ORDINANCE No. 183847

* Authorize grant agreements totaling \$42,000 to the Neighborhood District Coalitions to administer grant funds for the Graffiti Abatement Community Grant Program (Ordinance)

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

- 1. The City of Portland experiences thousands of incidents of graffiti vandalism to both public and private property annually. These incidents are costly to repair, and costly in damage to the livability of business and residential environments.
- 2. Private property owners are legally responsible to remove graffiti vandalism on their property or risk being assessed penalties for failing to remove the graffiti per Portland City Code (PCC) 14B.80.040. However, there are a number of properties and areas of Portland that experience repeated graffiti vandalism despite repeated efforts to maintain their property.
- 3. The goal of this Graffiti Abatement Community Grant program is to support community-driven improvement projects and community building opportunities with an emphasis on graffiti prevention, graffiti abatement and/or addressing locations chronically tagged with graffiti.
- 4. In order to qualify, grant projects must improve an area to prevent or abate graffiti, improve properties chronically tagged with graffiti, or build community around the issue of graffiti prevention and abatement. The types of projects anticipated for funding include but are not limited to mural projects, property improvement projects that address Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED), organized cleanups, and graffiti abatement supplies for organized volunteer groups.
- 5. The Graffiti Abatement Community Grant program will be administered through the seven Neighborhood District Coalitions, in coordination with the Office of Neighborhood Involvement. The District Coalitions have been established in the community and proven their ability to effectively administer similar programs such as the Neighborhood Small Grants program.
- 6. Funding for these grants is included in the Office of Neighborhood Involvement's Fiscal Year 2009-10 budget from the City's General fund. There is a total of \$42,000 in funding to be distributed to the Neighborhood District Coalitions.
- 7. Initial distribution of funding is based on a combination of 1) number of neighborhoods and 2) the approximate volume of graffiti for the respective District Coalition areas compared to the rest of the City. However, funding may be reallocated based on demand. Any reallocation of funding will be addressed through grant amendments.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

- a. The Director of the Office of Neighborhood Involvement (ONI) and the City Auditor are authorized and directed to enter into grant agreements substantially in conformance to the agreement attached as Exhibit A.
- b. The Office of Neighborhood Involvement is authorized to issue grants in the following amounts:

District Coalition	Amount
Central Northeast Neighbors	\$ 6,245
East Portland Neighbors Inc	\$ 7,545
Northeast Coalition of Neighbors	\$ 6,138
North Portland Community Works	
(Kenton Action Plan)	\$ 5,000
Neighbors West/Northwest	\$ 4,583
Southeast Uplift	\$ 9,984
Southwest Neighborhoods Inc.	\$ 2,505
Total	\$ 42,000

- c. The Director of the Office of Neighborhood Involvement may modify distribution of grant funding through grant amendments, provided the City's financial obligation does not exceed the combined total of \$42,000. Amendments to the grant agreements may be agreed to and executed by the Bureau Director or his/her designee.
- d. The Commissioner in Charge and City Auditor are hereby authorized draw and deliver warrants in accordance with the executed agreements.

Section 2. The Council declares an emergency exists because a delay in approving these grants may result in a delay in providing funds for potential projects to address graffiti in the City of Portland during the warmer months; therefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Council.

Passed by the Council: JUN 02 2010

Commissioner Amanda Fritz Prepared by: Amy Archer Date Prepared: May 14, 2010 LaVonne Griffin-Valade

Auditor of the City of Portland

Deputy

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INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Amanda Fritz	CLERK USE: DATE FILEDMAY 2 7 2010
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Position 1/Utilities - Fritz Position 2/Works - Fish	By: Suran Parsons
	Deputy
Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman	
Position 4/Safety - Leonard	ACTION TAKEN:
BUREAU APPROVAL Bureau: Office of Neighborhood Involvement Bureau Head: Amalia Alarcón de Morris Prepared by: Amy Archer	
Date Prepared: May 26, 2010 Financial Impact Statement Completed Amends Budget Not Required	
Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes No	
Council Meeting Date June 2, 2010	
City Attorney Approval	

AGENDA
TIME CERTAIN Start time:
Total amount of time needed:(for presentation, testimony and discussion)
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REGULAR Total amount of time needed: (for presentation, testimony and discussion)

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz	\checkmark	
2. Fish	2. Fish	✓	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	V	
4. Leonard	4. Leonard	/	
Adams	Adams	✓	