



CITY OF

PORTLAND, OREGON

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS

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34612

Earl Blumenauer, Commissioner
1220 S.W. 5th
Portland, Oregon 97204
(503) 248-5577

MEMORANDUM

Date: August 24, 1989
To: Mary Howard
From: Earl Blumenauer *EB/mc*
Re: Request For Time Certain

I would like to request a 10:15 time certain on August 30, 1989 for the video poker resolution.

Thank you!

RESOLUTION No.**34612**

Request the State of Oregon Lottery Commission to reject its proposal to generate revenue through the use of video poker machines in the City of Portland and to honor the City's ordinance banning such gambling devices.

WHEREAS, the State of Oregon Lottery Commission is currently considering implementing a video poker game in the City of Portland in order to raise revenues for state-wide transit and education purposes; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance 160294, passed by the Portland City Council on November 25, 1987, the City of Portland specifically prohibits the ownership, use and play of video poker machines and other such gambling devices within its city limits; and

WHEREAS, gambling can be a highly addictive activity; and

WHEREAS, generating revenues through the promotion of gambling has been shown conclusively to be a highly regressive tax; and

WHEREAS, the State of Oregon is relying increasingly on regressive and selective taxes which often take money from people who can least afford to underwrite these state-wide expenses; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland has devoted significant resources and citizen effort toward making Portland a city comprised of safe, clean and livable neighborhoods for our families and children; and

WHEREAS, additional neighborhood security and law enforcement expenditures would be necessary in order to effectively regulate and monitor activities surrounding the use of video poker machines; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland and State of Oregon should provide the leadership to tax citizens equitably and search to find revenue sources which do not promote activities which negatively impact upon one's quality of life.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Portland, to request the State of Oregon to honor the City's local ordinance banning the installation of video poker machines within its city limits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council will forward this resolution to the Oregon Lottery Commission to be entered into the record at the public hearing to be held on August 28, 1989.

Adopted by the Council, AUG 30 1989

Mayor Clark
Commissioner Blumenauer
Commissioner Bogle
Commissioner Koch

T. Austin Chown
August 24, 1989

BARBARA CLARK
Auditor of the City of Portland
By *Mary Flanagan* Deputy

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THE COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
	Yeas	Nays
BLUMENAUER	✓	
BOGLE	✓	
KOCH	✓	
LINDBERG	✓	
CLARK	✓	

Filed AUG 25 1989

BARBARA CLARK
Auditor of the CITY OF PORTLAND

By Mary L. Howard
Deputy

INTRODUCED BY

Mayor Clark, Commissioner's
Blumenauer, Bogle, Koch

NOTED BY THE COMMISSIONER

Affairs

Finance and Administration JE Bud Clark
Mayor Clark

Safety DB/K
Dick Bogle

Utilities BK/K
Bob Koch

Works EB/H
Earl Blumenauer

City Auditor

Bureau: Commissioner of Public Works

Prepared By: TA Chown Date: 8/24/89

Bureau Head: Earl Blumenauer

AGENDA

Consent

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