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A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **17TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2007** AT 9:30 A.M.

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

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Karla Moore-Love, Clerk of the Council; Linly Rees, Deputy City Attorney; and John Holly, Sergeant at Arms.

		Disposition:
	DUE TO THE ABSENCE OF TWO COUNCIL MEMBERS DEMERGENCY ORDINANCES WERE CONSIDERED THIS WEEK AND ITEMS WERE NOT HEARD UNDER A CONSENT AGENDA	
	COMMUNICATIONS	
1245	Request of Bonnie Tinker to address Council regarding an impeachment resolution (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
1246	Request of David H. Jackson to address Council regarding an impeachment resolution (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
1247	Request of Carla Hanson to address Council regarding impeachment (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
	REGULAR AGENDA	
	Mayor Tom Potter	
	Bureau of Planning	
1248	Authorize the Director of the Bureau of Planning to enter into Intergovernmental Agreements with the Portland Development Commission to provide professional, technical and expert services for planning (Second Reading Agenda 1204)	181358
	(Y-3)	

	Commissioner Sam Adams	
	Bureau of Environmental Services	
1249	Authorize application to Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board restoration grant program in the amount of \$150,000 for Stephens Creek Confluence Habitat Enhancement Project (Ordinance)	PASSED TO SECOND READING OCTOBER 24, 2007 AT 9:30 AM
1250	Authorize the Director of the Bureau of Environmental Services to enter into Intergovernmental Agreements with the Portland Development Commission to provide professional, technical and construction services for environmental and stormwater improvements within designated urban renewal districts (Ordinance)	PASSED TO SECOND READING OCTOBER 24, 2007 AT 9:30 AM
	Office of Transportation	
1251	Amend contract with Friends of Burnside Couch, Inc. for additional work for the Burnside Transportation and Urban Design project (Second Reading Agenda 1224; amend Contract No. 35678)	CONTINUED TO OCTOBER 24, 2007 AT 9:30 AM
	Commissioner Randy Leonard	
	Bureau of Development Services	
1252	Adopt the State of Oregon 2007 Editions of the Oregon Structural Specialty Code and the Oregon Mechanical Specialty Code, including optional sprinkler code; accommodate State administrative rule revisions for plumbing and electrical regulations (Second Reading Agenda 1240; amend Titles 24, 25, 26 and 27)	181359
	(Y-3)	
	Water Bureau	
1253	Reimburse unspent money from the Water Bureau Growth Impact Trust Fund to certain wholesale customers (Second Reading Agenda 1225)	181360
	(Y-3)	
	Commissioner Dan Saltzman	
	Parks and Recreation	
1254	Authorize an agreement with Police Activities League to provide payment for operational support to youth programs (Ordinance)	PASSED TO SECOND READING OCTOBER 24, 2007 AT 9:30 AM
1255	Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with Metro for land acquisition services (Second Reading Agenda 1231)	181361
	(Y-3)	

At 9:49 a.m., Council adjourned.

GARY BLACKMER Auditor of the City of Portland

By Karla Moore-Love Clerk of the Council

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WEDNESDAY, 2:00 PM, OCTOBER 17, 2007 DUE TO THE LACK OF AN AGENDA THERE WAS NO MEETING

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OCTOBER 17, 2007 9:30 AM

*****: [roll call]

Adams: We begin with communication. Karla, will you please read the title for 1245. Good

morning, bonnie. Please state your name for the record, and you have three minutes.

Item 1245.

Bonnie Tinker: Hello. I'm bonnie tinker from Portland. We have all heard that impeaching bush and cheney is a longshot. It's not politically impossible. But this is Portland. We are known for tackling the impossible. You severed ties with the f.b.i.'s joint terrorism task force because it is a threat to liberty and justice. The Portland city council passed a resolution opposing the iraq war because the bush administration's pursuit of that war was initiated by deceit, is killing -- by deceit, is killing hundreds of thousands of people, and our conduct in that war has destroyed the reputation of our country's claim of liberty and justice for all. History demands we resist the loss of our civil rights, democracy, and resisting inhumane treatment of our congress. If you have any remaining doubts, go to pbs.org and watch "cheney's law" on frontline which aired last night. The proposals are simple. George bush and cheney conspired to defraud the united states by intentionally misleading congress and the public regarding the threat from iraq in order to justify a war in violation of u.s. Law. George bush has admitted to ordering the national security agency to conduct electronic surveillance of american civilians without seeking a warrant, a violation of u.s. Law. George bush and richard cheney conspired to commit the torture of prisoners in violation of the federal torture act. The u.n. Torture convention and the geneva convention, which are part of the supreme law of the land. George w. Bush and richard cheney acted to strip american citizens of their constitutional rights by ordering indefinite detention without access to legal counsel -- access to legal counsel, without charge, and without the opportunity to challenge the detention based solely on the discretionary designation by the president of the u.s -- of a u.s. Citizen as an enemy combatant. In all of this, they acted in a manner contrary to their trust as president and vice president, subversives of constitutional government to the manifest injury of the people of Portland and the united states. It is possible for Portland to recommend the impeachment of the bush and cheney by law petitions at large may be presented to the speaker of the house. Please send a message that Portland is a city dedicated to liberty and justice for all. We urge you to bring the impeachment resolution forward for public discussion and adoption by the p.c.c. Thank you for listening.

Adams: Karla, please call the title for item 1246.

Item 1246.

David H. Jackson: good morning members of the city council. My name is david h. Jackson. I hold a master's degree from the university of Oregon and have taught political science and u.s. Citizenship at the community college level. I am a citizen activist. My recent focus has been on election integrity issues. I have testified previously before you in favor of voter-owned elections. Let me just remind you that impeachment is a right of americans, mentioned seven times in the u.s. Constitution. It is not a convention or trial but a fact finding effort. While many serious charges have been made regarding president bush's conduct, I am confine my remarks to the legal war in iraq. Let me quote from an article of impeachment that was drafted by the center of constitutional

rights. Now, let me say also that, although i'm talking specifically about president bush, I believe that vice president chency is also a co-conspirator. And what i'm saying is the responsibility is shared by him. The initiation and continuation of the war constitutes a high crime and misdemeanor and is illegal as well. In undertaking that war, george w. Bush violated his oath of office and constitutional obligation that the laws be faithfully executed. George w. Bush has subverted the constitution by undermining the rightful authority of congress to declare war, oversee foreign affairs, and make appropriations. He did so by just 5ing the war with false and misleading statements and deceived the people of the united states as well as congress. He denied the electorate the right to make an informed choice and there by undermined democracy. George w. Bush acted contrary to his trust asment and warrants impeachment, trial, and removal from office. Why should the Portland city council pass a resolution to impeach president bush? One answer is that the u.s. Constitution is precious to Portland citizens, as it is to all americans. Another reason is the death of Portlanders resulting from mr. Bush's iraq adventure. We mourn the loss of these members of our community, a very real concern to this council a drain on our national reserve in terms of both man power and material. As a city, we are less safe when our national guard units are deployed overseas at times of emergencies like forests, fires, flooding, tsunami or earthquake. Is it too late to make this effort? I say that it is not. We must begin this process to put future presidents on notice about the limits of presidential power under our constitution. Thank you for the opportunity to speak before you today.

Adams: Karla, would you.

Moore-Love: [reading agenda item] the title for agenda item 1247?

Item 1247.

Carla KC Hanson: Good morning, gentlemen. My name is carla kc hanson. I'm vice chairperson of the Multnomah democratic party. The Multnomah democratic party supports the impeachment of george bush and vice president dick cheney, and we urge you to endorse the resolution of impeachment before you. You've heard from dozens of speakers who have detailed the transgressions committed by the bush administration. I'll not reiterate these but instead focus on why you, as city commissioners, should take such action. My party has endorsed the prospect of impeachment neither out of partisanship nor out of venom. While we seek to hold individuals accountable for their crimes, the higher priority for us is the integrity of the republican. Never before has the united states constitution been so systematically eviscerated through dozen -- dozens of edicts issued by an administration. Whether on the street or whether in a meeting room, there is a level of palpable fear and concern that exists among the citizens of this country. The balance of power has been skewed dramatically, yet few attempts have been made to correct the shift. The people of this country understand this. Yet we have been continually dismissed by elected officials who insist the talk of impeach. Is extremist -- impeachment is extremist. Thomas jefferson and the founders foresaw the need for such a tool and carefully constructed it to protect future generations of americans. We are truly in a constitutional crisis, and it is up to elected officials at all levels to recognize this and act appropriately. There is an interconnectedness from the beltway to the one way down the street. Our system is dependent upon the fact that we all follow the same rules, and the rock of those rules is our constitution. As the constitution is set aside, the citizens in your care suffer. They are spied upon. Their homes are raided. And they are sent again and again and again into a war, into an illegal occupation. Because of our form of government, statesmen and stateswomen can exist at any level. Today I ask you, on behalf of the Multnomah democrats, in defense and protection of the citizens of Portland, to be such states men. Please uphold your oath of office. Support the constitution of the united states. Support the citizens of Portland, and support the resolution of impeachment before you. Thank you very much.

Adams: We're now going to move to the regular agenda. And, Karla, would you please read the title for the agenda item 1248.

Item 1248.

Adams: This is a second reading, so vote only. Adams: Aye. Saltzman: Aye. Sten: Aye. Adams: Moves to us agenda item 1249.

Item 1249.

Adams: Does council have any questions? Hearing none, it will move to a second reading. Please read the title for agenda item 1250.

Item 1250.

Adams: Council have any questions regarding agenda item 1250? Hearing none, would you please read item 1251? This is a second reading. Vote only.

Item 1251.

Saltzman: I do have some questions about this.

Adams: It's a second reading. Go ahead. I don't know if the staff is here. Maybe I can answer them.

Saltzman: Is this a sole source contract originally?

Adams: I don't know the answer to that question. Do you want to set it over?

Saltzman: Yeah. I'd prefer to set it over a week or so. I guess i'm concerned about a sole source. And, secondly, exactly what the group is doing. And it sounds that me like a lot of the work they're doing is work that the city people should be doing anyway, so i'd like more information on this before I can vote on it.

Adams: Unless there's objection, i'll set it over to next week. Regular agenda?

Moore-Love: Ok. That will be the october 24th morning session.

Adams: Ok. Please read --

Saltzman: We'll have somebody here then to answer questions?

Adams: Of course. Please read agenda title 1252.

Item 1252.

Adams: Second reading, vote only. Aye.

Saltzman: Aye. Sten: Aye.

Adams: Moving on to agenda item 1253, please call the title.

Item 1253.

Adams: It's a vote only. Please call the roll. Aye.

Saltzman: Aye. **Sten:** Aye. **Adams:** Please read title 1254.

Item 1254.

Adams: Any questions from the city council regarding agenda item 1254? Moves to a second reading. Agenda item 1255, please read. This is a second reading vote only. Please call the roll. Aye.

Saltzman: Aye. Sten: Aye.

Adams: This session of the city council stands adjourned until next week.

At 9:49 a.m., Council adjourned.