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MINUTES**

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **31ST DAY OF MARCH, 2004** AT 9:30 A.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Katz, Presiding; Commissioners Francesconi, Leonard, Saltzman and Sten, 5.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Harry Auerbach, Senior Deputy City Attorney; and Officer Curtis Chinn, Sergeant at Arms.

On a Y-5 roll call, the Consent Agenda was adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS		Disposition:
284	Request of Brent Richeson to address Council regarding development and specific changes near SE 20th and Division (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
285	Request of Garrett Johnson to address Council regarding skateboarding citations (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
286	Request of John Stanley to address Council to procure a response to the homeless problem (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
287	Request of Glenn Bridger of Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc. to address Council regarding 30th Anniversary of City Neighborhood Associations (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
288	Request of Sylvia Bogert of Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc. to address Council regarding 30th Anniversary of City Neighborhood Associations (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
TIME CERTAINS		

289 TIME CERTAIN: 9:30 AM – Accept the Small Business Advisory Council End of the Year Report (Report introduced by Mayor Katz and Commissioner Francesconi)

Motion to accept the report: Moved by Commissioner Leonard and seconded by Commissioner Sten and gaveled down by Mayor Katz after no objections.

(Y-5)

ACCEPTED

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<p>290 TIME CERTAIN: 10:15AM – League of Oregon Cities Friend of Cities Award to Senator Kate Brown (Presentation introduced by Mayor Katz and Commissioner Francesconi)</p>	<p align="center">PLACED ON FILE</p>
<p>291 TIME CERTAIN: 10:30 AM - Accept the Walkable Neighborhoods for Seniors Report (Report introduced by Commissioner Leonard)</p> <p>Motion to accept the report: Moved by Commissioner Leonard and seconded by Commissioner Saltzman and gavelled down by Mayor Katz after no objections.</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p align="center">ACCEPTED</p>
<p>S-292 TIME CERTAIN: 10:45 AM – Approve the Expenditure Plan for the Community and School Traffic Safety Account (Report introduced by Commissioner Francesconi)</p> <p>Motion to accept the substitute: Moved by Commissioner Francesconi and seconded by Commissioner Saltzman and gavelled down by Mayor Katz after no objections.</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p align="center">SUBSTITUTE APPROVED</p>
<p align="center">CONSENT AGENDA – NO DISCUSSION</p>	
<p>*293 Accept an easement for the Crystal Springs Culvert Replacement Project and authorize payment (Ordinance introduced by Commissioners Francesconi and Saltzman)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p align="center">178269</p>
<p align="center">Mayor Vera Katz</p>	
<p>294 Accept contract with 2KG Construction, Inc. for remodel of Fire Stations 3, 25 and 26 as complete, authorize the final payment and release retainage (Report; Contract No. 33846)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p align="center">ACCEPTED</p>
<p>*295 Pay claim of Jose Antonio Garcia (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p align="center">178270</p>
<p>*296 Authorize an agreement to partner with other city, county and federal police agencies to create a Regional Economic Crime Investigation Center (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p align="center">178271</p>
<p>*297 Authorize an agreement with the National Center for Disaster Decision Making doing business as the Critical Decision Institute to provide a Police Bureau Captain to act as the Executive Director of the Institute (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p align="center">178272</p>

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<p>*298 Amend agreement with Washington County Sheriff to provide Washington County District Attorney Office and City of Cornelius Oregon Police access to Portland Police Data System (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 51817) (Y-5)</p>	<p>178273</p>
<p>Commissioner Jim Francesconi</p>	
<p>299 Authorize the City Engineer to grant encroachment permits in the street area to match current practice and administrative rules (Ordinance; amend Code Sections 17.44.010, 17.44.015 and 17.44.017)</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING APRIL 7, 2004 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>*300 Approve a Settlement Agreement and Release with HNTB Corporation for certain design and construction revisions on the NW Lovejoy Ramp (Ordinance) (Y-5)</p>	<p>178274</p>
<p>*301 Amend contract with the Portland Metropolitan Softball Association to extend the current agreement to March 31, 2005 (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 50624) (Y-5)</p>	<p>178275</p>
<p>*302 Issue a Revocable Permit to Powell Valley Road Water District to install and maintain underground waterline in Raymond Park (Ordinance) (Y-5)</p>	<p>178276</p>
<p>*303 Amend contract with Mary Zinkin for staff training services (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 35128) (Y-5)</p>	<p>178277</p>
<p>Commissioner Randy Leonard</p>	
<p>304 Grant a right-of-way use agreement to AT&T Wireless Services of Oregon, Inc. for three years for mobile telecommunications services and establish terms and conditions (Ordinance)</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING MAY 5, 2004 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>305 Grant a right-of-way use agreement to VoiceStream PCS I, LLC for three years for mobile telecommunications services and establish terms and conditions (Ordinance)</p>	<p>PASSED TO SECOND READING MAY 5, 2004 AT 9:30 AM</p>
<p>Commissioner Dan Saltzman</p>	
<p>*306 Amend consulting agreement between Bureau of Environmental Services and the National Association of State Energy Officials to extend term of agreement until September 30, 2004 (Ordinance) (Y-5)</p>	<p>178278</p>

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*307 Pay Waste Management, Inc. for landfill services (Ordinance) (Y-5)	178279
*308 Authorize a contract and provide for payment for the construction of the Kelley Creek Flood Mitigation and Restoration Project No. 7327 (Ordinance) (Y-5)	178280
309 Amend contract for technical services and a third party review on the Forest Park Low Reservoir project with Harper Houf Righellis, Inc. (Second Reading Agenda 274; amend Contract No. 34277) (Y-5)	178281
REGULAR AGENDA Commissioner Jim Francesconi	
S-310 Revise Code provisions regarding exclusion from City Parks, define Park Officer, increase exclusion periods for repeat violators and provide for stays of exclusions during appeal (Second Reading Agenda 282; amend Code Section 20.04.010 and replace 20.12.265) (Y-5)	SUBSTITUTE 178282

At 11:41 a.m., Council adjourned.

GARY BLACKMER
Auditor of the City of Portland

By Karla Moore-Love
Clerk of the Council

For a discussion of agenda items, please consult the following Closed Caption Transcript.

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WEDNESDAY, 2:00 PM, MARCH 31, 2004

**DUE TO LACK OF AN AGENDA
THERE WAS NO MEETING**

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Key: *** means unidentified speaker.**

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[Roll Call]

Katz: Mayor is present. All right. Let's get to communications. 284.

Item 284.

Katz: Are you here? [Brent Richeson not present.] All right. Let's go to 285.

Item 285.

Moore: Garrett Johnson is not able to make it.

Katz: Ok. 286.

Item 286.

Katz: Is John here? [John Stanley not present.] Ok. 287.

Item 287 and 288.

Katz: Come on up. Good morning, go ahead.

*******:** Good morning.

Katz: Why don't you identify yourself and then both of you do that, and then proceed.

Glenn Bridger, Southwest Neighborhoods Inc.: Ok. Thank you. My name is Glenn Bridger, I am president of Southwest Neighborhoods' Incorporated, and with me is --

Sylvia Bogert, Southwest Neighborhoods Inc.: I am Sylvia Bogert, executive director of Southwest Neighborhoods. There are seven district coalition offices located throughout the city. Each office is organized slightly different in order to meet the needs of the residents. Southwest Neighborhoods is a nonprofit coalition of 16 neighborhood and three business associations. We have a 28-member operating board. The coalition has established four standing committees, which meet monthly. Land use, transportation, crime prevention, parks, and community centers. The committees have representation from neighborhood associations -- oops. Representation from neighborhood associations and have a working relationship with the city bureaus. If you will look at the bottom line on your budget sheets, our contract with the city covers roughly 69% of our operating cost. The board leverages are contract dollars and will raise an additional \$74,000 this year. Funds are raised through direct contributions, advertising, cleanups and various public involvement contracts. Currently, we have three separate contracts with the bureau of environmental services. We coordinate the city-wide naturescaping program. We staff the watershed resource center located in the southwest community center, and we coordinate the public involvement contract for the Fanno watershed master plan. Southwest Neighborhoods publishes a monthly newsletter. Over 10,000 households have requested to receive this publication. That's about a third of the households in our area. This is our most effective tool to engage citizens and inform them on activities occurring in our area.

Francesconi: Look at that leash right there. [laughter]

Bogert: It is proven to be a great educational outreach tool for city bureaus, county agency, metro programs, and over 40 different community organizations. Once a year, we try to mail our new letter to every household in our coalition boundaries to reach new residents to save dollars, residents can read the newsletter online at our website. Neighborhood associations have established websites, bulletin boards and list servers to communicate with residents. The coalition has three full-time staff members to assist neighborhoods with meeting coordination, event planning, technical assistance, outreach, volunteer recruitment and training. Southwest Neighborhoods is

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fiscal agent for neighborhood association projects, and our 501-c-3 insures that all donations are tax deductible. This past year, crestwood has raised \$9,000 towards a new playground structure for dickinson park. This project is similar to the effort that raised over \$70,000 for the hamilton park playground structure. The southwest litter parole works with the neighborhood associations and businesses to work with drop boxes and other expenses related to this event. Collinsview neighborhood association.

Katz: Silvia, your time is up. To you want to switch over to glenn? Go ahead. You pick it up.

Bridger: Thank you. One of the greatest things in the organization can do is to bring people together. Nurturing and facilitating a cooperative spirit within our communities is our primary goal, and we have successes in this area. Take a look, for example, some of the things that our neighborhoods have done. We have had 16 neighborhood associations holding 464 meetings with a total attendance of 5,088 people. Our organizations and community partners have, held 152 events with an attendance of 58,000 people. These events included celebrations at Multnomah village, hillsdale and the farmers' market and urban trail's league. We helped collect over 31,000 pounds of food for families in need at the litter letter carrier's food drive, and collected -- there we are. The 250 bikes at our bike drive in december. Each year we celebrate the participation of our 300 to 600 volunteers. At an annual celebration event. Now, advocacy is a topic you hear from us quite frequently. Transportation is certainly our number one advocacy area where we are looking for getting sidewalks on all of our arterial streets in southwest Portland. Safe routes of school has been a major initiative with people from our community helping organize activities at several of our schools and part of our committee serving on transportation committees. Schools is another very important part because schools are the foundation of success in our communities and of course, outreach is very important. We want to extend our outreach into other parts of the community. This gets into partnerships because we cannot act alone. We have to work as a part of the larger environment within our area and within the city. Neighborhood partners, we have the neighborhood house, which is our social service agency serving low income and youth and families. We have three business associations. Multnomah village, hillsdale business professional association, southwest business, and we have the hillsdale farmers' market. Now let's talk about the governmental partners. I mean we have with the bureau of environmental services, we have our, our water resource center, our naturescaping program, and coming up in another week, our watershed master plan open house. With our bureau of parks and recreation, we have major activities going on with the electric trail and along with other activities. We work with the bureau of planning on their formerly named healthy streams program. Police bureau, we work in the community policing activities and neighborhood involvement, o.n.i., and we cooperate with our wonderful crime prevention specialist, as well as various o.n.i. Committees, and transportation, we are active on many of their committees. In conclusion we are an effective way to leverage public dollars into a lot of volunteer effort. Portland serves great volunteer effort and deserves a great city, and we're here to help be a voice in that system.

Katz: Thank you, glenn and silvia. All right, let's go to consent calendar. Any items to be removed off the consent calendar? If not, roll call.

Francesconi: Aye. **Leonard:** Aye. **Saltzman:** Aye. **Sten:** Aye.

Katz: Mayor votes aye. All right time certain 289.

Item 289.

Katz: Ok. Usually this time of the year is when we ask our councils or people who are doing important work to come and tell us what they are doing. So, let me pass it over to commissioner Francesconi.

Francesconi: Thanks. Come on forward to make our presentation here. This will -- this is terrific. This has been -- the small business council has worked on important issues like transportation, sdc's for small business. They have worked on tax issues and the regulatory issues, as well as

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contracts. But, above all else, and with the terrific support from the mayor, the council and the bureaus, some of whom are represented here, they have helped bring some healing between the small business community and the city, and there's more work to do, but the work has been terrific. Before I turn this over, what we're trying to do, too, is make sure that the membership keeps fresh and represents the diversity of small businesses that we are fortunate to have in our community. So, I just wanted to let the council and the public know that we have some new members that are, that have come onboard. Mike, and I am going to briefly introduce them. Michael doss from mt. Tabor legal services. If you are here, feel free to stand up. They weren't all invited. Mary edmonds from the albina community bank, swoomay, I am sorry, I am mispronouncing your name, kwadoich, from diechee international. David Lister from integrated data concepts, and amy spatrasono from meeting strategies worldwide, and steve weir from weir's cycling. Ok. Go ahead.

Kim Powe, Portland Development Commission: Good morning. Mayor and commissioners. My name is kim powe. I am the staff person from the Portland development commission to the small business advisory council. You may be used to seeing Jennifer nolfi, who is currently on maternity leave, so I am the one staffing this group at the moment. As you know the small business advisory committee -- council, excuse me, is a council representing businesses from across the city of Portland, representing diversity of industries. As jim just said, the council has grown, and we are now at 23 members. We also have a new executive committee. We have a new executive committee, we gave chair-elect ethan dunham and vice chair simon tomkinson, who, along with the rest of the executive committee, will be presenting you with our end of the year report. Just so you know there is actually going to be six people presenting today. So, there is going to be a little changing of the guards in the middle of our presentation. I am going to run real quickly through what we are going to be talking to you about today. Ethan will introduce his chair. We will also -- simon was going to introduce the new members, but that's already been done, so we don't need to do that any more. We're going to go over the highlights of our accomplishments. Jackie babake, the head of our communication's committee, will present to you with a communications about working with the city. And then we'll have each of our committee chairs, subcommittee chairs come and speak to you about their goals going -- and priorities going forward. With that, ethan dunham, Jackie babicky-peterson and simon tomkinson will come up.

Francesconi: Thank you for filling in, too, and helping.

Powe: Oh, no problem.

Katz: This is the first three?

Powe: Round one.

Katz: Round one, all right. Grab the mike and somebody begin.

Ethan Dunham: Hi. I am ethan with pulse business systems. Our -- we are in 1925 northwest overton is where the office is. I am first going to introduce our new vice chair. I am the chair-elect, our new vice chair is simon tomkinson, who is going to say a few words about some of the continuity that we have created.

Simon Tomkinson: This is simon tomkinson, litmus design architecture, 206 northeast 20th avenue. I just wanted to mention while the members have already been introduced it's really important to recognize that we are a growing body. In fact, our outreach is getting bigger and bigger. Basically, a monthly basis. The new members are really adding a tremendous amount of, texture to our presentation to the issues, and also wanted to thank the council for recommending specifically amy spectrasono for, you know, because we definitely want to have more involvement and more dialogue with the council. It's been one of our targeted issues. Our members are responding. This is the good news, and so we anticipate a lot more dialogue. We also want to thank, too, the involvement of the staff. It's absolutely fundamental your staff shows up and the, the business liaisons you have established. That communication creates a real vitality in the discourse that we have. And actually, it's attracting more and more members because they see that they have

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access, so we want to thank you for that, as well. What I would like to do here is also introduce Jackie Babicky-Peterson to talk about some of the other communication strategies that we have and what -- our ongoing programs that we are doing, as well.

Jackie Babicky: Ok. Thank you. This is Jackie Babicky-Peterson. I have a company Babicky Performance Partners, 4216 Northeast 20th. And as chair of the communications committee, we're really pleased with all of the things that have happened with the small business advisory council, and we're, we're delighted with what happened over the last year that we have kind of found our feet, and we feel like we have really proven ourselves that when any or all of you bring an issue to us, that involves small business, that we think that we responded very quickly, and diligently, and thoughtfully, and we have given back good feedback and worked on it and given our input. We are very pleased with what we have accomplished that way. We also believe, and we have sent a letter with our packet, that, that we could be used even more by you, by -- you know, in your particular issues. We think that, that when we are most successful, it is because we are involved very early in the thinking process of developing ideas and, you know, rather than in the reaction process, we have coined a phrase in our report where we say, "we would rather work with you as partners and developing ideas than as critics at the end." and so, we have sent to you a letter saying please, please, you know, think of us very early. That worked very well for us in the bitlbf issue. That worked very well for us in the sdc grant's issue, but it did not work well in time, place, and manner because we were being at the end and we were being very reactive. So, we're willing to be proactive and taking a, a great deal of effort to, to mobilize small businesses so that you can work with them and hear their voice. We're working, again, cross organization, so that we can pull forth people who are willing to volunteer their time and you know, and put a lot of time in sometimes, and, you know, give you feedback and tell you how the small business community stands. We're very, very pleased with what happens, and we thank you for your input and the bureau members, but we would like to go forward and even be more involved. Also going forward, we would, small business advisory council is being very active with the prosperity implementation team that is getting underway, and that is a cross organizational effort that involves small business advisory council, Portland development commission, the city small business liaisons that have been appointed through the various bureaus, also with Portland business alliance and apnba, so together we are looking at small business issues and, you know, the economic vitality that small business creates on a systemic level, and we really are, are working to be integral to, you know, to all of the things that happen in our city to make it -- continue it to be the wonderful place that it is. So, our, you know, our letter to you is, again, requesting early involvement.

*****: Ethan?

Dunham: If you could -- I just want to take a few minutes, then, if you could just look at the, at the page one, executive summary with me. Annual report. A couple things that I would like to point out to you. The third paragraph, our vision, this is very important to us, is that the, the program continue as a joint public, private partnership that supports the vitality of small business and is committed to the fundamental truth through creation, growth, and expansion. Small businesses create jobs. We, as our members, have invested a substantial amount of time understanding the implications of proposed policies developing and responding with recommends to the policies as well as proactively pursuing priorities identified by the members. That's what we are about. We are here -- we think that the common interest that we have is that, indeed, small business can grow the vitality and create jobs for the city of Portland. Some of the accomplishments, let me highlight them and then we will bring up our committee chairs to speak more, in more detail, is in the area of the city budget, we have had an active participation early on in that pros. We have attended budget forums, and, and through some of the council members here, staff, we were asked to be early on weighing in on the sdc grants, and we are happy to say that we are very happy with that process. And happy with the outcome. Nonconforming use is something else that we are very interested in,

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and we have continued to lobby on behalf of small businesses there to move that up in the bureau of planning. And the time, place, and manner ordinance, even though we were late to the game, we were able to help step in and create some, I think, some positive outcomes with an advisory body, and then also pulling in the Oregon grocery association, Oregon restaurant association, and two other business members to provide you with ongoing feedback. Finding what our common interests are. Again, the next page, the bitblf, again, we have become the small, working to become the small working voice for the city of Portland. We have worked with businesses to insist on further consideration when changes are made to the bit. We have encouraged people to get involved, develop arguments, talk to the press, join together and work hard. Finally, we have actually developed some continuity. We have elected new leadership, brought in new members, and created some permanency, we hope, to our process. Next year, these are the things that we are looking at. Again, we are emphasizing early input, working on liability insurance, which andre baugh will talk about, and water and sewer rates are important to us, combined with sdc's, and we're hoping to understand the different pressures. We are business people and we understand that there are revenues and expenses, so we're looking at helping to look at both sides of that picture. Again, jackie mentioned the prosperity implementation team and our emphasis on interorganizational corporation. We really hope that the small business community can start speaking with one voice rather than several. Thank you very much for all of your support. At this point, I am going to turn it over to andre baugh, who is our chair, our committee on contracting with the city of Portland, tony ellis, who chairs our regulatory reform committee, and ken turner, who chairs the cost of doing business committee.

Katz: Ok. Come on up. Andre, why don't you start.

Andre Baugh: Excuse me. Good morning, mayor and commissioners. My name is andre baugh with group AGB, llc, and I live in northeast Portland. I am a member of the small business advisory council and chair of the subcontracting committee. I am going to give you -- you can read the report and see all of our priorities, but I am going to focus on our highest priority here today. As a priority of the subcommittee contracting subcommittee going forward for small business, insurance is our top priority. Liability and health -- our subcommittee is tackling liability insurance for small businesses first. Since 9/11, liability insurance for small businesses has become increasingly expensive and difficult to obtain posing a significant barrier for small businesses for growth. The subcontracting committee initiated a conversation with, with risk management and the manager there, sherry greenwood, to see if the city could help in finding solutions to this problem. Sherry responded and found municipality insurance services, a company which holds great promise to offer lower cost liability insurance to small businesses, working with the city. The impact to small businesses, using this insurance, will be to lower their cost of doing business, increase their competitiveness, and potentially, lowering the cost of doing business with your bureaus. Additionally, this insurance will promise for affecting more than the construction firms and professional services. It could offer lower cost insurance to groups like royal rosarians, neighborhood groups, nonprofits and special events.

Katz: Andre, let me interrupt you. I just gave a green light for it, so it's a go.

Baugh: Well, I am going to skip to the end. [laughter] And say that we are going to come back to you --

Katz: The council will get a report on it --

Baugh: Yes.

Katz: But it doesn't have to go to the council, technically, but I wanted the council to be aware of what, what risk was able to locate, but it's only for firms that, and nonprofits that do business with the city.

Baugh: Yeah. And that, we clearly -- this insurance does not offer a solution to everybody, but it does for the city of Portland offer some solutions, and, you know, we are going to come back to

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you. Clearly ask with some recommendations and probably ask for your support in the implementation of it.

Katz: The only thing that I have asked her is to check with, with a handful of cities that already are doing it to see what the recommendations would be, but the green light is given. It looks very good and very promising.

Baugh: Well, thank you.

Francesconi: Sounds like you can put it in the accomplishment list instead of the future goals' list.

Katz: Skip over and get to something that we haven't done yet.

Baugh: Well that was what I was going to concentrate on today. We have other priorities. Our local business initiative is our other priority, as I said in the health area, is health care. We're looking at what, again, what can be done in that area and we'll be looking at alternatives over the next year, because that's another significant issue for small businesses and their ability to be competitive going forward. I just want to also take the opportunity to thank you, mayor, and the commissioners for, for your support through the bureaus and helping us as a small business advisory council get this accomplishment done. Thank you.

Katz: Thank you. By the way, that sparta insurance would also be available for our neighborhood associations, as well.

Baugh: Yes. Thank you.

Katz: Okay.

Tony Ellis: Good morning. My name is tony ellis with graphic sciences, and I am the chair of the regulatory reform committee. With the sbac. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you for the opportunity to hear small businesses, their voice and their concerns. I think it's quite important here in the city of Portland. Our group feels quite accomplished in the work that we have done involving working with the planning bureau and the regulatory improvement work plan, the nonconforming use issues, the limited amount that we were able to input with time, place, and manner, and the s.d.c.'s, and we are anxious to continue working with the bureau's staff and developing a mechanism for identifying policy changes and new regulations that affect small businesses, and I want to echo what you have heard in prior testimony here this morning, that it's real important for us to be involved early so that we can be proactive. It's much more beneficial, I think, to everybody involved to have a proactive role instead of a reactive role. I also want to thank you for the small business liaisons. I think that this will prove to be a mutually beneficial relationship for everyone involved, and we're really looking forward to working with them. The bureau's staff has been really key in helping our group with technical information and really providing an in with the city of Portland -- an in with the city of Portland that allows small businesses to really understand the mechanism of the city and regulations and policies. Key focus of the group going forward is the collaboration and communication with other business groups, and the city regarding these changes and regulations, and, and if there are any specific concerns that anyone in your staff has, that, that they feel may affect small businesses, you know, please let us know and we really look forward to it. Thank you very much.

Katz: Thank you.

Ken Turner: Good morning. And I, too, want to, and on behalf of the small, or the cost of doing business committee, want to thank each and every one of you, councilmembers, for your support, continuing support, and the involvement of your staff in our, in our committee. The cost of doing business committee, in particular, has enjoyed an excellent working partnership with both bureau and council staff people. And if I may, I would like to -- i'd like to name names. Some of these folks, alex vajarno, sue keel, dan vizzinni, dean marriott, Michael harrison, and ty kovatch, Brendan finn, brent canode, jim wadsworth, terry williams, rich rodgers, marco mills, jimmy brown, brian hoop -- they have all come to our committee with, with incredibly valuable information and input to

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that committee. It helps, it helps us understand these different issues, and, and how we go about continuing on with a particular issue. And a few of the issues that this committee has been proactive on, some of them have been mentioned as bit, the payroll tax, the s.d.c. grant program, water and sewer rates, time, place, and manner ordinance and the city budget process. When considering the placement of priorities on certain issues that this committee decides to move forward, members put an incredible amount of weight on how consistent and repeatedly these concerns have been voiced by small businesses in the city of Portland. And how these issues and concerns may have, may have an impact on the daily operation of a business. We will continue to support and actively add for a fair and equitable business tax structure that includes an increase in owner's comp deduction. We're actively exploring the role of our committee and water and sewer policies with the clear understanding that the existing Portland utility review board has the role of a watchdog over water and sewer rates, and we do not want to duplicate those efforts. Having said that, however, we will continue to explore the role that sbac may have in identifying and/or advocating on policies that may impact future rates. We believe that sbac has -- was a helpful stake holder at improving aspects of time, place, and manner ordinance. With conversations with commissioner Leonard's staff, I think that we helped, or at least suggested some issues that became amendments to that ordinance. We're going to continue -- or, or one of our going forward issues is the, the business survey. That the city auditor's office put out in 2003. This is the first survey of the business community. We think that it has merits. We think that with some reworking of some of the questions that may gain more pertinence to businesses that it can be a worthwhile document. We will lobby for funding and lobby for a seat at the structuring committee, as far as how these questions are put together.

Katz: Are you finished?

Turner: Well, I am -- I just have a couple other things. Other topics that we are including will be urban renewal districts, encroachment on right-of-way issues, and the overall impact of s.d.c. charges have on small businesses. And I want to thank you for your support, and we're looking forward to continuing a successful partnership. This is basically the end of our protection, and I have the good position to say, if you have other questions, the three up here before are ready to answer them. [laughter]

Katz: Thank you, everybody. Anybody else want to testify? Are there any questions? By the council?

Francesconi: Actually, I have two. One might be for Andre, but Jackie, too. It's about health insurance. You alluded to it, Andre, in your testimony, but could you talk a bit about what the next steps would be in terms and are you partnering with other small business organizations to address it?

Baugh: We are looking for partners. We have been talking with the, with the p.b.a. and the group of metropolitan associations of cities and it's on their priority list, and looking at just minority groups, anybody that wants to talk about health insurance. It's a top priority for a number of small business groups and other municipalities in the region. Trying to figure out just how to tackle it is the biggest issue, and it seems that some kind of, maybe summit or something maybe in the offering here soon to try to form that as maybe a first step. But, we are trying to coordinate with other people, so that we work together versus trying to do our individual thing across the region for that health insurance.

Francesconi: Ok. My last question -- I noticed that the good diversity on your committee, but I have also noticed in our neighborhoods the vitality of our immigrant minority businesses along Sandy and a lot of different places. Can you give us any -- are you doing any advice in terms of how we can even strengthen the vitality of more of our diversity of our business groups?

Baugh: Actually, I am going to let Jackie answer that because it's more of a communications issue. I know personally I am trying to get out to as many minority groups as I can with, with issues that

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face small businesses that, that I know about, but, but jackie really is addressing that issue, specifically.

Katz: Andre, before you go, since my bureau did such a good job on sparta, why don't you check with them to see if they have done any work on the health insurance for small businesses. I don't know if they have.

Baugh: I don't know, either. I was just -- didn't want to get sherry -- push her too far. She's done an excellent job with the insurance and honestly, this thing has moved faster than I ever thought possible given that we talked to her. I think about the first of the year and three months later, we're pretty much --

Katz: Just ask her. She may know something or at least point you in the right direction.

Baugh: Ok. Thank you.

Katz: Jackie, why don't you come on up and answer the commissioner's question.

Babicky: Yes, thank you. What we're trying to do as far as reaching out to all of the businesses, is one of our principles is to communicate widely, and so as we, we develop our reports and made some progress, we're intending to use the, the work or the, the newsletter of apnba because we feel like they reach out in the different neighborhoods. Certainly, of owame the small business development center, Portland business alliance, you know, we're just looking for ways to do that. So that we can include as many people as we can. It's a huge effort on our part.

Katz: Thank you. Anybody else want to testify? If not, i'll accept the motion to accept the report.

Leonard: So move.

Katz: Do I hear a second?

Sten: Second.

Katz: Roll call.

Francesconi: Thank you for all your work, and actually, ethan said it, it's about jobs. Many, most of our small businesses produce one more job, we would have 75,000 more jobs, and we would go from, from one of the highest unemployment rates to one of the lowest. And to do that, though, it takes you helping tell us what it takes, so I think that one of the other things you should take credit for, and the council should, is putting small business liaisons in all the bureaus, who are responsible to help navigate through the issues. That's a terrific thing that happened here. My request back to the group, and jackie, you're working on it. It's also important to publicize successes happening, so like this, this liability insurance discussion that we just had, I mean, once the results are clear and specific, it's important to get the word out so that people see that, that we're doing some things to lower the cost of business so that they can produce jobs. Part of it is the reality that we have to address, but part of it is the perception. And if you can get this thing out, then it helps, helps create the image that we're here to help. In ways that we can help. So, we have some other issues to do. We have to continue to lower the s.d.c.'s for small business. This business survey is important so we have a way of documenting where we are at and measuring progress. So, I also agree with that.

But, we're moving in the right direction because of your work and the work of the bureau. Staff people. This, we wouldn't be anywhere without committed people in the bureaus who want to make this happen. Aye.

Leonard: Well, I want to recognize the excellent work that you all have done, but particularly, I noticed that fred sanchez is hiding back here. He's one of the power drives in east Portland, in promoting good business practices, and good development, and so I want to recognize fred, the excellent work that he does, and all of you have done great work, but ken turner, again, another east Portland businessman who has probably done more to educate me on the issues of small businesses than anybody else in the city, and I want to recognize his excellent work. And we, at the bureau of development services, have, in fact, created a position of a small business liaison. Again, to recognize, recognize the result of working with all of you and what you have pointed out, you need

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to help do your jobs. So, this is a fabulous group, and I am very, very pleased to work closely with you. Aye.

Saltzman: Well, I want to congratulate you on your first year of existence, and I think it's a very good sign of robustness and health, the fact that you have new people coming onboard. It looks like a very diverse list of businesses and people and new leadership, and so a certain continuity of operation is always, I think, a testament to, to long-term durability, as well, so you have done a great job, and I like, I like the tact you are taking, the attempt to work with some of the other entities that, that speak for small businesses and maybe even achieve that, that grand unification theory. That would be nice to see, and it would be a challenge, but we appreciate the input that you have given to my bureaus on various issues so far, and figuring out ways to work with the Portland utility review board in a way that will compliment both your work efforts as an important goal, as well, so good work and congratulations. Aye.

Sten: I agree. Thank you for doing this. I think it is making an impact, and I do appreciate your time. Aye.

Katz: Thank you. Aye. 290. Oops, it's not quite time. Let's take the second reading on the regular agenda item. S-310.

Item 310.

Katz: Roll call.

Francesconi: Well, it is absolutely essential that, that our parks and our public places -- absolutely essential to our democracy that parks and public places be places where, where free speech and all constitutional rights can be exercised without any restraint. And it's also important to our city and our citizens that parks and public places be safe places for our families and for our children. I believe that this improved ordinance with the help of the council, the good input from the public, allows us to do both because we must do both. There's no alternative but to do both. And this is a very important tool that we need, but it is also a tool that we are going to make sure is exercised both in the letter of the law and the practice of the law. Such that free speech and all constitutional rights shall be guaranteed, and I believe that this does it. If, in the future, it's determined that it doesn't do it, we'll, we'll make it better. We'll do it to the point where, where it does. I believe that this is the right balance, but we'll always continue to be vigilant and continue to work on it. So thank you for everybody's help in getting to this point. Aye.

Leonard: Well, apparently my microphone was turned off last week when I was making remarks, as my friend in the back of the room pointed out. So, I'll just repeat what I said last week. With my mike on. It's important that as commissioner Francesconi has stated many times, that parks be a safe place for everybody, including families. It's also important that, that we have tolerance amongst our very, varied officials of people who use the parks who may express opinions and look different than maybe some of us do. I am going to support this, but I also am supporting it with the caveat that I want to review it at some point in the future to make sure that, that what citations have been issued in that, in that time period that we do the review, are for legitimate reasons, and not for purposes other than, than making the parks safe. I am very, very concerned that we focus on that. And that we allow for political divergence in speech. We allow for, for divergence in how people look and how they, they express themselves and while at the same time, keeping an eye on keeping the parks safe for everybody. Aye.

Saltzman: This is clearly an important issue that, that has been dealt with in the courts already. Probably, again, I think that we've done a good job, I think, trying to overcome the concerns raised by the federal court in the last decision, but I think that clearly the weakest link, and I think that we have tried to address this, is those who were empowered to exclude -- it's a pretty long list, and we talked about this over several meetings, and I think that we have, we have narrowed the list a bit. We have required supervisors to sign off on exclusions by, by certain categories of subordinates, and I think that that's going to help. We have also required that, that anybody who is empowered to

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exclude go through training, I think that's going to be developed by parks and the police bureau. So, those should go a long way, but nevertheless, in the back of my mind, I keep thinking that that's still the weakest link in this is that it is too often, too easy for people as commissioner Leonard said, who somehow strike somebody the wrong way or get into, into a moment of tension or, or whatever to use what is a heavy-handed tool and use it inappropriately and oftentimes we may find out illegally. I think that the training, the narrowing of who is empowered to issue those exclusions, requirements of sign-off by supervisors should respond to some of those, but the basic human dynamic of somebody having the power over somebody else and in an intense situation, the power to exclude is probably going to be used in some of those situations, abused. But, we'll have to deal with that either when it gets handed back to us by the courts or, or other matters brought before us. We need to have this type of a tool in place. Aye.

Sten: I thought a lot about this, and I appreciate commissioner Francesconi and the park's bureau continuing to work on this. There are several issues that, that bothered me with, with the last draft. One was the range of people that could issue an exclusion, and I believe that we have made a lot of progress on that with the supervisory aspect, and I am satisfied with that. I also continue to agree with, with commissioner Leonard that, his point a couple weeks ago that the list is too broad, and while I understand the argument that if we have a rule, we need to enforce it, I don't think that that logic holds up. I am satisfied -- I am not quite there in support of this, but I think that it's better to get this in place. I think that we so need an exclusion rule, and I take on its face that the park's bureau is going to review this and has said very clearly that, that they are not going to exclude people for the things that are minor, so you get to a chicken and egg. If they are not going to use it, why do they need it and I tend to like laws as narrowly written as possible rather than saying, we are not going to use it but let's put it there in case. I like the former theory. Making the ordinances. But, in this case, I don't believe it will be abused, and I think that we have a review process in place to check if it was and given that they have taken so many steps towards the direction I would like, I think it's better to compromise and support this. Get it on the books, and see that it works and trust that. Which, I think is a reasonable thing, and I think the parks will use this authority in good faith. Aye.

Katz: Well, I think I said this before, that the best news out of this particular ordinance is that the public is looking for the police to do the training because they are the best ones to do the training, and they have received exemplary remarks from the people who testified before this council. Aye.

Francesconi: Mayor, if it's all right, there is one thing I would like to add. I forgot to say, but I am going to get regular reports on who is being excluded from these parks, and I am not going to wait a year, so if there's any signs that we are excluding people for any other reason than the safety of the park, the safety of the kids or families, I won't wait a year to make changes.

Katz: Ok. It's 10:15, and our guest is not here, and the next item is for 10:30. So, we'll take a 15-minute recess. Be back in 15 minutes. [recess taken]

At 10:15 a.m., Council recessed.

At 10:30 a.m., Council reconvened.

Item 290.

Katz: I don't know why my name is on this resolution. If it's on there because, because I am a friend of the senator and have great admiration for her and all of the work that she has done, I can understand that, but my appointment to the league of Oregon cities is sitting to my right, so I am going to turn it over to commissioner Francesconi, but before I do, we are cities, and especially this city, but cities as a whole really under siege every time the legislature meets. And it's easier for me to say it now than when I was speaker of the house, but I had a sense of that at that time, as well.

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They are under siege, and all kinds of powers are attempted to be taken away from them for a variety of reasons. And then we have the little language in statutes of cities of over 500,000, and let's not kid ourselves, that there is only one city over 500,000, and that's us, so nice to have friends in the legislature that you can count on that you know that if -- first of all, you don't need to go to them. They get it. And you take your precious time and go to somebody else that you have to convince, but it's nice to have legislators in positions of power, and kate brown had power in the senate and hopefully will, will have even more power as we proceed to the next legislative session, and understands lobbies and uses her power of persuasion to make sure that cities aren't hurt. And we keep track during the legislative session of all of the legislation that's introduced that, that, basically, takes power, whether it's allowing us to levy sales tax or real estate transfer tax or a variety of other issues dealing with utilities and franchise fees. I can go on and on and on. But, we don't win them all, and the organization that, that is represented here does a lot of work for us, but without legislators, it wouldn't be possible to provide that kind of protection. So, thank you, kate brown. Commissioner Francesconi.

Francesconi: Well, mayor, as a former speaker of the house, and as mayor of this only city over 500,000, it was very appropriate that you, in addition to your friendship with kate brown, you be the one introducing this. It's a very prestigious award. Kate, why don't you just come forward, kate, and come up here and sit. Ken, do you want to come up here with her? Why don't you come on up as I briefly introduce this. It's a very prestigious award, and the first reason that it is because it comes from the league of cities, so before we focus on kate, appropriately, I would like to say a word or two about the league. The mayor has introduced it well, whether the issue is land use authority, telecom, add utilities and commissioner Sten's work at the legislature to prevent binding us, transportation, which I was personally involved, it was the league of cities working across this whole state that's really benefited the citizens of Portland, so I guess that i'd like the citizens of Portland to realize, and ken, ken and david and the work, we have some great people here who are fighting for the league, and we also have terrific lobbyists, and susan, who works with the league, to advance the issues of the big cities, but also the little cities. Mayor, I really, one of the reasons that I have appreciated the appointment so much is I have learned a lot because the issues facing our city does, does affect many of the small communities, as well, but it's allowed me to develop some relationships throughout the state, and it's helped me appreciate on a personal level that we're one state, and we, actually, have some advantages in Portland in terms of such terrific staff that we could work to assist some of the smaller cities who don't have that technical expertise in a way that the league is doing. So, I guess that I wanted to personally thank the league and ken and all those mayors and other elected officials for educating me about one Oregon. The other thing on a more practical basis, and the next award is, the next, the next item is transportation, but I guess that I would also like to thank the league and kate because we wouldn't have gotten about \$5 million to maintain our roads if it hadn't been for the league and for kate and for the mayor of gresham and the mayor of troutdale who pulled together -- and mayor wood village, who, who, frankly, they didn't want to hear from me, and some of the legislators who, who controlled the money, so, so we had to go to gresham and have them help us and have the league help us. So, we wouldn't be maintaining our roads and some of the items we are about to talk about, we wouldn't have been able to do that without, without some transportation maintenance that the league helped provide, so I guess that I wanted to also publicly thank kate and the league. Now, turning to kate brown, kate brown is one of the four repeat recipients of this award. She's a four-timer, four repeat, so she is extra special in addition to being our own. She's been, been -- kate is, is one of a bipartisan group of 13 legislators, seven democrats and six republicans that will receive the award this year. It's the friend of the city's award for her work during the 2003 legislative session to advance the interests of Oregon's 239 cities, not just Portland. Senator, much of her work has been trying to protect the city authority. Notably in the areas of land use authority, telecom, and transportation. Much of her, her work and

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this is true for all of the legislators, is done out of the limelight. It's done in one-on-one conversations with her colleagues, so they take a whole lot of heat, and they don't get the respect, frankly, that we get, but without their work, we wouldn't have the resources to do our jobs.

Katz: We do.

Francesconi: Because of her -- well, compared to that. Because of her efforts, many issues harmful to the cities did not see the light of day, that's the point that I am trying to make here. Senator brown understands that cities are partners in working with Oregon, and through her leadership, she does the best that she can to make sure this partnership is respected. The league staff also wanted me to make a special note that they appreciate kate's accessibility, and they also appreciate her sage advice, so they are buttering you up, kate. She's a true friend to Oregon cities. Since you are a repeat recipient, we had to think of something different to give you, which we'll do that in a minute. So, first let me turn it over to ken and then to kate. Ken.

Ken Strobeck, Executive Director: Thank you, mayor Katz and commissioners. We really appreciate commissioner Francesconi's presence on our board, and he really does bring a lot to the table, and as he said, it's really an excellent opportunity for people across the state from large cities to small cities, east, west coast, whatever, to be able to understand that we do all face the same challenges when we are talking about city authority and the issues of providing services to citizens, so we appreciate your involvement with the league of cities, and we really appreciate the opportunity that you have made on your calendar to present this award to senator brown.

Francesconi: Do you want to say anything about kate?

Strobeck: I think that you have said our feelings about kate, and, and we just echo everything that you have said in terms of her accessibility, her willingness to listen, and her, and her uncanny ability to get things done in the legislature when she makes a commitment to you, you can take it to the bank.

Senator Kate Brown: Thank you. I am truly honored and delighted to receive this award. It really means a lot to me. I have to say that I have incredible staff that I work with. I have incredible colleagues. Many of you know most of my colleagues, and they are truly incredible. They will go to the mat with you. The league folks have been great, and your team, frankly, is fabulous. Marge, susan and mark are great to work with. I have to say thank you to each one of you. I don't always agree with your decisions. But, I believe that you are doing what you think is best, and I think that's the role that you should be playing, and I really appreciate your hard work and your service to the city. I am committed next session to change the dynamic the mayor talked about that, so the cities don't feel under siege. We're all part of one Oregon, and I think that we all need to work to change that, and I am committed to doing that. So, thank you very much. I am very honored.

Katz: Who is going to give the gift?

Francesconi: Before we do that, I can't stop, commissioner leonard, so I want to give the opportunity for any other commissioners.

Brown: Commissioner Francesconi, no one can stop commissioner leonard. [laughter]

Leonard: Particularly when it comes to kate brown and my feelings about kate, nobody can stop me. Kate and I served together in the legislature and the state senate during my ten year tenure there, and I appreciate all that she has done for the city and the league, but that would be a mistake to confine kate to just those achievements. I mean, I am very mindful of this raging debate occurs in our county about equal rights for all the issues that we grappled with in the 1997 session, and one of the singular most powerful and dynamic speeches that I have heard on behalf of minorities was given by kate brown. And it was at night, and it's one of those moments of clarity that I remember seeing her standing there and anybody who ever confused her stature with her size certainly had it straightened out that night because she gave just, just the most powerful, heart-stopping speech that I have heard, ever heard given by anybody on behalf of those that are the least powerful in the state.

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And she's taken a similar stand of which I support her whole-heartedly on in the current issue, as well, and so I really, really, words fail to express how much I -- i'll just say it, love kate brown. She's a great, great, great Oregonian, and it was with some surprise that at a dinner we were at some years back, that when jack oman from the Oregonian was standing up talking, that he revealed that he and kate brown had grown up together in minnesota. And that kate started life as a republican. [laughter]

Katz: In minnesota?

Leonard: And that her family, I believe, are still republican.

Katz: I didn't think that there were republicans in minnesota.

Brown: I converted my mother. Haven't been successful with my father yet.

Leonard: She is, for anybody that puts kate in a box, it is a huge mistake. She, she is just one of the most talented people I ever had the privilege to work with, and I am happy that she gets this award. Thanks, kate.

Brown: Yes.

Katz: Dan and then erik.

Saltzman: I just want to say congratulations to you and, and we, we understand everything that commissioner leonard has just said about you, although I have seen it from a more distant perspective, usually I am up here watching you down there talking to you on the phone or whatever, but I do think that you have been very, very reaching out to the republicans, and that's helped the state, but it's really helped the democratic party, as well, and we need more leaders like you down there, who are thinking bipartisan. That's what made the state great and hopefully, that's what will make this state great again. I think that the bipartisan, or the partisanship going on now and at the federal government is the most severe that I have ever seen, and really, inhibits getting things done on behalf of all of us, and, and I think that kate, you have always been somebody who is striving for the middle ground, and, and that's, that's, I know it's tough, it's tough often to take those positions particularly when you are a democrat from Multnomah county, southeast Portland, no less. [laughter]

Saltzman: Very difficult for you to take those positions, so it makes -- underscores my respect all the more the fact you take those positions and strive for a statewide perspective. So congratulations.

Brown: Thank you.

Sten: I will just pile on. Thank you so much for all your hard work, and probably the simplest way that I would put it is I have gone down year after year, sometimes naively and sometimes cynically trying to do things with the legislature. Reason probably tells me that I should give up hope, and kate brown keeps me working at it, and I think that that's the role you play in the state, and I really, really appreciate it. We'll continue to keep calling you more than you can stand.

Brown: Thank you.

Katz: Thank you, kate.

Francesconi: Now, kate, you are not dead, though. So, in fact, you are going to be president of the senate, we hope, so we have more work to do. But in the meantime, we are going to give you the first -- since you are a four-time winner here, we are giving you the first, the league of Oregon city's clock to honor you. A friend, kate brown. A friend of the city's. Thank you. [applause]

Brown: This is to make sure that I am on time I'm sure. So thank you very much, I'm really honored and I look forward to working with you.

Katz: Thanks Kate. Okay 291.

Item 291.

Leonard: Thank you. I'd like to ask vicki henson and delegates from "elders in action" and the ohsu project staff, if they are present, to come forward. We are going to be discussing recommendations and findings based on outcomes from the senior walking environment assessment

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tool study. The study was a community-based, collaborative effort involving Oregon health sciences university. Oregon research institute and Portland state university, the greatest university in the world and elders in action. The overall goal of the research project was to better understand the role of neighborhood environment and the promotion of healthy aging, please go ahead.

Mr. Fran Landfair, Chair, Elders in Action: Good morning. Mayor Katz and city commissioners. Elders in action is pleased to present our report for walkable neighborhoods for seniors. This research was collaborated effort from Oregon health science university, the Portland state university, Oregon research institute, and, also, elders in action commission. The elders in action wishes to insure the elder friendly standards are met both existing projects as well as new development such as the south waterfront area. We would like to see all city bureaus embrace the standards, promote walking pedestrian access, traffic management and affordable housing. With time and talent of elders in action volunteers, we'll be available to advice and maintain these standards. I would take great pleasure in introducing to you this morning dr. Yvonne michaels from Oregon health science university. She has spearheaded this research of nine different neighborhoods.

Yvonne Michael, OHSU: Good morning. I am yvonne michael, faculty at ohsu, and I led this research effort. Briefly, I just would like to address the question of why we need to conduct research on neighborhood environment in relation to walking on elder adults. I will emphasize three points. First, older adults have unique needs but neighborhood environments that are good for seniors are good for everyone. Second, individual level strategies to increase physical activity must be accompanied by environmental and policy strategies. And third, walking or getting around in the neighborhood is an accessible form of physical activity across age, race, and income groups. But for older adults, walking is more than physical activity. It's independence. So, briefly, why study older adults? First, the growth of the population will double in the next 20 years. In addition, I have the least active group, 34% of adults 50 plus years of age are sedentary. Recent research from the c.d.c. indicates that medicaid costs are almost twice as high among inactive women older than 45 compared to active women. Given the high level of inactive adults and children, in this state and the city, any environmental effort to increase physical activity will be good for everyone. We are far short of the healthy people 2010 goal of -- which is 30% of adults engaging in moderate physical activity for at least 30 minutes a day. Individual level interventions to increase physical activity haven't been successful. Differences between countries, environmental -- differences between countries demonstrate that environmental and policy strategies have been successful in changing physical activity behavior patterns. Walking or getting out in the neighborhood is the most accessible physical activity option and can be done from home. It's also the preferred type of physical activity for americans across all ethnic, income, and age groups. And as I have already said, it's maybe important for seniors as a form of transportation and thus, independence. Finally, I just would like to say that it's, it's a pleasure to see this research taken to its policy implications by elders in action, and it makes this work, worthwhile.

Francis Spack: My name is francis spack. I am, I am a pedestrian plus, obviously, I am a senior. I am a member of the commission on aging, and I am a volunteer with elders in action. In order to save time rather than just speak, I will read. That will be more concise. Our goal in this effort is to keep older adults physically active in their neighborhood and support independent living as individuals age. And we are requesting that the city implement the following recommendations from us. Factors relating to walking insure existence of wide, safe, sidewalks, constructed of smooth, nonskid material. As a pedestrian, I can attest to all these factors because I have probably experienced everything that we are listing. Facilitate installation of sidewalks where none existed. Maintain sidewalks and good repair, repair cracks and unevenness, keep sidewalks free of obstacles. Remove leaves, vehicles, and other objects that obstruct mobility, trim overgrown hedges, add buffer strip between street and sidewalk whenever possible, and install curb cuts at

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streets. Install benches for resting, which is what I need between my house and the nearest shopping area for me. Encourage reliable public transportation options. Insure easy access to public transportation and including safe bus stops, and improve safety of crosswalks by increasing number of crosswalks on major streets. Lengthening signals and adding pedestrian controls and forcing pedestrian right-of-way laws, adding audible signals to crosswalks. I can speak to that personally because I live not too far from the woodstock area. And you all did a wonderful job in installing a strip in the middle of woodstock around 44th and in which there are nice plants and also a walkway in the middle of the strip because traffic there is pretty heavy. And I utilized that all the time, and every time I utilize it, I thank you. Force the stop and stay stop and other traffic laws, and increase education for bicyclists by -- for -- regarding pedestrian safety. Promote walking by adding more traffic calming and pedestrian safety options. Such as curb extensions, pedestrian islands, photo radar, not speed bumps or traffic circle. They are a problem. I thank you if you have any questions, i'll be glad to answer them.

Katz: Thank you.

Patty Grost, Elder's in Action Commission: My name is patty grost, and I am on the elder's in action commission. I live in southeast Portland, and I just want to talk a little bit about, about factors relating to density. I think that it's very, very important that, that housing be designed, that's appropriate for seniors that, that it's not only accessibility, but affordability. And that housing be within walking distance of public services, such as transit and retail groceries, general shopping, the library, doctors, pharmacy, parks and restaurants, and there have been a number of buildings built recently that, that have housing for seniors on top of, of the retail stores and, and not all of them are within easy walking distance of some of the other things that I mentioned. But, they are within transit availabilities so, there is some work being done in that, and I would encourage that to be done more. And then factors related to social environment, include community facilities and neighborhoods. We have the senior centers out in the neighborhoods, and there are many churches that, that also provide their facilities for social interaction. It's very important for seniors. Many of the seniors are isolated, and they don't get out. I just talked with someone yesterday who is trying to get her mother out. Increased police response to aren't calls about neighborhood problems, including homeless, threatening people, and at bus stops and graffiti and vandalism cleanup and promote neighborhood action for cleanup improvements and crime prevention activities. There are many neighborhood associations out there that are very, very willing to participate in this type of activity and are interested in this particular project.

Landfair: Thank you. In closing, I wish to thank the city council for the attention, and some of the groups that are, that are involved in this cooperative effort such as the pedestrian advisory committee, the Multnomah county pedestrian and bike advisory group, also neighborhood associations, which are some of them are here today. We also would like to let you know that we support the community school and traffic safety account in the office of transportation. Thank you very much for your attention.

Katz: Thank you. Do you have anybody else that wants to testify from elders in action?

*******:** I don't.

Katz: Anybody else want to testify? Anybody signed up that wants to testify? Anybody that hasn't signed up? If not, thank you. And i'll take a motion to accept the report.

Leonard: So move.

Katz: Do I hear a second?

Saltzman: Second.

Katz: Yes. Roll call.

Francesconi: Thank you so much for doing this, and actually, thank you for acknowledging that, that the project on woodstock and thanking the council. When you were thanking the council, I

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don't know if you knew this, but you were also thanking the transportation staff and all these people that worked on this, so it was so nice for them, for you to hear that.

*****: The thanks goes both ways.

Francesconi: Good. It's been, actually -- so it's terrific to see elders in action and all of you weighing in on this. You have done a terrific job on issues like recreation services for seniors that we have dealt -- or continuing to deal with, but you have also done a terrific job on low income housing. It's really nice to see you help us and add more emphasis to, to transportation pedestrian issues, especially for seniors. One of the things that's made our city different is, is two things. One is, we try to build it for people, not for the automobile. And then we try to involve citizens in the solutions. And it's really great to have you weigh in with some specific recommendations that advance those. So, in the next report, in fact, and you referenced it, sir, the committee that has some resources is going to try to address some of your issues, and it's good if you are part of that, so that we can continue to move these forward together, and so it's our commitment to you to make sure that these recommendations don't sit on the shelf. And I also -- we can talk later.

Leonard: Are we related? [laughter]

Katz: No. We're in the middle of a vote. [laughter]

Francesconi: Thank you for all your work. Aye.

Leonard: Well, some of the assignments the mayor has given me are, are more rewarding than others. There are no assignments that I have currently that is more rewarding than working with elders in action. I am very proud to be the liaison with you and advocating on your issues. For simply a very selfish reason, I expect at some point to be amongst your ranks, and, and want to make sure that the services and the accessibility of this city are there. So, thank you for your great work. Thank you for the, the wonderful relationship that we have developed, and, and I am very proud to work with you. Aye.

Saltzman: This is another example of your good work and great advocacy, and we appreciate it. We appreciate sort of the scientific underpinnings to this project that you have done, too. That's really great to link the science with the policy as, as, as we heard earlier. And I don't know that we can, we can -- I don't know if it was coincidence but the fact you are testifying now and we are going to deal with the, with the community traffic safety account next, which is to invest in a lot of the types of improvements you are talking about, and I hope that we can get representation, if we don't have it already, of elders in action onto the committees, and start looking at how we can, we can use some of these moneys to address some of the issues that you have just identified that are, that are important not only to kids, adults, but seniors and everybody who, who loves what it is about this community that, that makes it easy to get around as a pedestrian. So, great work. Aye.

Sten: Thank you. You are doing a terrific job. Aye.

Katz: Thank you, everybody. I was, as I was glancing over the report you might want to consider to do something that, that, that's been done through a foundation in new york city that has, has, not necessarily seniors, but has volunteers doing very much of what you are doing with actually walking the streets and counting the potholes or, or the, the, the sidewalks that are in disrepair, and noting it, and then reporting back to the city council that these are the streets in this particular neighborhood that should have the priority. We think that we know it all, but, unless you actually do the walking and do the notations and there are hand-held little computers for people to do, we, we would learn a lot. I don't want to put a lot more work on, on any of you, but if you were so inclined, there can be -- there is, there is chapter two to everything that you have done, and in each one of the items that you reviewed, there is now, now more digging that can be done and more definitive analysis that would really, really be helpful to the decision makers, so, so that's a thought. Thank you for all the work that of done so far. Aye. [gavel pounded]

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Katz: I feel like vanna white today. And I turn it over to you. [laughter]

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Francesconi: Just briefly. This is a partnership between the police, between transportation, but, but also between the citizens, and it's to address a very serious problem here. As the report indicated about, about, about six months or, or, maybe it's a year ago, we have suffered over the last 10 years more traffic, as many traffic fatalities as we have homicides. So, to address this, it takes this partnership, but it also takes a focus on reducing driver error, which means giving more resources to the police. It involves pedestrian and bicycle safety, which means focusing more on pedestrians like we have just heard, but also bicycle issues. And then it also involves, involves safe routes to schools to our children for our children. And this is a big issue throughout the city, whether you are in southwest or whether in outer east. Our citizens care about, about people's speeding through their neighborhoods, the lack of pedestrian safe places to go to schools, and the lack of, of multimodal transportation options safe. No matter where you are. So, we really appreciate the cooperative approach. That's really been led by mark leer and many other folks. I want to turn it first to brant and then, and then to -- are you a commander in chief or what are you these days?

Mike Garvey, TriMet Police: Whatever you want to call me, sir, that's fine. Depends on how the budget is right now. I would imagine. Mike is ok.

Katz: Before we -- I need a substitute motion.

Francesconi: I would move to file a substitute.

Katz: 292. Do I hear a second?

Saltzman: Second.

Katz: Any objections? Hearing none, at some point, commissioner, why don't you explain the substitute. You don't need to do it now.

Francesconi: I can do it now. We are turning this -- it's a report because, because -- but the actual spending of the money will happen through the budget decisions. But it's a technical change, so nobody needs to worry. Go ahead.

Brant Williams, Director, Portland Office of Transportation: Thank you, commissioner. Good morning, mayor, and members of council. I am brant williams, director of the Portland office of transportation. And as the commissioner mentioned we are here to report on the update and the status of the community and school traffic safety partnership and to give you, you, you a sense of what the proposed budget and work plan will be for the next year that we have, we have submitted as part of, of the police bureaus and pdot's proposed budget. Just as a, as a quick reminder of kind of where we have been -- we were in front of you back in july for the first time to talk about this partnership and the extraordinary effort that's gone into it to make it happen. And at that time, you established the, the Portland traffic safety coordination council, which is composed of a number of, number of representatives from, from health and safety services throughout the city. And at that time, you indicated that, that we should come back with some kind of idea of how we might finance that, so in november, we were back in front of you with, with good news that, that the legislature had passed a bill that increased fines for moving violations and will, will end up hopefully creating about \$2.5 million worth of, of additional revenue that can go for traffic safety purposes here in the city of Portland. We gave you kind of a general sense of how we anticipated those funds would be utilized, and, and pdot's work session on, on our financial forecast back in january, you asked that we come back to council to, to tell you a bit more specifically what that would look like, and again, that's what we are here today to do. So, as commissioner Francesconi mentioned, we have worked with the coordinating council to develop a work plan and proposed budget. Pdot and the police bureau have submitted that to the mayor for consideration as part of the mayor's proposed budget.

Katz: You just lost a million dollars. You originally said it was \$3.5 million, so we better change the number.

Williams: It should be \$2.5.

Katz: Who is here from, from -- 3.5.

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*******:** There is a carryover.

Williams: That's right. So, the actual revenue that's coming in is starting to come in this year, and so we're carrying some of that money over into next year, but the \$2.5 million is an ongoing revenue source that we will see out of this, out of this program. So, we plan to have most of the discussion about, about the budget and the work program as part of our work sessions for both the police bureau and for pdot, but today we just want to give you a brief understanding of what the work program is about and how we propose to spend those funds. As commissioner Francesconi mentioned, there's four primary areas that we are looking at focusing on traffic safety services. Those are reducing driver error, pedestrian, bicycle safety, safe routes to school, and then put a small amount of the money towards research and evaluation of traffic, these traffic safety services. Under the first one, reducing driver error, we are looking at a little over \$1 million going towards this. It deals with speeding, red light running, drunk driving, seat belts, and making sure that, that drivers adhere to those, to the laws and the regulations that try to make those as safe as possible. Specifically, we're looking at enhanced photo radar and in the high collision areas. Additional speed bump projects for neighborhoods to try to slow down traffic in our neighborhoods and working with neighborhoods to, to offset some of the costs that, that they have incurred to put in speed bumps. Two additional redlight cameras and enforcement for running of red lights at major intersections, where there are traffic signals, and enhanced dui I enforcement. We also have, have some funds allocated for an educational campaign to look at traffic safety awareness for all motorists. Under the pedestrian bike safety program, we're looking at somewhere around a little, a little at \$450,000. That would include additional enforcement for bicycle and pedestrians. Using, of course, police bureau resources. Additional money for smaller capital projects including, including as an example, median islands on major intersections where we have bus stops on one side of the street and pedestrians need to get back and forth to those bus stops, and on major streets, it's difficult for pedestrians to do that, so, so small capital projects that would enhance safety for pedestrians trying to access transit services.

Katz: Wouldn't it be cheaper if you slowed down the change of the lights?

Williams: Well, at some of those places we don't have lights. If we have lights, we try to make those as safe as possible for pedestrians to cross.

Katz: Naito parkway is one example.

Williams: And also an educational campaign for, for bicycles and pedestrians. Bicyclists and pedestrians. And the safe routes to schools, this, this has received a lot of attention by those that have been involved with the, with the coordinating council. We're looking at \$850,000 going for this, for this program area. And that includes enhanced strategic enforcement, high crash locations around schools, school zone signing changes that are, that are, that will enhance the visibility of crosswalks and school zones around all of our schools in the city of Portland, and, and also, this will include some small capital projects that will enhance access to schools so that kids will, will walk and bike to school more readily. A couple of the projects that have been talked about to some extent are the jackson middle school --

Katz: Yes:

Williams: I thought that might -- [laughter] And improving the crosswalk across, across 35th avenue as well as providing connection on the sidewalk on the far side of the street, which has been needed for some time. Another project is prescott school, which needs some sidewalks in and around the school there, and, and it's in real critical need of making that happen. So, so, I think that there is going to be some real, real good and safety improvements around the schools using this kind of money, and it's been a long time since pdot has had the resources available to us to be able to do these kind of projects, so we are looking forward to that, and then lastly under safe routes to school is that, is that we're looking at a five-year plan to apply for a national safe route's to school model. There are other, other cities and counties around the country who have done this that have

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shown marketable increase in kids walking and riding their bikes to school. It is one of the real goals of this program. Lastly, we have the research and evaluation. We're looking at putting in \$100,000 towards this that would, that would -- wield use resources at p.s.u. and university of pacific and odot to evaluate some of the services that we're providing, make sure that we are accountable to the legislature and back to the council here. It's been, been just real outstanding that, that the, the involvement and the participation and the endorsement we receive from a number of safety and health agencies and advocates around the city and it's a fairly long list but I did want to go down the list to acknowledge all of the groups that have been involved with this because it has been so impressive. With Multnomah county, we have the department of community justice and circuit court and the health department all involved. American medical response, mother's against drunk driving legacy, emanuel hospital, trauma nurses program, and joanne fairchild is here today, the executive director, the Oregon alliance for community traffic safety and we have someone here from that, from that program. And elders in action, of course, which you just heard from. Oregon injury prevention and safe kids' coalition, aaa, state farm insurance, bicycle transportation alliance, and I think I am not sure if scott or catherine are here today, but they have been actively involved. The community cycling center, willamette pedestrian coalition, all the school districts in the city of Portland, the schools associate, associated with the schools united neighborhood association. Portland teacher's association, school police, bus services, the city's bicycle and pedestrian advisory committees, various neighborhood associations in the coalitions, and adam, lili, and nancy from southwest are here today. Portland state university and the university of Portland are mentioned, as well as the Oregon department of transportation. So, it's been a very impressive outshowing of support and endorsements for this program. We're currently in the process of working out a memorandum of understanding with, with the office of management and finance, and the police bureau and pdot to make sure that we have all the workings of this down pat and that, that we, we produce the, the services as, as efficiently and as effectively as possible. I did want to, to note that, that susan schneider and mark are from the, from the office of government relations, have been instrumental in pulling this together and working with the legislature to get that increase, and we'll, we'll be reporting back to the legislature on how we spend this money and how effective it's been in helping deal with traffic safety in the city of Portland and we'll be looking at susan and mark to both help us out in having that communications back with the legislature. So, I just -- last thing, I want to thank the council for your support and the times that we have been here. I know that all the, all the representatives and members of the coordinating council that we have been meeting with on a fairly regular basis really appreciate your support and, and efforts along these lines. So, with that, i'll turn it over to commander garvey for a few words.

Katz: Thank you. I never heard brant talk for such a long time, which leads me to believe that a lot of time and a lot of energy and a lot of commitment and a lot of love for this program has gone into it from you, so appreciate it. Thank you. Ok. Captain Garvey.

Garvey: I think that, you know, that the director has said it all.

Katz: Come on. [laughter]

Saltzman: Never heard so little from him.

Garvey: Well, I think that it's -- to me, I was a fairly -- first, I am not running for office, so I am not here to gain anything. [laughter]

Garvey: Secondly, the bottom line is, is that, is that --

Katz: That makes four of us here.

Leonard: I like your original idea of not saying anything.

Francesconi: Take some of the police money and give it to transportation. [laughter]

Garvey: The bottom line is, is, mayor Katz and members of the council, is that I look for dollars and I look for money wherever I can find it so that I can run my division very well. And I think that it's probably a pretty strong statement that I am sitting back here looking at dollars that are being

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brought in through traffic fines and supporting those dollars go in other areas, also. Coming from me, I think that that's a substantial endorsement, mayor.

Katz: Such a diplomat.

Garvey: And I think that, that the only way that we are going to get a handle on what's going on from a traffic standpoint in this city is, is a broad-base approach. And this gives us the ability to not only, only get, get in the front of the curve with regard to the educational process, get the kids out of their cars and get them walking to school, which I think is very positive for their health, and also it's positive for their future education with regard to traffic safety. I think the other thing that's really important is that, is that this is a, a real across the board community effort, and this says, this says that people find traffic safety to be very important, and that they are tired of having people injured and killed on the roadways. We just had our 16th fatality this year. And if we rely on strictly enforcement alone, i'd have to have 100 officers out there handling enforcement in this city in order to do the things that I think need to be done. And even then, I couldn't guarantee that we would see a reduction in the number of fatalities that we are having. But, with this effort, with an educational piece going in here that I think is a very strong part of this, and us having the opportunity to interact with our kids, at all of the schools throughout, throughout the, the Portland area, I think that that's where, where our real advantage is going to be. We're planning, hopefully, some really good seeds now so that when these kids get into the cars and they start driving at 16 and 18 years old, that they are going to have in the back of their mind a very strong understanding of what the car can do, and some of the things that they need to do. If you look at the number of fatalities and serious crashes and the way that people are driving today, they are on cell phones. They are eating hamburgers, they are putting on makeup. They are doing all of these different goofy things in cars. Hence, they are driving down the road in three, four, 5,000-pound automobile, and they are not paying any attention to what they are doing with the car until after something tragic happened. It's my hope that, that the things that we instill in the children today at the schools with regard to our safe routes to school's program is going to have a long lasting effect on all of us, and just, just -- this is probably, probably in the 31 years that I have been here, this is one of the most effective groups that I have ever seen. I want to thank the, the pdot for allowing us to participate and be a great partner with them. I also want to thank the council for your substantial support because this wouldn't have happened without you having the vision as to what we could accomplish. So, with that, I thank you very much and we'll try and make you all proud over the next five years.

Leonard: Ok. Excuse me, you have been with the police bureau 31 years?

Garvey: Yes.

Leonard: So you are working for nothing. [laughter]

Garvey: Never: I am always working for the people. And --

Leonard: You are not running for office? [laughter]

Garvey: That's my major. [laughter] No, you know, I started out at 19.

Leonard: Wow.

Garvey: And I am well preserved. [laughter]

Leonard: You are. My hat is off to you.

Garvey: Thank you very much. But again I want to thank all of you for your great support.

Leonard: That is a testament to your commitment to the city because I happen to know very well the formula for the retirement system, and you are working for nothing.

Garvey: Well, as I say, I work for the people, and this is my privilege, so thank you all.

Saltzman: I had a question or two.

Katz: Go ahead.

Saltzman: I am really pleased with, with the whole ability to, to create this fund that the legislature has provided us, and, and the tremendous collaboration that's been put together and how to spend the money, but I was, you know, looking through some of it, and I guess that I have, I have the

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skeptic in me raises two questions. Particularly, in the education part. I mean, are we going to be hiring lots of consultants to design brochures about how to stop at stop signs, the design curriculums about, about traffic safety for kids? I get very skeptical if there is large consulting portions of this budget, so, so can somebody allay my concern that we are not going to be --

Garvey: Commissioner, I think --

Saltzman: Spending a lot on consultants to do stuff like that?

Garvey: That is not the intent. Intent is to utilize personnel that we have to go in and make presentations at the schools and work with the, the, the variety of schools within the metro area from the educational piece. Brant, you might have some additional information on that, but the issue of consultants is not --

Saltzman: One of the things --

Garvey: It's not what we are looking at.

Saltzman: To put school bus stops and routes on the web. It's an interesting idea, probably a good idea, but I also know that the school bus routes and stops change every year putting anything on the web, usually involves a web master, and therefore, lots of dollars. So, you know, what's the cost effectiveness of doing that? I mean, some people might use it, and they will probably use it once in september. And it will never be used again. Is this really something that we want to spend \$100,000 on a web master? It sounds neat, but is it really?

Garvey: When you talk about the school bus, let me give you a personal experience. When I was in charge of tri-met we had some really major issues at the intersection of 40th, I think it was 40th and fremont, and, and because a lot of the schools are not just handled by local bus services like, like -- that the school districts contract with. A lot of them are handled by tri-met, as well, and at this particular location, the, the area was absolutely -- because the tri-met buses were coming through there at intervals that weren't acceptable, the bus stops were -- there would be 40 and 45 kids there. You can imagine, you have middle school kids on these small corners, and they are pushing each other and shoving each other, and it became a really dangerous situation. We were able to go in with tri-met and relocate the way that those buses were moving through the area and how they would pick kids up, work on the intervals of the buses, as well, and these were changes that we made seasonally, and it worked out very, very well. That kind of information would probably work out well with regard to the website activity. It does cause some money to update websites but also Portland transportation has already used existing web masters, it can do that type of thing. So, I think that there is a lot of existing resources that will be used to update some of these things. We're not looking at going in and coming up with a bunch of new additional resources.

Williams: And just to follow up on that. We'll probably be hiring some consultants to do some of the work here, but I think that it will be kept to a real, real minimum. We have a number of agencies that we're working with that already provide some services along these lines, and what we'll be doing is probably using some of the, some of the those resources to, to enhance some of the educational activities that we're talking about. We, we also have the evaluation and research element of this because we want to make sure that everybody program that we do is effective, and, and we'll come back and take a look at that and report back on how effective these are, and we want to make sure that we use the dollars, as well as possible. Each of these groups have, have a technical committee, that's working on to, to develop a, a work plan for each of those four areas, and they are really the experts in this area, and we're getting a lot of good ideas and feedback from them.

Saltzman: I understand that. I just think that sometimes, sometimes we all get too carried away with ourselves. We have got these big committees that have a lot of wide constituents. Of got to make everybody happy. I want to see these moneys going to what we really believe works.

Garvey: Well, I would like to say, sitting at every committee meeting that we have had so far, we have, once we have identified a specific area, the committee has been very, very supportive of

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moving towards that area, but looking at utilizing the funds in the most efficient and effective manner, and, and this is not -- we're not looking at building any new ones, and I would say that one of the things that, that we are now very conscious of is, is that when we come back and provide our next report to the council I would imagine that you are going to be asking, well, can you tell me how many dollars were spent on consultants, and probably, it would be really wise for us to report back to you very, very little. So, I think that we've been put on notice now, and we know that that's certainly going to be how, how we're going to proceed.

Saltzman: Just one last question, kind of on the same line. I mean, dui enforcement proposes to spend \$100,000 to identify priority locations for dui enforcement based on crash history and known problem areas. I guess my first question was -- isn't that information that we already have in the Portland police and our g.i.s. system?

Garvey: I think that that's actually -- and let me move to the back. Is that on the back?

Saltzman: That's on page 11.

Katz: It's part of the expenditure plan.

Saltzman: The skeptic in me says why are we spending money for something that -- we already have that information. We have information on just about everything.

Garvey: I think what we are looking at is rather than operating in a random fashion as we have in the past we have started working in different quarters. And we have information on -- for instance, if you have a lot of crashes, let's say at 82nd and powell and then you have a lot of crashes at 102nd and powell, and you have got three or four taverns in the middle of that location, it would probably -- it would show in these corridor maps that, that that's a very, very serious corridor and the reason that we are having problems is because of drunk drivers. We would then take that information, and we would direct our duii patrols to work that area to try and reduce the amount of crashes in that area. That would be the enforcement part. We would also be moving forward with that and working with olcc to work with those taverns on overserving because obviously, there is additional problems, an in additional root of the problems. But, I think that that's what we are looking at. It's not just identifying but also providing the enforcement in those areas. The 100,000 is.

Saltzman: Enforcement --

Garvey: Yeah, the 100,000 is part of the enforcement component there. Because it shows as dui I enforcement and duii enforcement services, so it should be an entire package.

Saltzman: It's not just a mapping exercise?

Garvey: No. Absolutely no.

Katz: You have that --

Garvey: We have that information now. This is --

Saltzman: That's my point.

*******:** Definitely enforcement.

Garvey: We have already established those quarters. I know that ultimately the council is probably going to give me another 40 or 50 officers to do this anyway, but in the meantime i'm just trying to direct my resources more.

Saltzman: Ok. That takes care of my concern then.

Williams: Under the deliverables on that, it talks about hours and enforcement. There are media events and things like that.

Katz: Ok.

Saltzman: At some point as part of the budget document or will it be a year from now we will find out what the money was actually spent on?

Williams: We'll come back in a year and -- well what we propose to spend, it will be a part of our, our proposed budgets this year, and we'll come back in a year and talk about how we spent the money, actually, and what we see as far as the effectiveness.

Saltzman: Ok.

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Garvey: We'll have the results. I am hoping we'll have very good results for you.

Saltzman: Ok. Thank you.

Katz: Further questions? Ok. Anybody else? Thank you, gentlemen. Do you have anything else?

Garvey: Just, again, wanted to thank you.

Katz: Anybody else want to testify?

Moore: I have adam grimshaw.

Katz: Anybody who didn't sign up who wants to testify? Come on up.

Adam Grimshaw: Ok. My name is adam grimshaw and i've been working on getting pedestrian improvement safety in Portland for four or five years. I am here today to urge you to endorse the allocation of the state traffic sixth surcharge funds towards traffic safety through the community and school traffic safety partnership. I hope that you will agree that we have worked too hard to get this funding source specifically for safety to allow it to be used elsewhere, and it sounds like the council is, is so far in favor of that. My understanding is that the city, Portland's share of the funding from the ticket surcharge would approach \$2 million for this year with a significant portion of that supposed to go towards engineering projects to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety. Please do not allow this -- those funds to be used elsewhere. Secondly, I have seen the proposed allocation of funds coming out of the community and school traffic safety partnership earlier this more mark showed me the figures which increased funding towards engineering projects. I welcome the increase to engineering because that is the area where, where we are in most need, particularly in southwest Portland. Enforcement and education are important, as well, but they don't do much good when parents do not think that it is safe for their kids to walk to school because our streets are perceived to be unsafe. Education is not going to get parents to let their kids to walk to school until we provide safer ways for the kids to get there. That means that we have to change our infrastructure. 42% of our southwest Portland arterials are substandard, which represents 45% of the substandard arterials in the city of Portland. They are substandard because they do not have sidewalks. I urge the council to support even higher percentage of funding towards engineering to rectify this inequity. I think that we can do this by making our enforcement and education dollars go further, and that goes toward commissioner Saltzman's questioning. I admire don for his ability to turn relatively small amounts of money and lots of community sweat into miles of pathways throughout southwest with a southwest trails' group. Why can't we do the same with education and to a lesser extent, enforcement? As an example lilly, our southwest neighborhoods' transportation committee chair, and I met with john danielson, who is the principal at jackson middle school, and carol, the principal at stevenson elementary last fall to get their schools' safe routes to school program started. We have spent no money and we are already seeing greater awareness by our students and parents of the pedestrian safety issues around their schools. I think that these -- I think as these programs evolve, the education benefits will be even greater than if we were to spend money to have paid outside trainers come in, take kids out of class to train them on safety and then give them safe routes to school, coloring books, pencils paid for by the city. I much rather have that money go towards sidewalks, so I have a tilt toward the engineering part of it I have also heard some good ideas come --

Katz: Finish up.

Grimshaw: Ok. I heard some good ideas coming and my testimony is all there, so help us to leverage our dollars in enforcement. One is to, is to have, have a speed reader boards on top of decommissioned police cars, so you park the car in front of the school and you put a speed reader board on top of it, and that sends a visual signal to people they need to slow down.

Katz: That added with my plastic balloon police officer sitting in the driver's seat. [laughter]

Grimshaw: Tigard high school is also using a speed reader board attached to their school zone sign, which shows, shows the speed of the cars as they go through the school zone, which I think is a very effective use. So, I am also here today to support the crosswalk at jackson middle school and

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I heard the commissioner, the director already speak in favor of that, so I don't know that I need to speak in favor of that any more. I just wanted to welcome the commissioner Saltzman's level of interest in making sure that our limited funds are used effectively in the most effective way possible. Thank you very much.

Katz: Thank you.

Katz: All right. Anybody else want to testify? Come on up.

Joann Fairchild: Mayor Katz and members of the commission, my name is Joann Fairchild, the director of trauma nurses, and I might possibly be one of those outside consultants that come in. We have some wonderful traffic safety programs in this city that are languishing for lack of funds. We have several, including my program that, that have proven effectiveness, steering a federal three-year grant cycle, and then the federal money goes away. We also have never had the opportunity to work in a coordinated effort to educate the people in our, not just the children, but the drivers. We have a very active program teaching young drivers, so it doesn't make sense to me for, for all the money for education to stay in city offices when we have resources in our, in our community. And like I say, it's not just my program, but there are many really good programs that have proven effectiveness, and I would like to see the education dollars direct the towards the existing, at least some of them, the existing resources that have a proven track record to make a difference. Thank you very much for your attention.

Katz: Anybody else? All right. We'll take a vote on approving the expenditure plan for community -- actually, the substitute resolution. Roll call.

Francesconi: Actually, what Commander Garvey said was pretty terrific. In 31 years in the city, this was the most effective committee or group of. That's quite a statement. It's urgent because of the seriousness of the fatalities that are happening, including 16 just this year. So, we need to harness the talent of everyone with the focus, and it was also terrific what the Commander acknowledged is I do believe, and he said it, too, we need more enforcement on this than we are presently providing, and that, in a serious note, is the Council's responsibility to make sure that the in a -- and the Mayor is working on this, more resources in police to do this. But, your statement also was we can't do it just with police, and we need a broader approach, which it was a terrific statement on your part. So, this is -- the other thing that I want to point out that the Council, in addition, is committed to our schools, all of our schools and all districts. And this is a very direct way to help our schools. So in our packets, there isn't testimony from the principals, but there is in the packets in front of us. This is all schools throughout the city, so we get we get a letter from Allison, the principal at West Sylvan, urging us to do this. It's important for the safety of her kids. We will do the -- the plan is to do Jackson Middle School, so the Jackson project, as the Mayor has indicated, it's going to be in the budget. Then we get a note from, from the, the principal of -- the principal, Bonnie Hobson and Gregory Heights. We are moving to outer northeast, parts of northeast Portland and how important it is, and then there is a wonderful letter from the principal of Prescott Elementary School in the David Douglas -- oh, you are there. You didn't testify. Michael, and what is not only is this important to the safety but we have got our kids involved. They are the ones -- we didn't hire consultants. It is important to make sure we use the money wisely, but we had our kids to it, so they were out mapping the routes, and so they got engaged in the process, which really was an education process to them so they would be safe before there was any money involved. So, this is a way now to reward those kids that took the time to do this, so that they see something actually happens. And it's a really great thing. And one other note since elders in action is here, and you have advocated, I didn't see them as formally connected to this effort, so you might look at your technical advisory committee and formally put them onboard so you can continue to advocate for this effort and seniors throughout this process. Last thing I want to say is it took money to do this, and we had to get the money, and I want to, again, thank Brandt and Mark Leer for advocating at the legislature. Mark, for using every personal relationship you had to, to, to help this happen. And

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then I didn't -- I thanked susan schneider, but I didn't thank mark landour during the previous presentation so I wanted to thank the lobbyists for giving us the tools for keeping our citizens and kids safe. Thanks, aye.

Leonard: Good work, aye.

Saltzman: This is good work, and i'll just restate my concerns. I guess -- i'll be right out front about it, my vice also is on balance towards enforcement and engineering solutions to these problems. And so I will be watch -- education is important. And it has a role but I think sometimes it does tend to get overdone, and we expect that we can teach young kids things that they are going to hold with them for their lifetimes, and I don't necessarily ascribe to that theory particularly when you are talking about traffic safety issues. So, enforcement works, when you get people in their pocketbook, that, that -- that affects their behavior more so than education, and the ability for, for parents to feel safe about their kids walking to schools, meaning you need to have the appropriate sidewalks, crosswalks, stoplights and things like that, so that's my bias. I'll confess it. And I take the task that, that the commitments, that we will not see a lot of consulting contracts to post things on the web or to create curriculums and things like that, that may be of dubious value. Aye.

Sten: Aye. Great job. Aye.

Katz: I didn't get an opportunity to thank our lobby team, marge and mark and susan. We gave kudos to mark and kudos to captain garvey and to brant, but these are the folks that have to follow the routes in the legislature that sometimes are, are very, very confusing, depending on the rules of the legislature and how those rules change in the middle of the night. And following the money from committee to ways and means and from one house to another, I am fully aware of that, and it's gotten worse rather than better. So, the three of you, thank you for all of the work that you have done, and especially, in this particular area, it bring back a substantial amount of money to make sure that, that our streets are safe. Aye. [gavel pounded]

Katz: Yes, brant.

Williams: Just real quick, I forgot to acknowledge michael lopes here from the prescott elementary school. They have been a great school to work with, so I just wanted to note that he is here and we're going to do some good improvements up in their school.

Katz: I need to tell you the reason that I gave a cheer for jackson middle school -- it's not that I don't have any other support for any others. I was principal of the day there, and I have to tell you, it is quite a school, and they do incredible work. And the street is awful to cross. It is a main, main thoroughfare, so that's the only reason. I love all of the rest of you, as well. All right. We don't have any additional business before us, so we stand adjourned. Thank you. [gavel pounded]

At 11:41 a.m., Council adjourned.