection, this item is continued. That

completes our work for this morning.

**Clerk:** It does.

**Wheeler:** Fantastic. We are adjourned until 2: 00 p.m.

At 11:19 am, Council recessed.

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June 8, 2022 2:00 p.m.

**Wheeler:** This is. Why don't we start recording, Keelan. Good afternoon, everybody, this is the Wednesday, June 8th, 2022, afternoon session of the Portland city council session. Please call the roll.

**Clerk**: [roll call]

**Wheeler:** I'll now turn this over to the city attorney to discuss the rules of order and decorum. Good afternoon.

Linly Rees: Good afternoon. Welcome to Portland city council. City council is holding hybrid public meetings with limited public attendance. If you wish to testify before council in person or virtually, you must sign up and advance by visiting the council agenda on the council clerk's web page at www.Portland.gov/council/agenda. You may also sign up for public testimony on resolutions reports or the first readings of ordinances. In-person testimony may occur from one of several locations including council chambers and the love joy room in city hall and the Portland building. Written testimony may be submitted at cc@Portlandoregon.gov. When testifying, please state your name for the record, your address is not necessary. Please disclose if you're a lobbyist. So everyone can feel welcome, comfortable, respected and safe. The presiding officer decides the length of testimony. Everyone has three minutes to testify unless otherwise indicated. Disruptive conduct such as shouting or interrupting others' testimony or council deliberations will not be allowed. If there are disruptions, a warning

will be given that further will be rejected from the meeting. The person who is subject to register from the meeting may be arrested if they don't leave the meeting.

**Wheeler:** Thank you, could you please.

**Clerk**: 506, conduct a sharing certify that certain services are provided by the city to establish eligibility for state shared revenues. 508 approve accepting funds from state of oregon. 509 adopt the annual budget of the city and establish appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30th, 2023. And 510, approve levying taxes for the city for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30th, 2023. **Wheeler:** Good afternoon colleagues and director Kinard. Today we're going to take

wheeler: Good afternoon colleagues and director Kinard. Today we're going to take the final series of steps and votes as part of the adoption of the fiscal year 2022-23 budget as prescribed by oregon state budget law. Before we get started, budget member is going to start.

Jessica Kinard: Good afternoon Mayor and council. My name is Jessica Kinard for the record. It's a pleasure to be back in person with you after two and a half years away from these chambers for me. As the member mentioned, we are here to adopt the budget for the fiscal year 2022-23. As usual, there are a number of procedural steps we need to go through and as Keelan read into the record, we have five items in front of you as part of this process. The first three items are related to the state accept shared revenue. Next, council approves a resolution. And third, council considers an ordinance that will accept the state shared revenue. The fourth item council will consider today is the adopted budget ordinance. This is the item that generates the most interest and will likely be the focus of our time today. The fifth and final item is council will consider is the ordinance levying taxes. We will begin with our first item. Mayor, you can now read the statement into the record for the state shared revenue hearing.

**Wheeler:** Very good. I'm now opening the hearing. This hearing is being held by the city council of Portland, oregon, in compliance with the pro vision officer the state revenue sharing provisions ORS 2770. It's to allow citizens to comment on the possible

uses of these funds in conjunction with the annual budget process. As proposed for council adoption, the fiscal year 2022-23 budget anticipates receipts totaling \$22,775,856 from state revenue sharing under o. R.s 221.70. As has been the case in prior years, it's proposed that this revenue be allocated in equal parts to support fire prevention and police patrol services. Is there anyone here today who wishes to be heard on this subject? Keelan, do we have anyone signed up to testify on this matter?

Clerk: Not on this item.

**Wheeler:** With that, I'm now closing this hearing. I'll hand this over to director Kinard to provide overview of the eligibility for state shared revenue resolution.

**Kinard:** Thank you, Mayor. Next council resolves to certify the state shared revenue. State law requires that we provide a number of services to be eligible for a state shared revenue and this resolution certifies that we do so. The services certified by the city of Portland are police protection, fire protection, street construction, maintenance and lighting, sanitary sewers, storm sewers, planning, zoning and subdivision control and water. Back to you, Mayor.

Wheeler: Very good. Has anyone signed up to testify on this resolution?

**Clerk**: No Mayor.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Keelan please call the roll.

**Clerk**: [roll call].

**Wheeler:** The resolution is adopted. Director Kinard, why don't you provide an overview of the state shared revenue ordinance.

**Kinard:** The third and final step is for council to consider and vote. Now that we have held a hearing and certify that we have qualified, we just need to take action to accept the revenue.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Has anyone signed up to testify on the ordinance?

Clerk: None on this item.

**Wheeler:** Keelan, please call the roll.

**Clerk**: [roll call].

**Wheeler:** The ordinance is adopted. Director Kinard, now is the time to provide an overview of the adopted budget ordinance as filed.

**Kinard:** Thank you, Mayor. The next item is the adopted budget ordinance and as I mentioned earlier, it's the item that generates the most interest. I will open this item by describing the various adopted budget changes as filed. Next, the Mayor will entertain motions from council to amend the budget. Then the Mayor will call for public testimony. At the conclusion of testimony, council will vote on the individual amendments. This item has been filed without an emergency clause which means under its current status, the final vote will be continued until next week. Following public testimony and voting on other amendments, council may choose to consider further amending the ordinance to add the emergency clause in order to vote on budget adoption today. We'll now briefly describe the changes in the adopted budget as filed which are changes reflected in attachment b also known as the change memo. These changes are technical changes to the budget that were made by bureaus in the adopted filing of the budget. The changes include adjustments to accurately reflect planned interagency and governmental grant agreements at the bureau of emergency communications, the housing bureau. Inner agency adjustments to more accurately reflect approved budget packages and agreed upon service levels. Adjusting the approved budget standards program to include staffing support from the attorney's office in lieu of a second term in the fire bureau. The return of over \$600,000 of Portland building reconstruction project funds two bureaus to support their bureau based needs. An increase of \$3.9 million to the parks division after the office and finance to reflect vehicle purchases for the next year moving the approved budget allocation to support the BIPOC chambers of commerce to prosper budget. And finally special appropriations, there are a couple of adjustments. The recognition of a \$5,000 donation from the city of

Hillsboro and \$300,000 in grants fund resources from the state for the state rest resource program. Any questions on these adjustments?

**Wheeler:** No question. But I would like to acknowledge the city of Hillsboro and their contribution. We appreciate their generosity and their support.

**Kinard:** Thank you, Mayor. All right. I will now turn it back over to the Mayor to entertain amendments.

Wheeler: Very good. Colleagues, we'll now entertain amendments to the budget. Each amendment should note the amount, the bureau, the purpose, and the funding source. Each amendment should be moved and seconded for a consideration. Then, we'll hold public testimony before discussing and voting on the amendments. I'll go ahead and jump in first with Wheeler amendment number one. This is a motion to increase general fund one-time resources by \$1.4 million for gun violence reduction work to occur. This allocates \$1.4 million in one-time general fund resources towards program expenses in the office of management and finance, community safety division to support summer violence prevention efforts. Funding for this action is sourced through a separate budget action is approved by council in late fiscal year 21-22 to carry forward resources to support this program expenditure. This would update attachments b, c, and e as needed to reflect this change. Can I get a motion? I'll move it, can I get a second.

**Mapps:** I'll be happy to second that.

**Wheeler:** Commissioner Mapps a second. Wheeler one. This is a motion to re-align resources and positions from the office of community and civic life community safety program as well as move reporting authority from the office of violence prevention to the office of management and finance community safety division. This reduces general fund ongoing discretionary resources in the office of community and civic life associated bureau program expenses, and twelve FTE totaling \$1,493,182. Increased general fund ongoing discretionary. Program expenses in the office of management and finance community safety division, that's OMFCSD By \$1,493,182, an increase permanent

position authority by 12-f.t.e.. This will read to realignment of external and service costs which will occur in the fiscal year 2022-23 fall budget monitoring process. Additionally, this amendment updates the budget note entitled community safety program and office of violence prevention transition planning to strike language related to the transition of the civic life safety program, but retain plans to transition the office of violence prevention to the community safety division within the office of management and finance. The revised language reads as follows. Community safety program and office of violence prevention transition planning. The office of violence prevention will re-align program staff to the home organization unit of OMF Community safety division until future determination for continuity of operations is agreed between the office of violence, prevention, grants management, and the CSD In advance of the fiscal year 2023-24 requested budget submission. This updates attachments b, c, d, and e to change.

Mapps: Second.

**Wheeler:** Commissioner Mapps seconds. Commissioner Rubio, I believe you have two amendments that you'd like to bring forward. Please read your first one.

**Rubio:** I do. Thank you, Mayor. In 2020, voters approved a parks operating levy and we're finishing up the first year of that levy and so it's important to me and I hope you'll all agree we not undo the work of the park's bureau in this fiscal year. And so this amendment would require them to continue their work for this year and then report out to this council in October detailing lessons learned from the implementation I'm moving to city budget practices and the account operating levy. Voter-approval of the 2020 parks operating levy provided the city with an unprecedented opportunity to enhance parks and recreation services to Portlanders. Council is commit today supporting Portland parks and recreation's deployment of the 2020 park's operating levy resources to maximize the value to voters in order to keep the commitment to voters that the parks levy would not be used to plant general fund. Portland parks and recreation shall

be allowed to carry over any fiscal year account under spending in the fiscal year 22-23 fall bump to deliver enhanced services to the degree necessary, the city budget office and controller will work together to ensure all relevant procedures reflect this intent. In addition, the city budget office comptroller and Portland parks and recreation will provide a joint record by October 2020. And immediately after this report come together to reach the shared years in the levy and attachment d to reflect this change.

**Ryan:** I'll second that.

Wheeler: That will be Rubio one and describe Rubio amendment two for us.

**Rubio:** Sure. Thank you, Mayor. My amendment today is to a motion for the O'Bryant square project. And this would read the approved budget allocated funding to support redevelopment that transfers \$2.2 million to the Portland bureau of transportation to fund the garage demolition so that the site is ready for parks improvements once the demolition is complete.

**Kinard:** And if you can say that would update attachments b, c, and e.

Wheeler: I assume you're moving Rubio two. I'll second Rubio two. Colleagues, in light of Rubio's first amendment, I'd like to offer an additional amendment that does not impact the first amendment she read, but it would add an additional requirement and accounting review and the parks operating levy. Wheeler 3 - This would remove the budget note titled general fund discretion near policy and accounting review and the parks operating levy and replace it with a budget note titled parks operating levy and general fund budget and accounting practices. The new budget note will read parks operating levy and general fund budget and accounting practices. Voter approval of the 2020 parks operating levy provided the city with an unprecedented opportunity to provide enhanced and stabilize park and recreation services to Portlanders. The council's committed to supporting Portland parks and recreations deployment of the 2020 parks operation levy resources to keep the commitment to voters that the parks levy would not be used to supplant the general fund. Portland parks and recreation shall be allowed

to carry over any fiscal year 2021-22 general fund account under spending in the fiscal year 2022-23 fall bump process. This will maximize the capacity the parks levy to deliver enhanced services and eliminate barriers to access to programming. Henceforth, Portland parks and recreation shall separate in the budget and account for levy resources and general fund resources and expenditures separately. Planned parks levy supported expenditures should be directly budgeted in the levy fund and actual expenditures should also be recorded in the levy fund. This structure will mitigate any confusion and it allows for both the general fund and levy resources to carry equal priority in the order in which they are spent. The bureau should work to correct the fiscal year 2022-23 budget and the fiscal year 2023-24 budget to reflect this structure by the spring of 2023. I will move this. Can I get a second?

Mapps: Second.

**Wheeler:** Commissioner Mapps seconds. Are there any other amendments that colleagues would like to introduce at this time? Seeing none. Keelan, do we have people signed up to testify on amendments or the budget as a whole?

Clerk: Yes, Mayor.

Wheeler: How many folks do we have signed up?

**Clerk**: We have twelve people signed up.

**Wheeler:** Terrific. Two minutes for each member of the public. Council will call on you.

**Clerk**: Okay. We'll call three people at a time. First up, we have John Spinnett, Nidal Kahl, and nana hoerth.

John Spinnett: Okay. Can you hear me?

**Wheeler:** Loud and clear. You sound good.

**Spinnett** All right. You're audible in council. Thank you for having me. I appreciate that. My name is john Spinnett. Let's business association treasurer and owner of multiple businesses and properties in the lent district. Basically I'm testifying to keep funds for venture Portland to maintain a district manager in the Lents neighborhood district. I

want to express the importance of the venture Portland business district managers and their involvements in our business district. This also covers my reasoning as to why moneys can be used in no better way than to fund business managers as their 36-hour a week payroll. We have watched Lents change significantly over the years. Unfortunately, Lents has regressed the last couple of years which has led to isolation of business owners in this already fragile community. Now for the good news. As of recently, we are currently having more community gatherings and events and an all-around positive vibe here in Lents. Or as I would like to call this a healing experience for our community. This would not have happened without the hard work and initiative from our venture Portland business district manager. And, I don't want to use the term hard work lightly. My request is to simply consider using funding for the continued installment of our business district manager. Thank you so much for your time.

Wheeler: Appreciate your testimony. Thank you.

**Nidal Kahl:** Hello, my name is Nidal Kahl I want to thank you for allowing me to testify today regarding renewal of the ARPA funds. I'm currently the president of the gateway area business association. I'm a property owner and a business owner here in Portland and I just want to stress the importance of renewing those funds. Venture Portland has been an integral part of the growth of gateway and our ability to grow. There are numerous programs that were under gateway over the last several years. We have obviously like all districts, you know, the last couple of years taken a big hit. As of yesterday, we were fortunate to get an extension on a big five-year plan, the gateway action plan which I'm sure all of you are aware of. That plan is a big part of our growth and we need to support venture Portland was an integral part of our success around that. Our coordinators for the last five years have just been amazing. Highly effective and just as a business person, I can say with conviction that the dollars that go to venture Portland go much further than any individual park by itself. So I am in full support of that renewing the funds. I can also speak from the perspective that I served

on the venture Portland executive committee for the first year of the funding. So I think I have a slightly different perspective. I've seen both sides of the impact. So from my perspective, it's a no-brainer. I fully support and urge you to renew those funds for another round.

**Wheeler:** Thank you, we appreciate your support.

**Clerk**: Next up, we have Nana Hoerth.

Nana Hoerth: I'm speaking in support of the association that provides business district association. I began my role as a district manager in gateway working twelve hours a week and through the ARPA funding it went from a a 12-hour a week to 36 hour-a week position. Through community engagement providing huge support to the local underserved businesses and communities in gateway. In February, I was promoted to oversee six of our underserved districts in Portland. Within these six districts, our assigned district managers that support each business association. While in my current role, I have seen the crucial value of a 36-hour district manager provides. There's support to business district associations providing active and ongoing communication between our city partners as well as local community organizations to effect planning and equitable community projects which our local business owners desire. I'm just asking with the round two of the ARPA funding, I know that this will allow these district managers to continue their community engagement by actively supporting the business associations. These business associations and board members consist of local, hardworking small business owners who want to see their communities continue to grow and thrive and they rely on the support of the district managers to be the boots on the ground. Be done effectively and successfully as a full-time position. So I thank you guys so much for your time and giving me the opportunity to speak and it is my hope that with the ARPA funding that we can continue the great progress we have made to provide a stronger and more unified and diverse business district association for our communities. Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. Appreciate your testimony.

**Clerk**: Next up we have Jacob Falkinburg, Diane Meisenhelter, and McKenzie Malone. Jacob, you're muted.

**Jacob Falkinburg:** Thank you. Good morning everybody Mayor and Commissioners. It's good to see you again. Thanks for having me. I'm the communications director at venture Portland and I'm here today to thank you for all of your efforts to support small businesses in Portland and I want to encourage you to support the full funding of \$1.78 million for venture Portland to increase our support for Portland's diverse neighborhood business districts. Many of whom are unable to be here today due to their demanding schedules. I'd like to talk specifically about the impact these additional dollars will have on our grants program. Venture Portland has been awarded more than \$2 million to volunteer business district associations across the city funding more than 560 projects including beloved community events like street fairs, holiday tree lightings, tasting tours, district clean-ups and more with grants as small as a \$1,000, these districts have done incredible things including creating murals, pocket parks, and improving the safety within their neighborhoods. However, to really move the needle, our small businesses need more and we must do more. Our catalytic investment initiative has proven that the impact of a full-time staff member is incredible for business associations. Businesses will have a single point of contact to share concerns, connect with neighbors, and organize events and promotions and with the additional funding provided through the American rescue grant to offer our districts city wide that would have enormous impact on helping our small businesses. In addition, these funds will allow control of our grant programs including marketing events and district projects like banners, bike racks just to name a few. With that, I'd just like to ensure that the city of Portland supports small businesses and fully fund venture Portland's advance program, and events hub. Thank you.

**Wheeler:** Thank you, Jacob. Appreciate it.

**Clerk**: Next up we have Diane Meisenhelter.

**Diane Meisenhelter:** Can you hear me?

Wheeler: Loud and clear.

Meisenhelter: Okay. Two years ago, council declared a climate emergency, yet Portland still has no concrete policies in place to substantially reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The global climate science is clear, emissions must begin a substantial downward decline no later than 2025 or we face unthinkable consequences. New reports daily highlight that the crisis is worsening quicker than anticipated and there are many forces working against the needed goal successes. Our city needs to come up with annual steps to reduce greenhouse gases by about 10% yearly. And, yet, here in a budget surplus here as our PDX testimony with specific proposals has been largely ignored and what has been focused are additional studies. The IPCC report lays out a road map for policy makers on the solutions you need to invest in and there are plenty of other models out there to choose from. You can look to other cities for some of their bold actions. If Portland is not in the forefront of those taking this crisis seriously with timely actions to meet the necessary benchmarks and the funding to support them, what hope is there for the world. At the very least, upgrade the chief sustainability officer to a climate emergency director with sufficient powers charged with implementing substantial actions given as critical emergency. Create a climate emergency commission to sit down with science experts, concerned citizens, a full range of organizational stakeholders and a network of bureau climate emergency managers to figure it out. You might even consider a climate emergency set aside funds similar to what Commissioner fritz did for maintaining capital assets for this critical transition. We need annual concrete actions to reduce emissions starting this year with this budget, please.

Wheeler: Thank you. Appreciate it.

Clerk: Next up McKenzie Malone. McKenzie, you're muted.

**McKenzie Malone:** Thank you. Sorry about that. Hello everyone. My name is McKenzie Malone and I am the events director for venture Portland. Thank you for the opportunity to come speak to this afternoon. I am grateful to be here. Today, I'm here to advocate about the importance of the events hub and the continuation of the program through 2024 and hopefully much longer. The events hub team Gabriel Bono and myself were established in December of 2021 with the events hub really launching in early February. So far, we've seen tremendous success and momentum through a variety of different ways by connecting and making ourselves known within the community, supporting districts both underserved and prosperous, putting on events, acting as a resource center, and by facilitating monthly events related webinars each month. Due to the positive impacts seen throughout the first two quarters, we can only anticipate even more success throughout the remainder of the contract ending in November 2022. One metric that we measure achievement by is through information and the systems. And, today, the events staff has logged more than 500 hours and were just getting started. It's been an honor and absolute joy to be able to serve in this position. We are a small yet mighty team who are incredibly passionate about Portland and small business through the continuation of the events hub, we will be able to further our work by empowering events to take place within our treasured city and community. Thank you for events and the opportunity to come and speak today.

Wheeler: Thank you, McKenzie. Appreciate it.

Malone: Thank you.

**Clerk**: Next up Eleni Gerding, Liz Smith, and Ali Berman.

**Eleni Gerding:** Thank you for the opportunity to speak today. My name is Eleni Gerding. I'm a small business owner and the vice president of the stadium district business association. Today, you've been hearing about the important work being done through venture Portland efforts to expand our business districts who need it most to support local business helps revitalize our city. I wanted to speak to the importance of

continuing down the path of progress already made possible by arpa funds to further support these efforts through additional funding. Continuing to engage in meaningful work that directly impacts business owners, their business districts and the city as a whole is vital to returning businesses to their pre-pandemic success to help them thrive and more importantly to level up even further. Having increased the work hours from 12 to 36 hours was imperative to overcome the downfalls of the pandemic. The work is not done. And maintaining this level of support is essential while also providing real jobs with benefits to those involved. Thank you all.

**Wheeler:** Appreciate it. Thank you.

Clerk: Next up Liz Smith.

Liz Smith: Hello Mayor and Commissioners. Nice to see you today, thank you for having us and I'm here to support round two of the ARPA funding. I am a small business owner. I am the past president of venture Portland and I'm the current president of the St. John's business association in St. John's. So all of my friends and colleagues spoke a lot about the various aspects of having the district managers. I want to just speak specifically to what our district manager has done in St. John's which has been a tremendous amount. One of the most important things that the district managers do is outreach and that's in-person, phone, e-mail, however they need to do it. What we've learned from our small businesses is so many of them have had to down size if they have survived it all, they don't have time to come to meetings or have individual conversations with us. So we go to them. We meet them where they're at and this is something the district manager can do while the volunteers on the board or membership are running their businesses. So, having business owners run an organization without somebody who is a paid staff person is really challenging when you might have down sized yourself, but the work can continue through the work of the district manager which we get through venture Portland. The other thing that they do is they can focus on underserved sectors of our business district that previously we haven't had a lot of time to reach out to before and to take more relationship building. You know, maybe they don't show up to meetings. We don't know why or what that is about and they don't know how we can support them. Having a district manager really focused on these underserved sectors will help us help them and that is tremendously valuable work to us. They help us with grant applications, managing the grant and these are for district projects and community projects. Things so they can patronize our businesses. They do advocacy for us. But also serve as a liaison with pea bod. O-dot, travel Portland. Creating again these very important relationships that have us all mutually working towards the same goal of improving our districts, making them more welcoming and helping them again survive which is so important. The connection part is also quite important to me and it helps us serve as better ambassadors not just for st. John's or for north Portland, but in Portland in general showing the world how the great things about Portland, why you want to be here and fill our empty store fronts with businesses who want to be part of our district and then organizations, setting up future boards for success so that we can help the smaller businesses and our businesses as well. And I will pass it to the next person. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thanks for being here.

**Clerk**: Next up we have Ali Berman.

Ali Berman: Hello. I'm not here on behalf of the board today I'm here with a community member who cares about our city's parks. I'm here with the common-sense approach to following the city council's commitment and intent for the voters. During the process of the summer and fall of 2020, a lot of community stakeholders were concerned about the risk of using the parks levy as a back door to fund other city services or general fund gaps. We were told that the parks levy would be an incremental resource. We heard city council promise not to reduce funds. Commissioner Rubio's budget note amendment will ensure that parks levy is intended to be additive and not a substitute to general fund. I appreciate the four of you voted to give back to parks what

has been set aside for them and the capital set aside discussion in the spring bump. This all is a basic principle of the park's levy to be a service. I'm urging you to do the same today by supporting Commissioner Rubio's budget amendment. The possible use of the park's levy to back fill other city services, I don't upside why the Mayor and council would want to make every single dollar goes to parks because every dollar that's held back, the dollar of the parks levy that needs to be spent to cover those costs and that means less parks and recreation services for Portlanders. Less trash pickup in the parks and fewer opportunities for our kids this summer and next as well as so many others. From my perspective, keeping the commitment to voters means spending every dollar of the general fund that has been allocated to the base level of service. Thus reducing the incremental impact of the levy. I want to thank Commissioner Rubio in her march 17th memo to city council and I hope that council keeps this commitment that was made to voters. I believe in the city's role in providing a valuable service to the public. We're going to have a hard time finding a successor to the parks levy or the city passing any voter approved measure related to the city's operating budget. While I love parks, this is not just a parks issue. I think Commissioner Rubio has provided all of us a way to preserve Portlanders' trust. Thank you all.

Wheeler: Thank you.

**Clerk**: Next up, we have randy Gragg, followed by Dave Shirkhani, and Pearl Waldorf. **Randy Gregg:** Good afternoon. I'm Randy Gregg executive director of the Portland parks association. In the spring of 2020, Portland parks and recreation and you, Mr. Mayor were pondering whether to move forward with the parks levy to reverse years of cuts in an immediate \$16 million drop in revenues. The polling was soft. More than 32% were, yeah, maybe I'll vote for that. But you all decided to refer the ballot and with Commissioner fisher's recent death and with your office unfolding daily, the parks foundation had to step into a level of political leadership that we had never played. We were the face and we were the hand shake of the campaign. As we strategize for the

referral' it was agreed that a central ingredient needed to be a promise that levy funds would not be used to back fill general fund cuts. That the levy moneys were to be additive. In October 2020, Mr. Mayor, you made the same promise that at the tax supervising and conservation hearing. Our job leading the campaign was to get off the fence. And we found that, one, people were loving their parks more than ever before. Two, they saw the opportunity for a long-term fix in the levy to years of declining revenues that led to reductions in maintenance and increasing lack of equity and access to recreation programs. Three, community members saw parks essential to public health. They believe rec programs provided safety to our youth and workforce development and programs to keep youth occupied and happy and people saw parks as critical infrastructure and understood that unlike other city bureaus, parks needed an operating levy. But they were deeply skeptical that levy funds would not be used to back fill general fund allocations to parks. This wasn't an easy campaign. It was no slam dunk. There were other tax increases on the ballot. We were all living through unprecedented times. Covid, the murder of George Floyd, Trump. But Mayor and council's promise to not back fill was critical to our success. Over 60% voted for it. Commissioner Rubio's note codifies this promise. I've heard the arguments that sets a precedence that will complicate budget and. I would argue that the precedent you need to honor was set by the voters passage of the largest parks levy in the city's history for improved services and more equitable access to recreation programs. It will jeopardize the government's and will help us down the line for funding measures sent to the city by voters. Thank you.

Wheeler: Thank you.

**Clerk**: Next up, we have Dave Shirkhani. And next is Pearl Waldorf Not on the line, I'm just making sure they're not here in person. Pearl Waldorf. That completes testimony, Mayor.

**Wheeler:** Very good. Colleagues, if you don't mind, I'd like to take a 10-minute recess. It will give you a chance to have a discussion with my staff. I also want to be able to respond to some of the public testimony we had. So I'd like to dig up information on the budget and make sure I'm being accurate with it. So if there's no objection, it's 2: 45. Why don't we reconvene at 2: 55. We are in recess. [please stand by].

At 2:46, Council recessed.

At 2:58. Council reconvened.

Wheeler: All right. We're back in session. Are we recording? Okay. Very good. So, colleagues, we've heard public testimony and I just want to put a few items on the table related to that. We heard a number of people testifying in support of venture Portland and the business district coordinated. I want to make sure that's in the budget. We funded not only base level. We added \$1.7 million and \$1.8 billion and we're very happy with our working relationship with venture Portland. If you're still listening, we really appreciate all that you do and we thank you for your continued partnership going forward. There were questions about climate and in particular questions about having a climate leadership position in the city of Portland as well as funding for climate mitigation strategies. This budget actually allocates a record amount in our action plan. It does create a position. I love to say climate czar, but we'll say a climate coordination position and leadership position and I do understand that there are some who are testified who are suggesting that position should be a director level position and that I understand people want somebody who has decision-making abilities across all bureaus. I would just note that under our current form of government, actually nobody has that authority including me as the Mayor. But as the charter review commission does their work and refers their ideas to the ballot in November, that's something we can revisit in the future budget in terms of the actual authority of that position. So those are just a couple of items I wanted to make sure we had the opportunity to discuss. So my proposal is we go through each of these amendments and vote them up, vote them down and table them, whatever we want to do. At the conclusion of the amendments, we'll take a brief resus like 5 minutes because we're going to try to get Commissioner Hardesty on the phone. She would like to participate in the final vote. So after we get through the amendments, we'll take a brief recess and call in Commissioner Hardesty if that works for everybody. So, with that, I will go to Wheeler one which is a motion to increase general fund one-time resources by \$1.4 million for gun violence reduction work to occur. I'm always loathed to call something a technical amendment, but this is as close as it gets. But this is the formal process of moving the dollars with that programming into the program. Director, Kinard is there anything else you want to point out? Very well, please call the roll-on amendment number one.

Clerk: [roll call].

Wheeler: Thank you, colleagues. The amendment is adopted. And, Wheeler two is a motion to re-align motions in position of the office of community life, community safety program as well as move the reporting authority from the office of violence prevention to the office of management and finance community safety division. In other words, what we're doing is consolidating some of our public safety efforts under our newly created community safety division. We would be taking public safety resources out of the office of community and civic life and moving the office of violence prevention. Both of those into the community safety division so as to better coordinate both resources and services and, again, this is a policy discussion that we've had as a council. I never like to speak for other Commissioners, but it is my understanding that Commissioner Hardesty supports this as the Commissioner in charge of the office of community and civic life. I currently have the office of violence prevention in my portfolio, I strongly support this and, colleagues, I would encourage your support, but if you have questions or thoughts, I'd be happy to entertain them at this point. Please call the roll.

Clerk: [roll call].

Ryan: Mayor, thanks for bringing this forward. Government efficiency. I vote aye.

Clerk: Commissioner Mapps.

**Mapps:** Yeah. I want to thank the Mayor. For this reason, I vote aye.

Clerk: Rubio.

**Rubio:** I want to thank the Mayor and Commissioner Hardesty. This is a great alignment that moves our community forward. I vote aye.

Wheeler: I appreciate the partnership as well as the bureau and directors involved in this. Nike green as well as director Montoya and the folks at the office of civic community and life. I think this is an important move. It reflects the priority of addressing gun violence in our community and it also as Commissioner Ryan says, it fits perfectly with the lens of improving government efficiency and accountability. The amendment is adopted. We'll move to Rubio number one. Commissioner Rubio.

**Rubio:** Thank you, Mayor. This budget note ensures we spend the general fund that's already been allocated for the parks in the current fiscal year and that maintenance of effort was the commitment, the maintenance of the effort, that was the commitment we made to voters. It also does not commit any general fund beyond what has already been allocated to the bureau. Nor does it absolve the general cuts of the future in pro portion to other general fund bureaus. The services are tracked and have financial reporting for both the levy and the general fund and that tracking was developed with the input of the city attorney's office and was review bid the park's levy oversight committee. The amendment also requires them to report out to this council in October detailing lessons learned from implementation and that's because this levy is new and different in how we budget and account for both levy and general fund matters. To follow that report, we are committed to further discussions to find a resolution about the practices that would be applied in subsequent years and engage all our commission members in that discussion.

Wheeler: Thank you. Commissioner Rubio, I have a comment on this. First of all, i'd like to thank you and your office for bringing this forward. I appreciated those who testified today in support of the city council living up to the commitments that were made as the levy was put on the ballot. I appreciated Randy's historical perspective on this. There was no guarantee when we referred this to the ballot that it would pass and there was a concerted community effort to make sure that it did. And part of that was a commitment that we would not be using the levy dollars to back fill general fund dollars. I certainly appreciate that and support it. Commissioner Rubio, I also want to appreciate the fact that you agreed as part of this amendment to help lead a process where we talk about the broader policy implications and I don't remember the exact date that you mentioned, but some number of months in October between now and then, we would have the opportunity to participate in a larger discussion and director Kinard, I assume you'll be actively engaged in that and I look forward to participating in that and I think it's a terrific idea and I want to applaud you for that. Ultimately, we have to be accountable to the public with the dollars and i'll get to my amendment in a minute, but I think it even dove tails nicely with this amendment in terms of accountability and transparency to the public about how we are using those levy dollars. Any further discussion? Seeing none. Please call the roll.

**Clerk**: Ryan.

**Ryan:** Thank you for bringing this forward, Commissioner Rubio. And, as elected officials it's our duty to uphold commitments made to voters and I take into consideration that two thirds of voters voted in favor of the parks levy with the understanding that levy funds would not be used to back fill work normally covered by the general fund. I think it's important for us to consider how to proceed. I'm supportive of Commissioner Rubio and the park and recreation bureaus and ensuring we keep the promises we made to voters. Additionally, I think this raises some important questions with our budgeting system. The fact that this amendment carries overfunding to the

next fiscal year gives council the time it needs to dig in deep into these questions that are being raised and to find ways to improve our budgeting system for the long term. I'm excited to do that work with my colleagues. I vote aye.

**Clerk**: Commissioner Mapps.

Mapps: Aye.

Clerk: Rubio.

**Rubio:** I want to thank my colleagues and the staff for this issue. Parks has been working hard every to ensure we made the commitment to voters. Since March, they have been working to communicate their efforts to this council and staff as such. I want to thank in particular Adena Long and her leadership team for their work and the z thousands of dollars over the years. So I'm happy to vote aye.

Clerk: Wheeler.

Wheeler: At a time when trust in government has hit an all-time low, the taxpayers of this city, the voters of this city agreed to fund their most prized assets which are our public parks. It has ever been so. People love the parks in this community. And our obligation as a council is to live up to the agreement that we made with the taxpayers when they agreed to fund this levy and it is our obligation to make sure that we are as diligent and accountable as possible with those levy dollars. I'm very happy to support this. I appreciate the effort, Commissioner Rubio. I vote aye. The amendment is adopted. Next is Wheeler three which dove tails with this and I see it as an important addition to the amendment that we just passed. It's a standalone amendment, but what it does, you know, once you go through all of the legalese, it requires us to keep a clear and separate accounting of exactly how we are allocating our levy dollars and how we are allocating our general fund dollars. This will help in the discussion that Commissioner Rubio intends to lead culminating in October and it will also give us a clear paper trail in terms of how we are spending the taxpayers' dollars which I believe will be critically

important when the time comes to renew this levy. Are there any further questions or discussion about this? Commissioner Rubio.

**Rubio:** Thank you, Mayor. I have concerns about this amendment that it would circumvent the very discussion we need to have in the fall and I would really like to call up Todd and Claudio to ask them how this would impact them and their bureau.

**Wheeler:** Director Kinard, why don't you go ahead and stay. Good afternoon. If you could state your names for the record, please.

**Todd Lofgren:** Good afternoon. Todd Lofgren.

Claudio Campuzano: Claudio Campuzano.

**Rubio:** Thanks for being here. I was wondering if you could tell us how different this isfrom what is we just passed and also how would that impact the bureau.

**Lofgren:** So the amendment that council just passed that Commissioner Rubio submitted would allow us to close out the current fiscal year following our current budget practices following the direction of the previous council and the promises made to voters making sure we expend our general fund resources and the parks levy resources are additive. If I understand it correctly from the Mayor's amendment, that would allow implementation as well for the current fiscal year.

Wheeler: Correct.

**Lofgren:** To follow those practices. So really what we're talking about then is fiscal year 2022-23 going forward. And we'll bring a report back in october. We can make sure that the parks levy oversight committee also used those so you get that feedback as well in october. It's a five-member community oversight committee that meets quarterly and so in the fall, you'll have your first annual report. I think kind of gets to what you're attending making sure we have a full accounting of how the levy funds are expended in the parks budget. So we'll have the first report on that in the fall as well. The Mayor's amendment is proposing a little different approach than Commissioner Rubio's approach for closing out the current year budget. So that will involve different budget

practices in the Mayor's amendment. And that is exactly I think what we're hoping to have this extra time for so we can see the different implementation of the Mayor's proposal.

Wheeler: With that in mind, I would be willing to amend my amendment to have it be effective July 1st so it does not impact the current fiscal year. Is there any objection?

Rubio: I know you have a comment. Just in response to you, I still have concerns. I think that it should definitely be something on the table that we discuss at the full discussion with council this fall or in the months up to fall. I think it's something we should all be talking about and looking more into. I just don't feel like our bureau's prepared to do that right now without any assessment or time.

**Wheeler:** So how can we have the discussion if we don't know how the dollars are sequestered between the levy and the general fund? What I'm asking for is the data and this would ensure that we have the data.

Lofgren: So, in the city of Portland we use something called functional areas. Surface areas of how we define our services and how we account for how we spend our money. We have 151 of those functional areas at parks and we've gone through, this is what was mentioned earlier, we went through it with the city attorney's office, parks levy oversight committee to identify which functional areas are general fund eligible and which functional areas are levy eligible. So we've done that assessment already. You'll see that in the first-year annual report of how expenditures are made. What's really happening today is the discussion of how our carry-over funds are unspent funds in any current year treated at the end of the year. You will have full transparency in the parks levy spending and you'll have that accounting this fall in the first year of the levy report.

Wheeler: I'm not sure I completely understood you so I'm going to let it percolate and

**Mapps:** Thanks. This is a complicated and slightly opaque topic. I was wondering if parks could be more explicit for me in your understanding of what the Mayor's

go to Commissioner Mapps.

proposed amendment is asking you to do. What's the Mayor's proposed budget asking you to do? Or the proposed amendment asking you to do?

**Campuzano:** That's a great question. If I understand it correctly, it's asking parks to what's called direct budget expenses. So the system and I'll note that we've spent the better part of the last year, hundreds of staff hours developing the mechanisms and operating practices to implement the parks levy transparently and in compliance with the measure and with the referral. So what it would do is it would actually make us shift from the path that we're on which is using this leverage funding model which says as Todd explained, we have 151 services, 71 of those are general fund only. 80 of those are levy eligible. Levy eligible, for example, picking up trash, cleaning restrooms, providing community center activities etc. So and we've got those identified at the line-item level and those activities are reimbursed using the levy only in as much as is necessary to close the gap on expenses and that's how we ensure that we maintain -- that's how we make sure we fully maximize the levy over time. So what I understand, the Mayor's direction would be direct budgeting which says this person is budgeted here. This expense goes here and, I'll note that's something that we actually explored early on and I've spoken with CBO And some of your offices about it. We explored that early on and it really was an enormous challenge operation alley and frankly from a transparency perspective as an example we've got any number of park techs. We've got an enormous number of park techs in the system cleaning up trash and cleaning restrooms and what we would have is some of them that are funded with levies, some of them are funded with general fund, that would effectively create two separate budgets that every supervisor needs to manage. They would need to move a position from the heavy to the general fund. Etc. Sorry to go into such detail.

**Mapps:** This is what I want.

**Campuzano:** Frankly I am concerned to direct us to direct budget is to go down a path that we've already gone down and discover it as really challenging. So before we make

that decision, we really want to explore it further with others to see if they can help us solve the problems that we've identified along the path. So, for example, the issue that I just described, you know, it gets down to the question of you if you buy a vehicle with the specific levy funding, is it only park levied folks that can drive that. We want to and it gets reimbursed and only in as much as needed to fully fund the expenses. And we felt that that hit two birds with one stone. One was that it eliminated a lot of h.r. Would be overwhelmed with all the position changes. Because they're the same function, right. So that would be challenging, but also we did develop it with the understanding that parks has been allocated in 2003, and the expectation is that we would spend in general fund if there were reductions across the board, we would obviously take a reduction because just as we did this year with \$3.7 million reduction. I don't think as the Commissioner mentioned there's no protection, but the idea is the mechanism we set up allows for that transparency, that accountability and also adheres to that spirit of fully utilizing the allocation that has been made to marks parks. So, does that help.

**Mapps:** That does help. What terms are you using to describe that approach to budgeting again? So there's one approach which is direct budgeting.

**Campuzano:** So we refer to it as a leverage funding model. We're leveraging general fund with the levy there are other models that are similar with the city for example, my colleague Jessica Kinard is funded with a blend of funds. She doesn't charge to BES or to water. She's funded with general fund overhead. General fund overhead is a similar mechanism in that it's a pool of expenses that then are allocated out to a variety of resources. The general fund picks up about half and then you have multiple funds that pick-up others. And so that makes it simple for Jessica to charge her time without having to say I did things on sewer today, water today, both yesterday. And it's effectively a blend of funds. Does that help?

**Mapps:** Yeah. That sure does. And thank you, I'm glad. I'd like to get some comment or some reflection from the budget office around the relative matters of direct budgeting

versus the leverage funding model. Director, number one, are there any other bureaus in the city of Portland that use the leverage funding model to manage their accounts that you're aware of?

**Kinard:** Thanks for the question, Commissioner. There are other bureaus across the city that have blended funds for operations, bureau of emergency communications and any bureau that has general overhead. There's no other bureau that is proposing or is using quite the same leverage model, but the position that the parks is in is unique with the voter approved levy. The only other situation that I would highlight would be with the joint office of homeless services, of course, as a voter approved levy, but they are not within the city's structure. They are a county structure. So there is no other situation quite like this in the city.

**Mapps:** And the conversation is kind of confusing. Who sets fiscal policy in the city? Is that something that's devolved into bureaus or does the budget office set that? **Kinard:** So council adopts financial policy. We have financial policy that's adopted and approved by the council and the council has the ability to change their policies we do have accounting policies that are governed by the accounting rules and generally the gap, and then I think that in practice, we also have the process of every fund in the city

has a fund manager that is responsible for overseeing those funds function and making sure that the fund is deployed in alignment with financial policy as well as the fund statement of purpose outlining what those resources should be used for.

**Mapps:** One more question and then I'll turn the pique back to my colleagues. So given the system that parks is using now if I wanted to take a look at spending reports for this fiscal year that we're wrapping up right now, would I be able to tell what money got --where levy money got spent versus where general fund money got spent or is that -- **Campuzano:** The answer's yes. We're using the general fund as our operating fund. A lot of other bureaus have a non-general fund so if you were to look at the general fund, what you would see is expenses in the general fund and in those services that are levy

eligible, you would see reimbursement specifically to those line items from the levy and you would basically be able to see of those services how much of them have been funded with the levy. Does that help?

**Mapps:** It does help and I'd like to ask the budget director if that's how she would describe how these systems work at this moment also.

**Kinard:** Yes. From a reporting standpoint, I've heard the parks description and that makes sense to me from a year end sort of reporting standpoint. The point of contention is really what deputy director Lofgren said earlier which is the nexus between budgeting and accounting that what happens at the end of the year in terms of underspending and how resources are prioritized internally, and this is the subject of the conversation I believe that is seeking to dive into more deeply.

**Mapps:** Yeah. Both for myself and for folks watching at home, what is the nub of that, the sort of tension that happens when the budgeting interacts with accounting or whatnot? What are the stakes here?

**Kinard:** So in the general fund and so the budget office in tandem with the accounting division, we're sort of charged with managing the general fund because it's a large resource that spreads across many bureaus. We have a practice in the city where if bureaus do not spend that resource in that fund, in that accounting fund at the end of the year, it comes back to our central balance and forward to re-prioritize. In addition, there's also a practice and a policy as well of having discretionary or unrestricted resources always spent last and so that leads you to in that fund often times if there's any money that's left over at the end of the year, it's deemed discretionary resource and it's returned to the general fund and available for appropriation. So this is again a very unique situation and I want to be clear that the proposal that parks has put forward is in alignment with accounting policy and practice. The way that the reimbursement structure is working however has the impact of having essentially all the general fund be expended first which presents a different practice than how general fund is used in

other places. So the impact of that means there's no longer going to be general fund underspending at the end of each fiscal year for the parks bureau which we don't have - we don't know for certain what the Sunday spending would be on a year to year basis. Typically during the typical year it was less than a million dollars for the parks bureau.

Mapps: What's it now?

**Kinard:** Currently, there's a situation which is why I think in both the Mayor's amendment and Commissioner Rubio's amendment, there's language to allow the bureau to carry over resources in this fiscal year this year because the bureau is ramping up services in the levy anticipate today have significantly more underspend engine that fund this year as a result of budgeting more levy resources primarily this year. I would need claudio to probably weigh in on precisely how much they're looking at now. But it was over \$10 million when we were looking at it in the spring.

**Mapps:** Claudio.

Campuzano: Yeah. That's absolutely right. So probably closer to \$15 million. And the reason for that is that when we sat in front of council in the fall to request the 90.5f.t.e. That were added and that was sort of a really big push on adding staff to meet the levy goals. 90.5 FTE we've been trying to hire those in the same environment that everybody's trying to hire. And we didn't want to give hiring supervisors any sense that they should hold off. So we budgeted them for I believe the last four months of the fiscal year. So all 90.5, last four months of the fiscal year. We also budgeted all the vehicles. We are also encountering the same supply chain issues that everybody else is experiencing. Getting money out the door has been very hard and so that's really what's been driving the underspending. But I think that, you know, when you look at historical underspending, I think Jessica mentioned that, you know, prior to 2019, our underspending was usually in the only couple of hundred thousands. After that, it got very volatile and largely -- partly because of the big cuts we took in 2019 because we -- well, we couldn't go into the history there. But that was a very challenging year and so

then during the pandemic, we ended up seeing underspending partly because we were -- we've laid off over 750 staff we weren't expecting to lay off. We were completely uncertain about what kind of revenue we would be generating and so we actually ended up in a better place than we thought and any revenue we earned results in less spending. So there were a lot of factors that resulted in larger underspending than we'd seen historically. I'd be happy to dig into that deeper.

**Mapps:** At some point, we could. I know I promised to turned mic back over to my colleagues, but one more question just for the sake of clarity. And my understanding. Could you briefly summarize for us one more time your concerns about the Mayor's proposed amendment?

Campuzano: Sure. So especially if it were to take effect July 1st, as I said, we've spent hundreds of staff hours building the sort of fiscal infrastructure to deliver these services the way that we budget, the models that we built, the communications we've done with our staff to start direct budgeting as of July 1st and while I think, you know, it sounds like we would have some grace to budget it by some point later. In order for that budget to actually -- the actuals are where we're going to run into the trouble. We would need to start having those actuals hit on July 1st and rewiring that entire budget as of July 1st. I don't know how I would do it, frankly. And, I think we could do it maybe for 23-24. But I'd love to have the conversation about why it would be valuable because we've been down that road and discarded that option and gone with the option we did and we'd love to sort of talk that through with folks.

**Mapps:** Sure. And I know I promised that I would turn the mic over, but this is so interesting. So, can you tell us about the policy decisions around how did the choice get made to switch from I assume you guys were using direct budgeting to switch to a leverage funding model? Was that something that came to council. Was that something through Commissioner in charge happened. Was that something that staff figured out?

Campuzano: Well, it's something that staff figured out. We starting to work through it with our stakeholders and then we brought it to our Commissioner who brought it to council in the form of her march 17th memo. I think your point about sort of like the responsibilities matrix around decision-making with regard to budget practice is a little bit vague in this specific area because we've never done this before and so, it seemed appropriate that the Commissioner would direct us, you know, and I think that there's a lot of history around Commissioners and bureaus making determinations about the best way to set up their budgets. So that's where we went and we've been, you know looking to engage in this conversation the last several months. So happy to engage and really looking in any way possible to get charity and I think that, you know, I think that the Commissioners sent out a memo around her budget note and one of the things was to really clarify that the budget note was to get that clarity that you're talking about and to really sort of make sure that everybody is on the same page because there is no mechanism in the city for establishing that clarity and that alignment and so we're really seeking it.

Mapps: Okay. And colleagues, I will lower my hand for awhile.

Wheeler: Please call the roll.

**Clerk**: Ryan.

**Ryan:** Collecting my thoughts. First, I want to start off by staying -- please stay. It will make it more interesting. First, I want to say how much I respect the three of you. That was a really good conversation and, you know, we're having a practice conversation and it's a little dangerous when elected officials dive in there with you and think we're going to provide some new information that would help you move forward. So what I loved experiencing was how you're all diving in right now and I also want to think back to, you know, Commissioner fish's legacy of always talking about how the parks needs to have a sustained business model and that you're always in a deficit. And I know Commissioners talks about that as well rest until peace, Commissioner fish. Right now, what I can't see is

-- now what I notice is is we're going to keep talking about this and figure it out. So I'm good with that. So I don't want to pass something that would give us more microwork to do. And, I respect it was a great conversation. I feel like I'm in the hot seat. My point is, I can't see the value of going beyond what we talked about with the october agreement. And I have trust that you all figure that out and will have more information in october. And so at this moment, at this time with the new information because, again, the first one, I was alluded to that back in march. So that did feel like it was a frustrating thing. This was rushed. I think we have been diving into something really complex and necessary. I hope this is making some sense. And I really do appreciate all of you coming up here today and being so transparent which is the key word. So today, what we've provided for the public is the trust of the voters was sustained and we're having this really important transparent dialog about the stewardship of those finances. So, with all of that, I'm voting no on this amendment.

Clerk: Mapps.

Mapps: Aye.

Clerk: Rubio.

**Rubio:** I also want to thank you for having this conversation. It's really important to have and the reason why I put forward my amendment so that we could have this report to council in october so that we could have these kinds of discussion so we can do it thoroughly, fully, and talk about how these accounting practices relate to the levy which is new and different and I also just want to say that parks and my office are really looking for those ideas and further discussions and looking for that clarity as we heard today. And we want to dive deeper into this. Asking parks to undo and redo all the work that they did last year to set up all their tracking systems with the levy in hand I think does not acknowledge all those countless hours of work they put into that sustaining it to the future and learning their good work. I think that's important for us to listen and learn in this as well so that we have that in our minds as we explore what happens

moving forward. I also have concerns about asking parks to build and manage two different budgets without knowing completely what that means or if knowing what is or isn't working and the mechanisms we're doing now and how that will impact our service delivery and capacity moving forward. So for these reasons, I really want to have this discussion, but I want to have it together and finding a resolution first. So for these reasons, I vote no.

Clerk: Wheeler.

**Wheeler:** Thank you. I enjoyed the conversation as well. I found it highly illuminating. I first of all want to acknowledge what the parks bureau budget officer said is true. It is legal. But what is legal is not accountable or transparent. This is not a hill I intend to die on, but I do want the record to reflect that I voted aye on this amendment. That I felt it was important to get beyond the co-mingling and we can be transparent as well as legal. I vote aye but the amendment fails on a 2-2 vote. So, colleagues, that completes the amendments.

Legal Counsel: Mayor. We still need to do reviews amendment number two.

**Clerk**: Rubio's amendment number two.

**Wheeler:** Oh, we didn't vote on that. I apologize. Please call the roll.

Clerk: Ryan.

**Ryan:** This is the O'Bryant square?

Clerk: Correct.

**Ryan:** Aye.

**Wheeler:** Strongly supported. Thank you for resolving what's been a multi-year debacle. I don't know how else to put it. I think this is absolutely the most pragmatic solution and people particularly immediately adjacent to O'Bryant square have been looking for a solution for a long time. And, no matter which direction we come from on this, all of us agree a large fenced off downtown city block is not the way to go. And so I'm really excited about what kind of a strong vision this could provide for the

downtown core. I vote aye and the amendment is adopted. So that concludes our amendments. Colleagues, any objection if I put forward an emergency clause amendment? For the whole shebang. I'm now seeking a motion and we'll pause before we take the final vote on the whole deal while we get Commissioner Hardesty on the phone. I'm now seeking a motion -- well, I'll move to add the emergency close to the adopted budget ordinance which reads council declares that an emergency exists because it's necessary to adopt the budget and establish appropriations without delay in order to provide authority to transact the financial affairs for the city fiscal year 2022-23. This ordinance shall be in full force in effect from and after July 1st, 2022, can I get a second?

Mapps: Second.

**Wheeler:** Commissioner Mapps, second. Any further discussion on the amendment? Please call the roll on the amendment.

Clerk: [roll call].

**Wheeler:** The amendment's adopted. Colleagues, we'll take a 5-minute recess while we try to get Commissioner Hardesty on the line to take her vote on the whole package as amended. We're in recess. [please stand by].

At 3:41 pm, Council recessed.

At 3:56 pm, Council reconvened.

**Wheeler:** All right. We're back from our recess and Commissioner Hardesty is present. We will now take a final vote on the budget as amended. Keelan, please call the roll.

Clerk: [roll call].

Wheeler: Commissioner Hardesty, go ahead.

**Hardesty:** Thank you. I didn't hear, but thank you very much. Let me just say how thrilled I am that this budget has come together and I'm grateful to the Mayor's office

and the Mayor's team that worked closely with all of us to make this budget the best it could be. I am very happy to vote aye and I appreciate the collaboration in the process.

Clerk: Ryan.

Ryan: Hello, Commissioner Hardesty, your brevity was impressive --

Mapps: Can I ask a question?

**Wheeler:** Yeah. So I asked for Commissioner Hardesty to vote first just in case we lose her.

**Mapps:** I didn't know if we're actually doing the vote. I apologize, Commissioner Ryan. Reboot.

Ryan: We just didn't want to lose her. Colleagues, I always believe that a budget is a road map that tells you the direction that we're headed. When I look at the budget, it's clear to me our priorities are aligned in collective work and service of our city. We're headed in the right direction. We remain focused and addressing homelessness with an overarching lens of equity, racial justice, and government efficiency. I'm proud to work as a council. We listened to the community and we've responded with a budget that will make real gains toward our shared goals. During our community listening sessions, we continue to hear from Portlanders concerned about community safety and we've listened and taken action. I'm proud that this budget has significant support for community safety investments including the expanding 311 to 24/7 operations and increasing 911 staff. We have a lot of investments in the road ahead. When it comes to economic recovery, I've and there's been a lot. So specifically, I've fought and you've all agreed with the small business grants and other including the support of the minority chambers of commerce the pivotal piece is fixing our broken system. We need to get Portland in the building mode and we all know it's time to stop kicking that that's why I'm thrilled that this budget will fund an implement team. Economic development may not be glamorous, but it's absolutely crucial for our city's long-term success. When it comes to the issues of housing and homelessness, it's clear that every one of us are

impacted. And we must do more to meet people where they are. A personally invested in addressing homelessness and I'm grateful that our budget includes investments and expansion of the streets testability funding for the six villages and the two additional outdoor shelters Portlanders are experiencing homelessness for an additional two years. I've recently learned in the last six months, there were four hundred two people who were housed and that the Mayor and Commissioner Hardesty built just two years ago. I can't wait to see what the villages can do when running at full capacity. One of those is a joint homeless services partially funded. Operations of the street services coordination center. The new homeless initiative created in the last year having some major issues in response to the crisis. While paving the pathway for new affordable housing in the Broadway corridor. Addressing our housing crisis requires dedication across the continuum from streets to stability. We need the safe for us villages, and we need to provide more opportunities for home ownership. I've always said it's the two ends of the continuum that have been suffering. The onramps from being chronically houseless to stability, and then we need some onramps to homeownership, because what we really want is to build generational wealth. These two ends of the spectrum are often the most overlooked. From talking to people who are chronically homeless to an onramp stable housing, despite many challenges, where being strategic about providing opportunities for this home ownership. These investments homelessness, anti-displacement homeownership, land thinking, and innovative strategies, like the streets coordination, services coordination center, will help Portlanders across the continuum achieve stable housing. All right, it sounds like a lot, but I've just scratched the surface. We are funding mission critical work that aligns with our shared priorities as a council. But more importantly, these budget decision align with what Portlanders have asked us for. While there is so much more work ahead of us, I want to pause and offer a moment of gratitude to those involved in the budget process. First, to each community member who showed up to testify. Some of you while looking over your children or on a break

on the zoom, we heard you. And I hope that you can find something in this budget that shows we listened. I also want to thank the staff from each bureau, the council offices, and in particular the Mayor's office, the city budget office and the council clerk. Thank you for the many hours spent on the proposals, analysis, meetings and communicating the many details throughout this process. I must call out new director Kinard, nice to see you live -- first time since I have been on council -- for your exceptional leadership. And the Mayor's office, again, for their coordination that made this imperfect budget process, which is just a natural thing, a joyful and collaborative effort. I'm glad for the work we were able to accomplish together in creating the fiscal year budget for 2022-2023. And a special heartfelt thank you to my team. Policy director mark Vaughn, constituent relations and policy adviser Darion Jones, you are the rock for every council meeting. Thank you, Darion. Executive operations budget brook gardener, our traffic controller and senior policy adviser Karen Chapman, for the homeless strategy manager Charity Montez, and permit improvement strategy manager, Kerry Tyson, and, of course, our fearless leader, chief of staff, Kelly Torres. I'm blessed to have an incredible team. I want to thank you all. I vote aye.

Mapps: Colleagues before I cast my vote on this budget I'd like to take a moment to thank each of the city staff and the people of the Portland for helping craft this spending plan. I believe that over the next 12 months the investments contained in this budget will make Portland safer, more liveable and more equitable and how every member of council made important contributions to this budget. So I will limit my comments to the elements of this budget that I'm particularly proud of. For example, I'm proud of this budget because this budget will make Portland safer. This budget will help Portlanders pay their utility bills. And this budget invests in and reimagines Portland's creative economy. Here are some of the ways this budget will make Portland safer. By passing this budget we will reduce wait times on 911 calls. And we will be able to run Portland's street response 24-hours-a-day, 7-days-a-week within every neighborhood in

our city. In addition, this budget invested \$13 million in violence prevention programs. This budget buys us 70 unarmed police officers. And this budget strengthens our efforts to recruit a new generation of armed police officers. In addition, this budget helps Portlanders who are having trouble making ends meet by offering financial assistance to our neighbors that are struggling to pay their water and sewer bills. Further, this budget also invests in and reimagines Portland's creative economy. With this budget the name and mission of Portland office of film changes to the office of film and events. This change is not just a cosmetic rebranding, the name change represents an expansion in reimagining the city's role in supporting the arts and culture. Our new office of film and events will continue to lure major film and tv productions to Portland, but moving forward, the office of film and events will also work to attract concerts and major events to our cities. Colleagues, I hope and expect that this expansion of the office of film and events mission and portfolio will help create new family-waged jobs in the arts, and leverage millions of dollars of new economic activity in our city. I would like recognize and thank my chief of staff, Katie Meyer, for her leadership in helping reinvent and revitalize Portland's arts economy. Colleagues, as I get ready to cast my vote I do so with confidence and with humility. I'm confident the vision and investments contained in this budget will make Portland an even better city over the next 365 days. As I cast this vote I also feel a sense of humility because I know this budget does not do enough. Even if every one of the plans in this budget is implemented flawlessly, a year from now, the work of making Portland a safer and more liveable and equitable city will not be complete. That is our fate. But that is not failure. The work of building a better Portland is never done. Since 1851 Portlanders have elected people to this council to do what we're about to do. To craft a budget that lays out a hopeful vision for our city. In 150 years from now our great, great, great, great, grandchildren will gather on this council to continue the work of crafting a budget that will build a better city. In other words, while the work of building a better Portland is never done, I am proud of the work we have

done in this budget. Colleagues, it has been an honor to share this work with you. And it's been an honor to share this moment with you. And for these reasons I vote aye.

Clerk: Rubio.

**Rubio:** First I would like to appreciate director Kinard and her team at the city budget office and the Mayor and his staff for setting up a really robust and collaborative budget process this year. I want to thank each of my council colleagues for their very thoughtful engagement across all of the offices. As well my chief of staff for her incredible work this year. Our offices had more time with all of the city bureaus and also a lot of the community. It was really great. It was a transparent and collaborative process, even more than last year, and all of our staff have already committed to building a better one together for next year. I want to thank the community that testified and those who testified back in May at our budget hearing. And I want all Portland residents to know that we listened and we found shared priorities, and I hope that the public feels that this budget reflects their input to us and their feedback. I'm also am hopeful that even in this time of multiple crises, our budget demonstrates a commitment to progress on multiple fronts, on housing and houselessness, on public safety and gun violence, toward a safety system centered in public health and community, on resourcing to remove structural barriers and economic disparities, and building belonging, including and especially, our most vulnerable neighborhoods in our black and indigenous and people of color communities as we recover and re-open. Also on supporting small businesses, neighborhood districts and minority chambers and associations, on enhancing parks and recreation services, and putting capital construction dollars to work at the mt. Scott community center, and peninsula park community center, and as discussed earlier, O'Bryant square. And finally I'm particularly excited about the partnership with the Mayor and his office, to ensure that we made historic investments to fight climate change. And I'm excited for July when we will come before this council for the adoption of our climate action plan. And this budget ensures that we will have more of the

needed staff capacity to meaningfully implement it. I also want to thank my colleagues for supporting the parks amendments and for the discussion to come this fall. And overall, I strongly believe that our collective efforts around the process and the investment decisions that will move Portland in the right direction. Thanks to everyone who brought us today. I vote aye.

Clerk: Wheeler.

Wheeler: This adopted budget creates our funded plan of action for the next year. And it determines both the policies we pursue and both the actions we're planning to take as a city. You have heard me refer to it as a four by three approach. It is a budget that focuses on the council's four priorities homelessness, community safety, liveability, and economic recovery. And it's informed by three important lenses equity, climate change and high-performance government. Before we close, I want to express my thanks once more to my colleagues for their very thoughtful engagement and collaboration on several items within in the adopted budget. Thank you all. This year we intensified our internal budget process bringing council offices and bureaus to together to discuss nearly 200 different budget packages. Council offices worked as a team to evaluate and prioritize bureau requests. The amount of preparation and coordination required by our bureaus, budget office, council staff, bureau directors, people from every office to execute this level of collaborate on a process, as complex as this, is truly remarkable. I want to thank my fellow Commissioners for their leadership throughout the budget process. I'm proud to say that we've produced a budget that answers Portlander's consistent call for meaningful and immediate action to our most urgent problems. While supporting our goals to be more equitable, mitigate climate change, and do better with the provision of our basic city services. I want to give specific thanks to Bobby Lee, my chief of staff, always the water tiger thank you Bobby. Sara Morrisey deputy chief of staff. Sam Adams, Haley Blonsley and the entire team for their terrific work on this

budget. Without further ado, it's time to get the work done. I vote aye and the budget

is adopted. Before closing, as is traditional, I will turn it over to director Kinard.

Kinard: Thank you, Mayor. We now have one final item to consider adopting the

budget and it is to adopt the tax levy ordinance. This action includes the levy amounts

for property taxes accruing to the general fund, the parks 2020 local option levy fund,

the children's investment fund, and the fire employees' disability retirement fund. It also

includes property tax levies for general obligation bonded debt, and our urban renewal

areas. Back to you, Mayor.

Wheeler: Colleagues any questions on this? I'm losing my voice at just the right time.

Keelan, do we have anybody signed up for public testimony on this?

Clerk: No, not on this item.

**Wheeler:** All right. Good. With that please call the roll.

Clerk: Ryan?

Ryan: Aye.

**Clerk:** Mapps?

Mapps: Aye.

Clerk: Rubio?

**Rubio:** Aye.

Clerk: Wheeler?

Wheeler: Aye. The tax levies are approved. And I believe that completes our business.

Director Kinard, once again congratulations on a fabulous process. (applause) Thank

you. And we are adjourned.

At 4:16 pm, Council adjourned.