



May 8, 2024 Council Agenda

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Wednesday, May 8, 2024 9:30 am

Session Status: Recessed

Council in Attendance: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Commissioner Carmen Rubio

Commissioner Dan Ryan

Commissioner Rene Gonzalez

Commissioner Mingus Mapps

Mayor Wheeler presided.

Officers in attendance: Alan Yoder, Deputy City Attorney; Keelan McClymont, Council Clerk

The Consent Agenda was adopted on a Y-5 roll call.

Council recessed at 9:42 a.m. and reconvened at 9:45 a.m.

Council recessed at 10:12 a.m. and reconvened at 10:15 a.m.

Council recessed at 11:16 a.m. and reconvened at 11:22 a.m.

Council recessed at 11:41 a.m.

Communications

345

[Request of Julie Partain to address Council regarding a thriving Rose City Self Defense](#) (Communication)

Document number: 345-2024

Disposition: Placed on File

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[Request of Katie Cahill to address Council regarding a thriving Rose City Self Defense](#) (Communication)

Document number: 346-2024

Disposition: Placed on File

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[Request of Cassandra Cole to address Council regarding a thriving Rose City Self Defense](#) (Communication)

Document number: 347-2024

Disposition: Placed on File

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[Request of Megan Hofer to address Council regarding a thriving Rose City Self Defense](#) (Communication)

Document number: 348-2024

Disposition: Placed on File

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[Request of Jessica Irvine to address Council regarding a thriving Rose City Self Defense](#) (Communication)

Document number: 349-2024

Disposition: Placed on File

Time Certain

350

[Proclaim May 2024 to be Mental Health Awareness Month](#) (Proclamation)

Document number: 350-2024

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Time certain: 9:45 am

Time requested: 20 minutes

Disposition: Placed on File

351

[Authorize Intergovernmental Agreements for the Portland Clean Energy Fund Climate Investment Plan Strategic Program 16 - Climate Friendly Public Schools not to exceed \\$50,075,000 over five years](#) (Ordinance)

Document number: 191705

Introduced by: Commissioner Carmen Rubio

Bureau: Planning and Sustainability (BPS)

Time certain: 10:05 am

Time requested: 10 minutes

Second reading agenda item 341.

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Rene Gonzalez Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

352

[Accept Report from Chief Procurement Officer on Professional Modeling Support Services for five years not to exceed \\$11,250,000](#) (Report)

Document number: 352-2024

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau: Management and Finance; Revenue and Financial Services

Time certain: 10:15 am

Time requested: 10 minutes

Disposition: Accepted

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

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Rene Gonzalez Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

Consent Agenda

353

[Reappoint Samuel Miller, Bobby Daniels Jr. and Maurice Rahming to the Development Review Advisory Committee for terms to expire May 11, 2027](#) (Report)

Document number: 353-2024

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler; Commissioner Carmen Rubio

Bureau: Development Services

Disposition: Confirmed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Rene Gonzalez Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

354

[*Pay workers compensation claim of Ruth Makinster for \\$10,000 involving Portland Parks and Recreation](#)
(Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191699

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau: Risk Management

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea
Commissioner Rene Gonzalez Yea
Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea
Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea
Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

355

[*Authorize the transfer of ownership and management responsibilities for Holman Dock and Duckworth Dock to Portland Parks and Recreation](#) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191700

Introduced by: Commissioner Dan Ryan

Bureau: Parks & Recreation

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea
Commissioner Rene Gonzalez Yea
Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea
Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea
Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

356

[*Accept grant for up to \\$500,000 from TriMet, authorize Intergovernmental Agreement for design and construction of capital improvements to improve transit speed and reliability, and appropriate \\$165,000 in FY 2023-24](#)
(Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191701

Introduced by: Commissioner Mingus Mapps

Bureau: Transportation

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea
Commissioner Rene Gonzalez Yea
Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea
Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea
Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

357

[*Authorize contract with the lowest responsible bidder to fill lighting gaps between SE Foster Rd and NE San Rafael St for the 122nd Ave Corridor Lighting Project](#) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191702

Introduced by: Commissioner Mingus Mapps

Bureau: Transportation

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Rene Gonzalez Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

358

[*Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement with Multnomah County for road and drainage facility maintenance in certain unincorporated areas of Multnomah County west of the Willamette River](#) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191703

Introduced by: Commissioner Mingus Mapps

Bureau: Transportation

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Rene Gonzalez Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

359

[*Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Wilsonville for local improvement district services](#) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191704

Introduced by: Commissioner Mingus Mapps

Bureau: Transportation

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Rene Gonzalez Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

Regular Agenda

360

[*Amend City Code to update existing public camping restriction policies \(repeal Code Sections 14A.50.020, 14A.50.025, add Code Sections 14A.50.140, 14A.50.150, 14A.50.160, 14A.50.170, 14A.50.180, and amend Sections 14A.50.050, 14A.55.010, 29.50.050\)](#) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191706

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Second reading agenda item 339.

Disposition: Passed As Amended

Vote called. (Y-5)

Motion to reconsider: Moved by Wheeler and seconded by Mapps. (Y-5)

Motion to add an emergency clause to enact an actionable ordinance to enforce camping rules and restrictions:

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

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Rene Gonzalez Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

361

[Proclaim May 5, 2024 to be Missing and Murdered Indigenous Relatives Day of Awareness](#)

(Proclamation)

Document number: 361-2024

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau: Government Relations

Time requested: 20 minutes

362

[Accept bid of \\$2,634,575 from Team Electric Company for the Groundwater Pump Station Motor Control Center Replacement Project \(Procurement Report - ITB 00002276\)](#) (Report)

Document number: 362-2024

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau: Management and Finance; Revenue and Financial Services

Time requested: 15 minutes

Disposition: Accepted - Prepare Contract

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

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Rene Gonzalez Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

363

[*Authorize contract with CenturyLink Communications, LLC, dba Lumen, for ongoing data transport services for three years not to exceed \\$4 million](#) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191707

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau: Management and Finance; Technology Services

Time requested: 30 minutes (1 of 3)

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Rene Gonzalez Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

364

[*Authorize contract with CenturyLink Communications, LLC, dba Lumen, for ongoing voice services for five years not to exceed \\$7,500,000](#) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191708

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau: Management and Finance; Technology Services

Time requested: 30 minutes (2 of 3)

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Rene Gonzalez Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

365

[*Authorize contract with Comcast for fiber optic and data transmission services for five years not to exceed \\$4 million](#) (Emergency Ordinance)

Document number: 191709

Introduced by: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Bureau: Management and Finance; Technology Services

Time requested: 30 minutes (3 of 3)

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Rene Gonzalez Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

366

[Authorize competitive solicitation and price agreements for root control services not to exceed \\$2,500,000 over five years](#) (Ordinance)

Document number: 191717

Introduced by: Commissioner Mingus Mapps

Bureau: Environmental Services

Time requested: 10 minutes

Disposition: Passed to second reading

Passed to second reading May 15, 2024 at 9:30 a.m.

367

[Create the Sustainability and Climate Commission \(amend Code Chapter 3.33\)](#) (Ordinance)

Document number: 191710

Introduced by: Commissioner Carmen Rubio

Bureau: Planning and Sustainability (BPS)

Second reading agenda item 338.

Disposition: Passed

Votes: Commissioner Dan Ryan Yea

Commissioner Rene Gonzalez Yea

Commissioner Mingus Mapps Yea

Commissioner Carmen Rubio Yea

Mayor Ted Wheeler Yea

Wednesday, May 8, 2024 2:00 pm

Session Status: Adjourned

Council in Attendance: Mayor Ted Wheeler

Commissioner Carmen Rubio

Commissioner Dan Ryan

Commissioner Rene Gonzalez

Commissioner Mingus Mapps

Commissioner Mapps presided.

Mayor Wheeler arrived at 2:23 p.m. and presided.

Officers in attendance: Naomi Sheffield, Deputy City Attorney; Keelan McClymont, Council Clerk

Council adjourned at 3:21 p.m.

Time Certain

368

[Council convenes as Prosper Portland Budget Committee to receive the Prosper Portland FY 2024-25 Proposed Budget and hold a public hearing](#) (Report)

Document number: 368-2024

Introduced by: Commissioner Carmen Rubio

Bureau: Prosper Portland

Time certain: 2:00 pm

Time requested: 1 hour

Disposition: Placed on File

Thursday, May 9, 2024 2:00 pm

Session Status: No session scheduled

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Ted Wheeler	Mayor	
Keelan McClymont	Council Clerk	
Dan Ryan	Commissioner	
Rene Gonzalez	Commissioner	
Mingus Mapps	Commissioner	
Carmen Rubio	Commissioner	
Alan Yoder	Deputy City Attorney	
Julie Partain	(Communications)	345
Jessica Irvine	(Communications)	349
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Tyesha McCool-Riley	Mental Health Program Specialist	350
Courtney Gilmore	CityStrong Health and Well-being Program Manager	350
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Ning Mao	Engineering Supervisor, Sys Analysis & Modeling Supt	352
Robert Taylor	City Attorney	360
Jodie Inman	Chief Engineer	362
Adam Becenti	Tribal Relations Program Manager	361
Savina Zuniga	Native youth	361
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Polimana Joshevama	Native Hopi Speaker	361
Beth Fox	Technology Project Manager	363-365
Lee Nichols	Information Systems Supervisor	363-365
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Randy Hess	Engineer with BES	366

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Mingus Mapps	Commissioner	
Keelan McClymont	Council Clerk	
Dan Ryan	Commissioner	
Rene Gonzalez	Commissioner	
Carmen Rubio	Commissioner	
Naomi Sheffield	Senior Deputy City Attorney	
Gustavo Cruz	Commission Chair, Prosper Portland	368
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Lisa Abuaf	Development and Investment Director, Prosper Portland	368
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Portland City Council Meeting Closed Caption File

May 8, 2024 – 9:30 a.m.

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Speaker: This is the may 8th, 2024 morning session of the Portland City Council. Keelan. Good morning. Please call the roll. Good morning.

Speaker: Ryan here. Gonzalez. Here. Here. Here. Wheeler here.

Speaker: Now we'll hear from legal counsel on the rules of order and decorum. Good morning.

Speaker: Good morning, commissioner. Welcome to the Portland City Council to testify before council in person or virtually. You must sign up in advance on the council agenda at [Portland.gov/council agenda](https://portland.gov/council-agenda). Information on engaging with City Council can be found on this council clerk's web page. The presiding officer preserves order and decorum during the City Council meetings. The presiding officer determines the length of testimony. 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 you cause a disruption, a warning will be given. Further disruption will result in ejection from the meeting. Anyone who fails to leave once ejected is subject to arrest for trespass. Additionally, counsel may take a short recess and convene at virtually your testimony today should address the matter being considered when testifying and state your name for the record, your address is not

necessary. Disclose if you're a lobbyist. If you're representing an organization, please identify it. For testifiers joining virtually, please unmute yourself once the council clerk calls your name. Thank you.

Speaker: All right. Thanks a lot. First up is communications. First individual please Keelan item number 345.

Speaker: I believe the five communications would like to present together.

Speaker: That's fine. They can come up and do a joint presentation for 15 minutes if they'd like.

Speaker: Okay i'll i'll read them really quickly. 345 requests of julie pertain to address council regarding a thriving rose city self defense. 346 request of katie cahill to address council regarding a thriving rose city self defense. 347 request of cassandra cole to address council regarding a thriving rose city self defense. 348 request of megan hofer to address council regarding a thriving rose city self defense. And finally, 349 request of jessica irvine to address council regarding a thriving rose city self defense.

Speaker: Very good and all of you are here either in person or online, correct?

Speaker: I believe so, yes, I know that at least two of our folks were going to be joining online.

Speaker: Okay. It looks I think I see him there. So we'll give you 15 minutes and you can arrange it however you'd like. Just please, as you speak, introduce yourself for the record.

Speaker: Excellent. Thank you very much. Would you like to start? Oh, excellent. Yeah, yeah, great. I'll go first, mayor Wheeler, commissioners gonzales, Mapps, yea. Rubio and Ryan, thank you very much for your time today, my name is jules pertain, and I'm a volunteer with the rose city self defense program, and I've been a volunteer with that program for the last 18 years. It's been one of the most

rewarding experiences that I've had in my life, the, the privilege to get to watch thousands, literally thousands of Portland students come through this program and, and see them, like, find their voices and also, watch them gain and in some cases, regain their self confidence as they learn skills to deescalate and also defend themselves. It's a very wonderful experience, this free self defense program has been available to Portlanders for the last 45 years. And during the covid 19 pandemic, we really made a lot of efforts to, bring the curriculum more up to date so that we could include topics such as the differences between intuition and bias, and also like navigating consent and, situational awareness to bring those things in with our self defense skills, to make folks not only more confident and more able to defend themselves, but also just more well-rounded members of our community. So thank you very much for your continued funding support for this program in the 2024 2025 budget. And I will pass this along to the next person in our group.

Speaker: Great. Thank you, hi. Good morning, mayor Wheeler, commissioners gonzales maps Rubio and Ryan, it's very nice to see you all this morning. My name is jessica irvine. And, when I'm not here off duty, I am a victim services specialist for Portland police bureau. But I want to make clear that I'm not here to represent the bureau in any way, I am joining with the volunteers who work with rose city self defense. And I want to thank you for meeting with us this morning, I wrote a letter which I'm going to read, to express my strong support for rose city self defense, cutting the program as it was proposed by the community safety division, would have ended a decades, decades long program. That is not only the it's the only free empowerment based women's self-defense class in the greater Portland area. I know because I've searched that I work as a victim services specialist, as I said, for Portland police bureau and I know from my work that rose city self defense supports some of our most vulnerable residents in Portland, sexual assault

survivors, many of whom are disabled, are from historically disenfranchised groups, as are young and economically stressed. Did you know that every 68 seconds a person experiences a sexual assault in this country, young people and teens are at the greatest risk of sexual assault, and the majority of those victims are girls, women, and those who identify as female. Unless a survivor is believed, respected and empowered, there can be lasting and insidious psychological harm. In addition, as I observe it, these incidents can have a destructive and disrupt effect on the rest of a person's life. Making learning, working, and functioning difficult without the support of friends, family, and the community, rose city self defense steps into this space to offer classes that inform, empower, provide, community, and hope. Healing from sexual assault is not quick or linear, yet being around empowering, empowered people like the dedicated volunteers and staff of this program, can show a survivor that there is safety in the world and power to be reclaimed. This free class can empower survivor to recover a sense of agency and help them make progress on their journey of healing. I work with victims of sexual assault and human trafficking, and cutting this program now would remove a tangible and relatively inexpensive source of support for people who need as much support as possible. Funds at the county level are scarce and often hard to access. State programs offer helpful but limited remedies and therapy practices are filled to capacity. This leaves victims with few places to turn and assist and, fewer options for the many advocates in the community and in our systems to refer and recommend. There are so many barriers to getting help that traumatized survivors sometimes find it overwhelming to navigate, and to get discouraged by barrier. After barrier. In my line of work, I work to minimize the trauma that systems and bureaucracies inflict, and knowing that we can share this with survivors is enormously helpful. I know that the city is faced with difficult choices this year. I

don't envy your responsibility, and I thank you for your work. It is hard to put monetary value on the human spirit and healing. But here's my value proposition. In exchange for the relatively low cost of running rose city self defense, the city gets the value of helping hundreds of Portlanders each year rebuild their spirit and recover dignity, or learn skills that make them less vulnerable, therefore reducing risk of harm for all. Economics is not my expertise, but I think there is great value in the city playing a role in helping a survivor learn to defend themselves against the kind of person who harm them so badly. Before attending the classes offered by rose city self defense can make a big difference in a survivor's life. It can give the little break, the little give from an otherwise unyielding and rigid system that gives something back that no one can take from you. Bless you. Your sense of agency and dignity. Please do not take this from survivors and people who want to learn the skills to reduce the chance that they will be victimized. Rcs classes are available to girls as young as 11 to the disabled, or that's in the works are focused on the bipoc community and are free. Classes are in depth, well executed and empowering. Cis and trans women and girls in the lgbtqia+ community are welcome. I know from experience, both as a survivor and an advocate, the profound impact that self-defense classes can have. Rcs relies on a passionate and committed group of volunteer instructors who work with the community, and they've just launched a new class of 40 volunteers. We refer survivors to this program on a nearly daily basis. Please keep the program going. Thank you for considering my words. And as you continue to represent and lead the people of Portland, thank you so much.

Speaker: Thank you, thank you. We appreciate your work with the city. Thank you.

Speaker: I now see to the next person.

Speaker: Megan, is that you, yeah, thank you so much. I actually was going to, cede to Jessica her. She put it best. So, so thank you very much, just here to support Rose City Self Defense today. I'm a volunteer for it. Great, great.

Speaker: Thank you. And Keelan. Do we see any of the other folks?

Speaker: Katie, did you want to say anything, I was just here in support and to cede my time to Jessica as well.

Speaker: Okay, great. Thanks. Thanks for being here. Thanks for showing your support, as you're aware, the program is fully funded in the proposed. And not not to spoil the, the surprise, but I think my colleagues are very supportive of this program.

Speaker: Thank you very much.

Speaker: We appreciate your being here. And thanks for the good work you're doing. And, elevating this as a priority for the community.

Speaker: Thank you so much for your time.

Speaker: We appreciate it.

Speaker: Thank you. Thank you.

Speaker: To the consent agenda. Keelan have any items been pulled, no. I great.

Speaker: No items.

Speaker: Great. Please call the roll. Ryan, I but I just want to say one thing, commissioner yea. Rubio, I'm really happy to see that a couple of people I appointed to the draft board are up for renewal, Maurice, Robin and Sam Miller. So that was really good news. I Gonzalez, I maps, I yea. Rubio a Wheeler.

Speaker: All right.

Speaker: The consent agenda is approved. We will take a 2.5 minute recess until our first time certain we're in recess. Time. And.

Speaker: We appreciate you as always. As you grow food with the support of your efforts today, things are going to stay . Okay.

Speaker: We're back in session. Item number 350.

Speaker: Proclamation, please proclaim may 2024 to be mental health awareness month.

Speaker: Colleagues, our next item is an important proclamation honoring mental health awareness month in Portland. I'd now like to welcome taisha mccoool, riley, courtney gilmore, and joe joel michiels from bhr to guide us through this morning's presentation. Good morning.

Speaker: Good morning.

Speaker: It's good to see you.

Speaker: You also. Morning. Good morning. Can we just jump in?

Speaker: Jump on in.

Speaker: Cool, good morning, I would like to start off by saying, good morning to everyone, I hope everyone is doing well. This morning, I'm taisha mccoool. Riley I am currently housed in the office of community and civic life, and I am a Portland native, and I am the mental health program specialist, I always like to add that I am the one and only for the entire city of Portland, today we gather in honor of national mental health awareness month, for the month of may, acknowledging that we must center our mental health and our wellness, far, far beyond just one month, a week, every day throughout our day, we should be seeking to acknowledge the prevalence of mental health distress, mental health disabilities, and seeking ways to create more inclusive, comfortable, safe, supportive environments in the workplace. Seeking to normalize conversations about mental health and our mental well-being, we then acknowledge our humanness and that we as humans are impacted by our experiences, our thoughts and our emotions

are also impacted. Recognizing that we are not exempt as city employees from experiencing distress, crisis, trauma, hurt, pain, and or disappointment in our humanness as complex as we are, we feel deeply. We feel intensely, and we deserve to be included, validated, nurtured in ways that make us feel valuable, supported, appreciated, and like we belong in the spaces and places in which we operate today. We all stand in solidarity, saying that our mental health matters, our mental health is a priority and intended to those things is a necessity and not an option. We can no longer afford to continue to neglect ourselves. As we begin to fester, as those things begin to fester and infect us and it we begin to bleed out on others and it causes us all to feel overwhelmed, stressed, anxious, hopeless, powerlessness, we are witnessing. I know in my role I'm witnessing tons of people being burnt out. People are ready to tap out, and so it is important that our system, not just a person here or there, but that our system is acknowledging the need and actually responding and nurturing that need. The past several years, if we're to think about covid and the impacts of covid, and then if we're to think about we went right from covid into this new transition and there's so much change, there's so much uncertainty. They're all things and people are wanting to ride the wave. People are wanting to embrace it. But for some folks, because everyone has already been in a heightened place, it can be difficult. And so today I am here to encourage us as a system, to be more mindful and intentional about how we lean in to supporting, our employees and maintaining their wellness, building resilience and centering them and empowering them to take care of themselves and each other and with that, I'm going to read a poem and it's called silent scream. The silent scream echoes through the night as the darkness descends and the world loses light. I cry for help that nobody can hear. A desperate plea for someone to draw near the weight of the world is a heavy load. And the mind can only take so much.

I'm told the pressure builds, the stress takes hold and the silent scream becomes too bold. But there is hope. A light in the dark, a way to heal the mind and leave a lasting mark. A journey to mental wellness, a path to follow. A way to find peace, to feel calm and mellow. With self care and support, we can find our way to a brighter tomorrow and a brand new day. We can break free from the silence and the pain and find the strength to live and love again. So let us not ignore the silent scream. But listen with open hearts and minds. It may seem. For mental wellness is just as important as physical health, and we must care for ourselves to live life to the fullest. And this poem is a reminder of the intensity of mental health distress and crises, while also providing hope for recovery and building resilience through connection appropriate support, inclusivity and tending to our personal well-being and us ultimately taking care of us. Let this be our reminder to lean into the movement of prioritizing ourselves and our holistic needs. Thank you. Thank you.

Good morning everyone. My name is courtney gilmore and I am the city strong health and well-being program manager, and I am housed in bhr and I am a part of the occupational health and well-being team, so I'm here today to address an issue that impacts not only our workforce, but every person in our community. The mental health and well-being of our employees, as stewards of this city, it is a responsibility to ensure that those who serve our community are supported and cared for in every aspect of their life or their lives, including their mental health. Mental health is not a trivial matter. It affects every aspect of our lives, from our relationships to our productivity to our overall happiness. Yet it remains a topic shrouded and stigma and silence, so now it's time for us to break this silence and create a culture where mental health is openly discussed and supported and prioritized. Our employees is our most valuable asset, and their well-being is directly, directly impacts the services they provide to our community. We when

employees struggle with mental health challenges, it not only affects their their individual performance, but also the overall morale and effectiveness affectlessness of our workforce. So we must recognize that mental health is not a personal failure, but a natural part of the human experience. It is incumbent upon us to provide the necessary resources and support systems to help our employees thrive, both personally and professionally. So today, I urge you to consider taking some concrete steps to support our employees health within our city workforce. And this includes expanding our mental health awareness training. So continuing to expand our mental welfare state, critical incident training, also trauma informed care training by doing this is equipping our employees, our managers, with knowledge and skills to recognize signs and symptoms of mental health and provide the appropriate support, promoting a healthy work life balance. So continuing to expand policies and practices that support work life balance, creating a safe work environment. So fostering a workplace culture where employees feel safe, valued and supported and discussing their mental health concerns without fear or stigma or discrimination, and advocating for mental health policies. And this could look like normalizing, taking mental health days when you're not mentally there. So by prioritizing employees mental health, we not only demonstrate our commitment to their well-being of our workforce, but also set an example for our for other employers in our community to follow together, we can create a workplace where mental health is valued, supported and prioritized, leading a happier, healthier and more productive workforce. In closing, I ask you to support and your partnership for the mental health program and the health and well-being program in this endeavor, so let's start stand together to support employee mental health and work towards building a stronger, more resilient community for all. Thank you.

Speaker: And does that complete the presentation this morning? Yes. Great. Don't go away. I know my colleagues and I have more to add. Thank you both for your excellent, comments. They're greatly appreciated. And well received. Commissioner Mapps, you're up first.

Speaker: Oh, sure. Thank you, mr. Mayor, let me start out by thanking. Tiesha and courtney for today's presentation on, courtney in particular, I here and want to follow through on your recommendations for concrete steps to help keep our employees. Well, and colleagues, as has become a tradition, I want to say this. I am glad to join you in proclaiming may 2024 to be mental health awareness month here in Portland, Oregon, during mental health awareness month, we renew our commitment to ridding our city of the stigma associated with mental illness. We encourage those living with mental health challenges to seek the help they need and we reaffirm our pledge to increase access to mental health services, while I am glad to join this council in advancing this proclamation, I also feel obliged to point out the elephant in the room, colleagues, as we all know, Oregon's mental health system is amongst the worst in the nation. I suspect every Portlander can feel that failure in their bones. And I know that every member of this council can feel that failure, too. That's why I want to take a moment to propose a new path forward for Portland. It is past time, I believe, for this council to call on the governor and the state legislature to pass a package of comprehensive reforms to our state's mental health system. Surprisingly, in recent years, this council, this council's legislative agendas have not included a call for state government to reform Oregon's mental health system. I think it's time to fix that, that's why I propose that before the end of this calendar year, this council draft a set of proposed reforms to Oregon's mental health system, which could be incorporated into Portland's legislative

agenda for 2025, thank you very much. And again, thank you, taisha and courtney, for joining us today.

Speaker: Commissioner Rubio, thank you, and thank you, mayor, for highlighting this important month, and also thank you, taisha and courtney, for once again doing an amazing job of centering this issue and centering our city employees on mental illness affects millions of Americans, which is why it's so important that we acknowledge and support this month, and according to, national alliance on mental illness, 1 in 5, experienced mental illness every year. And that number increases dramatically when you're talking about members of the bipoc and lgbtq plus communities. So we need to be more mindful about mental health of ourselves and others, as well as practicing our workplace values. As you've reminded us to do, to make sure that we foster, belonging, inclusion and self-care, and when we do that, we grow our own ability as leadership. Also to cultivate that culture of understanding that supports every person, every employee's journey to wellness, and that also just starts by ensuring that we have basic information out there for our employees and making sure they're aware of it. I know how overworked you are and overtaxed you are. So I appreciate the tremendous work you're doing. And we see evidence of that work because our employees know how to navigate to those resources. And that's a credit to you, but this basic information can save lives and so we really greatly appreciate having the ability to lift up this important message today. So I want to thank you again, for being here and for reminding us again of our of our responsibility as a city. We have the power to amplify this message. And I'm proud that we're doing that again this year.

Speaker: Thank you. Thank you, commissioner Rubio. Commissioner Ryan, thank you, mayor, and thanks for bringing this forward.

Speaker: It's so good to see you, taisha, anyway, yeah, we had a chance to have a few meetings together when I had civic life, which is great to see you and a copy of your the poem you read, silent scream would be desired, so maybe you could send that to me. I will, thanks, and then, building upon taisha courtney, thank you for really focusing on what we can do for employees. That was really important for us to listen to. I'm going to start off by just saying what's been said, but maybe with some different flavor, untreated mental health has an impact on everyone. Every one. The impact of our humanitarian mental health crisis, sadly, is on plain view on our streets, which affects every Portlander as well, including city employees who are the first responders. And then imagine all the mental health episodes taking place in isolation. Truly, you can't heal alone. Perhaps the one silver lining of the past ten years is that the stigma of mental health is slowly being lifted as more and more accepting. The basic truth about the universal impact of mental health, which is impacting everyone, again, directly or indirectly, I haven't met a family that hasn't told me stories about how mental health has impacted their lives. This is a reminder of the moment in time we've been in for some time now, but it was really accelerated during covid and its impact on people in everyday society of all ages. That said, the impact of being isolated and coming back to engage in teaching and learning in our schools has really been severely impacted. And I truly worry. I know it's a different meeting. I'm not on a school board anymore, but the budget cuts coming to the k-12 space is very concerning. Right after the arts, mental health is often the victim to cuts. In other words, arts teachers and counselors are often the first to be let go in the k-12 system. And access to mental health is unfortunately a story of have and have not. And I think we all know that. So simply put, Oregon's history of shaming and closing down mental health institutions without having the courage to build something better is embarrassing. And it shows. With our national

rankings 48 out of 51 for adult mental health and dead last 51st for young mental youth and younger people. Mental health treatment. I'm so tired of hearing the same excuses that we don't have enough money to do something. Find something that works and please government. Make mistakes and learn from them and keep going. Fell forward, have some courage, build it, get results and trust me, we will find the money to fund it. The status quo is embarrassing. I truly hope this governor, the current legislators in our local provider of mental health services, the county will start to act with some urgency, with the hope that the stigma continues to be lifted and action accelerates as we move forward with some humanitarian results. Plea. And please do not let perfection get in the way of good. Those who are suffering are caring and advocating for those who are suffering. You are not alone. We see you and keep challenging government to do much, much better. Action is how we can celebrate mental health awareness month. Let's go.

Speaker: Go! Thanks commissioner commissioner Gonzalez, thank you to you and courtney, mental health is a struggle that affects everyone to some degree, particularly post-pandemic. 2020 for Portland is at times a sad city with too many feeling isolated. However, we can overcome it by being open, showing sympathy, working collectively and leaning on one another. As we are here today, we must unite as a community to create an environment where everyone feels safe, supported and valued. These are Portland values. Let us help those in need and work together to ensure peaceful, interconnected lives filled with hope and opportunity. We must extend our support to those in our community who may be experiencing feelings of hopelessness. Take the time to listen and understand the significance of being heard and accompanied during our most vulnerable moments. They also need to commit to creating spaces for people to connect, to

experience joy, to reestablish the social fabric. Thank you for bringing this forward today.

Speaker: Thank you. Thanks, commissioner Gonzalez, thank you again, the annual observance of mental health awareness month provides us with a clear opportunity to shine a spotlight on mental health. And as commissioner Gonzalez just said, this is an issue that affects each and every one of us in some manner or form. Mental health encompasses our emotional or psychological and our social well-being. That is a fact. It influences how we think, how we feel, how we act, and it plays a crucial role in determining our overall quality of life and our sense of self-worth. Both during mental health awareness month, we're reminded of the importance of prioritizing our mental well-being in supporting those around us who may be struggling by fostering awareness, understanding empathy, we can break down the stigma that we heard about during our presentation, which is very much a real obstacle to addressing mental health issues. And we can create a culture where seeking help for mental health concerns is not only accepted, but it's actually appreciated. And it is now my honor to read this proclamation on behalf of the Portland City Council. Whereas the city of Portland takes pride in joining Americans throughout the country and recognize using may of 2024 as mental health awareness month. And whereas the city of Portland affirms that mental health awareness month promotes mindfulness of the importance of tending to our mental health as it's essential, and it acknowledges those living with mental health disabilities are deserving of care. Understanding compassion pathways to hope, healing, recover, recovery, fulfillment, and inclusivity. And whereas, the city of Portland acknowledges the continuing need to dismantle systems of oppression for members of our workforce and community, those that experience discrimination or other barriers to accessing mental health services. And whereas the city of Portland

commits to establish an ongoing dialog with advocates, community organizations and government entities with the intention of taking collective action towards supporting a healthy society and whereas the city of Portland supports mental health awareness as opportunity to inspire and embolden meaningful action within our organization to reinforce the health and safety of the greater Portland community. And whereas, speaking openly about mental health can reduce the misconception and the stigma, and it can encourage those who are suffering to seek help and find a support network. And whereas the city provides an inclusive and equitable work environment, that ultimately playing an integral role in fostering a psychologically healthy workplace and supporting the mental well-being of employees. Recognizing that experiences of interpersonal and organizational inequity and discrimination are highly connected to stress and a decline in mental wellness, and whereas promoting a psychologically healthy culture is a priority through training and building leaders skill sets that support mental health and positive relationships and equipping workers to manage daily stress and handle the inevitable challenges that affect their mental well-being. And whereas increased awareness, increased understanding, support tools, resources, and capacity building help to build a healthy foundation from which the city workforce can build upon to strengthen ourselves, build resilience, and collectively cope and heal from past adversity and be better equipped to manage or manage future adversities. And whereas the city of Portland affirms that centering the mental health and well-being of its employees is essential to acknowledging the human experience and the impact that life has on each of us. Understanding the complexity of the human experience creates unique circumstances that require intentionality, proactivity, responsiveness, and inclusion, and whereas we recognize the importance of providing employees with a voice to be able to identify their needs and express

how they would like to be supported, creating space to foster a sense of well-being that's felt throughout. Promoting feelings. Creating space to foster a sense of well-being that is felt through promoting feelings, of being a part of an environment that recognizes and values employees, contributing to breaking down barriers and enabling employees access to various learning and development opportunities focused on collecting collective healing and holistic well-being from varying perspectives to ensure inclusion and a person centered approach to elevating mental awareness. And whereas the city of Portland supports its mental health awareness as an important social movement to help people with mental health disabilities understand that they are not alone in their experience, raising mental health awareness can help create understanding, create access and resources, promote awareness, and break the mental health stigma that leaves so many people suffering in secret. Through normalizing conversations about mental health. Now, therefore, I, Ted Wheeler, mayor of the city of Portland, Oregon, the city of roses, do hereby proclaim May 2024 to be mental health awareness month in Portland and encourage all Portlanders to observe this month. Thank you, thank you, thank you. Next item is time certain 351 second reading.

Speaker: Authorize intergovernmental agreements for the Portland clean energy fund. Climate investment plan. Strategic program 16. Climate friendly public schools not to exceed \$50,075,000 over five years.

Speaker: Sorry, Keelan colleagues.

Speaker: This is the second reading. We've already heard a presentation and had opportunity for public input. Is there any further discussion? Seeing none. Keelan, please call the roll. Ryan

Speaker: I'm sorry.

Speaker: 351. Thanks

Speaker: Okay. Good first of all, I want to thank everyone who testified on the first reading last Thursday. This great testimony. I especially appreciate some dialog we had about the fact that the three districts are receiving some of the lower amounts of funding are in historically underserved communities with the higher population of children's and families with needs, and most likely live in homes without modern hvac systems that can save lives during severe weather. I look forward to hearing how we can continue to improve the equity lens when we make such decisions going forward, how do we factor in the truth about the demographic data, and about the fact that those districts in east Portland can't pass bonds like we see at ps and riverdale? So I just look forward to hearing more about how we continue to improve those decisions when we have a great opportunity, like the Portland clean energy fund, it's that most important that we respond with urgency. And this plan is a great start in using the fund to get immediate results. I'm really happy to vote. I

Speaker: I maps, I want to thank the pcef committee and commissioner Rubio for their work on this important project. I think these awards are creative constructs and collaborative, which is why I vote yea I yea. Rubio I'd like to acknowledge the hard work of the pcef team to get us to this point where we're making real the commitments in the climate investment plan, also, thank you sam and wendy, for your excellent presentation on this climate friendly public school strategic program. I believe investing in our schools to ensure they're healthy places where our kids can learn without exposure to a lot of these issues created and exacerbated by climate, the climate crisis embodies the goals of the original initiative that was supported overwhelmingly by voters, I'd also like to acknowledge the testimony from representatives from the school districts. We really appreciate you taking time from your busy schedules to come and discuss the program, and we're excited for

the partnership. So we're eager to see these projects get underway and look forward to hearing about the progress. I vote yea Wheeler.

Speaker: \$50 million will be distributed over five years to public schools and districts to pay for youth initiated climate activations, as well as upgrading school facilities to be more energy efficient. I think this is fantastic. I'm very supportive. I vote I the ordinance is adopted. Next item please 352. This is a report we are a couple minutes early for that one. Oh you are correct, why don't we take a. Three minute recess? Okay. Thank you. All right.

Speaker: Why don't we go ahead and start?

Speaker: Sorry to break up the party. Let's go ahead and reconvene, please. Item number 352, a report.

Speaker: Accept report from chief procurement officer on professional modeling support services for five years, not to exceed \$11,250,000.

Speaker: Awesome. And for those watching online, sorry, this has been a little jumpy this morning. We have time certain items and we can't start them until we actually reach the appropriate time. So, that is the reason that we've been taking a couple of short recesses here. So this report will authorize price agreements for on call support services to carry out hydraulic, hydrologic and hydraulic computer modeling and technical services for everything from planning, design and construction to regulatory compliance and more. The bureau of environmental services interim chief procurement officer kathleen brewer is here to present the report. And, actually pronounce all of the key terms correctly. Welcome

Speaker: Good morning, mayor Wheeler and commissioner, I'm kathleen brennan, the city's interim chief procurement officer. With me is ning mao, the systems analysis and modeling engineering supervisor with the bureau of environmental services. We are here to recommend authorization to enter into these price

agreements for on call professional modeling services in support of the city's collection systems planning. City Council approved ordinance number 191014 on September 28th of 2022. Procurement services issued a request for proposals on December 22nd of 2022, with the bid opening date on January 19th of 2023. 16 proposals were received in multiple all modeling support service categories, and the recommended contract awardees are li-wei engineering solutions, llc. Brown caldwell incorporated, jacobs engineering group, and d.h. Water and environmental incorporated. These price agreements for on call services are intended to be used for projects whose specific scope and budget are not predetermined. Work performed under these agreements will be authorized via written task orders. When projects are identified, the city's equity and contracting aspirational goal of 20% for sub contractor utilizations of firms certified by the state's certification office for business inclusion and diversity will apply to each individual task order and all of the contracts contractors awarded these price agreements have committed to make good faith efforts to achieve the utilization goal. Each task order will be negotiated to sub contract with cobid certified enterprises to the maximum extent possible. Ning is with me and she's going to share a brief presentation on about the project needs maintaining.

Speaker: Good morning. Good morning, my name is ning mao. I'm supervising engineer with the bureau of environmental services integrated planning. Uncle, temporary modeling stuff will provide support to the city's collection system from planning through construction on for capital improvement projects, and provide additional personnel during the heavy and critical workload times for both cip and non sip urgent project modeling requests that support city's sewer collection system and the treatment plant maintenance and operations supports risk assessment and development of long term reinvestment investment needs for the

critical infrastructure support equity in contracting and workforce development, recruitment and apprenticeships. This contracts will replace existing price agreements to continue needed temporary modeling, and technical support. The total amount of the contract is 11,250,000. Over five years. There is no impact to the budget as the work will provide support to adopted cip and operating budget projects. Contractor will provide a support on hydraulics and the hydrological modeling support for cip and system planning development program. Umring and the gis support. For long term planning and reinvestment computer modeling informs what and where risks are in our systems. If there inequities in the risk in our systems and the which risk are acceptable, which are not recommend improvement strategies. In conclusion, this consistent with the past ongoing scope and utilization support bs computer modeling workload for long term planning cip project delivery, regulatory compliance need and the various modeling service requests. A voice cause of delay and support are proactive reinvestment, cultural will enhance the workforce development, diversity and recruitment effort and opportunities. Thanks thank you, thank you.

Speaker: Ning. So, all of these contractors, are in compliance with all of the city's, contracting business requirements and, and we are here to recommend that you award these contracts. I'm happy to address any questions you have about the procurement process, and ning, can address any questions about the services themselves.

Speaker: Thank you. Thank you. Colleagues. Any questions? Do you have public testimony on this item? No, this is a report. I'll entertain a motion to accept the report.

Speaker: So moved.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps moves. Can I get a second, please? Commissioner Ryan seconds. Any further discussion? Seeing none, please call the roll. Ryan

Speaker: Thank you. Kathleen. And that was. What can I say? That was very informative. And i. If I asked questions, I would just reveal how much I don't know about the topic. And so what I did notice is that you made some really good decisions. And there's a good focus on covid. And I accept the report I vote yea I maps.

Speaker: Yeah, I want to thank kathleen ning and the mayor's office and management and finance and revenue and finance, for supporting this project. It's important work, which is why I vote I yea. Rubio I Wheeler I the report is accepted.

Speaker: Thank you very much for the presentation today. Item number 360. This is a second reading.

Speaker: Amend city code to update existing public camping restriction policies. Colleagues this is a second reading of the time, place and manner ordinance update council heard two weeks ago.

Speaker: This item seeks to address our city's ongoing challenges with unsheltered homelessness through clear and legally enforceable regulations that address camping on public property. I'd like to open the floor to any comments or questions or any further business anybody has on this item seeing none. Keelan. Please call the roll. Ryan.

Speaker: Yes, colleagues, two weeks ago, we had a meaningful debate on two different approaches to Portland's time, place, and manner ordinance. I was clear that I thought we should align to our neighboring jurisdiction of gresham. Our state's fourth largest city, our county's second largest city. That alignment will have a lot of impact. Major impact on the biggest issue facing our region. In my opinion, bringing clarity to our emergency workers in both social services and public safety

is critical, especially between areas where Portland and Gresham boundary is quite fluid, the need for services is the highest in those areas, like between 140th and 180th. Ultimately, the majority of this council voted to move the proposal we have here today forward and I want to be clear, my priority is and has always been movement towards building a model that provides a compassionate response to our homeless population and by those who have homeless but are deeply impacted as well, especially our disabled community. I believe the ordinance before us today is forward momentum. We need to ensure we are doing all we can so Portlanders feel like we can. They can easily navigate our sidewalks and feel safe. Right now. Our city needs us, our community needs us, and right now we need to act with compassion, collaboration, and common sense. Let's keep moving the ball forward down the field, I vote. I Gonzalez.

Speaker: I'm concerned that this ordinance will not lead to a meaningful decrease in encampments in the city of Portland that at risk sending mixed messages that it will result in our city seeing many more encampments than our neighboring jurisdictions. Why? Because neighbors such as Gresham are willing to say unconditionally do not camp in their city. All while complying with the same complex legal environment as the city of Portland. For many years, Portland law was very clear no camping allowed in the city. This was a better city when we were clear about our expectations, even if that clarity eroded with time and we see every single day the consequences of being vague, Portlanders want their electeds to provide a safer and cleaner city to speak clearly. Today's ordinance fails to state no camping in the city unconditionally. The results, I fear, will be all too predictable. Continued migratory homeless on Portland sidewalks, including from our neighboring cities that are clear on no camping. I want to reiterate a few specific substantive concerns with today's ordinance from my office. It's overly complicated

code. I referenced my comments from two weeks ago about those specific concerns, as well as the lack of explicit protection against unsanctioned camps near schools and child care centers, something we hear over and over again from Portland residents lack of alignment with our neighboring jurisdictions. Portland went their own way on this unnecessarily. We also have some procedural concerns with today's ordinance. This approach was done out of fear. Unelected attorneys for well-funded homeless advocates seemed to have more influence on this code than the office of the commissioner for public safety. Fundamentally, this code is more about managing risk of lawsuits. It's less about providing relief to Portlanders. We have opted for a technocratic and feel good solution to a problem that needs decisiveness and clarity. This was rushed. The code is based on a poor legal foundation that appears very likely to shift as early as this summer, with the supreme court decision in Johnson versus Grants Pass, Portlanders are overwhelmed by encampments relentless violence, the crime, unsanitary conditions and the inhumane, slow motion self-destruction of thousands in full public view. Portland is hold local officials, including this council, responsible for those encampments. The reality is that neither this council nor this mayor created these encampments, in addition to a multitude of systemic causes, the current legal environment has been incredibly difficult for cities to find lasting solutions to encampments. Nine circuit courts have been done immense damage to western cities by interfering in an area long left to local government. Hopefully, the supreme court will soon fix that. This City Council has voiced that desire before to Salem also bears responsibility for our inability to protect Portlanders and manage these encampments. They need to be accountable. Accountable to the barriers for enforcement that created with house bill 3115 3115. Despite this context, Portland city code is ultimately the product of this council. These code changes fail to

respond in the strong manner that Portlanders are asking for. However, in discussions with law enforcement, they want something on the books, even if flawed, with hope that will be afforded another chance to actually address this crisis. In clearer terms, I vote yes maps a repeal earlier this year, I stated on the record that my hope was that we find another way forward, and that it was my hope that we repeal the existing policy and legal question and replace it with something more, that will ensure a more common sense, pragmatic and humane solution while meeting the intent of the policy, and especially when it comes to our community members with living with disabilities.

Speaker: I believe that the mayor's proposal achieves much, much of what I had hoped for with that repeal and replacement and what has been made and that's made the difference for me in earning my support is the collaboration with numerous community providers, government stakeholders, law enforcement in drafting this version of the ordinance and the training that has commenced with ppb as well. And speaking for myself, the work done to engage proactively with my office, and to the mayor's team, I want to thank you for that engagement, I'm also pleased to see that important transparency values are further reflected through my amendment on data access and through commissioner Mapps amendment on inter bureau alignment. These issues are really complex and challenging. Before us. As you saw in the discussion debate on this issue, we all want structures and rules to be in place that will allow all of us to live safely in our community, no matter where you live or sleep. And I know that Portlanders are exhausted and discouraged by the trash and graffiti, excessive camping, public use of illegal substances, and all sorts of bio hazards on our street. And they want to see changes, we can do these things, and at the same time, we don't have to. We can do it and also not forget who we are, what we do it. We can lead with compassion.

We can lead with common sense when putting rules in place that we're all accountable to, and we can continue to work hard every day to provide shelter and a pathway to services as, with those for those that are unhoused. And with the mayor's proposal also bringing a level of accountability to those cases of individuals who constantly, consciously refuse to abide by reasonable restrictions outlined, that ensure that we can all use these public spaces safely, as a city, we've seen improvements. And yes, we still have a long way to go, and at the same time, we are on a productive track, and if you, you know me, you know that I believe in upstream, our responsibility to solving upstream problems as well, and really getting to the core problems at the root so we can and must continue to concurrently think of, think big and keep stepping up on housing production through bold moves and increasing support for those with mental illness and substance abuse disorder and also hold the line when it comes to people committing crimes in our city. Otherwise, we'll be right back here in another ten years, and that's not where any of us want to be. So this ordinance, while not perfect, it's a thoughtful one. It does more than anything, anything else that has been proposed to bring front and center a balance of compassion and common sense and a level of accountability and I think we've had a lot of lessons learned through this process. And I hope that we can continue to make progress on these livability issues using our lens of Portland values and in deliberate, thoughtful ways. I vote I vote yea Wheeler.

Speaker: Addressing the issue of unsheltered homelessness in the city is obviously a complex, as well as an urgent matter, and I believe that this ordinance represents a significant step forward in our ongoing efforts to manage public spaces effectively. And it does so while abiding by the united states constitution, given and abiding by state law. And while I realize there are people who wish that we could

act in a stronger manner and in a more forceful manner, it would be in violation of martin v boise, and it would be in violation of house bill 3115. The people of this city have me for nine more months. If after nine months you want to disband with constitute optional rights and you want to disband with the notion of following the law, you may do so. But as long as I am there, I will continue to fight in support of constitutional rights and in support of upholding the law. I realize that may make me unpopular, I don't care. I'm more interested in upholding those values, not just for me, not just for us, but for future generations. And we know that there is an erosion of respect for the law and an erosion of respect for the united states constitution. House bill 3115, passed by the Oregon legislature in 2021, was a clear directive for local governments to align their policies regarding outdoor camping on public property with state law. Last June, this council took action to comply with house bill 3115, but unfortunately, our initial efforts faced legal challenges and were subsequently enjoined by a Multnomah County circuit court. The current situation, with no enforceable camping regulations in city code is untenable, and it clearly demands swift action. The ordinance we vote on today introduces new regulations that provide clearer definitions of camping and emphasize the importance of regulating the manner of camping on public property. And I encourage people to read those regulations because they are common sense restrictions that I think everybody could agree with. In addition, there's been information out there that we are abandoning school property to homeless encampments. I want to be clear. I already closed off that problem when I an executive directive forbidding it, and that is currently the law in the city of Portland. Importantly, this ordinance also prioritizes prioritizes diversion programs over criminal sanctions, recognizing the need for compassionate and effective solutions. This is a value that each and every member of this City Council has already

supported through our homeless plan that we voted on several months ago, this ordinance has been carefully crafted with input from legal experts to ensure its legality and its enforceability. Furthermore, I want to emphasize that this ordinance is just one part of our comprehensive approach to addressing unsheltered homelessness in Portland. Our city shelter team currently oversees nine shelters with a total of 576 units. This team has been working tirelessly to expand shelter capacity, with a total of 868 city operated shelter units expected by the end of my term and each and every one of those units will navigate people to whatever services they need to help them get off and stay off the streets, whether it's behavioral health services, whether it is public health services, whether it's addiction treatment, whether it's domestic violence survivorship services, whether it is employment services, each and every person entering those systems will have access to those services. These efforts, coupled with extensive outreach and education on the new regulations, demonstrate our commitment to find meaningful and workable and legal solutions to the problem on our streets. The urgency of this matter cannot be overstated. The regulations we approved today will provide a much needed, transparent framework for outreach workers, service providers, and public safety responders, enabling them to carry out their duties responsibly and with proper notification. By approving this ordinance today, council will show that Portland is leading with urgency and accountability to create a safer and a more compassionate community. I vote I in the ordinance is passed as amended. Mayor commissioner Gonzalez, do you have a point of order? I just wanted, would we be able to consider this on an emergency basis at this point?

Speaker: Given the needs for law enforcement, the forego the 30 day wait, are you proposing an amendment if it for discussion purposes?

Speaker: Yes, I would, I would consider seconding it unless legal counsel has any objections.

Speaker: We've already voted on it. That's a good point.

Speaker: Yeah. Here comes Robert. This is where he gets paid the big bucks can reconsider the vote.

Speaker: So I could I could call for a vote of reconsideration.

Speaker: Correct? Correct. Okay. I move for a vote of reconsideration. Second commissioner Mapps seconds. Please call the roll on the reconsideration.

Speaker: Brian Gonzales. Hi Maps. Hi. Yea. Rubio.

Speaker: Wheeler. Hi. So so the matter is back on the table, item 360. And commissioner Gonzales, you have an amendment.

Speaker: I propose that we adopt this on an emergency basis.

Speaker: I second that, and the reason behind it is that we currently do not have an actionable ordinance with regard to enforcing our camping rules and restrictions, other than the laws that are separately on the books or the emergency directives that I have issued. And therefore, it would be better if we enact it immediately rather than waiting the standard 30 days after the second reading. Is that sufficient for legal counsel? Any further discussion, please call the roll.

Speaker: Ryan. Hi Gonzales, I appreciate the robust conversation that we've had in recent weeks on this topic, but we can't stand in the way of, showing progress for Portlanders.

Speaker: I vote I Maps, I, I, I the amendments on the table.

Speaker: Any further discussion on the main motion, please call the roll. Ryan hi.

Speaker: I by yea. Rubio I Wheeler. Hi.

Speaker: The motion carries as amended. Thanks. Commissioner Gonzales. Next item 361a proclamation proclaim.

Speaker: May 5th, 2024 to be missing and murdered indigenous relatives. Day of awareness.

Speaker: Colleagues, we recognize missing and murdered indigenous relatives awareness day, which was held on may 5th. We are joined today today by adam vicente, the new.

Speaker: They're not quite here yet.

Speaker: They're not here. Okay, we'll move on. We'll move on to a different item, not a problem. We will table that for just one moment, let's move on, please. To item 362 accept bid of \$2,634,575 from team electric company for the groundwater pump station motor control center replacement project. The groundwater pump station serves as the primary backup to the bull run water supply. The existing motor controller centers are about ten years past their life expectation, and the parts are no longer manufactured, which makes part replacement incredibly difficult. This construction contract will replace the eight motor controller centers that the groundwater pump station with updated parts. Before we hand it off to interim chief procurement officer kathleen brennan to present the report. I understand that commissioner Mapps would like to say a few words. Commissioner Mapps.

Speaker: Well, mr. Mayor, you actually did a pretty good job of introducing this particular item. It's a straightforward, replacing some heavy equipment for a groundwater system. Why don't we just hand it over to kathleen?

Speaker: Kathleen, welcome.

Speaker: Thank you. Good morning, mayor and commissioners. For the record, I'm kathleen brennan, the interim chief procurement officer. And with me is jodie inman chief engineer for the water bureau. And we are here to recommend authorization to enter into a contract with team electric company for the

groundwater pump station, motor control center replacement project. City Council approved ordinance number 190794 on April 27th of 2022. The engineer's estimate for this project was 2,425,000, and the confidence level was high. Procurement services issued the invitation to bid on February 12th, 2024, and two bids were received on March seventh. Team electric company submitted the lowest responsive bid and the amount. Of \$2,634,575, which is approximately 9% over the estimate. The city's aspirational 20% subcontractor and supplier utilization goal. Applied team electric has committed to subcontract 46% to contractors certified by the state's certification office for business inclusion and diversity, as identified in the report. Before you, team electric will be self performing approximately 50% 54% of the work. Team electric company is located in, clackamas, Oregon. They're in full compliance with all of the contracting requirements, and I recommend that you accept this report and authorize execution of the contract. I'm happy to answer any questions about the procurement process, and jodi, can take questions about the project.

Speaker: I have a question, if I may. So my layman's understanding of this is this is our is this our primary pump for our backup? Well, water system? Can you explain how important this is in the context of supplying water in the event that we're not using bull run, this is critically important. Sorry. Jodie inman. Chief engineer for the Portland water bureau, the groundwater pump station is critically important as our secondary supply. In case one, we need to either augment the bull run supply or if the bull run supply is not available, there are actually six large pumps and some, two smaller pumps out of the groundwater pump station. Those are turned basically the motor control centers are the brains that allow us to turn those pumps on and off, and they were installed in 1983. So electrical equipment like that typically has a life of about 30 years. So this is well beyond that expected useful life,

so replacing these equipment is critical. It's just like a fuze in your car. If the fuze blows, you can no longer turn the pumps on. You can't turn the pumps on. Then we would be unable to deliver or have the full capacity of our groundwater system. So we have a staged, phased, replace of these to ensure that we always have some available.

Speaker: Well, obviously you have my complete support for this.

Speaker: I guess I have a larger question which is on a critical fail safe. Part of our drinking water system. How did it get to this point? How? I mean, you can't even get replacement parts for it. It's ten years over its estimated life. I must have missed something somewhere. Did I miss an opportunity to support this in the past? And I just don't remember it?

Speaker: No. We started planning for this work about ten years ago, as the replacement component, s, became harder to find. So we have been able to, we have been able to find pieces that we need and we have some components that we've been able to, use to continue the operations. We haven't had any failures in here. So we've been tracking it along with our asset management, and the replacement now is in a timely fashion. It's expensive. So and adjacent everything else. We didn't want to replace things too early.

Speaker: So what would be helpful for whoever is fortunate enough to replace me and the City Council going forward would be a prioritized list. First and in bold, red should be anything that is critical. Path towards delivering water to the people of this city. I mean that that's. I'll be honest. I'm just I'm really incredulous. I just am, anyway, I appreciate you bringing it out. Thanks, but I think we need a clearer capital improvement strategy that that prioritizes the most critical infrastructure. This is not incidental equipment. It's just as I read this, I realize this is this is make or break. If we don't have bull run on line for any reason, and we cannot get our

pumps to function, we do not have water to. Understood okay. Any other questions? It's a report. I'll entertain a motion. So moved. Second. Any further discussion? Call the roll, please. Ryan, I sorry, I didn't ask if there was public testimony.

Speaker: There is none.

Speaker: Thanks, Ryan.

Speaker: I, i, i, I really I the report is accepted, do we have everybody we need for 361? All right, could you please reread three, six one for us, proclaim, may 5th, 2024 to be missing and murdered indigenous relatives.

Speaker: Day of awareness colleagues.

Speaker: We recognize missing and murdered indigenous relatives. Awareness day, which was held on may 5th. We are joined today by adam vicente vicente, the new tribal relations program manager within the office of government relations. The future generations collaborative. Thank you for being here and members of Portland's urban indian community. Missing and murdered indigenous relatives is a movement that draws attention to the disproportionately high rates of disappearances, disappearances and murders of indigenous people across the united states and canada. Each year and advocates for the end of violence against native women and relatives, which includes girls, men, boys and two spirit individuals, according to the national institutes of justice. More than 4 in 5 American indian and alaska native women, 84.3% have experienced violence in their lifetime, including 56.1% who have experienced sexual violence and 55.5% who have experienced physical violence by an intimate partner. I want to offer a heartfelt thank you to everyone who has taken time out of their days to be here today to share your time and to share your stories. I'd now like to welcome adam

vicente, tribal relations program manager, to guide us through this morning's presentation. Good morning, good morning.

Speaker: Ya'at'eh. Habeen adam vicente yanez. Introducing myself and my mother tongue. Diné bizaad, formally, I'm adam becenti, tribal relations program manager within the office of government relations. I am third week on the job, so please don't ask me any questions around government relations quite yet, still getting my feet under me, but I really appreciate this opportunity to come before you.

Commissioners and mayor Wheeler, I have a short statement I want to read before I pass it over to our guests that are here with us today. So, again, good morning, mayor Wheeler and commissioners and also to the city of Portland and the public at large, as mayor Wheeler mentioned, I am leading the tribal relations program and excited for this venture. And I'm honored here today to, recognize and uplift the missing and murdered indigenous relatives movement, as well as offer a statement and really, some thought, around our actions today, you know, with us here today are some incredible native community members who will amplify the importance of my mip, but I want to take this moment to mention that today is an opportunity to underscore the importance of mip, but it also could be much more, you know, as tribal people, we always think about our future generations and how our actions will ensure their success. I urge this council to think about how we can take the spirit of today's proclamation a little bit further, with, with, with coordinated and collective action, and so with the city of Portland and the Portland urban indian community. They both will benefit when we start to prioritize this critical issue with sustainable and effective policy. And now I want to pass it over to our youth leaders and advocates to offer personal testimony, starting with zuni, sabina, thank you. Welcome.

Speaker: Thank you. Peshamo. Good morning, commissioners and mayor Wheeler. My name is Sabina Zuniga, and I am Northern Paiute, Western Shoshone, and Cherokee. I am 24 years old, and I work for a nonprofit that serves struggling and homeless youth. We are brought here today to proclaim May 5th as Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women Awareness Day. I'm here to tell you why this issue is so important. Indigenous people disproportionately experience adversity. Whether we're in cities or on reservations. We are 2.5 times more likely to experience domestic violence than any other group. 63% of native women who report their assaults describe their abuser as non-native. We are murdered at a rate ten times the national average. Many reported cases of missing indigenous women don't get an investigation, or an uncountable amount of cases get falsely ruled as suicide cases or dismissed as runaways. The Bureau of Indian Affairs estimate at least 4,200 unsolved cases. We know the actual number of our missing relatives must be much higher, and I ask that we take a moment of silence for the women and relatives who have been taken. It is an important thing to recognize this day today is good, today is beautiful, and today is necessary. But I ask to acknowledge this is still a beginning step. I encourage everyone to search online, read and watch and listen to people's stories, receive their words with an open heart. Sit with the sadness that may come upon you. Consider and remember that we can. We sit uncomfortably every day. Remember that the people in those heartbreaking stories are our relatives. Listen to their stories and consider laws in place that don't protect us, and what laws that we can put in place to better this issue. What societal norms make some of the general population believe their hatred and hate crimes are justified? And how can we educate our children so that they don't have to grow up to have those thoughts and have bad actions? Earlier, I listed a few statistics, but please remember, indigenous people are not just

statistics. We are so many things. We are the land. We are water protectors. We are neighbors and colleagues and students. We are caretakers and professionals. We are indigenous. Thank you. Thank you.

Speaker: Namaste. Good morning. My name is aisha patel. Boise al-khalisi non-hodgkin's east reporter. Boise. Send a send a gut. You know my land. This is where I come from. Come from these rivers here. My name is aisha patel. Boise. I'm a tribal enrolled member of the confederated tribes of warm springs to its people and adopt klamath-modoc. I am also the native nations coordinator for Portland community college, and I deal a lot with hearing people's stories of their disconnection with their cultures and their backgrounds. You know, as we stand here today, I would like to take this time to say a big thank you to the ancestors and elders who have recently joined our ancestors, and for their sacrifices and prayers for us seven generations. I also want to thank both indigenous folks who are working in places like this who have started paving the path for the future generations, as well as the community elders and leaders who have been so encouraging and educational on these kinds of matters. It wouldn't be possible without the sacrifices that the generations before us have done. But I would also like to thank the commissioners and the mayor for opening the doors for us to take up space. I am a fourth generational sexual abuse survivor, just like my mother, grandmother and great grandmother before me. I was forced to be strong ever since I was a little girl from ages 4 to 6, that men would come into my room at night while my mom was gone. From ages 4 to 6, he would do things to me that still haunt me in my dreams. I am turning 21 this year and I still have. Have I still have no justice? My mom after surviving domestic violence only a few months ago, has had no justice and both the grandmothers before me died without justice. We are just one family line of stories out of hundreds and thousands. But don't get it

wrong. We aren't standing or sitting here because we want to be pitied by you. We are standing here to tell you that we are still here and that our relatives are sacred, that we are sacred. We aren't just a statistic or a demographic. We are human. Since you, settlers and colonizers have set foot on turtle island, our people and cultures have been stolen from us. We are killed, cut down, found in freezers, or are dumped in trash sites. Our young men, our young people are being shot down and our two spirit women and young relatives are being taken as scary rates. Yet no one is investigating. No one is looking besides us and when we ask for help, you tell us that there is nothing that you can do for us. Excuse me. We still see the effects of the ongoing colonization of indigenous peoples across the world. We are still being affected both through the intergenic trauma of surviving and continuing to survive the ongoing genocide and attempted genocide of our people. And an elder once told me, if we don't make a stand for us, then who is going to stand up for us and with us? Our people have stories that will tell you about these lands and waters, and that we come from these lands and these waters. We are still here after all that has gone on, and there is nothing that is going to remove us from our homelands. So let's take the time to honor our missing, murdered indigenous relatives and to acknowledge the hardships that us indigenous people have to deal with on a daily basis. As we walk between two worlds, our traditional cultural way of life and this westernized culture and society. Now I will say another big thank you. It is amazing to these amazing folks up here and to the community who have asked us to sit up here and share our stories, and I want to say my land back because we need our relatives back in order to get land back. And land back doesn't mean just the land. It also means our relatives, our rights and our ability to sit up here and to be human. Most a big thank you. Thank you, thank you, aisha and sabina.

Speaker: And now we are going to be reading the proclamation in english and but starting with chinuk wawa with raven.

Speaker: So I am chusan I canim raven and I am a mom and saw tillicum with alaska at athabaskan yupik p covid pinaka papa and saw mith light kaba, wyoming and saw eastern shoshone, paiute, miss light p. E kaba ugly. Hello. Good morning. My name is raven and on my mom's side we are at the basque and yupik, which is from alaska, and also colville. And then on my dad's side we are from wyoming, so eastern shoshone and you and I actually grew up on the grand ronde reservation, which is one of the nine tribes here in Oregon, and then i'll be reading the proclamation to you in the native language of the land, which is chinuk wawa. Kagawa. Portland and lake I vote yea, la p la kono tillicum p wawa. Kawa. Pukara. Mimulus klootchman p and sika tillicum. Ducks and ducks. Mir kawa hilo. Tillicum boston. Tillicum p. Cobid ucti. Tillicum boston. Wawa week flush conduct week. Flush tillicum park p munch mimosa klootchman flukeman to nose. Mon montanas mox monos. Kabocha squash eli eli p espanol eli kawa mimulus p week slop mox tillicum park tillicum, tillicum p jakarta kaba and sika tuna. Tannaz conaway, tillicum isla and sika tillicum kim and sika p anchorage week flush monkey, dum dum kawa week flush. Fitz duncan, ty tillicum p and sika. Portland. Ely. Mukunda tillicum. Week chugu hilo. Mukluk muk. Hilo boston. Tillicum. Muk p week. Post luckow week hilo. Flush myslikova. Tillicum la carga mimulus pr week flop carnac's tillicum week myslikova kanaka kaba paulson kawa mox p mark, stockholm p marks p wawa kaba tai la tillicum stuck and doklam p locket, endotherm p mox sharkman tuan week flush puck p dum dum kawa Portland. Wawa. Skookum wawa, la p telecom. Hayu wawa telecom, mimulus, p week, comox, tillicum cargo, Portland. Wawa, flush, octopus, carnac's, Portland. Tillicum. Post and sika. Wawa. Wawa alaska yelena p mukluk laksam, yelena mimulus, p week carnac's telecom. Alda

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Speaker: Nepali. Mona. Josh, rami and babu. Vocal pepper spray and matsu. Hi, my name is josh. Rima. This is my service dog, pepper spray, and i'll be reading the proclamation in english. Whereas the city of Portland stands with tribal, local, state, regional and national governments and organizations across the country for national day of awareness for missing and murdered indigenous relatives, referred to as mere. And whereas lasting effects of colonization, harmful oppressive government policies and white supremacy directly correlate to the rise of violence against indigenous women, girls, men, boys and two spirit relatives in the united states, canada, mexico, and central America. And whereas disappearances and murders of indigenous relatives is directly connected to domestic and other forms of violence, sexual assault and trafficking, along with a history of childhood, intergenerational and historical trauma. And whereas these acts of violence systems, neglect of this issue and lack of justice for indigenous relatives is a continued form of genocide and a direct threat to tribal sovereignty, recognized by the city of Portland. And whereas missing and murdered indigenous relatives are not isolated to reservations or rural communities, but impact urban areas like the Portland metropolitan region. And whereas in the 2022 report to us congress, 84% of American indian and alaska native women and 82% of American indian and alaska native men reported experiencing violent victimizations in their lifetimes. And whereas the city of Portland staunchly supports tribal governments and tribal communities, efforts to increase awareness and action on the issue of missing and murdered indigenous relatives through programs, policies, and activities. And

whereas, the city of Portland leadership will engage with the Portland urban indian community in conversation and action on how to address systemic issues that contribute to missing and murdered indigenous relatives. Now, therefore, we do proclaim every may 5th as missing and murdered indigenous relatives day of awareness in the greater Portland region. We encourage businesses, organizations, public institutions, and community members to wear red to show solidarity, support and raise awareness about this epidemic. Systemic barriers and the injustices indigenous people continue to face. I'll call you.

Speaker: Thank you.

Speaker: Thank you so much, mayor Wheeler and commissioners, I also want to thank the public for coming today, specifically want to shout out, state representative anisa hartman is with us here today to show solidarity. I try to get her to speak, but she says it's your time and so appreciate her humbleness and support, but that is all we have for you today. So really appreciate your opportunity and time and attention. Thank you. Well done.

Speaker: Commissioner Mapps did you have a comment?

Speaker: Sure. Well, I just want to take a moment to thank all of our guests for, joining us in person today. Your testimony was quite powerful. I've been on this council for, three years at this point, maybe a little bit more. And during each of these three years, we have had this proclamation, and I am incredibly I'm always glad to join this council and proclaiming, this year, may 5th, 2024, to be missing and murdered indigenous relatives day of awareness, on this day, we remember the thousands of native Americans who've been lost to violence and on this day, this council and the city recommits ourselves to working with tribal nations to end that violence, we have heard some hard facts today, homicide, as we heard, is the third leading cause of death for native American women, the median age of missing

native children, I'm told, is just 15 years old. And sadly, this year in Oregon, I believe that ten native people have already been reported missing, frankly, these patterns colleagues, are, unconscionable and outrageous. We must do better as a city and a state, it's very important that we work to improve coordination and communication between law enforcement and indigenous communities, for example, and we must recognize the trauma and pain that comes with the loss of a loved one. And we must support the healing process for those who have been, impacted by these tragedies. And finally, of course, we must honor those who have been lost, to meet these goals. I know that I personally and this council is committed to working with native communities and our state and federal partners and our new director of tribal relations, welcome very much. We are glad to have you on board, thank you so much, mr. Mayor. Thank you, commissioner Gonzalez, I want to say thank you to mayor Wheeler, the ogre team and our tribal partners for bringing to light this incredibly distressing and urgent issue for this country.

Speaker: And, frankly, the western hemisphere has had an immensely troubled history with indigenous peoples. And clearly, these communities still struggle greatly with the residual effects and traumas of the past. We learned that roughly 8 in 10 indigenous people have reported being victims of violent crime. We learned that indigenous communities are disproportionately affected by sexual violence. Human trafficking, domestic violence, and sadly, disappearances and murders. We learned these immense and heartbreaking statistics extend beyond those living in reservations impacting indigenous people living right here in Portland. Elevating these stories, creating awareness among every person possible is crucial to bringing about this much needed healing. Thank you so much for being here today, bringing these challenges into view for Portlanders. We can and must do better, and growing awareness is a great place to start. Thank you.

Speaker: Thank you commissioner. Commissioner Rubio, thank you, and I just want to thank this incredible panel that we had today, for coming forward. Thank you, mayor, for the proclamation, and the future generations collaborative, just for the work that you're doing every single day, adam, I want to welcome you. We're honored to have you, have your leadership at the city of Portland. I also want to acknowledge representative hartman for being here today for her work on, on behalf of the state and all of us here, every day, sabina and isha, I just want to share with you how honored I was to have you share your deeply personal stories with us. I am impacted by your courage, and your conviction. And for standing up for your people and your community. And I know that, your ancestors are proud of you, I want to give gratitude to each of you, all of you, for working hard to raise awareness in the community, not just one day of the year when we're doing this proclamation, but fighting to have indigenous people and relatives seen, recognized and advocated for every single day, the high rates of violence. We already talked about that, we've heard a lot of the data, but I also just want to lift up that a lot of these people that are missing were younger than 18. And that is those are lives stolen, also, you know, women, indigenous women face the highest rates of rape of any racial group in Oregon. And going over these facts, I have I have a visceral reaction to them. And we should really just be outraged by this. And, this violence should not be normalized, we can't become numb in our values, and our conscience demand more from us, as leaders and as people who have influence, and, you know, it starts with backing up our talk, with action. You know, looking at actions and, facts and education and conversation and dialog, and backing up the action form of, engagement. That is not, again, just one time a year, but a way of being and living in the world. So we should take opportunities. This is a good opportunity for us to, learn more about mip and the events and actions that i'll

follow, so raise awareness for us to share with people that don't know, that have a responsibility to know. So I want to thank you again for raising these important, critical things that we need to be reminded about the impact, of our world on and for giving our city, again, a call to action about our all our important work ahead and our responsibility. So thank you for being here.

Speaker: Thank you. Commissioner. Commissioner Ryan, thank you, mayor, for bringing this forward.

Speaker: Adam vicente, welcome, it's your third week on the job. It's great to see you. I look forward to having a meeting with you soon, savannah, asia. Raven. I couldn't catch your name. I'm so sorry.

Speaker: Poli mana.

Speaker: Mana and also representative hartman in the audience. Thank you for being here, your power was so powerful. It was a very powerful presentation. It came from your heart and one of you mentioned. Anyway, you are sacred. And my job today is to listen, believe you. And my heart is full. I'll just skip all the stuff that I wrote down because it doesn't ring valid at this moment. It's well past time that we show up for native American indigenous communities and welcome, listen and believe and acknowledge and support you. We're in this together and it's us. It's up to us in leadership to help. Thank you again for your presence today. Our I want to echo my colleagues.

Speaker: Thanks. That was difficult testimony. I appreciate it, the hardest stories to tell here are personal stories, but they're also the most informative. So thank you, adam, you've stepped in with both feet. Really admirably. Thank you. The tribal relations program is very important to the city. And it's one that's personally been very important to me. And we've had successes. We've had bumps along the road, but I'm very impressed with you. And today is just one more example. I think that

can give us all confidence in your leadership. So kudos to you and your team. Thank you very much. And to ogre sam at all, thank you. As well. Representative hartman, thank you for being here, being present, in our chamber. We appreciate it. I owe you a return visit. When? When you're back in session, which will probably be too soon as far as you're concerned. But we really appreciate your leadership in the community and everything that you've done for all of us. And it's just really good and positive to see you here today, I think this is the is it the seventh or the eighth time, in my tenure that we've brought this day forward for a proclamation and I have a ray of hope because what's different this time is that I'm seeing a younger and younger cohort court being more and more engaged and your, future generations. I want to make sure I get the future generations collaborative. I think, is a terrific idea. If people want to get in touch with you, is there a website or a way that that people could get in touch, our website is fgcu, pdx org, and our instagram is at future generations collaborative.

Speaker: Thank you very much, your presence today here is deeply felt, greatly appreciated. Thank you all. Great.

Speaker: Thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you.

Speaker: Thanks.

Speaker: Colleagues, can we take a five minute break? Yeah let's take a recess. It's about one, excuse me, 1115. Let's, like, a little after 1120. Thanks. We're in recess . For one. One.

Speaker: One. One. One. One. One. One. One. One. One. One. One. One. One. One. One. One. One. No. No. No. One. One. One. All right.

Speaker: Why don't we go ahead and reconvene? Keelan, can you please read items 363, 364, and 365 into the record? They are all three emergency ordinances.

Speaker: Item 363 authorize contract with century link communications, llc, dba lumen for ongoing data transport services for three years, not to exceed \$4 million. Item 364 authorize contract with century link communications, llc, dba lumen, for ongoing voice services for five years, not to exceed \$7,500,000, and item 365 authorize contract with comcast for fiber optic and data transmission services for five years, not to exceed \$4 million.

Speaker: All right. Thanks. These ordinances authorize contracts with lumen and comcast to purchase critical voice, data and network products and support the voice services support areas such as the bureau of emergency communications non-emergency lines, as well as 311 calls, data and network services support remote access to applications such as sap and office 365 tools. As well as connectivity to our network for all bureau locations and partner agencies. With that, i'll turn this over to beth fox and lee nichols from the bureau of technology services to walk us through the ordinances. Welcome, beth and lee. Thanks for being here.

Speaker: Thank you. Mayor.

Speaker: Commissioners, I appreciate your time today.

Speaker: I am beth fox. I'm a technology capital project manager with bts, and my colleague lee nichols is the telecom supervisor. And he is supporting me, in case you ask me. Very technical voice questions today that I cannot answer.

Speaker: We all need a lee.

Speaker: That's yes, we do as we do. Thank you, lee, for being here, I did also want to comment on the fact that these are all emergency ordinances. The negotiations were very successful with our vendors, but it took a very long time to get to where we are today. And we have some services that we offer to our customers that are backlogged, waiting for approval of these ordinances today, which is why they are all emergency ordinances. I am going to start with items three, six, three and three

six, four, these are two individual contract with centurylink, also known as lumen. Next slide please. We are seeking council approval today on a three year data and a five year voice contract with lumen. The \$11.5 million associated with these contracts are funded by bts cost recovery model. So we are not asking for additional funding today. These contracts, the two that lumen provides, helps us to continue to support our critical services. Next slide please. I want to briefly explain some of these services, please feel free to ask questions if you'd like. On the voice side, we provide telephone service and features like call transfer or conference calling within your phone system and long distance dialing. This data contract helps us to provide the connectivity for bureaus and buildings to get to their applications, like sap or whatever applications they use on a daily basis. Both the data and voice contracts have services that are associated with call centers, like our 311 call center, and then many bureaus like the revenue bureau. Parks and water have customer call centers that are also supported with these services. Next slide please. Pardon me. We wanted to share a little bit of call statistics with you to give you an idea of how much we use the phone system at the city. So this is called data for last year we made nearly 4.7 million call attempts in 2023. And that's just picking up your handset and dialing a number. This does not include cellular calls or the outer lying areas like the watershed has a slightly different call system. And the busiest times that the city of Portland is Mondays between 9 and 10 a.m. Next slide please. That's from the data side. We do connect people to their applications. So we're a data transfer. It's like a freeway for data on these connectivities. And we actually help you get to the application you use the most every day. We also help people get to any services that may be cloud based or hosted in the cloud, revenue bureau, water bts has cloud based services. We also connect community centers. I'd like to mention the pools here too. They don't have the same connectivity needs every

day. The pools, for example, are very busy during the summer, but not so much in other months. So they don't need the same type of connectivity year round. So we use lumen for some lower bandwidth type options that make it more affordable. And the last item on the data side is we do a lot of monitoring of our infrastructure here at the city. Things like the sprinkler systems, the, the, the elevators, hvac, our pump stations all need to be monitored and we provide low bandwidth connectivity for that type of monitoring. With this contract. Next slide please. So to summarize 363 and 364 we are leveraging cooperative contracts with the state of Oregon. It's a three year and a five year contract. They are aligned with the expiration dates on those state contracts. The pre-negotiated price schedules allows us to fix the cost for the term's, which allows us some flexibility and efficiencies to roll these services out to our customers. Next slide please. I am now moving on item 365. This is a contract with comcast. Next slide please. We are asking you today to approve a five year agreement with comcast. The amount is a \$4 million but it is funded through cost rate model. And we are not asking for additional funds. This allows us to buy comcast fiber services or other types of connectivity services on the network. Next slide please. The type of services that flow across comcast's network segments. We all may be familiar with them. Email, dial tone, access to the internet, access to our intranet and other bureaus, specific applications. The we have a public safety presence on comcast segments, allowing first responders to get access to their applications and provide the critical services that they do. And this contract helps not only to support city of Portland's network, but we have great partnerships with Multnomah County and other municipalities in this region that also benefit from this contract and the connectivity that it provides. Next slide, please. Pardon me. I wanted to take a brief moment to talk about the relationship that we have with comcast. We are talking about fiber services. They have been providing that for

more than 20 years. Over 20 years ago, they provided a historic i-net i-net is institutional network that provided a very stable connectivity option for not only ourselves, but the partners. I mentioned in the slide above. At its peak, this network was more than 300 locations, and it helped us to affordably support public safety and our partners in the region. Comcast is very competitive in this marketplace, and they really have helped us to expand our network. One of the things our teams are very pleased about is that comcast has dedicated support teams here in the Portland area, so when they pick up the phone for a problem, they get ahold of someone that is here and able to help. Next slide please. To summarize 363 we are leveraging a national cooperative. Is the ncpa contract to purchase these purchase these these services. The competitive nature of this contract has really helped us to increase our services in this region, and it helps to provide redundancy and resiliency in our network, final slide, please. I just want to summarize all three ordinances today three, six, three, four and five. We are looking for your approval on these ordinances. We're not asking for additional funding. It's all covered through bts existing rate model. And we are leveraging cooperatives in order to do so. Next slide. We are here to answer any technical or contract questions you might have for us on these ordinances today.

Speaker: Well, that was blissfully to the point. Thank you. And you hit all the highlights in terms of the non-technical information that we would be most interested in. I do have one question about the organization. I I'd not heard of this national cooperative. Could could you explain a little bit more about what that is? The nepa contract allows us to purchase services from comcast and it's a national.

Speaker: So a lot of a lot of municipalities use this contract. It's got cooperative language that allows us to purchase products at a very competitive price.

Speaker: So it's is it pre-agreed to the rates, the terms.

Speaker: Yes. Yes. Many of them have set that's been negotiated with comcast nationally. Yes

Speaker: And who leads that. Like that is who is in charge of that action, I don't know the answer to that. I don't know who's in charge of nepa contract, but I can certainly find that. I was just curious.

Speaker: I hadn't seen that before in any of our contracts. And it's an interesting concept, but obviously you're very pleased with comcast and the customer service and the responsiveness, and I was glad to see that as well. Thank you. Great. Good. Any further questions anybody else any public testimony, no one signed up.

Speaker: Great, could you please call the role then on item 363?

Speaker: Mayor, these are emergencies, and we require unanimous vote. And it looks like. Commissioner. Oh, yes.

Speaker: Sorry.

Speaker: He did, yeah. We'll just wait a second. Take a minute. Recess. By voting. Okay. All right. Go ahead and call the role on 363, please.

Speaker: Ryan. Hi.

Speaker: Gonzales.

Speaker: Hi, maps. Hi, Rubio.

Speaker: Hi, Wheeler.

Speaker: Hi, the ordinance passes 364. Also, an emergency ordinance. Please call the roll.

Speaker: Ryan gonzales. Hi hi.

Speaker: Rubio I mueller I the ordinance is adopted. Item 365. Last but not least, Ryan gave a very good presentation.

Speaker: That's why this is happening. So I vote yea gonzales.

Speaker: Hi. I yea. Rubio hi, Wheeler.

Speaker: Hi.

Speaker: Thank you for the great work. The ordinance is adopted. All three of them are good luck. Let us know if there's any glitches.

Speaker: We will. Thank you so much.

Speaker: Pretty appreciate it. Thanks. Thank you. I still feel I feel badly. We don't have tough questions for lee.

Speaker: I'm ready for him.

Speaker: All right, well, we'll think of some. We'll email you. They'll be back in five years. Exactly all right, next item, please, three. Six, six. Authorized competitive solicitation and price agreements for root control services not to exceed \$2,500,000 over five years.

Speaker: To you, commissioner Mapps, thank you, mr. Mayor. Colleagues, this item comes to us from the bureau of environmental services. This ordinance authorizes a competitive solicitation and price agreement for root control services. As this ordinance is necessary because tree roots intrude into sewer pipes, which causes most of our which is the root of our most common cause of, sewage releases into property, streets and the environment, that's also why biz hires contractors to remove roots from our pipes. B'zz currently manages one price agreement for these services that contract has been in place since 2014, and expires in 2024, which is why, this ordinance is before us today. This item before us today authorizes the city's chief procurement officer to conduct a competitive solicitation for the lowest responsive bidder for root control services. Is, here to tell us more about this ordinance. We have jeremiah hess, engineering supervisor with environmental services, and I believe we also have randy hess. Also with, environmental services, welcome, gentlemen.

Speaker: Thank you, mr. Mapps. Thank you. Commissioners mr. Mayor, as I mentioned, or as mr. Mouse mentioned, with me today is randy hess from the engineers in my group who is going to provide the presentation. I'm sorry. I didn't introduce myself. Jeremiah hess, engineering supervisor and the operations maintenance group at bs.

Speaker: Hello. And this is randy hess with, bureau of environmental services. And, as mentioned, we do have issues with root intrusions in our sewer mains. Unfortunately, they can, get in there and impede or even block flow entirely, which, unfortunately lead to sewer backups in homes and businesses, which can, you know, can not just be an inconvenience, but also a major expense for people, some, some of the time. So, yeah, we like to do whatever we can to try and reduce the likelihood of that. And, yeah, these root treatments that we've, that we've used in the past, they have reduced the root intrusions without damaging the trees and plants above. And also the, they we one of the requirements is to make sure that it doesn't have an impact on wastewater treatment plants, processes also. And generally speaking, if we can reduce the number of roots in the sewer mains, we'll have sewer backups, fewer sewer backups as well. But we and this type of work is specialized work that requires licensed applicators, and typically current company they come in from. They usually do the pacific northwest and in one big swoop where they send their, their, their, crews up to do that type of work. The city has had contracts in place for this work since the 1990s, mid 1990s. And then, the current company as I mentioned, the current contract does expire this year. So we do need a new contract to do this. This works. And what we're proposing is, yeah, the current budget is \$500,000 per year, which over a five year period would be \$2,500,000. And yet by getting this contract, getting a revised contract in place for

this work, we can, you know, reduce the likelihood of sewer backups and also, protect public health in the environment. And at the same time.

Speaker: So we have for today. Any questions?

Speaker: No, the photos were were more than explicit, compelling. And right before lunch, too, I think it was well timed. Well done.

Speaker: It's kind of like the game of like, what is this photo like? Is it from a dental exam? No. It's roots.

Speaker: I'm not even sure I want to know. Yeah, excellent. Well well done.

Obviously it's an urgent issue. Thank you, do we have public testimony on this item? No one signed up. Thank goodness. All right, let's let's get these gentlemen on their way, any further discussion? This is a first reading of anonymous agency ordinance.

Speaker: I'll just think jeremiah and randy, for their work on this important project and being with us today.

Speaker: Yeah. Well done. I have a commissioner. Oh, commissioner Ryan, being fascinated by the photos, I wanted to know if they were related to people with last name.

Speaker: Yes.

Speaker: Oh, not not that we know of. Okay.

Speaker: Great answer. Jeremiah

Speaker: Yeah. Thanks

Speaker: All right, this is a first reading of a non-emergency ordinance. Thank you. Gentlemen, it moves to second reading. Next item is a second reading. Three, six, seven.

Speaker: Create the sustainability and climate commission.

Speaker: Colleagues, this is the second reading. We've heard a presentation. We've heard public testimony. Anything else on this item? Call the roll. Ryan, thank you,

vivian, for your leadership. I have really a lot of faith that this will be under good hands with your leadership, great presentation last week.

Speaker: I vote yea Gonzalez Portland consistently ranks as one of the top green cities in the us at the same time, we rank at the bottom of many relevant recovery metrics, whether it's to start a small business, curb open drug use, or get people off the streets and into shelter, the sustainability and climate commission proposed here has the potential to reset this paradox dynamic, while maintaining our commitment to being a climate leader, both regionally and nationally. The potential to explore more efficient and robust ways of using data to track climate goals is exciting, as is the potential of public private partnerships to establish a Portland as a leading hub of technological innovation and scientific research on climate and sustainability. The sustainability and climate commission also has a potential to keep our local and regional carbon footprint in perspective, especially in relation to the impact we can have on emissions globally through contributions rooted in tech and research that have applications in asia and south America, where the bulk of global emissions exists and continue to rise, is my hope that assessing these trade offs together, in partnership with industry and government leaders, local climate advocates and community stakeholders will help us place the city's recover recovery. Hand in hand with our ongoing work on climate and sustainability, it is also my hope that environmental justice initiatives will be focused squarely on measurable outcomes and be more inclusive and robust in their engagement with the broader community to. Together, we can ensure this important work brings our community together as we focus on shared values and helping restore Portland, not just in response to the difficult times we've experienced in recent years, but also an affirmation of our potential to remain innovative and creative leaders in the climate sustainability space. I vote I maps, I yea. Rubio.

Speaker: I'd like to thank Vivian Satterfield and Elaine Livingstone for their extensive and excellent work to bring forward the framework for the new sustainability and climate commission. The process to get us to this moment was very collaborative and intentional, as was making sure that the work was reflective of the engagement done within the city and also outside in the community. So this is a very momentous vote for the city of Portland, ensuring the opportunity for community to work collaboratively, collaboratively with our government to ensure climate priorities.

Speaker: Are always considered in our work. So I'm excited for the work ahead. I vote i. Wheeler.

Speaker: I'd like to thank Commissioner Rubio for bringing this forward and of course Vivian and Elaine, thank you for your incredible leadership on this.

Speaker: Okay. There was obviously many, many months hard work that went into this. I think it's a terrific package and I'm very happy to vote for it.

Speaker: I vote I and the ordinance is adopted. And at least for now, we are adjourned.

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Speaker: I am now convening the prosper Portland budget committee for the purpose of approving the fiscal year 24, 25 budget. The prosper Portland budget was provided to the public and members of the budget committee on Friday, may third, Keelan. Oh, please, please are here. Take care of what you need to do over there. Keelan then call the roll.

Speaker: Yeah, yeah yeah. Commissioner we need to convene first as the Portland city, okay. Yeah.

Speaker: Oh, that's all right. No problem, here, take two. Let me. I yeah, I do, I we, just got off to, a rough start, but, I will pull this together again.

Speaker: I think I can call the roll for City Council.

Speaker: Sure. Call it. Hold up. I'll pull. So we do. So we do this like a normal council session, rules of order and decorum, all that kind of stuff. All right. Good good, good, here, I actually have a cheat sheet here. You can talk amongst yourselves for a second.

Speaker: You didn't get the blue jacket. I'm not blue.

Speaker: All right, let's try this again.

Speaker: This is the may eighth afternoon session of the Portland City Council. Keelan please call the roll.

Speaker: Ryan. Here. Gonzales here. Mapps, here. Rubio here. Wheeler

Speaker: And now I'll turn it over to legal counsel for the rules of order and decorum.

Speaker: Welcome to the Portland City Council to testify before council in person or virtually. You must sign up in advance on the council agenda at [Portland.gov/council](https://portland.gov/council) agenda info on engaging with City Council can be found on the council clerk's web page. The presiding officer preserves order and decorum during City Council meetings. The presiding officer determines the length of testimony. 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 you cause a disruption, a warning will be given, for the disruption will result in ejection from the meeting. Anyone who fails to leave once ejected is subject to arrest for trespass. Additionally, council may adjourn and reconvene virtually. Your testimony today should address the matter being considered when testifying, state your name for the record. Your address is not necessary. Disclose if you are a lobbyist and if you are representing an organization, please identify it. For testifiers who are joining virtually, please unmute yourself. Once the council clerk calls your name.

Speaker: Thank you, thank you and I think this is the part of the meeting where I say I'm now convening. I am now convening the prosper Portland budget committee for the purpose of approving the fiscal year 2025 budget. The prosper Portland budget was provided to the public and members of the budget committee on May 3rd, Keelan please call the roll. Ryan here. Gonzales here.

Speaker: Rubio here. Maps here, colleagues, the mayor's proposed budget includes just under \$2 million in additional funding for several important programs and positions in prosper's budget. These investments include personnel and direct

event sponsorship resources for the events and films office, these activities will be significant drivers in our city's revitalization, there's also funds for the creation of the first ever small business office, a resource for advocacy and navigation, and service of our city's small businesses. There are also additional funds for, repair grants to support small businesses with the cost of property. Damage, there is also a new position to move forward. Large scale public private partnerships and redevelopment opportunities so that we are continuing to produce more affordable housing, attracting more business investments and creating greater economic opportunities for all Portlanders. Before we hear an overview of prosper Portland's budget, I'd like to invite commissioner Rubio, who oversees prosper Portland, to share a few words.

Speaker: Thank you. Council president. Before we begin the presentation, I wanted to mention just a few important appreciations, as the commissioner in charge of the community economic development service area, I want to thank prosper Portland and particularly the leadership of director kimberly branam and her team and also chair tavo cruz and the prosper board for ensuring that the budget aligns with the advanced Portland priorities such as a focus on creating an office of small business, supporting events and repair grants, and maintaining prosper Portland's ability to advance inclusive growth. As the current generation of tax increment districts sunset as the city's economic development agency, it's really great to see that they have really centered the growth of specific industry sectors that have committed to Portland and have committed to creating industries that have a focus on creating family wage jobs and sustainable practices. This good work ensures that we are promoting opportunities for all Portlanders through equitable wealth creation. So with that, I will turn it over to chair cruz and executive director branam. Oh, sorry, before before we do that, may I read the title of the item just so we have

it on the record. Okay great. Thanks, item 368 council convenes as prosper Portland budget committee to receive the prosper Portland fiscal year 20 2425 proposed budget and hold a public hearing. Thanks

Speaker: Good afternoon. Thank you, commissioner Rubio and commissioner Mapps appreciate your introductory comments. I'm gustavo cruz, chair of the prosper Portland board of commissioners. I'm joined by our executive director kimberly branam economic development director, shay flaherty. Between development and investment, excuse me, development and investment director lisa oberhoff and tony barnes chief financial officer we are pleased to be here this afternoon to present the fiscal year 20 2425 proposed budget to City Council, serving as prosper Portland's budget committee. I will start us off, and then kimberly will provide an overview of the budget, key outcomes in our strategic priorities. Shay and lisa will then share how these those priorities show up in the programs and projects, and how that programing is supported by returning tiff and other general fund resources, as in the mayor's proposed budget, as well as a new Portland clean energy fund allocation to support small business and commercial properties in making clean energy infrastructure improvements. The team will also discuss final projects and programs in several close out tiff districts, as well as our work in exploring the creation of new tif districts that will support investments in the central city and east Portland. As we look to the 20 2425 fiscal year, advanced Portland a call to action for inclusive economic growth will be in its second year, providing a key strategic framework guiding prosper Portland's priorities and budget. The budgeted resources and investments align with the mayor's proposed budget and prosper Portland's ten year financial sustainability plan, which guide the agency's financial and business practices in the context of declining tax increment financing revenues and the need for more flexible resources to support

inclusive economic prosperity. We. Accordingly, the proposed investments deploy a diversity of funds in a social impact investment model to help Portland small businesses, traded sector industries, and central city and neighborhood commercial districts to stabilize and grow through community driven, equity centered programs like ibn mercatus, my people's market, Portland, maine's progress tif district action plans, small business grants, and loans, and the neighborhood prosperity network. We have another slide. Great thank you. On behalf of the board, I offer our thanks to the members of the community budget committee listed here as well as the many community partners and staff involved in preparation of this budget. We appreciate the considerable time invested in refining and prioritizing investments in alignment with both citywide and geographically specific priorities as well as a racial equity lens. We also very much appreciate the investments included in mayor Wheeler's proposed budget that will fully fund implementation of the small business office, continue to fully fund the office of events and film, and provide ongoing support to Portland small businesses through repair grants. Thank you for your commitment to and belief in prosper Portland's work to advance an inclusive recovery and to economic growth in Portland. And as board chair, I would also like to especially call out the prosper Portland staff and tony barnes and his team for their great work on this budget. And now I will hand the presentation over to executive director kimberly branam.

Speaker: Thank you, chair cruz. Good afternoon, commissioners, for the record, my name is kimberly branam. Executive director of prosper Portland, and we are really delighted to be with you today. As you know, this is the culmination of months of work, and so we're glad to be able to have an opportunity to discuss our full budget with you. As has been discussed, our work plan and this budget is guided by by advanced Portland, the fiscal year 2425 proposed budget includes

funding that enables progress on key strategic priorities so that you'll see that within business retention and growth, there is budgeted staff and investment that will deploy business retention, expansion outreach tools and enable an economic impact statement in order to support small businesses. We've been discussing that this budget will seed the first office of small business and provide support, supportive resources for lending, technical assistance, tenting and repair grants. The business district recovery is advanced through catalytic events supported by the office of film and events and the commercial projects on neighborhood main streets and finally, you'll see inclusive development priorities, advanced through catalytic commercial and middle income housing development projects, some in the pipeline already and completing new, completing the new tif district exploration process within east Portland and central city to enhance future funding for stabilization, inclusive growth, business retention, housing production and infrastructure. If it is determined that it's supportive. Next slide please. All right. At a high level, our, proposed budget includes \$300 million in available resources, and we anticipate up to \$161 million in total expenditures. You'll see that 67% of funding resources come from existing tax increment finance districts. And that's going to be the focus of our discussion today. We're going to dig deep on the tif districts, because we had an opportunity to talk to you about the other citywide funding tools when we were here with the rest of the service area, but as you'll recall, the remaining 33% of resources come from revolving loan resources, federal grants, general funds, recreational cannabis funds, and Portland clean energy fund resources. The figure includes the approximately \$17.3 million in ongoing resources from general funds and the cannabis tax funds not included in the numbers is another \$47 million that's budgeted across tax increment finance districts for the housing set aside that will be transferred directly to the Portland housing bureau.

Of the \$161 million budgeted for prosper Portland, about 106 million is available for inclusive development through commercial lending, property investment grants, major projects and asset management. \$26 million supports citywide economic development programs as well as business lending, and \$11 million is available for infrastructure investments that unlock private development. All of this work is enabled through critical operational and administrative support to deliver this work. The budget includes a total of 105 full time and limited term employees. This includes seven positions above the current fiscal year, largely due to the new small business office positions and the Portland clean energy fund programming. Next slide please. With that, I'm handing it to lisa. Yes

Speaker: Good afternoon commissioners.

Speaker: For the record I'm lisa worf, director of development and investment with prosper Portland. And I'm pleased to be here today to provide an overview of our tif district budgets and investment priorities. And we're at a pretty pivotal moment. We're going to go into this in further detail in the next chapter of the slide. But for many of these districts, they're actually expiring. So they're at the end of the life of the district. These are long standing tif districts, largely in the central city, and to talk about a little bit about the exploring forming new tif districts as well in east Portland and the central city and how that's informing our spend down thoughts for the existing tif districts. Given this unique moment of transition. My slides will provide a broader budget context than what you see before you. Just for 2425, because it felt like it was important to really talk about our close out strategies from a financial picture. And as this slide outlines, if you go to the next slide, our tif district investments. Oh I you handed a tony. Sorry, sorry she messed me up I did I'm sorry.

Speaker: Good afternoon. Good afternoon commissioners I'm tony barnes, cfo and i'll be introducing the tax increment districts kind of a higher level talking about, the life cycle of districts on this slide and the next couple slides before I hand it over to director aboah for the in-depth discussion on, on districts, the status of each district and what it means to close out or conclude a district has become a really critical part of the proposed budget, as well as the overall, tiff exploration process that we'll be discussing in the presentation, from this slide, we have several categories. We define the life cycle to include, active districts, districts that are currently currently collecting tif revenue and have outstanding tax increment debt, but also investing in projects actively. There's also sunsetting districts, those that where the bonds are paid, the debts paid, tif revenue is, also no longer collected, but tif proceeds are still being invested in projects actively being invested. We have concluded districts, those which were the bonds are paid. There's no tif being collected anymore, and there's residual program income to continue investing in some activities. But finally, there's terminated districts where all projects are complete and a notice of termination has been recorded with the county to finalize the district at the very end. This slide illustrates the timeline of existing tif districts and what the anticipated status of those districts will be in the next fiscal year, three districts, airport way and two neighborhood prosperity initiative districts have concluded and have been formally terminated with the county eight districts shown in blue here. Downtown, waterfront, south park blocks, Oregon convention center, river district, and four remaining neighborhood prosperity districts are concluding, meaning they no longer have the debt no longer are collecting tax increment resources, and all the tif proceeds have been spent. But there may be some program income in those districts remaining, but the formal termination has not yet occurred yet with those districts. Four districts shown in yellow, central, east

side, interstate willamette and lents are sunseting, meaning that they have that while bonds are repaid and tif is no longer collected, they have ongoing spending through next fiscal year and in the budget. And finally, there are three active districts remaining north macadam gateway and the newest district, cully, which will continue to issue debt and spend proceeds, beyond next fiscal year. This north macadam for the next few years and gateway and cully into the 2030s. When combining total investments in the current fiscal year with next fiscal year and the four year forecast, a total investments about \$276 million, in community based tif district investments. And when adding this housing set aside, the total is \$361 million. Over the next, few years. The expenditures can be summarized in four major categories grants and infrastructure, business and property lending, asset management, and commercial tenants, which also includes a couple other categories business and property lending makes up about 28, or \$77 million of the planned expenditures. That includes, tenant improvement loans, commercial property loans, investments, grants and infrastructure category includes no return on capital or investment. They represent both grants to small businesses and nonprofits, as well as infrastructure investments to unlock development, the final category here asset management, commercial tenancing includes the operations and maintenance related to, commercial tenants, as well as holding costs for properties including broadway corridor and other action plan investments. So with that summary, i'll now hand it over to director, for in-depth discussion on the tif districts.

Speaker: So next slide please. Thanks. So this slide actually mirrors a slide that you saw earlier this spring when we presented the ways in which our general fund activities further advance. Portland and as this slide outlines prosper Portland's tif district investments and programs also help to deliver on all four of advanced

Portland's objectives from supporting our small businesses and property owners, access to capital to our construction equity policy, which delivers new job opportunities for covid certified firms and apprenticeship workforce opportunities on our projects and as council is aware, tif is central to our ability to deliver on our place based goals that are largely captured in objective three, or fostering a vibrant central city and commercial districts. Next slide please. So while much of our work in tif districts is accomplished through land acquisition and disposition agreements with development partners, that's very often the larger scale projects that you hear about. We also wanted to highlight some of the other key financial and real estate programs that we offer within prosper Portland with our tiff and within our tif districts that helped to stabilize and grow our small businesses, help with property ownership, and with larger scale commercial development. We offer a range of financial programs from and you see, just a couple of those listed here from our smaller grants like the prosperity investment program grant that helps small businesses make tenant improvements or facade improvements to larger scale loans, which we recently retooled to better address gaps in the conventional lending market for particularly given current market conditions, to direct leasing and tenancing of space that can offer important commercial hubs and anchors to surrounding residents. And in the upper right, you just see a couple of the small businesses that we've worked with in various capacities from ladybug academy, which is a childcare provider that received both a loan and grant to help them to move into space on the ground floor of a pcpi building on mlk or the phoenix pharmacy project in along foster avenue and lents, which was an unreinforced masonry building that we provided a commercial property loan to renovate and retenant a long vacant building. And we worked in conjunction with a long time property owner to tenants of various properties that prosper owns or manages at

alberta commons 10th and yamhill, the nick fish and lens commons towards affordable commercial opportunities. Next slide please. So before digging into kind of individual district budget overviews, we wanted to highlight four key projects and priorities for the agency. This coming year. As you know, development projects often take multiple years, and these projects will continue to be before you as we advance through the 2425 budget and probably into the 2526 budget. Some of those key priorities specific to 2425 include progress on broadway corridor in the river district, tif district. We've completed demolition and we're working with the Portland bureau of transport to initiate construction of johnson and kearney as well as with the Portland housing bureau, on their phase one affordable housing project that cannot build without those new streets and utilities in the upper right hand corner, you see the williams and russell project and the interstate tif district, where we're working with the williams and russell cdc order development and pcric, as well as the Portland housing bureau on the build out of three projects and then with legacy health, who currently owns that land, on the transfer of the property back to the cdc and the community, as steward of the land moving to the east, you see the two projects at the lower, the lower rung. We have a negotiated disposition and development agreement with palindromic communities for redevelopment of property at prosper Portland owns at southeast 92nd and herald that can deliver on 159 new mixed income housing projects within the lents tif district. And then on the right you see in the gateway tif district, we have a similar agreement with madam development, the david douglas school district and an iga with the Portland bureau of transportation for the construction of new streets at northeast Oregon, and 100th, which will make over ten acres of property available for future development, both with modular housing and future district, future school expansion for david douglas schools. Next slide please. So now I'm going to go

district by district and hopefully kind of provide you with a snapshot both about what are the key priorities, but where are they in their life cycle. And how is that informing, our budget thoughts. So the old town action plan, is actually overlaps two key districts. So it overlaps into the river district as well as the downtown waterfront tif district. There is just over 30 million remaining in our commitment on implementing on the action plan priorities, with the majority of those funds coming from program income resources. So this touches on something that tony mentioned. These are not tax increment finance resources. These are program income resources that came back to the agency through loan repayment and land sales. Our key priority is to introduce new market rate and middle income housing within old town chinatown. And we're working to invest in two commercial to residential conversions that would introduce approximately 100 new middle income units into the district. We're also underwriting loans to new commercial projects, such as the creative homes project at northwest fourth and glisan, and working with helios and other partners on the made in old town initiative that is working to acquire and build out approximately 30,000ft² of green footwear manufacturing facility, as well as supporting the james beard market in their negotiations to locate within old town, the central city. Tiff exploration discussions do include a potential new west side tif district that could include old town Broadway corridor and parts of downtown. And accordingly, we anticipate seeking council direction on a package of actions that would formally close out those older tif districts and propose a new tif district later this fall. Next slide please. In addition to the old town commitments, the river district fund has 11 million remaining, and that's net of housing as well, and those resources are committed to two key closeout activities. The first is tied to prosper Portland's ownership of the Broadway corridor site and related obligations, including the local improvement district

payments to support the completion of Johnson and Kearney at the USPS site, in partnership with the Bureau of Transportation. As I mentioned earlier, this infrastructure is required for our ongoing negotiations with Related and Melvin Mark on future private buildout of the property, as well as the Portland Housing Bureau's ability to deliver on their development of their property or block for which with which they actually have out for RFP submittals from teams who submitted to a previous RFQ. The other key bucket of activity in the River District is we have significant property holdings and management costs within the River District. This is something that Tony touched on tied to Centennial Mills, the Station Place parking garage and Union Station. We have a disposition agreement in place for the Centennial Mills property and disposition of that property continues to be a top priority. You may have actually seen that the developer has started to prepare the site for future development, and recently removed the MPU Paddock building that was located on the site. We're also in ongoing discussions with ODOT and Amtrak regarding the long term ownership and asset management of Union Station, given the station is central to Amtrak's ability to continue to provide passenger rail service, not just for our city, but for our region and our state. Next slide please. The Central East Side District compared to, to River District and Downtown Waterfront is actually a sunset district. So it does have remaining tax increment finance resources of approximately \$18 million over the next fiscal year and subsequent years. Next fiscal year, we anticipate a number of priority budget and TIF plan related activities. First, we're negotiating a development agreement with OMSI and city partners that would commit just under 11 million of tax increment financing for construction of New Water Avenue. This is a top priority for OMSI and the long term build out of their properties. Adjacent to the Orange Line relies on the New Water Avenue infrastructure construction. You'll see that line in both this fiscal year and

next fiscal year's budget. We do anticipate bringing that development agreement term sheet to council for consideration later this summer. The central city tiff exploration steering committee has also expressed support for a new tiff district in the south end of the central east side. The anticipated package of tiff district related actions this fall that would come before council could therefore include amending and shrinking the current central eastside tiff district just to the north end and that would allow us to continue to spend the existing remaining tiff resources we have after our investment in new water avenue to support small businesses via grants and loans for another 2 to 3 years. Next slide please. The lens tiff district is similar to the central east side. You'll note it is a sunseting tiff district, so it does still have remaining tiff available. It has approximately 17 million remaining in that tiff district with significant investment anticipated for prosper properties within the lens tiff within the lens town center at 92nd and foster, we are we have an active agreement and working and are working with palindrome communities to determine financing that is needed to deliver on a new 150 unit project that aligns with their initial community. With the initial community vision that was set out in the lens action plan and furthers on the city's housing production strategy. In addition, we do have existing assets also at the lens town center. We own lens commons and we are actively tenanting the ground floor of that space in alignment with our affordable commercial goals. We've received an loi, and we're in negotiations with a tenant to tenant up the two two of the three remaining ground floor spaces at lens commons. And we are reserving resources to provide affordable commercial space support to them through things like tenant improvement, grants and support. We're also continuing to work with mercato, who actually leases their property on southeast foster from prosper Portland, both to address immediate fire damage repair as well as longer term property ownership of the site, similar to the central

east to the central city tiff exploration processes. The east Portland tiff exploration discussions do include the potential for a new tiff district along 82nd avenue that could include portions of what is currently in the lens tiff district that would be similar to the central, similar to the central east side. That would mean we would need to amend the lens tiff district to shrink it to a smaller area so that any new tiff district could be created along 82nd, because we can't have the same area in two tiff districts at once. The amended district, the shrunken district would then have additional resources that are remaining in the existing lens tiff district available to continue to spend down via loans and grants to small businesses over the next 2 to 3 years.

Next slide. Okay, so the interstate tiff district is what we often call more the north northeast district. We do have an action plan that guides our investments in that district, like the central east side and the lens tiff districts. The interstate tiff district is sunsetting, but it has much more significant resources remaining of approximately 44 million to invest over the next fiscal year and forecast years. Our investments in the district are guided by the north northeast community development action plan, and our work with the north northeast leadership committee, so we have a committee that meets on a monthly basis to help guide our investments in alignment with the action plan. These economic development investments actually parallel the housing bureau's north northeast neighborhood housing strategy, which guides their investments in affordable housing and via the preference policy. We actually recently revamped our commercial property loan products largely to align with some of the goals that were called for in the action plan and to better respond to gaps in access to capital, particularly for long time property owners in north northeast who are looking to redevelop or renovate their properties. And for smaller businesses looking to make tenant improvements. We also launched an affordable commercial grant pilot program in north northeast,

and so you'll see resources in that in the interstate tiff budget for that. That program will provide grant funding to property owners who are actively working with businesses to lease their space at below market rates. They would then it signing up for the lower the market rates would actually then make them eligible for a grant, and another long time priority for the leadership committee is investment in a cultural business hub or hubs within north northeast. We recently issued a request for expressions of interest and were actually working with, three of the proposals to invest up to 6 million in each of their projects or across their projects, to develop a gathering place for tenants, to provide technical assistance and to provide access to financial resources for small businesses in line with the community's vision for a cultural business hub and finally, the picture you see in the lower left. Again, we are partnering with the williams and russell cdc order development and pcri, as well as with the housing bureau on co-investment in the williams and russell property. That legacy health has committed to transfer to the cdc. Our primary investment to date in the williams and russell project is to fund predevelopment activities, such as site partitioning and early design on the black business hub, and we anticipate a more significant investment over the next 2 to 3 years will be made as part of the financial stack for the black business hub project. Next slide please. So transitioning now to those three district districts that continue to have access both to tax increment finance resources and also whose bonds are not paid off. North macadam is still an active district, and we anticipate having significant resources to invest in both economic development and affordable housing over the coming five plus years. Budget priorities for the coming fiscal year includes updating and delivering on a disposition and development agreement that we have with Portland state university that has this has been a partnership that we've had with them for five plus years, passed outcomes of this agreement include

the development of the building that actually the city's bureau of planning and sustainability is co-located in with Portland state university, which was actually developed on property that was transferred by prosper Portland, more near-term investments include supporting wsu's relocation and build out of the Portland state business accelerator, as well as future redevelopment of the university place property. It's a partnership that contemplates mixed use development, which could include. This was done prior to their bid for keller auditorium, but could include keller auditorium if they are successful in their bid. We're also continuing discussions with south port, the south Portland neighborhood association, bureau partners, particularly the bureau of transportation and parks, as well as large landowners like ohsu and zidell around the ongoing need for key infrastructure investments in bond avenue and the south portal to support new vertical development. This past year, we also introduced our small business and community livability grant programs within south waterfront, based on the neighborhood associations interest in partnering or sponsoring community based improvements. Next slide please. Similar to north macadam, gateway is an active tif district where we are able to continue to deliver on community priorities in east Portland. Over the past year or so, we've been working with community partners to actually update the 2016 gateway action plan, which will then guide the over 45 million of investment that we have available over the coming years. The action plan resulted in significant projects like gateway, like gateway, discovery parks, small business grants to support retail retailers along the halsey weidler corridor in coordination with pbob infrastructure improvements and development of the mixed use mixed income nick fish project. More recently, we have invested in tenant improvements to actually tenant the ground floor of the nick fish, and we're working with a child care provider called happy go lucky to tenant. The space, which

will be a great combination with the park next door. And we're negotiating additional lease on remaining space. And again, our tif resources go to support them via tenant improvements. As previously mentioned, we also have the development agreement with madobe gateway and david douglas school district, as well as our iga with the bureau of transportation to deliver on infrastructure improvements that could unlock both a future expansion of david douglas school district, as well as over 200 new units of modular construction work of workforce housing in the transit center. Next slide please. And this brings us to the end. Our newest tif district and kind of key partners as we're thinking about the future of tif districts, the cully tif district will be in its second year in 2025. So there are very minimal resources next fiscal year. But approximately \$11 million in resources over the next five years. We're working with the committee that was appointed by this council, as well as the prosper board, to develop a five year action plan that will guide the investment of those resources. And in the immediate term, we'll use the small amount of economic development dollars that we have for next fiscal year to provide grants to small businesses within the district, similar to the grants that the that our 42nd and culley boulevard alliance provided to small businesses in the past. Similarly, when you look at our neighborhood prosperity initiative areas, there's very little tif remaining for those areas to deliver direct, small business grants. Are those organizations particularly rosewood, jade district division, midway and hazelwood continue to provide local community economic development capacity largely through their general fund allocations. And our close partners in the city's east Portland tif district exploration. And with that, I will hand it to kimberly to go over where we are with the exploration process.

Speaker: Thank you. Lisa. All right. We're two thirds of the way done. I know this is a lot of information. We appreciate your your attention. But as lisa mentioned, this

coming fiscal year is really an inflection point for Portland's tax increment finance districts. With one generation of districts effectively sunseting and concluding an active community conversations regarding the potential for the next generation of tax increment finance districts. So I want to talk a little bit about where we are there. Next slide please. All right. So as we look at the tiff exploration process, you'll see that we're getting close to some key decision points in line with the direction that we received from you all in June of 2023. We're supporting the work of the east Portland and central city steering committees and related working groups to identify priorities, geographic boundaries, and project lists. These groups are leading community engagement and helping to draft plan components with draft plans for any new tif districts anticipated to be largely, largely complete. Excuse me by the summer, and a council action anticipated in the fall, the prosper Portland board is expected to formally launch that approval process in August or September, with taxing jurisdiction coordination and a planning commission hearing to follow in anticipation of that City Council action in the fall. If approved, tax increment finance resources would become available at the beginning of fiscal year 25, 26. Next slide please. So, as you'll recall, up to 15% of the city's acreage and assessed value can be within a tax increment finance district with north macadam gateway and cully as the remaining active districts tif districts. Excuse me, this coming fiscal year, just 3% of the city's acreage and assessed value would be in active districts. Accordingly, the City Council resolution set parameters for each exploration process, allocating the available assessed value and acreage towards east Portland and the central city. With the advisory committees able to develop proposed districts within the limits that you see highlighted here. Next slide please. All right. So with guidance from east Portland steering committee, the three east Portland working groups have established the draft district boundaries that you see here.

And I want to take a moment just to appreciate the work that they are doing. These are volunteers who have spent their time going block by block to identify where they think, it will be most valuable for the priorities that have been articulated, in order to create the new districts together, we're actively soliciting input from a broad and diverse set of stakeholders. The current 82nd avenue columbia park, rose and east 205 districts include commercial, mixed use and residential areas that align with the inclusive growth priorities. The districts assessed value and acreage are within the established caps, and if created, the districts could generate up to \$1.5 billion for investment over 30 years. Towards the plan priorities. Next slide please. So tomorrow morning, the central city steering committee is going to review this map that you see here, with updated district boundaries which have been informed by the committee and by key stakeholders. The draft west side, lloyd and tillicum east districts. These are placeholder names. So if people have strong opinions, we are taking all opinions, which incorporates the tillicum east district incorporates southern portions of the central eastside industrial district, bringing catalytic redevelopment opportunities including lloyd center, omsi and Broadway corridor, as well as west side waterfront and commercial and mixed use areas that will likely require significant public and private investment in order to recover collectively, the districts are anticipated to generate up to \$1.1 billion over 30 years and are also within the defined value asset. Assessed value and acreage cap. Next slide please. So this final slide before I turn it over to shay to wrap us up, summarizes the budget assumptions, in line with the district budgets that lisa presented and the exploration process that I just touched on, this graph illustrates how we anticipate the Portland housing bureau and prosper Portland will spend down the accumulated resources from current tax increment districts, which you see in blue, without new tif districts, new tif capital and programming resources in

green are fairly modest and as we mentioned, are limited to gateway and cully. By 2028, the potential new districts that we just discussed could generate about \$70 million in new tif between 2526 and 2930. That's shown in gold, meaning that about \$30 million for Portland housing bureau and 40 million in for prosper Portland could be invested over five year period before producing about \$160 million in new tif in fiscal year 2030 31, when long term debt can be issued. We look forward to continued discussion with City Council regarding the potential districts in the coming months. All right, shay.

Speaker: Thanks, director branam. Good afternoon, commissioners. For the record, my name is shay flaherty. I use pronouns like he, him and I, and I serve as the director of economic development at prosper Portland. I'm hoping that this section is actually a brief review and reminder of our joint service area presentation that we provided earlier in the spring. You've just heard about our tif activities, which make up the preponderance of our budget and so the following slides represent the portions of our citywide work and programs that are funded by general fund cannabis community development block grants. And starting next year, for the first time, the Portland clean energy fund. Before I jump in, I really want to thank all the incredible staff across our economic development teams and really their resilience and creativity over the past few years of economic upheaval and uncertainty. The budget you see before you reflects not just their ongoing work and dedication, but also our collective efforts. Everyone in this room to see our city recover and grow in new ways. Go to the next slide. So again, this is a reminder of our various departments, business lines and how they align with the latest advanced Portland strategy with an inclusive growth and innovation. We continue to have a laser focus on our city's competitive advantages within these local industry clusters. And we continue to leverage enterprise zone as our key incentive

for job growth, as well as expanding, retaining and attracting firms. We support neighborhoods and districts via the neighborhood prosperity initiative and venture Portland districts and I'm pleased to say that we will continue playing a role in both downtown and citywide activation through the relatively new office of events and film, which is also responsible for putting on events like my people's market and last year's winter ice rink. There's also our ongoing investments and partnership with work systems inc. For youth and adult workforce development. And last but not least, support for diverse wealth building through programs like the inclusive business resource network. My colleague shabrie vicker's leadership in deploying reimaged Oregon dollars and new efforts to centralize a lot of the services you see on screen. As many of you have noted today, the new office of small business, which you'll recall we also discussed last month while this council was accepting a report on the state of small business. If you go to the next slide. So, so much of this work is remaining constant. But what you see on the slide reflects both how returning tiff and general funds are going to be deployed with a few key updates both returning tiff and the mayor's proposed budget allocations are part of a new co-investment from both the city and travel Portland into the office of events and film, and that's to support event and film producers alike. And activating our city, bringing back foot traffic and telling the story of Portland. There's returning tiff that we're allocating to new staff capacity to stand up the office of small business, where we expect staff to serve as liaisons that can serve small business owners directly, much in the same way that we're currently have capacity for relationship building to really to serve and support large employers in our cluster industries and employers and directors and other other folks in the film industry. You'll see there's a one time allocation for repair grants, which we know, unfortunately and sadly continues to be a need for small business owners in our city around issues like

broken windows and security costs. There's also a new project manager focused solely on public private real estate projects, but primarily outside of districts where we know the bulk of our resources lie. And you can see in blue just how returning tiff funds and the set aside is now playing that role that tiff used to in subsidizing all of these council funded priorities. I will also note this chart is inclusive of staffing, because when we go to the next slide, if we go to the next slide, you'll see that this chart as opposed to the last slide, is a full picture across all the key programs and investments that are available citywide. Again, meaning they're not restricted to tiff districts. And these are inclusive of staff costs. So when you look at the office of small business, it looks small. That's because the bulk of the resources in the first year are to stand up the staffing and again, meaning that these are not tiff resources. So we have general fund cannabis, the strategic investment fund, federal community development block grants and zone funds, all supporting these programs. You'll note that there are several programs here. The bar in gray shows our funding last year. They're funded at lower levels, mainly due to arpa funds as well as our seed grants. Winding down and a 7% reduction to our ongoing operational budget. I'll also note the preponderance of the backlog that was held by reimagine Oregon is going out the door this year, so you'll see a smaller number in starting next fiscal year. The largest increases you see on the screen come from pcef investments that were outlined as part of the city's climate investment plan. Most of these funds, I'm pleased to say, will be going directly out the door as financial assistance, mainly in grants and loans deployed by many of the staff on lisa's team. You'll be seeing opportunities next fiscal year, such as grants for small businesses to make energy efficient investments in building upgrades. You'll see expanded support for both technical assistance and equipment purchasing through programs like the inclusive business resource network, as well as new loan

financing products at a smaller scale for commercial retrofits. We're excited by the five year partnership with pcef, and for the opportunity to really help small businesses be a part of the city's climate goals, and I think that's if we go to the next slide, we have time for questions and discussion before we do that.

Speaker: Keelan how many folks do we have signed up for testimony? One person could could we go ahead and hear from that individual in case they want to move on to something else today, and then we can come back and do the q&a? Why don't we call on that one person, please, joshua meek. I know, welcome. Thanks for having me, it's a nice building. I haven't been here before, I used to intern with vera katz back in the day, and we weren't in city hall. We were in another building, and so it was kind of kind of nice. This is great. I was expecting more people. I remember more people going to these, anyways, one thing I wanted to say to prosper Portland, they're doing a great job, you know, you might go on the state's website, right? The, the secretary of state has your name expired in 2021. So it might be good thing to, renew your name, so someone doesn't go and buy it and, you know, create something else that's called prosper Portland. It'd be kind of a bad thing for the city, I think. Embarrassing, I come today, I'm an executive director of the Portland film festival. What I like to think is a signature event in Portland film is something I think, like all art, it really helps people connect, right? And I think our city is hurting in places. And what did people do during covid? They watched a lot of movies. And, sundance is thinking about moving and I wanted to come today to encourage prosper Portland and all of our council members and anyone that runs for office to support the idea of bringing sundance to Portland. It would be so good for our industry. So good for our industry, I do want to say one thing about the budget, of prosper Portland. I wish they'd spend more money on art, not just film. You know, as someone that works at a fairly known film festival, I think moviemaker

magazine wrote about all the festivals in the world, and our festival is the only one they really talked about from Oregon. And and it's really sad when, an organization often has wonderful and is great as prosper Portland only, you know, sends \$5,000. You know, it would be great to get some more money so that we can bring more filmmakers. You know, every year we bring hundreds of filmmakers, their cast and crew, and we say, hey, make a movie in Portland. And that's happened before. And, I just want to thank you, everyone, for letting me speak. Sorry if I've gone over my two minutes. Thank you all. And, you know, prosper Portland does a great job. I love the idea of doing the events and film, category, elisa does. Well, I just wish they got more money, because film is just so important. Art is so important to our culture. And to ignore it. That means I got to go no. 30s, you know, the new budget, \$8.2 billion. Well, that's a lot of money. And I was looking at, at art, we give out about \$8 million a year to artists now, not including any of the behind the scenes stuff. But, you know, Seattle gives about 21, and their budget last year was 7.4. So let's let's bring it up a little bit. You don't have to give it to the Portland film festival. I would love if you would. But don't do it. Let's give it to the other organizations. Thank you very much.

Speaker: Thanks, josh. I appreciate your being here. Great. Q and a, anybody. So, josh said something that I'm enthusiastically supportive of. I've heard those rumors as well about sundance, I assume we will pitch that. Is that correct? That's right.

Speaker: We have our Portland film office staff. We don't want to reveal anything too soon, but there is an rfp process. And we are we are seeking to apply.

Speaker: Good. And, josh, your input would be super helpful on that. I'd love to be on the committee. Great. Thank you. Anything else offered a very important note about the secretary of state filing right. Is that real? I'm not going to do it. Do we have a lawyer?

Speaker: Our general counsel says we don't have to register because it's our official governmental name, but we're going to double check on the website and just.

Speaker: Okay, I just didn't want that to, like, not go anywhere. So rather significant, require it to be registered.

Speaker: So I assume it was inspired in 2024.

Speaker: Well, yeah, we'll work on it.

Speaker: Thank you josh. We'll look into that. What is your hourly rate just on curiosity. Just like our festival, sir, we're all volunteers. Thanks, josh. Glad you're here. By the way, any other questions, great. This is a. Yeah, commissioner Ryan. Go ahead.

Speaker: Thank you. Kimberly and team. That was great. It was also a lot. And I think sometimes when I listen to your reports, I'm very taken with what I'm hearing. Then i'll leave and i'll think, okay, what is the what are their top three focuses for next year and how will I know if you've had a successful year? And I think since I've been here, I always we have dialog about the esco property, the omsi, which is central east side, and esco, I already said that broadway corridor, those are the big three that are rattling my head, but I can't look at your budget and then follow the money to see if those are the top three priorities. Maybe I made them up and that's why I can't find them. Help me understand how the numbers, are legible in terms of connecting to your actual priorities. And maybe those aren't even close to your top three.

Speaker: Yeah, it's a great question. I think one of the, one of the reasons that we highlighted the four, the four projects at the beginning was just to illustrate that there are projects that we are really focused on making progress on this year, and I think we can identify those as broadway corridor. Okay as the omsi development

agreement, 92nd and Harold Williams and Russell and 106th in Pacific. I think those are probably our top five major projects that we are, working really hard to move forward, and then I'll just add and the TIF districts overlay with most of those. That's right. Those are those are within tax increment finance districts. I would add that, you know, if I'm going to do a top ten prioritization, I know you've asked for three, but just in so those five projects and then really looking at the exploration of the new generation of tax increment finance districts, while there are pretty moderate resources that are allocated towards that, there is a tremendous amount of staff and community time that's being dedicated towards that, so that we can get that in front of City Council in November, to have potentially the next generation of, of TIF resources available, and then of course, we have standing up the new small business office and retaining our major employers in the central city, look for a great announcement. Well, citywide, look for a great announcement. That's coming out on Thursday. But those are our top, I think I'm counting seven priorities.

Speaker: We have to wait till tomorrow. Yeah

Speaker: The suspense.

Speaker: Okay, so that was helpful. And I think when I overlay it with TIF, that's I'm trying to make this digestible to somebody watching. And I think people are people all out there. Investors, they're obviously very nervous about our city's current state, and they see you as the economic development arm of our city. And so I listened to their frustration. And then I try to think, how can I help them in dialog?

Speaker: And one of the things that we're hearing, I mean, Lisa mentioned this, but where we are in the capital markets, it's very challenging to get investment in any real estate project right now. I think that's not a surprise to anyone, and so we are nimble and want to be responsive to where there are opportunities. But one of the we're hearing a couple of things. We're hearing one, that making progress on

projects like broadway corridor sends a clear market signal. And so we want to spend time and attention making progress there. So that's why that's one that's a key priority.

Speaker: Exactly what I want to hear. And I actually think having ten priorities is too much. That's just my opinion. And I think getting some real wins like seeing some demonstrated success in broadway corridor, is exactly like the reputation uptick that we need. So I just want to make sure that as a policymaker in this current body, that I'm supportive of that. Yeah

Speaker: The thing that I want to compliment to that is we're also, you know, the projects in oldtown, are smaller than broadway corridor, but being able to have a proof of concept with the modest resources that we have to support the conversion of, commercial to residential is also something that we think will send a powerful market signal, that it's feasible to, to do that if we are, if we're able to, to make that happen with our resources so complicated, it's complicated. And lenders aren't investing in it right now to the scale that we'd like to see.

Speaker: Yeah, they're having trouble penciling that out the roi. Yeah, that's what I keep hearing.

Speaker: So that's sort of our I mean that's our like in general what we're looking at is what are gaps in the market or what are things that could catalyze additional investment and aligning that with the resources that we have in each of the districts. So I hear you for sure.

Speaker: And then the small business, focus. I i, I wasn't that charitable last time you were here about that because i, I do think that we are small business city and I don't see our economic arm always being set up to be responsive to that. Clearly, there's been a lot of heartache, what they've experienced and all of us up here hear those stories over and over again for the right reason. So i, I'd like to hear in one

year's time how we think the small business office will be an improvement to those services to small businesses that they're currently not experiencing. For the most part.

Speaker: Yeah, we we're really excited about the investment, I think it both is something that we've heard about for a long time and something that staff has been thinking about internally. So we look forward to being able to share with you a little bit more in the first quarter, first and second quarter of next year as that gets launched. Okay, great.

Speaker: And I think for me, just I have to translate some of the budget from line item to more function based. So I have a better indication of where the investments are going to these priorities, which you speak of and it was helping me when I overlay it with tiff, but I would just say in your communication materials, which you guys are very good at, at prosper Portland, to keep leaning into that, because I think it would take away the mystery that's not really there, but it's just translation in. Thank you.

Speaker: Thanks, commissioner Gonzalez.

Speaker: I'm just going to build off of commissioner Ryan's inquiry on one level, just looking through the charter and sort of how the commission set up, there at least contemplates that council articulates priorities for the commission, with respect to economic development, urban renewal and affordable housing construction as of right now, from your vantage point, what has this council articulated as priorities for the commission, and does that dovetail at all with what, you know, you sort of answered with, commissioner Ryan's questions.

Speaker: Yeah, i'll point to a couple of things, and some of these are change in practices. So first i'll point to advance Portland, which is the city's economic development agency. But as we mentioned, is a council adopted, policy that really

guides all of our work so that sets our priorities in terms of which, industries, we're prioritizing the kinds of investments that we're making in neighborhoods, just really the, the full range of, of what we're doing, is all in, in furtherance of advance Portland. But digging down one level deeper, we have over the last few years, since I think about 2011, is that, about for about the last ten years, we've done something different in what I would call active tax increment finance districts. And those are five year action plans, and so those five year action plans have been approved by City Council. So old town gateway, lents and north northeast each have five year action plans, and those, we brought before after significant community engagement and understanding what the remaining resources were and then brought to council. And so those are council authorized policies and then finally, of course, the set aside policy is City Council's affordable housing direction to prosper Portland, and that is why we allocate about 45% of our resources to the Portland housing bureau, and then they steward those resources in alignment with the set aside policy.

Speaker: Okay. And, and then two related questions. So also by charter, the mayor promotes certain industries. How would you articulate where prosper ends and the mayor's office starts or vice versa, in supporting the growth of industry, at least in current practices? I'm not sure about the portion of charter. Can you, help me understand, just contemplates the mayor has, you know, promotes in such industries he sees fit and, and I'm just think about the role of andrew has and just how would you articulate what what thank you.

Speaker: Prosper does.

Speaker: And thank you, my, you know, as as long as I remember, I think with the exception of when, gretchen kafoury was a commissioner, traditionally prosper Portland and previously Portland development commission was within the mayor's.

Portfolio. And so, what I anticipate that they're speaking to is the fact that as commissioner in charge or the official liaison, the role that commissioner Rubio is playing, there's a lot of championing and direction that comes forward. And so as the commissioner in charge or the central liaison to prosper Portland, they are the more regular person who we're engaging with, and promoting the work on a on a regular basis in between council actions, we work really closely with andrew. We work really closely with angela, because oftentimes companies do want to hear from the mayor. They want to hear from the commissioner in charge. There's a lot of value in having elected officials come on behalf of the entire city, and highlight the incredible investments that our businesses are making. So it's been my experience that we really work in lockstep, and there's a lot of alignment. And there are some things that the mayor, the commissioner or their staff are better suited to do, some of those are more ceremonial, and some of those are, in fact really solution oriented. For example, making sure that pbem is working and the mayor or the commissioner have a different leverage point than we do, one of the things that's been incredibly helpful that's happened as we are retaining businesses, given commissioner Rubio's portfolio is being able to make sure that the bureau of development services is expediting permitting for major investments. So those kinds of things are happening with regularity based on their positions as our chief liaisons.

Speaker: Could I jump in on this? It's an excellent question. I appreciate commissioner gonzales asking it, so our our office gets detailed frequently to businesses that are already here, as well as businesses that are potentially being recruited. And oftentimes it's prosper that we hear about potentially recruited businesses. And we're brought into those discussions. We tend to lead the discussions locally if it's related to crime, homelessness or livability. And we have

people in my office specifically who reach out and maintain relationships with existing businesses in the city. Andrew fitzpatrick being foremost amongst those. But also dakota was very involved in those activities as well, and, and I would say in recent years, like at least the entirety of my term, the focus has been predominantly on providing city services to those small businesses. It has not been the large scale recruitment and ribbon cuttings and the like. It's been clean up the street, clean up the graffiti, deal with the homeless encampment and, deal with the criminality element near businesses. And that's that's really been a key part of our focus. Now, having said that, obviously we've worked in collaboration with prosper on a number of things, you know, the navigation center issue is one that came to us. It's one that prosper put a lot of time and energy into resolving, the office of small business that that was a collaborative effort that came from, from prosper, from commissioner Rubio, from business leadership. Just saying, look, we need a touch point somewhere at city hall. That's that's focused, narrowly on those issues, during. The protests, we heard from many, many, many. Small businesses and large that they needed help getting back onto their feet after people had gone in and engaged in criminal destruction and vandalism towards those businesses. We created both a grant program, which is administered now through prosper Portland and other issues, the events office, you know, things like the ice rink, and then the commercial space program, that's really one that came out of your office, I believe it was originated in prosper. Is that correct? But it's won. Frankly through the mayor's office, we've been able to leverage through it, through our personnel. And then just the focus on industries. You know, we had josh in here talking about the film office for the coordination of the film and the events office. That's a partnership that I don't think we could do without. Prosper. The focus on outdoor, and, you know, sports and an outdoor apparel is, is a potential cluster, the work we're doing

around arts and culture to help revitalize the city. I think everybody on this council has had some interaction. And again, prosper is helping us to lead those efforts and secure funding for those initiatives. So it's a little bit of a conglomerate. It's a great question. And I actually I'm going to think about it a little more and maybe, maybe a more succinct answer. No, it's still but it's a really it's a really good question. I appreciate it.

Speaker: And I guess the last question in this area is you think about the way economic development is sort of evolved in the city over the years, pdc to prosper. How is how. Would you characterize the current interplay with the housing bureau versus what would have been true 25 years ago, just sort of as a reminder of the history and how you see that working? Yeah. Currently it's a great question.

Speaker: And my institutional memory goes back about two decades. So I can speak I can speak to that. So there was a, you know, a period in which the city had what at the time was called the bureau of housing and community development, which had things like the community development block grant dollars or federal funds and, did a lot of planning and also navigated, sort of the what, what was at the time the ten year plan to end homelessness, and so a lot of the functions that have now been moved into the joint office, so that was the bureau of housing and community development, of course, you had at the time, home forward, which was then hap, and then you had the Portland development commission, and we had at the time a housing department that was largely focused on affordable housing, I think it felt like there was a mismatch between sort of the policy arm and then the development arm and, some distrust that, Portland development commission was really making good on some of the affordable housing priorities or in any way it was confusing to the general public about who was on first for affordable housing from the city. And so the decision was made to create the Portland housing bureau,

and that followed on City Council's direction to create the set aside policy, I think, which also came from the feeling that not enough investment and attention was being made to affordable housing in 2015, when the 2015 tony, 2014 2015, when the set aside policy was updated and that moved to 45, that really was a meaningful 30% was significant, but 45% is really a meaningful amount, even more meaningful amount of tax increment finance. Nearly half of all resources now go to affordable housing. And, you know, even at 30, Portland was really a national leader in establishing affordable housing as such a high priority, we think that we are the highest in the country at 45% as a city, and so in terms of the relationship between prosper Portland and the housing bureau, we are, you know, as close as as you can be as organized as we're sister organizations, we have shared priorities. We co-invest, we, you know, really work, work very closely together, but we also have an intergovernmental agreement that helps to keep the keep clarity of who's on first for what, at the beginning, after the bureau was created, that was important. So it's definitely been evolved. It's evolved over time, both organizationally and as investments have been, increased by City Council.

Speaker: Appreciate it. Thank you. Thank you for walking down some of the history commissioner Ryan, can I just can I add one thing just because I think I think we also very often are affordable commercial work is in the ground floor of affordable housing projects.

Speaker: So we're often co-investing physically in real estate assets together.

Speaker: Got it. Yeah. Okay

Speaker: Thank you.

Speaker: We don't have a lot of opportunities to do this. So thanks, it's good to just have more like a work session dialog with you as we're in a budget session. So I think the arts comments made earlier by I think josh left. We're we're good. Of

course there's apples and oranges. I'm sure in those comparisons. And I experience that sometimes with how we're building our focus. I'm glad that we're talking about arts as an economic driver. Like score. Thank you commissioner Rubio. We've been consistently staying on that message. And it's all of us should say that. That said, I would like to know how the how we're all working together, now that we have an arts office and there's a lot of arts activities in parks, and I think Seattle might do it differently. Not to say that we're doing it wrong and it goes with my focus. Like when you're building an organization and you have these top priorities and the other work that you're doing takes a lot of labor and effort. And I'm not saying it's not important. It might sound harsh, but sometimes it's like high visibility, lower impact, low visibility for those that are moving as best they can. Working with the bigger picture developments of the, the omsi district, for example. And so I just can't tell if we're spending our, precious labor to get the results that we need. And so sometimes it feels like prosper is taking on like, oh, if we don't know what to do with it, let's give it to prosper. I'm not saying that's what you all experience. That's something that I sometimes witness at this end, I want to make sure that shay has a chance to speak to the arts integration, because there's a lot of great work that's happening.

Speaker: Not this is not a complaint that no one's not doing a good job. I just from a system organizational standpoint, it's confusing sometimes, and I think your your point is well taken in terms of how do we prioritize, and part of it for us is an internal structural, question. And so maybe next time when we have the conversation, we can show an org chart, because I think it is helpful to know that there are, within lisa's shop, for example, there's a manager who oversees the lending products. There's two managers who oversee major developments, we're going to be consolidating our grants teams, and so while it feels like we do a

number of different things, and sometimes we do talk about ourselves as the elephant, and some people know our tusk and some people know our tail, you know, there are distinct teams that really have a depth of subject matter expertise. And oftentimes what then happens is those teams kind of attract the additional work. Right? So, we had for a long time the, film liaison position, and then when there was ideas that came through, the mayor's office and commissioner Mapps office about a new events team, it was like, well, what's most similar? The film office. Okay, they have capacity. They can do it. And so but that's not necessarily detracting for or having that doesn't have any impact really on lisa's development team. So, I don't mean to add kind of additional confusion, but I do think an org chart might help in terms of just showing the ways in which we are able to both find synergies across our work. Sometimes, you know, we're able to do activations on properties that we own and, and see that synergy between shae's department and lisa's department. But, oftentimes it's a depth of experience within specific teams.

Speaker: And I want to say thank you in advance. As the arts office and you work together to activate the way too many empty storefronts we have, that's a really big deal. And then i'll just also say, as you're ready to reply to this, how can I say this? Sometimes I experience a lot of little activations, and I wonder if we're paying enough attention to those long term traditional activations like rose festival, and are we investing enough there, which we know have a pretty big roi? Yeah.

Speaker: Thank you. Commissioner, i'll just speak to a couple of those. So, I'd say start by saying we're extremely grateful for darian and for jeff. Not not darian.

Speaker: That's the arts office for those who are listening, darian is, has joined us this year as a partner in the community event grant fund. And so we're extremely excited to be able to serve more event producers through that grant with his support, i'll also add your 100% right with the direction in which the events and film

office is moving. Given that we work in close partnership with travel Portland around incentivizing large events to come here and supporting the navigation of those larger events that has been where the majority of the dollars have gone right to either the larger events and the form of \$75,000, \$100,000 supports for those anchor institutions like the winter lights festival, certainly supporting and working with nick and team at the rose festival, but as we look at next year, you're going to see more funds going to not only those large institutional events, but also to the scale up program. That's where we see travel Portland wanting to see its dollars go towards. And so that is not just to take the idea of, yeah, let's support our small community events. Those are certainly important. They provide a role in activating our neighborhoods and our downtowns, but we have a lot of events in this city that have been around for a few years, and they're just at that level of 10,000 people. But what's it going to take to get them to get to 50,000 people or bring 300,000 people the way that some of our larger waterfront activations do? So that's the point of the scale up program. So we're very excited about that one. We're also excited by the film office, the funding that we've received this year really allows us to double down on the concierge role. So working with commissioner Rubio's office on bringing some real catalytic events back to the city, such as the pabst festival, that's a partnership with commissioner Rubio's team and then our team is working as well with folks such as rockstar. Right. So we have a lot of these movements. We also are providing concierge support services to folks like, the, sorry, the formula e, as well as working with sport Oregon around things such as could we potentially bring the triathlon to the city? Right. So there's a lot of bids that we're pursuing. There's a lot of bringing folks to the city that kind of service is what allowed us to work with the, the final four that recently came here. Right. So being able to tour those folks around the city, show them the elite eight.

Speaker: Yeah. Yeah.

Speaker: So you'll see more of that as the lead.

Speaker: But you're providing, concierge services. That's right. Is that the right word for that? Yes. Oh, great.

Speaker: So you'll see larger events support as well as that concierge.

Speaker: Okay. I think I have a softball type dreamy question for you, kimberly, when you compare yourself to your peers in other cities, what tools do they have to partner with investors and the community that you wish? Prosper Portland had? Is it in this budget?

Speaker: Well, I mean, so i'll start by saying, we appreciate having tax increment finance. It is a tool that, only Oregon has on the west coast, so it's not available in Washington or california. And that makes a big difference. Got it. But unlike, a number of cities and states on the east coast and certainly in the south, and this is generally something that you see more at the state level, but sometimes at the city level, we don't have a tradition of tax incentives, as a state, that are, you know, that's meaningful, so shay mentioned the enterprise zone, which is a tax abatement program. It's our best tool that we have, and we are very grateful for it, but we are competing against major cities and states that will spend millions of dollars to attract, attract and retain major employers, and that sometimes puts us at a competitive disadvantage.

Speaker: I really appreciate that. And I think the more data we have on that, because we I think we're good at starting. We have people here who are brilliant and are entrepreneurs that start businesses, but they don't always feel supported to keep growing here. So I think that might be where the where we need to invest, right? Yeah. Thank you. But anyway, that was really crisp and clear. I hope my colleagues heard that, because I think we're behaving in a way that's not going to

get us to the next level. And just to, I mean, for example, when I first got the assignment that the mayor gave me with doing something about homelessness, we acted. We were the ones that got the villages started. And yet, right when we started building them, we were told we had to right. Decommission three, villages with no services or set up. And we're pretty, grim and so in water avenue there were two and there was one in the old town. So we stopped everything and decommissioned those. And now they're sitting there waiting for the investment. Correct. And like, do we what's the holdup? Like what? I think because we had to stop everything and help with that. Because you just wonder, like what is it because of the calamity that we're currently experiencing? Yeah.

Speaker: The capital markets are really challenging. We are optimistic. We are working closely with, in, in the central east side on the workshop blocks with beam and collis on the event venue, so hopefully we'll start seeing that this year, moving forward. Yeah. Okay

Speaker: And that's one of the aspirations for next year. That's correct. Okay thank you so much. It was good to have some real dialog. Thank you.

Speaker: Great. Any other questions? Fabulous, colleagues, since we're meeting as the prosper Portland budget committee, this is a little unusual in that we won't be asking for a motion or a second today. We'll be continuing this, so with that, this meeting of the prosper Portland budget committee is continued to may 15th at 4 p.m, where members of the committee will hear any amendments to the budget. And the committee will vote to approve the budget. Thank you. Terrific discussion. Thanks for being here. And we are adjourned.