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## PORTLAND, OREGON

# OFFICIAL MINUTES

# A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **27TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2004** AT 9:30 A.M.

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

Recessed at 10:10 a.m. Reconvened at 10:22 a.m.

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

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

	COMMUNICATIONS	Disposition:
1231	Request of Annalisa Bandalera to address Council regarding the Preservation Party and the passing of its founder Jada Mae Langloss (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
1232	Request of Charles E. Long to address Council regarding restoring integrity to politics and to ourselves (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
1233	Request of George T. Davison to address Council regarding beautifying and getting the city to work together (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
	TIME CERTAINS	
	TIME CERTAIN: 9:30 AM – Create a refundable tax credit program dedicated to eligible local businesses that choose to employ disconnected youth (Resolution introduced by Commissioner Francesconi) (Y-5)	36266
*1235	<b>TIME CERTAIN: 10:15 AM</b> – Accept Rigler, Pier and Sellwood Community Gardens as part of the City Community Garden inventory and allocate funding for their operation and maintenance (Ordinance introduced by Commissioner Francesconi)	178847
	(Y-5)	
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Mayor Vera Katz

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1236	Confirm appointment of Catherine L. Todd to the Portland Utilities Review Board for a term to expire June 30, 2006 (Report)	CONFIRMED
	(Y-5)	
*1237	Authorize a Consortium Agreement with Multnomah and Washington Counties to create a workforce investment system (Ordinance)	178833
	(Y-5)	
*1238	Authorize contract and provide for payment for the remodel of Fire Station 23 and Logistics Center (Ordinance)	178834
	(Y-5)	
*1239	Amend agreement with PBS Engineering and Environmental, Inc. for additional lead paint and dust consulting services at Fire Station No. 28 (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 34562)	178835
	(Y-5)	
*1240	Amend contract with ThirdWave Corporation to create an Electronic Field Reporting System (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 40836)	178836
	(Y-5)	
	Commissioner Jim Francesconi	
*1241	Authorize the continuance of negotiations for the purchase of property required for the SW 6th Avenue-Sheridan to Broadway Street Improvement Project and authorize the City Attorney to commence condemnation proceedings, if necessary, and obtain early possession (Ordinance)	178837
	(Y-5)	
*1242	Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement with TriMet for \$135,000 to provide regional Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality funds for project management, technical and marketing expertise and services to the CarpoolMatch NW project (Ordinance)	178838
	(Y-5)	
*1243	Amend flexible services contracts with architectural consultants for on-going Bureau of Parks and Recreation projects (Ordinance; amend Contract Nos. 33724, 33866, 33868, 33731, 33737, 33740, 33741, 33742, 33745, 33867, 33748 and 33716)	178839
	(Y-5)	
	Commissioner Randy Leonard	
*1244	Amend the land use services fee schedule to include a new fee for reviews of proposed demolitions of historic landmarks (Ordinance)	178840
	(Y-5)	
	Commissioner Dan Saltzman	

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*1245	Authorize and amend an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Port of Portland to provide for payment of joint National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit compliance activities (Ordinance)	178841
	(Y-5)	
*1246	Adopt an Annual Waste Reduction Program and enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Metro to receive Metro Waste Reduction Challenge Funds in the amount of \$232,815 in FY 04-05 (Ordinance)	178842
	(Y-5)	
*1247	Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement with Mt. Hood National Forest to conduct feasibility analysis for a land exchange in the Bull Run watershed (Ordinance)	178843
	(Y-5)	
*1248	Authorize grant to Regional Arts & Cultural Council not to exceed \$200,000 to assist in the repair and maintenance of the Car Wash Fountain (Ordinance)	178844
	(Y-5)	
1249	Authorize a contract with Murray, Smith & Associates, Inc. for services for the Burlingame/Washington County Supply Line and Westwood Intertie Preliminary Engineering Project and provide payment (Second Reading Agenda 1222)	178845
	(Y-5)	
	<b>REGULAR AGENDA</b>	
1250	<ul> <li>Direct City bureaus to prioritize location of City offices and operations in historic buildings (Resolution introduced by Mayor Katz and Commissioner Saltzman)</li> <li>Motion to make the Resolution Binding City Policy: Moved by</li> </ul>	<b>36267</b>
	Commissioner Saltzman and gaveled down by Mayor Katz after no objections. (Y-5)	AS AMENDED
	Mayor Vera Katz	
*1251	Authorize interim financing for projects in the North Macadam Urban Renewal Area (Ordinance)	178846
	(Y-5)	
	Commissioner Jim Francesconi	
1252	Approve local improvement district proceedings and adopt Resolution of Intent regarding the extension of the Portland Streetcar from RiverPlace to SW Gibbs Avenue (Resolution)	36268
	(Y-5)	

Commissioner Dan Saltzman		
1253	Accept a \$25,000 grant from the Bullitt Foundation to assess options for direct municipal investment in a wind generation facility (Ordinance)	PASSED TO SECOND READING NOVEMBER 3, 2004 AT 9:30 AM TIME CERTAIN

At 10:54 a.m., Council recessed.

# A RECESSED MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **27TH DAY OF OCTOBER**, **2004** AT 2:00 P.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Commissioner Saltzman, Presiding; Commissioners Leonard and Sten, 3.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Kathryn Beaumont, Senior Deputy City Attorney; and there was no Sergeant at Arms.

	Disposition:
<ul> <li>1254 TIME CERTAIN: 2:00 PM – Consider revised findings to grant the appeal of Brooklyn Action Corps, overturn Hearings Officer's decision and deny application of VoiceStream Wireless for a conditional use and adjustment to construct a wireless telecommunications facility at 4729 SE Milwauki Avenue (Reconsideration from LUBA; Hearing; LU 03-176954 CU AD</li> <li>Motion to adopt the revised findings: Moved by Commissioner Leonard and seconded by Commissioner Sten.</li> </ul>	REVISED FINDINGS ADOPTED
(Y-3)	

At 2:04 p.m., Council adjourned.

GARY BLACKMER Auditor of the City of Portland

By Karla Moore-Love Clerk of the Council

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#### October 27, 2004 Closed Caption File of Portland City Council Meeting

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#### OCTOBER 27, 2004 9:30 AM

Katz: Council will come to order. Karla, please call the roll. [roll call taken]

Katz: All right, let's open it up with communications. 1231.

#### Item 1231.

**Katz:** Not here? Does everybody know that jada mae passed away a couple weeks ago, and be interested in seeing whether there's a fund or anything else that has been established for her, for her interests. Hopefully annalisa will come back. Is she going to come back?

Moore: I haven't heard from her.

Katz: Ok. 1232.

#### Item 1232.

**Katz:** Charles, did you do what I ask you to do on the ballot measure? \*\*\*\*\*: What?

Katz: Never mind.

\*\*\*\*: Thank you.

Katz: Go ahead.

**Charles Long:** My name is charles long. I live in northeast Portland. Deceit and secrecy has characterized the president bush administration. Candidates are making fanciful promises and ominous charges. As november 2 approaches, the name of the political game seems to be dirty tricks. And this morning's "the Oregonian" calls it a political cold war. Pastor keith madsen of the Portland first baptist church has written a timely article in his publication. I'd like to quote from it. "we live in a time when personal integrity seems harder and harder to come by. Certainly much has already been said about how this is true in american politics. Nixon and watergate, reagan and irancontra. And clinton with staying with the monica lewinsky and lying about it. This year's presidential campaign has frequently degenerated into allegations against the other candidate's integrity. George w. Bush misled about weapons of mass destruction when he led us into iraq or did he lie to the american public? Was the kerry campaign involved in dan rathers' revelation of a apparently falsified documents on george bush's national guard record? Was the bush campaign behind the swift boaters for truth campaign against kerry's record? To what degree do the ads we see criticizing the other candidate reflect deliberate misrepresentations? Equally disturbing is the fact that lack of integrity has made its way into the tactics of grassroots campaigners. Yard signs from both sides are being stolen. Shot at, burned and vandalized by overly zealous opponents. A few years ago popular singer billy joel sang a song that declared, honesty, it's such a lonely word. And certainly a person who sticks up for integrity can often seem alone. More recently, in the song from the movie musical chicago, catherine zeta-jones' character sings a song that asked whatever happened to fair dealing and pure ethics and nice manners, whatever to class? When we wonder what happened to integrity, we follow a trail that often leads to ourselves. The classic pogo line once again is true. We have met the enemy and he's us. Probably if you talked to a person who has been involved in dishonesty and deception, and admit to their deeds they would justify their actions on the basis of what they were seeking to accomplish since our candidate is for the right things, getting him or her elected, justifies whatever actions are necessary, they say." Katz: Charles, your time is up.

#### Long: Time's up?

Katz: Yes, thank you.

**Long:** I've given each of the councilmembers a copy of this statement. I hope you read it carefully. Thank you.

Katz: Thank you. 1233.

Item 1233:

**Katz:** Is he here? Ok, let's get to consent calendar. Any items to be removed? Anybody in the audience want to remove an item from the consent calendar? If not, vote on the consent.

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

Katz: Mayor votes aye. [gavel pounded] 1234.

Item 1234.

Katz: Commissioner Francesconi.

**Francesconi:** One of the values that has united this council is to try to provide opportunities to all, especially our young people, those at high risk. What this program is about, is just trying to help give a small incentive to a specially small employers to help them create jobs, jobs for many of our young people, some of whom are here. The reality is that in this economy, with these high unemployment numbers, the first to go are young people and sometimes, specially if they have any mistakes on their record, then they're not going to be hired either. So what we're trying to do, and this was an idea of phil busse's, to give a small incentive to employers, not just the job, the relationship that can be created. So I presented this to commissioner leonard as a concept, and I appreciate up front the work of thomas lannon and the bureau of licensing and terry williams, so we can construct a small incentive program. The only other thing i'll say before improving the panel is, you know, I went to a series of these gang summits this summer. You know, at the first one, there was the press conferences, and everybody was there, mostly adults, all telling the young people what they should do in order to get out of gangs. And it was frankly a typical gang summit type of meeting unfortunately, but then the young people stood up, one young person stood up in that meeting, and said, "look, why don't we listen to us. How come we're always just listening to you adults? Why don't you give us a chance to talk?" So at the next meeting there was about 40 young people, and they said, you know, it's our responsibility to stop shooting each other. They weren't blaming adults. They weren't blaming the city. They weren't blaming the police. They were blaming each other. And that told me a lot. So then at the next meeting, they started talking about jobs. What they needed were jobs. Some had misdemeanors on their records, nobody would hire them. Some of them had no connections that the rest of us have, and nobody would hire them. So I asked parks and pdot, brant williams and zari zantner to create an intern program to help them. 17 of them completed the program friday. So what we did was we gave some skills, created some connections, and also raised some expectations, and now we have only about half are continuing to work. At the same time during some other events, phil came to me, because he knew of my history on this issue, and said, "look, i've got this idea." so it's a combination of forces that are coming together. Most importantly it's the young people themselves that want an opportunities to contribute back to the community. So with that, let me introduce the panel here. And starting with phil busse. Phil, why don't you come up, as well as zeke smith, andre magow and thomas lannen. Katz: You'll have three minutes. Phil, why don't you start.

**Phil Busse:** Sure. Good morning, mayor Katz, good morning, councilors. My name is phil busse. I live on north mississippi. Want to start by thanking commissioner Francesconi for opening the door to this idea. I want to thank kristina germane in jim's office for spearheading the effort. After running for mayor this past spring, I determined that I want to stay involved in my community and push forward some ideas. As luck would have it, I was reviewing a restaurant along north mississippi, pasta bangs, and the owner polly bangs had started her restaurant with the idea she wanted to hire at-risk youth. And she had used to work with new avenues for youth, so she started

with four homeless youth who went through the program and now have, as of last week, I believe, have full-time jobs, all four of them. And this is a fantastic idea. It's an idea, I think, that deserves to be encouraged and to be replicated on a larger scale. The intent of this resolution is straightforward. One of the greatest contributors to crime is the inability for youth to carry a job. One of the greatest hurdles to getting that job is getting the experience. This resolution hopes to help at least 100 at-risk youth set off in the right direction. Basically it's just to give some teens a break. The concept to do this is also simple. Provide a \$500 business license credit to businesses as an incentive. More than anything, though, it's not about the credit, but it's about giving the businesses to look at these population of youth as potential employees. I can only see upsides for this concept. One, it's well documented that gainful employment and a sense of belonging are two of the most important steps towards giving youth traction in their own lives. Two, it's a chance to provide mentorship. Three, it's a great way to make businesses more active in their communities. Four, and we can just flat out say this, it's a chance for a business to get a rebate. And finally, it's a great chance for city hall to outreach to business owners in town. There's been criticism at times that city hall's not been supportive enough of businesses in town. This is a great program to counter that attitude. The perimeters are fairly simple. The youth must work at least 300 hours over the course of four months, which is roughly 15 to 25 hours a week. Businesses need to work with an organization like new avenues, yei. And this helps those companies set up ongoing relationships with those social service providers. Finally, no business will receive more than four business credits per year. Yes, there are going to be costs. With the pilot projects, 100 credits, \$500 each, roughly \$50,000 a year, but I truly believe that those -- those costs will be offset by long-term savings. I think that the most oft quoted statistic is that it costs more to incarcerate a youth than send him or to her harvard, room and board for an entire year. That's a sobering thought. Each program can benefit 100 youth and I hope you'll make this a reality. Thank you. Katz: All right.

### Francesconi: Thank you, phil.

Katz: Who wants to go next? Go ahead.

**Zeke Smith:** I'm zeke smith. You know, i'm here representing a number of youth providers who already have as a primary function providing employment, training and skills for young people and connecting them to jobs in the community. And this was just a great opportunity. We appreciated the opportunity to talk to both the commissioner's office and also phil busse was willing to bring it to you. And I think it's a really simple process. That's what I wanted to talk to you about today. Basically the way we see this working is that we have a number of these young people that we are working with, and we're in a great position to make sure that they qualify, given that the parameters of the -- the resolution. We're also in a good position to talk to the businesses and to provide them with additional supports to help these young people be retained in their jobs. And by working with work systems, which is one of the areas of providers of kind of -- systemic approaches to work force development for youth, we can -- we can use their database system to track the information and to be working both with the young person and the business. And at the point when they've completed their 400 hours, we're in a great position to provide a certificate to those businesses. I think one of the benefits that you get out of this, that has nothing to do with additional resources, is that it will strengthen relationships between the business community, between work force providers that are designed to address these issues with young people, and between the youth themselves and the business owners. We've had -- i've had some opportunity to speak to some of the business owners that we work with. They're excited about this, see it as an added value and benefit. We've had an opportunity to speak to youth, and they're really excited about the opportunity as well. We work with a number of young people who are youth offenders and have a very difficult time getting a job. We work with young people coming out of foster care, who have significant barriers to their ability to be employed. This is the kind of effort that we appreciate,

because we don't think it's going to take much in terms of resources. We also think because you've got an existing network in place, that it's not going to take a lot of additional staff or human resources as well. It's really utilizing the system you have currently and providing some additional incentives for businesses and youth to engage in that system.

Katz: Thanks, zeke.

Charles (last name?): Good morning. My name is charles.

Katz: Good morning, charles.

**Charles:** Good morning. First and foremost, I have to say since we're in political times, my presence here is not saying that I support any one person, but support the idea that young people in our community need jobs. Nationally 49% of black people nationally are homeless. The unemployment rate for african americans has risen 33% nationally. As we look around in our city, we see there's an influx of people being let out of prisons and jails, and as well as the influx in gang and violence in our communities. I believe as a young person in the city today that we need jobs and need them now. I support this idea because I support jobs for young people, but I also believe that we, while finding these jobs, we have to be sure that we give them to Portland's most needy youth and that we pay attention to african american young people, because we are hurting in the north and northeast Portland community. I thank you for this and I support it. **Katz:** Thanks.

Andrew McGuff: I'm andrew mcguff, with work services. I would add to some of zeke's comments as well as charles'. We very much support this concept. We've talked to businesses and youth providers within the community who call came to us and said this is a good thing. It's a great way to build upon the partnerships that exist in the community, as well as take advantage of some of the systems that have developed over time that -- that are really helping to make this an efficient and effective youth development system. And so we just wanted to provide whatever support we can to the bureau of licensing, as well as the city, commissioner Francesconi, to move this forward, because we do think it's a good opportunity builder for the youth we're trying to serve.

**Thomas Lannon, Director, Bureau of Licenses:** Good morning, mayor and council. Thomas lannon, director of bureau of licenses. I'll restrict my comments more to the administrative side. This is a relatively small program, two-year program. It's a pilot program that would impact between 25 and 100 businesses over the course of the next two years, calendar years 2006 and 2007. Correction. 2005 and 2006. There are no administrative costs, overhead or anything else attached to this proposal. That's one of the wonderful things about it, there's no add-ons, in terms of a drag for the benefit for both youth and businesses. In terms of the partnership, we have had really good conversations about how this would be implemented in terms of certification. On the bureau of licenses' side, we would get a certification from w.s.i. That would confirm that a business had completed -- the youth had completed their time and had -- had met the parameters in terms of performance evaluation, those sorts of things. We feel pretty confident this is something we can administer without any costs and relatively straightforward proposal.

**Busse:** I know there's going to be questions about the logistics and the bureaucratic side of this. First we wanted to give more of the human side of what jobs can do. Towards that end, amy. **Katz:** Ok. You all can leave. Thanks. Amy, why don't you grab the mike.

**Amy McDougal:** Ok. Good morning. My name is amy mcdougal, and I graduated from david douglas high school, and I now attend mount hood community college and my major is nursing. I was in foster care since I was 15, and I just recently got out and got my own place. It was hard trying to find a job. I started looking for a job when I was 16, and I applied to many fast-food restaurants, as you can imagine, and I just now found one. I'm a cashier at toys-r-us. To me it's for you to have a job, because it teaches us self-responsibility, especially for me living on my own, and now I have to pay rent and bills. It's just a good opportunity for youth. And it helps you realize that there are a lot of youth out there who don't get to make it this far. I'm just one of the few who have.

I just really take that for granted. I think that this program will be a good idea to help start getting youth back on their feet, because there are a lot of youth out there who don't know or who's just getting out of prison and they don't get a second chance. This program will give a lot of youth to start over, a second chance. That's all. Thank you.

Katz: Karla, anybody else?

Moore: That's all.

**Busse:** Polly bangs wasn't able to be here today, but if you could entertain this for a couple minutes. Again, polly bangs is the one who opened up pasta bangs. She gave the inspiration. She started her restaurant in june and took a first vacation this week, and unfortunately couldn't be here. She wrote this. "i wanted to open a restaurant that had a job program. After workings a day service counselor at new avenues for youth, I understood the program. I wrote a proposal about my training program and submitted it. It was met with enthusiasm from each agency. When my doors finally opened, I had two youth from outside in and another two working positions. Each youth works approximately three days a week, about 21 hours for three months. They learn basic restaurant skills, such as customer service, food preparation, and bussing. During their internship, they're also encouraged by each agency to actively look for a job. As a result of their work experience, they're armed with a resume that shows current employment, a good reference, and a list of marketable skills. After being open for almost four months now, I can happily report great successes. Two of the youth were hired on at pasta bangs, one as a dishwasher, one as a youth trainer. Another youth landed a job at new seasons, and another youth is enrolled in youth builders. For the past two months i've been meeting with a group trying to form a board in a nonprofit in the hopes of teaching area businesses to employ at-risk youth. Part of the brainstorming sessions have been how to determine -- is to determine how to employ this pop population would appeal to area businesses. Being able to offer financial assistance with licensing fees would be a great incentive. As funding for social services continued to be cut, I truly believe that the city will benefit by showing its support to small businesses, especially those businesses that have the foresight and compassion to see the future in these kids.

Katz: Ok, thank you.

**Sten:** Phil, i'm just curious, the concept is great. How did you get to the \$500 number? Doesn't seem like a significant subsidy. The concept I love, a buck an hour or something --**Busse:** It's roughly \$1.50 an hour. It's not -- we tried to find a number that was no too little, but not too much to be a burden on the city. The concept -- or the important part is not really the actual dollar amount, but just to give an incentive for the businesses to look at these populations as potential employees. I mean, \$500, again, it requires 300 hours of work from each youth to receive that credit. So it's almost \$2 an hour. It seems like that's just a nice enough incentive. **Sten:** Thanks.

Katz: Further questions? Ok, thank you. Nobody else?

Moore: That's it.

Katz: All right, roll call.

**Francesconi:** Thanks, everybody, for doing this. It shows that if our employers are going to pay, especially small employers, a high business income tax, this is a way to give them a benefit but that serves the broader community, especially those hurting the most right now, and that's some of our poor and disadvantaged youth. This is a good thing. No administrative costs. It's part of a system we already have in place with great youth providers and work systems. It will also work young people outside of enterprise zones, which the federal government's assistance is just limited to enterprise zones. I think the most important thing, though, it sends a message that we all care about our young people, and that they all deserve a second chance. I know i've had more than one chance in my life, and so we want to extend that same opportunity to our young people. Thank you,

thomas, for working on this. Thank you, commissioner, leonard for your help. Christina germane, thank you, and malik bell, I also want to thank you. Aye.

**Leonard:** I would be remiss if I didn't point out that this particular restaurant on north mississippi and shaver was the restaurant that commissioner Saltzman, Francesconi and I came together to try to come up with a small business subsidy program for s.d.c.'s because we knew meeting with the prospective operators of this restaurant that they wanted to do really good things in that community, and we just tried to figure out how best we could reduce the costs of them opening there. And we all felt good about it, but none of us, I think, would have predicted that in this short period of time we'd have programs like this emanating out of that premise. I'm very proud to have them as a member of the community and greatly appreciate phil busse's idea, commissioner Francesconi's willingness to push this forward, and of course thomas, the can-do guy in city government for making this work. There's nothing that I think creates success than success. When people begin succeeding in their life -- i've said this to my own children -- when you taste success, it is better than any drug-altering substance you might be tempted by or any other kind of experience in life, and getting a job and doing a good job and have people telling you that, for some people is the most positive thing that has ever happened in their life, and they want more of that. So this is a great idea. I appreciate it. And am happy to support it. Aye.

**Saltzman:** Well, i'm happy to support this pilot program. This is certainly -- I think we all know too many programs that don't work and don't success in getting youth into gainful employment. And instead set up an enormous apparatus that you wonder where the money goes sometime. This is a direct incentive for an employer to add jobs, and that's about the cleanest way to make a difference possible. It's a two-year pilot. We can look and see if the \$500 credit makes a difference. If the certifications work and all that, but it's definitely worth an experiment undertaking. I want to thank phil and commissioner Francesconi and this incubator for government reform on north mississippi avenue that we've stumbled across. Aye.

Sten: I hope it works. Aye.

**Katz:** I hope it works, too. And when you come back in february with the ordinance that actually implements this, please make sure that you follow the guidelines for drafting ordinances. This is a little sloppy in its drafting. I know commissioner Francesconi had nothing to do with that, but I just want -- i'm a stickler about this as a professional organization and the ordinances and resolutions need to be written well. Aye. [gavel pounded] ok, 1235.

Moore: That's a 10:15 time certain.

Katz: 10:15, that's a time certain at 10:15?

Moore: Yes.

**Katz:** Ok, let's get on to -- well, we can vote on the 1250. All right, let's do -- we've got a time certain, and I get nervous when there's a time certain and people may not show up until after that particular time. But I think 1250 and 1251, I think, are ok to vote on. All right, 1250. **Item 1250.** 

**Saltzman:** Madame mayor, members of the council, this resolution simply formalizes an amendment that we made during the phase two historic code amendments. That amendment provided an incentive under the new financial and policy category for preserving Portland's historic buildings. And this amendment sets a policy for the city to look to historic buildings that are subject to demolition review as a first priority for the location of city offices and operations that are going to be located in privately-owned facilities. We'll give historic buildings a preference when we're looking for space outside of city facilities for city operations. Apparently for this policy to be implemented in our code amendments last week it needed a resolution to formally establish this as official city policy, and this resolution does exactly that. I urge its approval.

**Katz:** Thank you. Anybody want to testify? Karla? Ok, come on and talk to us about seismic issues. Go ahead.

James Bela: James bela, southeast 160th avenue, founder of Oregon earthquake awareness. I'm urging you not to approve this resolution. Wedding ceremony wasn't much, but the reception was excellent. This resolution before the council isn't much, and it's far from excellent. I'm here today to oppose this resolution which would put city workers in harm's way in dangerous, albeit historic buildings. Further, the nonbinding aspect of the resolution makes one wonder, makes me wonder about that fundamental riddle of public resolution, should it be nonbinding? Might have to think about for a little. Many historic buildings will be of unreinforced masonry construction. This high school damaged in the 1993 scotts mills earthquake, falling bricks and parapets at cable entries is gone and well documented life safety hazard. Earthquakes can give no warning before they occur. Looking for an earthquake is like looking at that council clock with no secondhand. You look at it and nothing is happening. Then one of these days, pow, right in the u.r.m. But I didn't come to talk about historic u.r.m.'s. I came to talk about concrete buildings. The task force report by design ignores the threat posed by underenforced nonductile concrete buildings which can suffer a complete collapse and the pancaking of floors shown here. In a building like this, the building's deflection is limited by its strength. Once that strength is exceeded it can fail brittlely, as demonstrated by this big hunk which will go snap. The amount of reinforcement represented by this licorice will deform and stretch without fracturing. It preserves the building's vertical load carrying ability. This is especially important if you have this corner office. I'm giving this one to david who should know better. After the northridge earthquake, the people who worked in the kaiser permanente building that had collapsed were invited to a meeting by the owner's engineer. They wanted to do the right thing for their employees. After the meeting the building occupants only had one question. Why were they allowed to be in a building that if the earthquake happened four hours later none of us would be here? The only way this resolution should be considered for adoption is to also adopt the federal standard r.p.6, standards of seismic safety for existing federally-owned and leased buildings, which i've given you in your packets. This is necessary to protect the lives of city employees who will be asked to inhabit these many dangerous and unsafe buildings. One final point, you can't have your quake and business as usual, too. The earthquakes aren't going to go away because you pass this resolution and the liability for their lives and safety will not go away either.

Katz: Thank you. Thank you, your time's up.

Bela: May I have 15 more seconds?

Katz: 15? All right, go ahead.

**Bela:** As troubling and tragic that the decisions on the seismic safety of the city and future earthquakes is being made in a building which underwent mandatory seismic strengthening because it was declared dangerous in a earthquake. City commissioners work in an earthquake-safe environment, required so by their actions, yet other employees can be housed in unsafe buildings till these historic buildings die also in the earthquake.

Katz: Thank you. Anybody else? We need to make an amendment.

**Saltzman:** Thank you for pointing out that this amendment does say it's a nonbinding policy. That is not my intent. It is my intent this be binding city policy. It's my intent to strike the last hereby resolved.

Katz: Do I hear any objections? Hearing none --

Sten: What does that mean?

**Saltzman:** It means when we're looking for space outside of city office buildings, that we will prioritize looking at historic buildings, the first priority for leasing office space.

Sten: Above cost and everything else?

**Saltzman:** No. Certainly cost is to be a factor, but in terms of all other things being equal, if it's a historic building subject to demolition review, being renovated, then that would be the priority.

**Sten:** I'm sorry, I didn't take a deep look at this resolution. Does this say that if all things are equal and define what --

**Saltzman:** I think this allows the latitude that cost is certainly going to be the predominant consideration.

Sten: Ok.

Saltzman: Ben, do you have something to offer there?

**Ben Walters, Sr. Deputy City Attorney:** I was just going to point your attention to the last two lines on the first page.

**Saltzman:** So in other words, if all other things are equal, then the preference would be given to using historic buildings?

**Walters:** The effect of striking this language would be this document would then -- I would anticipate that the -- the intent of the council is to put this into the Portland policy documents for -- **Katz:** Yes, yes. And this is not a -- you know, having language about binding policies, it's not a bad idea, since we have violated some of our own binding policies. We don't come in with fiscal impacts anymore. And so i'm getting very cranky, as you're beginning to see. So good. You satisfied, commissioner Sten?

Sten: Yeah.

Katz: Ok. Thank you. Roll call on the amended resolution.

Francesconi: Thanks, commissioner Saltzman. Aye.

Leonard: Aye. Saltzman: Aye. Sten: Aye.

Katz: Mayor votes aye. [gavel pounded] I think we can vote on the next item as well. 1251. Item 1251.

Katz: Go ahead.

**Eric Johansen, Debt Manger, Office of Management and Finance:** Thank you, mayor, councilmembers. Eric johansen, debt manager in the office of management and finance. You may recall that in june of this year you approved the third amendment to the south waterfront central district development agreement. In that third amendment we contemplated about \$30.8 million of project costs coming from tax increment. The ordinance before you this morning authorizes the city to enter into lines of credit or financing agreements to provide the interim financing of these project costs. We anticipate we would enter into lines of credit with either local commercial banks or perhaps use a program of the Oregon economic community development department, special public works fund to provide the interim financing. In either case, the interim financing is expected to be repaid from the proceeds of long-term bonds that we'll issue at such time as the incremental assessed value gross in the north macadam urban renewal area to the point they can take on the financing obligation. We currently anticipate that would occur in about three to five years, depending on how value grows. With that, i'd be happy to answer questions.

Katz: Questions? Anybody want to testify? If not, roll call.

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

**Katz:** Mayor votes aye. [gavel pounded] we have an resolution and an ordinance that probably there will be people that will want to testify, and they may not be here. So maybe we ought to take a 10-minute break.

Moore: 10 minutes?

**Katz:** I'm sorry, five-minute break. All right, we'll stay in recess for five minutes. [gavel pounded ] [recess taken]

recessed at 10:10 a.m. reconvened at 10:22 a.m.

Katz: 1235.

#### Item 1235.

**Francesconi:** I'm not sure if community is the most important part of this word or garden the most important part of this word, but combined it's a great thing for the neighborhoods. As we'll hear, people have been working on this, volunteers, for as much as four years. So what we're doing here is taking three community gardens into our system that have been created by terrific volunteers. And that way we can perpetuate it for the neighborhoods and for others so. So we have a lot of thanks to give. Leslie, let's start with you.

Leslie Puhl-Kosball: My name is leslie puhl-kosball, and with me are organizers, sheila, and star. They'll say something, for. I work for community gardens for parks and recreation. I'd like to provide an introduction to the program gardens we wish to include today. With the adoption of rigler, pier and sellwood gardens there will be 29 community garden sites in Portland. That's over 1,000 garden plots with 3,000 participants. There are more than 400 people now currently on the waiting list to get into gardens. And volunteers have donated, as jim said, we rely on a lot of volunteer help, and they've donated over about 7,000 hours of volunteer time each year to this garden program, garden management and other work parties and so forth. They also donate food from their gardens. Not only do people grow for themselves, but donate this last year -- this year over 8,000 pounds of fresh produce to neighborhood partner food pantries. So they do more than just grow in their own plots. Community gardens will be celebrating our 30th year this next year, in 2005. 30 years in Portland. We also hosted the american community gardening conference in 1995. And this year the conference was in toronto. Just for your information. And have the gardens grow for themselves. They donate, as I said over 8,000 pounds of produce. And some of the pantries that are given to are fish, neighborhood house, and the northeast food emergency and others. The activities and the classes in the garden are fruit tree care, composting, native plant care and information, and work with watersheds, small fruit plantings, and we also teach how to grow organic vegetables. Pier garden is located at pier park in st. Johns, and there are over 25 garden plots with room to have 20 more. It was built through an agreement with host. And the community development corporation. And is adjacent to new housing, plus existing johnswood apartments and pier apartments. There's a lot of people without land in that area. Wrigley garden is located at rigler elementary school in northeast Portland and developed by the cully neighbors and volunteers from the green rigler project with the intent to be included in the community garden program and to provide gardens for rigler school classes. The garden has a very special center feature piece thanks to bureau of environmental services grant which is that at its center, a sculptural piece that collects water and provides backup for the garden in case of scarcity and also demonstrates sustainable technology. The sellwood garden has 19 garden plots and located on land with a b.e.s. pump station on north -- southeast 21st and harney. And this land was developed with help of the sellwood neighbors and smile. And the bureau of environmental services. And randy is here today, over here. And with parks. Instead of a fence surrounding grass -- and I think sheila has some handouts for you with percent -- the land is now providing food, a native plant habitat, and a place for neighbors to get to know each other. With the addition of these gardens, over 80 families will be able to grow food for themselves and for others. Neighbors will get to know one another better and they'll beautify the city and provide fresh food for themselves and for their neighbors. Katz: Ok, thank you.

**Sheila Strachan:** I'm sheila, a gardener at sellwood. One year ago the 100x100 lot at the northwest corner of southeast 21st and harney was a largely uninhabitated grassy lot surrounded by a seven-foot chainlink fence, in one corner stands the harney pump station operated by the bureau of environmental services. With the support of b.e.s., Portland community gardens, and many neighbors, this summer the lot was transformed into a community garden that fed many families pressure produce and taught little kids where carrots come from. Neighbors are treated to plantings of blueberries and raspberries next to the sidewalks. We have plans to put in raised beds. We have

immigrants, native Oregonians, grandparents and children that tell you they've been gardening all their lives, profess officer and students. In essence they're neighbors meeting neighbors they may never have crossed with until the garden came along. Before the first shovelful of earth was turned we had a waiting list of interested gardeners. It was hard to turn people away. We have neighbors volunteering to assist with landscaping, growing veggie starts, and some neighbors that have built a bench and weathervane, even though they don't have plots in the garden. The community garden has been a sunny addition to the sellwood neighborhood. In a neighborhood within a city that are both becoming more dense every day, we need to remember to squirrel away greenspace to preserve key elements of human habitat. On small urban lots there's not often space for a garden. The sellwood community garden provides a green refuge for many neighbors. It is providing educational opportunities for kids of all ages. Gardens soak up rainwater that could otherwise be running off a developed lot and running through the harney pump station. As many of you know, sellwood was a location of some of the earliest commercial fruit orchards in the pacific northwest dating to the early 1840's. Most of westmoreland, especially westmoreland park, provided pasture land for william ladd's livestock until the beginning of the 1900's. Our agricultural beginnings are front porch gardens give sellwood/westmoreland a small town character. We hope our first community garden will be the first of several. On behalf of the sellwood neighbors and sellwood community garden, i'd like to thank the city of Portland parks department, community garden, coordinator, and the bureau of environmental services for helping make this garden a reality. I urge the council to adopt the sellwood community garden and the other new community gardens into city stewardship. Thank you.

#### Katz: Thank you.

Starr Hogeboom: Hi. My name is starr. I'm a master gardener. I work as a volunteer for the department of urban forestry as a tree liaison. I've ton a lot of volunteer work in the cully neighborhood, and one of the things that got us started off was the sun school program about four years ago by -- when we asked the neighborhood what they wanted, the kids what they wanted, a fifth grader asked to have a garden. And that started us off. We started with a small amount of money and that -- with we got matching grants and eventually took a large portion of the school grounds that was just overflow parking and started to build a garden. And it's been four years now. We now have the gardeners in for the first full year of gardening. Last year all we were able to do was have the kids at the end of the year plant pumpkin seeds throughout the garden, because we weren't quite ready. And they came back the following september and were lugging pumpkins that were way too big for any of them to pick up, put in wheelbarrows, dragged them off to the school, lined the school hallways with pumpkins, and they were all very excited. Now there are two designated plots for the schools. They use it for learning experiences, done math, laid out plots, measure things, where do plants go. They've done a lot of projects. They now have an americorps volunteer that is helping work with the kids on environmental stuff and speed learning there, and the rest of the plots are for the community. We'd like to help them as part of the bigger project, the green rigler project, we're trying to incorporate more learning experiences for the kids on the school grounds. And so it's important for us to have this garden accepted into the system for sustainability so we can continue on our master plan of the rest of the sun school program and what they want to do for the kids at rigler.

#### Katz: Thank you. Sir?

**Will Levenson:** Hi. My name is will levenson, the last person giving testimony. You can have a sigh of relief. We appreciate your time. And ms. Katz, thanks for your time as a mayor. It's really an honor to speak in front of you guys. I'm talking on behalf of the friends of Portland community gardens, a supportive group for the community gardens program. I'd like to put my experience of community gardens, now that i've been involved with rigler for the last four years with starr and our other neighbors. Community gardens, when they work right, are like public art. Everybody, the

individual gardeners, each have their own means of expressing how they garden, and it really has an energy that draws people from the neighborhood together and creates a central gathering place. It becomes a landmark, particularly in lower-income neighborhoods, like cully where rigler is. It's extremely difficult to get people engaged in the community. Rigler did not have a p.t.a. Right now. We've been able to sustain the group through the past four years, people primarily who don't have kids at rigler elementary school. It's very important to put the community gardens at schools for that reason, I think, to have just another opportunity to vest in people in the neighborhood to schools. And then community gardens also become a great incubator for volunteerism and developing leaders within the community. It's been a really fun experience to work with our core group of people at rigler elementary school, and also with the friends of Portland community gardens. And we do really appreciate the support and acknowledgment by bringing the gardens into the system. And one other note. Leslie, who's been heading the community garden program for the last 25 years, when we initially at rigler had the idea of bringing -- starting a community garden four years ago, leslie's response wasn't, "well, why don't you try to do this, why don't you try to do that." particularly when things get started, volunteer stage, energy is very sensitive. It's very easy to quash the momentum of people that are trying to get things going. Leslie recognizes that, and works with a lot of volunteers. She came to our meeting, despite the fact that we just had dreams at that point, and guided us through the process so we could get to where we are now. It's been a really great experience for our community.

Katz: Thank you. Questions? Anybody else want to testify?

Moore: That's all who signed up.

Katz: All right, thank you. Roll call.

**Francesconi:** Thanks for all your work. Just to -- you know, that image of -- where children were saying they'd been gardeners all their lives, that's a great image, and carrying the pumpkins from the seeds that they planted. So they'll be gardeners all their lives. It's because of a combined effort that you made that happen. And then I do appreciate good community organizing when I see it. And each of the neighbors here who helped develop their own unique community gardens, but then having leslie, who's a community organizer in her own right, kind of come together to strengthen the neighborhoods, especially in poor communities. It's a beautiful thing to watch. And it will grow under the stewardship of parks. We have great people at parks, when you combine it with the volunteers, it's a winning combination, so thank you. Aye.

**Leonard:** I'm pleased to support this. My mother was a master gardener. And so a lot of that I didn't realize until the last few years rubbed off on me. I really love gardening and having my own vegetable garden, even if I don't eat them. They're great to give away and nice to take them to the fire station, bags of tomatoes and zucchinis. It's a wonderful experience. So this is a great -- a great project. Aye.

**Saltzman:** Yeah. This is really -- really a great project. I want to thank parks and all the citizens, and then bureau of environmental services, too, for advancing sustainable stormwater design, but also thinking -- well, I think thanks to sellwood neighbor, thinking about some of the properties surrounding our pump stations. I certainly hope we can identify maybe more opportunities between the water bureau and environmental service bureau. We have lots of pump station facilities. I don't know if they all have that much vacant land surrounding them, but with a waiting list of 400 people we need to turn the vacant lands into community garden plots. I know we can count on leslie's help to work with us to identify opportunities. This is great work. Aye.

**Sten:** I agree. It's just wonderful what you're doing. This is really what Portland's all about. So thank you. Aye.

**Katz:** I agree. As I was listening to you, and kind of visited some of the community gardens in this city, and realized that this is one of the best programs. Now comes the mia culpa. During the worst budget periods, we always had, on the list, the organizer's position to be reduced. I think that was

accurate. But it never happened, because we said, "no, we're not doing that to the community gardens. It's a great program." you know, when I first came on board, community policing was the big -- the big words, and in budget documents or in vision documents we said that every bureau had to be involved in community policing, including b.e.s. couldn't quite figure out what that meant, but that was what we all had included. Now maybe every bureau should be involved in community gardens, and we ought to be looking at areas, even outside b.e.s.'s purview to give the community the opportunity to plant, whether it's flowers or food. It's wonderful. So thank you, volunteers, for putting your time and the effort in it. Thank you. Aye. [gavel pounded] ok, 1252. **Item 1252.** 

#### Francesconi: Go ahead, vicki.

Vicky Diede, Office of Transportation: Thank you. Good morning. Vicky diede from the office of transportation. The resolution before council today is to start the local improvement district proceedings for the Portland streetcar gibbs extension project. As you recall, Portland streetcar inc. Is under contract to assist the city in the formation of the l.i.d. they've contacted either by phone or in person all of the property owners within the proposed district. There was an informal property owner meeting to which all were invited, and it was held on september 22nd. At that meeting, four property owners were represented. A representative of la grande industrial supply asked a number of questions and indicated to us that they may well remonstrate against the l.i.d. at the formation hearing. Those properties, la grande properties, represent 2% of the total area and 1% of the total assessment. We do not expect any opposition from the property owners who are a party to the south waterfront central district development agreement. They represent 40% of the total area and 45% of the total proposed assessment. The l.i.d. Is a fixed amount for \$2,020,000. That will be combined with tax increment financing and \$10 million in flexible regional transportation funds. The methodology proposed is -- everyone compasses a distant factor of up to 1/4 mile as well as land area. And then there's a calculated rate of \$1.325 per square foot. The land area for the parcels is the same as those that were used for the tram l.i.d. Because of the importance of the project, this transit project, to the development, in fostering the development called for in the south waterfront, pdot recommends and seeking council approval to begin the l.i.d. proceedings which will entail a notice of the proposed assessment to the property owners, advertising in the d.j.c. and posting a notice in the proposed district. The resolution of intent before you indicates a formation hearing of december 1. Upon further reflection, I think we will schedule that for december 8. We will of course finalize it before the notices are sent. That's how the property owners know where and when they may come to testify. Then also, december 8 there will be a number of other implementing actions, including an adoption of the final budget and finance plan, an amendment to the construction contract, an amendment to the Portland streetcar inc. Contract for maintenance services, an agreement with tri-met, and an agreement to receive the \$10 million in federal funds. We ask your approval, and i'd be happy to answer questions people may have.

Katz: Do you have the names of the property owners?

Diede: I do.

Katz: Are any of them on the light rail l.i.d. list?

**Diede:** No. Not the light rail list.

Katz: Ok.

**Diede:** Well, I don't know if they own properties in that district, but the boundaries of the light rail l.i.d. are different.

Katz: That I know, but I wanted to know whether -- can you show it to us?

Diede: Sure. I mean, it's a pretty small list.

Katz: Read them.

**Diede:** Oregon health and science university, z.r.z. Realty company, swinerton. Then it's river campus l.l.c., north macadam l.l.c., block 30 l.l.c., the Oregon department of transportation. The

j.e.h. Family l.p. Moody street partners. La grande industrial supply. The landing at macadam. Zebe company and block 39 l.l.c.

Katz: Ok, thanks.

Leonard: I had a question.

Katz: Go ahead.

Leonard: Do the properties include residential properties?

Diede: Yes.

Leonard: They do?

**Diede:** Yes, but the methodology for this l.i.d. will be on the land area, regardless of what the use is.

**Leonard:** But that's the same formula for any property owner, irrespective of how the property's used?

Diede: Yes.

Leonard: That's good. I might end up voting for this.

**Diede:** We try to listen.

**Leonard:** Well, that's great. What's your name? [laughter] and then the second is, is it -- is it allowed in -- in the future use of these dollars to use them to not just construct the streetcar, but maintain them as well?

**Diede:** The proceeds from an l.i.d. assessment may only be used by law for capital projects because it's a one-time assessment on the property owners. However, the -- I think it's exhibit b to the resolution, indicates the methodology and some of the terms and conditions. And we -- it is silent as to whether or not that we might come back to those property owners and seek additional funds for operations and maintenance in the future.

Leonard: So that was a conscience decision?

**Diede:** That was a conscience decision.

Leonard: You just backed me into a corner on this.

Katz: Ok, go ahead.

Saltzman: I didn't have any questions.

Katz: Oh, all right. Anybody else want to testify?

Moore: No one signed up.

Katz: All right. Roll call.

Francesconi: Well, this begins the process for the l.i.d. formation and property owners still have a chance to object at the hearing itself. And so this is an important step, though, in realizing, you know, the opportunity of immediate jobs in south waterfront, as well as the future expansion of research-based jobs. And it does it by using some tax increment dollars and regional transportation funds that I and others were successful in obtaining through jpac, through a regional group. The point i'm making here is it doesn't use any general fund or maintenance dollars from the transportation bureau. None of that goes into this project. So it's a combination of the tax increment, the regional funds, as well as the property owners paying their fair share. Aye. Leonard: And for the record, in the past, I have had concerns about these projects, not because of what they attempt to accomplish at all, i'm entirely supportive of the goals of light rail and the streetcar, but it's the -- it just appeared to me to be unfair to have mass transit in front of one's condo and not have to pay for it while a business next door did, but apparently this corrects what I considered to be a flaw in that, so I appreciate that. And second, also, the evidence that we've received is that the existing streetcar has increased property values beyond what they would have had it not existed, and that's good, but my concern was then, that, I think it be more incumbent than on those that gain from the streetcar to help pay for the ongoing operation, it appears that you have acknowledged that phenomena in this, so I appreciate that. And I also appreciate how you guys making note of those concerns, and i'm happy to support this. Aye.

Saltzman: Good work. Aye.

Sten: Aye.

Katz: Mayor votes aye. [gavel pounded] thank you. 1253.

Item 1253.

Saltzman: This item involves our efforts to meet one of the council's objectives under the local action plan on global warming, which was adopted under commissioner Sten's leadership to meet 100% of the city's energy demand through renewable resources for city facilities. And to lay the groundwork for meeting this objective, and we're supposed to do that, or we're aiming to do that by the year 2010. To lay the groundwork for this goal i've asked the office of sustainable development to assess the various options that might exist for getting the city to 100% renewable energy. During the past year the sustainable development office has done very good research and preliminary analysis of the options that are available. The good news is it does appear that we have an opportunity to meet to green energy in a way that meets the city's fiscal, environmental and economic goals. However it's a complex issue, and to be certain that we perform the proper due diligence, the city has hired an outside consultant experienced in power purchase contracting. To help pay for this outside expertise, sustainable development office did submit a grant application to the bullitt foundation, one of america's top environmental foundations, and asked them to match the funds for this consultant's work. Today i'm pleased to report they've accepted this proposal and the council, they've awarded us \$25,000 towards the cost of this consultant, and we are -- i'm asking the council to accept this grant today because it's desirous of both the city and bullitt foundation to move Portland into the forefront of renewable energy as the first city in the country to be powered entirely by renewable energy. Dave is here, dave is responsible for us successfully getting this foundation grant. If anybody has any questions, he'd be happy to answer them.

Katz: Dave, talk to us on how you envision all of this unfolding.

Dave Tooze, Office of Sustainable Development: I'll try to be brief, but thank you for asking the question, mayor Katz. The goals set out in the local action plan for global warming sets this 2010 goal to buy all of our electricity from a clean renewable resource. That's likely to be a wind farm on the east side of the state. We have a preference for Oregon only resources, because of the rural urban connections. The timing -- and one of the reasons that the commissioner has encouraged us to move swiftly on investigating this power purchase now rather than waiting closer to 2010 is that there are a lot of economic forces that are in our favor right now. The development industry, the wind farm, and other renewable development industry is quite hungry for work. There hasn't a vigorous demand by utility for renewable power. Interest rates are down and capital-intensive projects like this are very sensitive to interest rates and the costs that higher interest rates bring. We have good resources on the Oregon side of the columbia, east end of the columbia river gorge, and we have experienced private sector businesses that are eager to provide the product to us. And so it's an opportune time for us to begin looking at this opportunity. On top of that there's some great financial incentives that we are eyeing. There's a federal production -- energy production tax credit was just approved by congress, at least an extension of a previously-existing tax credit. Oregon has a tax credit for business enterprises and renewables. And now we have the energy trust of Oregon. And so these stacks of benefits and opportunities are all converging at this one time. So we're anxious to let the private sector bring their best offers to us to see if we can get a competitively priced product brought before council before your consideration.

Katz: What's the next move? You got a grant. You got a consultant. What are you going to do? **Tooze:** We've already done preliminary economic analysis of a number of different models, how would we do this. Presently we're in draft stage of developing the request for proposals. Our timeline calls for the r.f.p. to go out in december of this year.

Katz: Oh, ok. All right, thank you. That's exciting.

Tooze: Thank you. It is.

Katz: Further questions? Anybody else want to testify? Come on up.

**Joseph Edmunds:** Good morning. I'm joseph edmunds, a business agent for the ibew local 48. I'm in the electrons business. Electrons, wind, solar, so i've been working with dave slightly. I've been working with the energy trust. I've been working with commission Saltzman's office. I brought down some people in the wind business to talk to the city, because this is the future. We huge wind farms over there. A lot of power. And possibly being an old hippie, i'm for this stuff. [laughter] I strongly say, vote for this project, and -- my union will be -- do anything we can to help with you guys. Ok?

Katz: Is that why your union's so progressive?

Saltzman: It is.

**Edmunds:** Yeah. It's the future. It's going on, the price of oil goes up. At one time I used to read the sports page the first thing. Now I read the business section. So thank you for your time. **Katz:** Thank you, joe.

**Saltzman:** We'll remember that generous offer you just made. Electrical workers, too, to help this project.

Katz: Anybody else want to testify?

**Moore:** We don't have a sign-up sheet.

Katz: Questions? Roll call.

Moore: This is a non--

**Katz:** Why did you do it? We'll take a vote next week. It passes on to second. All right, keep us informed.

Saltzman: Certainly.

Katz: Everybody, we stand adjourned until 2:00. [gavel pounded]

At 10:54 a.m., Council recessed.

#### OCTOBER 27, 2004 2:00 PM

[Roll call]

### Item 1254.

Saltzman: Who is going to walk us through where we are and what we need to do? Kathryn Beaumont, Sr. Deputy City Attorney: Kathryn Beaumont, city attorney's office. This is not the first time you've considered this matter. In earlier this year you heard that the Brooklyn Action Corps appeal from the hearings officer's appeal to approve a new cell tower in the Brooklyn neighborhood. You voted to grant their appeal and to overturn the hearings officer and to deny the proposed conditional use and adjustment for the tower. VoiceStream wireless appealed that decision to the land use board of appeals. Before we filed the record at luba we have the opportunity to unilaterally pull the decision back if we spot something in the decision that we feel like we want to correct or bolster. I made the recommendation that we bring this decision back so that the findings could be made more complete. What you have before you is a revised set of findings that is consistent with your prior decision and that better explains the basis for your decision. The findings are based on the existing record. There is no need to take additional testimony or comment or hear argument, and the notice that went out did indicate the council would not take any testimony or receive evidence. Mark Walhood from the Bureau of Development Services is here. The record of the case file is here if you have any questions. But my recommendation to you is that you go ahead and adopt the revised findings. Leonard: Do we have to reconsider our prior vote before we do that? **Beaumont:** No. Simply proceed to adopt the revised findings. Leonard: Move to adopt. I so move. Sten: I second Saltzman: Ok. Moved and seconded. Karla, please call the roll. Leonard: Aye. Saltzman: Aye. Sten: Aye. Saltzman: That's it. No further business. We're adjourned.

At 2:04 p.m., Council adjourned.