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PORTLAND, OREGON

OFFICIAL MINUTES

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **28TH DAY OF MAY, 2008** AT 9:30 A.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Potter, Presiding; Commissioners Leonard and Saltzman, 3.

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

DUE TO THE ABSENCE OF TWO COUNCIL MEMBERS NO EMERGENCY ORDINANCES WERE CONSIDERED THIS WEEK AND ITEMS WERE NOT HEARD UNDER A CONSENT AGENDA		Disposition:
	COMMUNICATIONS	
673	Request of Debbie Caselton to address Council to proclaim June 2008 to be LGBTQ2 Pride Month (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
674	Request of Ronault J.S. Catalan to address Council regarding budget communications (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
675	Request of Frank Caywood to address Council regarding budget communications (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
676	Request of Mark Lakeman to address Council regarding The City Repair Project (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
677	Request of Art Ludwig to address Council regarding State Greywater Regulations and Legalizing Sustainability in Portland (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
TIME CERTAINS		
678	TIME CERTAIN: 9:30 AM – Declare the week of May 28-June 8, 2008 to be Great Blue Heron Week in Portland (Proclamation introduced by Mayor Potter)	PLACED ON FILE

679	TIME CERTAIN: 9:45 AM – Urge the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame to honor Bill Schonely with the Curt Gowdy Award for his outstanding contribution to the game of basketball as a member of the broadcast media during his nearly thirty years as the voice of the Portland Trail Blazers (Resolution introduced by Commissioner Leonard) (Y-3)	36605
	REGULAR AGENDA	
	Mayor Tom Potter	
	Office of Management and Finance – Financial Services	
680	Authorize an agreement with Travel Portland for the promotion of convention business and tourism, waive the provision of Code Chapter 5.68 and provide for payment (Second Reading Agenda 660)	181845
	(Y-3)	
	Commissioner Sam Adams	
	Bureau of Environmental Services	
681	Revise sewer and drainage rates and charges in accordance with the FY 2008-2009 Sewer User Rate Study and establish a single, consolidated and comprehensive schedule of rates and charges administered by the Bureau of Environmental Services (Second Reading Agenda 657; amend Code Chapters 17.24, 17.32, 17.34, 17.35 and 17.36)	181846
	(Y-3)	
682	Authorize a contract and provide for payment to Otak, Inc. for professional project management and engineering services for the design of the East Lents Floodplain Restoration Project-Phase I Project No. 7384 (Second Reading Agenda 665)	181847
	(Y-3)	
	Commissioner Dan Saltzman	
	Office of Sustainable Development	
683	Revise residential solid waste and recycling collection rates and charges effective July 1, 2008 (Second Reading Agenda 658; amend Code Chapter 17.102)	181848
	(Y-3)	
	Parks and Recreation	
684	Accept a grant from Multnomah County in the amount of \$192,846 for operation of an integration program for senior citizens who have developmental disabilities (Second Reading Agenda 671)	181849
	(Y-3)	

685	Authorize application to the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation for grant in the	
	amount of \$95,000 for implementation of ParkScan, a system to provide	
	the public greater ability to report and track maintenance issues on park	
	property (Second Reading Agenda 672)	

181850

(Y-3)

At 10:44 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 File.

WEDNESDAY, 2:00 PM, MAY 28, 2008

DUE TO LACK OF AN AGENDA THERE WAS NO MEETING

Closed Caption File of Portland City Council Meeting

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Key: ***** means unidentified speaker.

MAY 28, 2008 9:30 AM

Potter: In communities where our children are well, where they have a good education, a roof over their heads and concerned adults in their lives, they're much better off and the community is better off as a result. Each week, I invite experts to come in and talk with us. Today we've invited three experts that go to davis elementary school. Miriam, anastasia, and diana, could you please come forward? They have been studying government and have actually elected mayors and commissioners in their class. Excuse me. Go up there. Perhaps in 20 years you can walk up to this other part here. And also their teacher, ms. Fosback, will accompany them. Introduce yourself and then tell us what you'd like us to know.

Anatasiya Kapatsyna: My name is anastasia.

Diana Voloschchuk: My name is diana.

Miriam Leuscha: And my name is miriam.

Potter: Who's going to go first? Ok.

Kapatsyna: When I met mr. Potter, it was on april 15. I was so excited. I just want to thank him for inviting my class to his office and for the pizza. Thank you, mr. Potter. So I guess i'm just going to start out by introducing myself. My name is anastasia. I'm here today to talk about the homeless kids. While I live in a nice, cozy house and have food so I don't have to go down the street and beg like the kids I see, my idea is that I think the government should have some volunteers go to shelters and teach the kids there. That way the kids there could get some education. I also wanted to talk about their inside. What if the kid got sick? He could need some medicine. I think the government should give medicine to all of the homeless children. Every person should be treated the same, even the poor. I'm really thankful for what I have but, when I think of the poor, it makes me sad. I hope you listen to me and want to use my chemically dependents. Thank you for giving me your time. It's been an awesome experience. God bless america, and god bless you. Thank you.

Voloschchuk: My name is diana. The first time I met mr. Potter, I was very excited to see him. It was an april 15. My name is diana, and I am nine years old. I go to the fourth grade at davis elementary. I'm going to talk about graffiti. We didn't know who did the graffiti at our school, but our janitor had to paint over it. I can tell you a lot of other stories about graffiti writing, like the time I rode on the max. Once I was under a bush and looked up and saw graffiti, and I thought that should change. Maybe the government should take more time and cover graffiti. At least the bad ones, because kids need their education and don't need distractions like graffiti. Well, thank you very much, and I hope you use my ideas.

Leuscha: Hi. My name is miriam. I was here before, and I really enjoyed it. I also want to thank mayor tom Potter for inviting us over to have lunch with him. Thank you, mr. Potter. But what I would really like to talk about is how clean the city is. In my neighborhood, it is fairly clean. Some places aren't that great, like right around my house. My house has a gate around it and, beyond that gate, there are cups, cigarette butts, paper, and even straws and bottles, so I can tell that, around my house, people don't like to be as clean. I can tell you a lot of places that aren't very clean like the max station. I go to the max a lot now, but all I see is garbage, garbage, and more garbage. Here's

another place. Take little mini-marts and 7-elevens. All you see is beer bottles that are cracked and all over the floor and cigarette butts, too. I think this should change. There should be garbage and recycle cans at the max stations and a lot of other places, too. People should not litter and drop things where they probably know kids walk and need their environment clean. I hope you use my ideas. Thank you and god bless you.

Potter: Well, thank you all very much for coming in. As usual, you folks are very wise in the things that you advise us to do, and we will consider all of those things. So thank you for coming in. Could the audience give these young folks a good hand? [applause] naismith shawn the schonely

Potter: I learned at lunch that you don't order vegetarian pizza for children. [laughter] [roll call]

Potter: Prior to offering public testimony to the city council, a lobbyist must declare which lobbying entity they are authorized to represent. I also have a new thing i'm going to read today and each council thereafter. The council provides the opportunity for public testimony so that members of the public may share information or opinions regarding the specific matters pending before the council. The abuse of the opportunity for public testimony in order to speak on extraneous matters or for the purpose of hindering or delaying the council is a breach of order and decorum that will not be allowed. I will rule out of order any person who engages in such abuse of the opportunity for public testimony and, if it is apparent that any person seeks to speak for the purpose of hindering or delaying the council contact the council on matters that are not germane to a specific agenda item should contact the council clerk, sitting to my right and your left, reserve one of the times we have set aside for the purpose of the council and your left, reserve one of the times we have set aside for the purpose of the council clerk, sitting to my right and your left, reserve one of the times we have set aside for the purpose of the council we will not be hearing the consent agenda today because we only have three commissioners, so please read the 9:30 certain.

Moore-Love: Do you want to take care of the communications?

Potter: Oh, I guess we should, yes.

Item 673.

Potter: Welcome, debby

Debbie Caselton: Good morning. I'm not as well spoken as the three previous girls, so i'm hoping to -- it's kind of a tough act to follow. I am debby caselton. I work for the bureau of environmental services as well as I am the chair of the diverse and empowered employees of Portland, otherwise known as deep. And i'm here as one of the co-sponsors along with transportation, parks, office of management and finance. Deep is the sponsor of lbgtq squared pride month, and we're hoping that you can read the proclamation that we provided for you. We have many events that will be happening in june, and we're very excited. I do have some calendars here if you'd like some with the agendas of what we'll have. We'll have at least four documentaries, critically acclaimed, two panels and other events as well as a historic walk, and there is a rose city softball association versus the Portland police charity softball game during that month as well and all the city employees are invited to march in the Portland pride parade which will be joining Multnomah county's prism group.

Potter: Thank you, debby. And thank you and all the other members of deep. As city employees, you really help us to keep our ives focused on those issues that are important to our diverse communities, and I truly appreciate that.

Castelton: Thank you.

Potter: Whereas the city of Portland of Oregon is home to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered, queer, and questioning individuals and their families and whereas the lgbtq squared tins are among the strong individuals that contribute to the diversity and success of the city of Portland, whereas we reaffirm the city's abiding commitment to equality for all citizens and all people, including the lgbtq squared community, whereas each passing year Portland has become more open to those different

from themselves and whereas too often, however, lgbtq squared individuals encounter discrimination, have to hide their identify or deny their sexual orientation in order to keep their jobs or stay safe in their communities, we remember the courageous women and men who faced down discrimination at the stonewall inn in june of 1969 and called on this nation to live upon its promise of equal opportunity, liberty, and justice for all. Whereas no one should have to live in fear or be forced to hide their identity to avoid horrific attacks or discrimination in hiring, housing, health care and other areas, and whereas this june recognizes the joys and sorrows of the lgbtq 2 movement has witnessed and work remaining to be done, the city observes pride month and celebrates the progress we've made in creating a society more inclusive and accepting of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning individuals. Whereas we will work to break down the walls of fear and prejudice and build a culture that is inclusive until lgbtq individuals and their families are afforded the same rights and responsibilities all americans, now therefore i, tom Potter, mayor of the city of Portland, Oregon, do hereby proclaim june, 2008 to be lgbtq pride month in Portland and encourage all residents to observe this month.

Caselton: Thank you very much.

Potter: Please read the next.

Item 674.

Moore-Love: I don't see him here.

Potter: Please go ahead and read the next.

Item 675.

Potter: Please read the next.

Item 676.

Mark Lakeman: So hi, mayor and council. Very much of an honor to be here before you again. I'm mark lake man with the city repair project in Portland and now in many other cities. I'm just here to update you on our progress in working across the city and unless other cities. Right now is the time of our biggest annual event from may 23rd to june 1st. It's called the village building convergence, going on across the city from the farthest north and south, east and west in over two dozen communities. People are building sustainable community gathering places and many different kinds of amenities in their communities that they have designed, funded and are building now in these 10 days for themselves. These are all about sustainability. This brings us now 205120 project communities and sites in the city of Portland and over 250 built projects, which is incredibly impressive and, I think, a testament to the strength of our community. These are really generated from the communities themselves and work very much in partnership with o.s.d., odot, parks, and others. Part of this week's events involve art ludwig, a national leader we have brought from santa barbara to assist with the development of greener building codes in the city of Portland and in Oregon particularly with regard to gray water. The point of our work has been to build a much greater civic capacity and ecological literacy and to inspire increasing communication or rather participation in Portland and in other cities as well. Now I want to show you a few images. What we're working on are local solutions at the most local level that can inspire not only the broader city but other cities that are part after global network that is interconnected politically and economically as we know. As we undertake local solutions that are globally relevant, we stand to help to save our world as a whole. Of course some people wonder how have all of these things been happening in Portland that we should become such a national leader. Some people actually point back to the beginning of pioneer square and the day that we painted the rooftop of the old meyer and frank parking garage and turned it into -- established a powerful sense of place. What we've been doing is taking this notion out into the very fabric of our communities all across the city. There are now 15 of these major installations accompanied by the hundreds I was just telling you about. We're engaging people in the issues that are before them to slow traffic, to beautify, to make their places more livable and, in the process, engage in a bioregional sense of responsibility and think and

engage all of the other issues they can at the same time. As you can see, these have been happening across the city, many other places, lately in partnership even with the Portland development commission, north-northeast Portland, again north Portland, many more in north and northeast, and even involving very low-income immigrant communities such as here. I think we'll have time. Right?

Potter: Keep going.

Lakeman: Well, we're part of building, as I said, literacy and appreciation, capacity and inspiration to do so many more things to contribute to things like farmers' markets, to build appreciation for our regional goals and objectives and so many more things we're already undertaking in Portland to basically accelerate all of this process of change to building the overall capacity of the city. Now this is happening in small towns throughout Oregon, in major cities such as seattle, eugene as well, los angeles, many cities in minnesota interestingly, including minneapolis here and down in arizona, tuscon, and very beautifully people are actually getting married in these locations. And I personally think when the streets not only become places but become sacred, something must be going right. It has happened several times. All right. So I just wanted to give you that update and introduce you to art ludwig, who will be following me. Thank you. **Potter:** Thank you, mark. Thank you for making our city a better place. I enjoy driving by your various pieces of work around town, and it's really does make our city better.

Item 677.

Potter: Welcome to Portland, art.

Art Ludwig: Thank you. I'd like to thank you all for your attention and the trail that Portland is blazing with your progressive policies. We hear less about you in the political desert down south. [laughter] For 27 years, i've been designing systems for living better, less use of resources, especially water, waste water systems. We maintain a 300-page website and public books on these topics. Our most popular book is on gray water systems. Gray water of course is all household waste waste apart from toilet water. When it's reused for irrigation or reused internally, water consumption is reduced and the level of treatment is vastly higher. I've written gray water policy for several jurisdictions including new vork and new mexico. I'm here today to suggest two actions that you could take to remove policy barriers and sustainability. Under current policy in the united states, the more ecologically you live, the more illegal it is. Let me just say that again. Given every one of the earth's life support systems is under threat of collapse, the more ecologically you litch, the more legal it is to your current building codes. My first suggestion is to support the state of Oregon and Oregon recode to adopt world model gray water regulations patterned after those in arizona and new mexico but only better. This would open a path way for job creation, water saving, and improvement of surface and ground water quality. I believe this is a good proposal. My second proposal aspires to greatness. I suspect you all took the trouble to get elected to public office because you wanted to leave a legacy bigger than yourselves. Up until now, the regulation of building has been inwardly focused and backward looking at known risks. Will the building fall down? Will it burn up with the people inside? External costs and risks were ignored. But now externalized risks such as climate change and ground water contamination dwarf the rich of things from funky plumbing. Buildings that are not only air fair but global warming safe, properly plumbed into nutrient water cycles. Under existing regulations, this research and development of the safest, most efficient systems is illegal. My second proposal that is you adopt policy governing experimental permits for state of the art building systems. Folks who are doing r&d credit \$for an orderly transition to a post peak world at their own costs, I think we could at least provide a legal umbrella that allows them to work unmolested and publish their results. I guarantee many other jurisdictions would copy it if you adopted a policy like this. Thanks.

Potter: Thank you, art. That's very informative. Thanks, mark, for bringing him to Portland. **Moore-Love**: That's all the communications.

Potter: Please read the 9:30 time certain.

Item 678.

Dave McAllister, Portland Parks and Recreation: Dave mccallister, city nature manager, and I understand you have a proclamation in front of you're going to read for us.

Potter: Yes, I do. The proclamation follows. Whereas the great blue heron is a majestic symbol of the city of Portland's efforts to enhance and maintain a healthy environment for citizens, fish, and wildlife, whereas great blue heron week restores our natural environment and celebrates our successes, whereas the city of Portland over the last year has created many new initiatives and programs to enhance our environment, including adoption of a citywide urban forest management plan and a new gray to green initiative, increases in tree plantings and basic species management, green street projects and eco roofs, where as the city of Portland established itself this year as the country's leader in sustainable develop and green building technologies, whereas over the last year the city of Portland continued to invest in natural areas through purchases of the johnson creek watershed and accepting the generous donation of 45 acres of ross island by dr. Robert pamplin ir. And whereas the city of Portland continues to build cooperative relationships with volunteers, nonprofits, surrounding cities, regional state, and the federal government to further our natural resource goals, whereas the city of Portland encourages his citizens to appreciate and celebrate our natural resources by participating in the many great blue heron weeks and celebrations, i, tom Potter, mayor of the city of Portland, the city of roses, do hereby proclaim the period of may 28th through june 8th to be great blue here on week in the city of Portland and encourage all residents to observe this celebration.

Saltzman: Thanks, mr. Mayor. Portland's vitality, its community, and business climate prosper because we value our natural environment and strive to share this place with wildlife, and nothing symbolizes this better than the wonderful blue herons that make Portland home. We look at the herons as a symbol that the city is on the right track. It is the aary in the coal mine that monitors our progress. As the heron prospers, so does the city and what it stands for. And it has been a great year for the heron. As the major said, with the acquisition of ross island, one of the principle habitats for the bird that is now in public ownership and management, couple this with the connecting green regional effort and major investments in the city, another heron habitat area, and we have the recipe for continued success. So let's celebrate great blue heron week this week and recommit as a community to our ongoing efforts on behalf of all wildlife in Portland.

McAllister: Mr. Mayor, it's really been a good year for the heron.

Potter: State your name for the record.

McAllister: Certainly. Dave mccallister, city nature manager of Portland parks and recreation. As I mentioned, it's been a good year, and we're excited about ross island acquisition. To let you know, the council, we are now embarking on beginning of framing up our master-planning process for ross island. In late summer, we're going to begin looking at a restoration activities on the 45 acres of city acquisition property. As you know, dr. Pam palestinian provided us 100,000 dollars endowment to start conducting that work which we are going to be doing in conjunction with the bureau of environmental services. I might also mention you referenced in the proclamation johnson creek. It's long overdue for some attention by the city in terms of natural area acquisition, and I might mention metro is also focused on that. They have acclaimed 110 acres in the clatsop butte area, and we are working on an i.g.a. with metro to manage those properties for them. Additionally, the city, parks, and b.e.s. Recently purchased 28 acres just adjoining that area, so we are looking at, as the way I describe it, building a forest park on the east side if we could possibly do that. So we're very excited about that. The proclamation also mentions volunteerism, and I wanted to express my gratitude here for the over 78,000 hours of community service that's been put into enhancing our habitat in the city, which is tremendous. You know, volunteerism comes in all shapes and sizes, and one of the things that you see up here is the proclamation, and it's done in a

calligraphy style, and I want to point out the man in the audience who contributed to that whose name is douglas strickler. Would you kind of stand up and let people know? This beautiful work was his contribution to volunteerism.

Potter: Including the great blue heron? I don't know. Yes. Very much so.

Potter: Very impressive.

Saltzman: Thank you.

McAllister: Anyway, I think this is a good time to be celebrating that, and we're very happy to -i'd like to bring up one of our volunteers, our n.g.o. Groups that we work closely with, bob salinger here from Portland audubon to say a few things, and I think he has an unexpected guest to join him. So -- [chuckling]

Saltzman: You got that past security?

Bob Sallinger: Good morning, mayor Potter, commissioner Saltzman and commissioner Leonard. My name is bob salinger, and i'm the conservation director for the audubon society of Portland. It's really a pressure to be here on this 22nd annual great blue heron week. Art mentioned earlier the sense of place that his work is doing. I think one of the landmarks in terms of developing a sense of place was when the city of Portland, mayor bud clark, designated the great blue heron as the official city bird 23 years ago and recognized our city is more than just humans. It also has wildlife, that we don't inhabit the city alone. The mayor started this morning by asking how are the kids? I want to ask how are the birds? The answer is the birds in this state are not doing very well. We have 500 different species that live in Oregon. Of those, over 200 pass through Portland every year. We're a place where lewis and clark passed through they complained they couldn't sleep at night because the birds were so dense, they kept them up. We live in a biodiversity hotspot, but national audubon has compiled 40 years worth of data from all 50 states, including Oregon, part gathered by people in Portland for Oregon, and what we find is that, in Oregon, 25% of our birds are seeing significant declines and 11% are either critically imperiled or likely to become critically imperiled in our lifetime. We also have had some recent incidences we should be aware of. We were on the news the last couple of days for illegal shooting of birds which has become a big problem in the state. We took in an osprey monday that was shot illegally, an osprey last friday, put up a reward two weeks ago for people poisoning birds. It's becoming an epidemic, and we're unfortunately getting national attention for our killings. It's not just in Oregon. We have some challenges. We also have some reasons to be very excited and optimistic, too. Some of the local work is really outstanding. It was already in the proclamation, but the great green initiative, the city canopy work, states founding green, connecting green, really things to be proud of, and ross island is a landmark event as well. We have some opportunities in front of us over the next year. I was going to west dayton island and colwood golf course, two opportunities where we could enhance our bird diversity or undermine it. I want to invite you out for great blue heron work. We have some amazing partners in this, a community that cares about its birds. The list goes on and on. A lot of people participate in celebrating our birds and our city bird. I want to point out two events in particular. This saturday, we have a sternwheeler cruise that's a really great opportunity to get out on the river, go around ross island, see the pair regrins and also the ross island regatta the following saturday, 250 kavakers and canoers going around the island. I'm going to end this morning with something I didn't expect to do. My pager went off, and what I have with me is a peregrine falcon from the fremont bridge. They started nesting there in 1994. At that time, there were only 26 pairs in the entire state of Oregon. And because they were such a endangered species, people wanted to actually take their young out of the city and put them in wild nest sites so they'd be safer. We said, you know, the city has to do its part. We're a biodiversity hotspot. We'll work with the community, do this peregrine watch at the fremont bridge, get people involved, get them to care, and we'll be able to have these birds survive in the city. In the city, they tend to jump from their nests prematurely and land on the ground and run around in the parking lots and the roads. And so we've

worked with the community for 15 years on integrating the peregrine falcons. Since that time, fremont bridge has become the most successful nest site in Oregon. It's fledgedded 47 young, which is an amazing number, and it's contributed statistically to the overall population growth of peregrines in the state to the point where they're now delisted. I went down two days ago and passed out this flyer that basically says you're fortunate to live underneath the pear grin falcon nest.

If you see a peregrine falcon on the ground, please call us. We'll come down and get them out of harm's way. This morning I got paged, and there was a peregrine falcon trying to cross. He's 38 days old. I didn't have a chance to put him back up where he could be cared for by his parents. That's where i'm going after I leave here. I thought it was probably safer to bring him in than leave him in the car. I thought i'd introduce you to one of Portland's most famous residents. **Potter:** What have you named him?

Sallinger: I haven't named him, but i've banded him.

Potter: There you go. How about bill schonely? [laughter]

Sallinger: The fastest species on earth, and this guy is 38 days old. Within two weeks, he'll be diving at 200 miles an hour and going fishing for other prey. He was an endangered species. He's a delisted species today because people care about birds in Portland. So thank you very much. **Potter:** Goodbye, bill. [laughter]

Potter: Thank you very much, bob. Tell me, when you put this bird back up, what do you have to do to make that happen? Do you climb up on the bridge?

Sallinger: I climb up on the bridge to band them and collect samples. But for this, we work with the people at fremont at the office park and also the ross island sam and gravel on the other side of the river. We get access to their roof, put him up high. He'll be flying within a day or two. Basically we'll put him up high, get him out of harm's way. He'll have the rooftop to hop around on. The parents will be up there with him soon.

Potter: It's a proclamation. No council action needed. Please read the 9:45 a.m. Time certain. **Item 679.**

Leonard: I probably haven't been more excited about coming to a council session than this one. For those of us who are native Portlanders bill schonely is truly, in every sense of the word, a treasure. But it's interesting how this resolution was introduced. Bob miller, the morning talk show host on kpam 860 owed me big. Exactly one year ago, I was on bob miller's morning show when he said to me, hey, randy, why don't you do something about all that duct tape at the rose festival parade. So thanks a lot, bob. This year, to repay back a debt he owed me, he asked me to come on and asked if I would introduce the resolution you see before you today honoring bill schonely as opposed to the resolution I introduced a year ago. This has received nothing but unanimous praise and thanks. So-bob and I are even now. There are legions of us who are from Portland who, in the 70s, weren't particularly sports fans and weren't particularly blazers fans and probably me more than most. I even tease my two boys to this day when I see them sit in front of the tv watching football, basketball or baseball that i'm going to go have a d.n.a. test done on them because they can't actually belong to me. But I am the first one to sit in front of a blazers game, and it's because of the play by plays bill schonely so colorfully gave. And what got me hooked was listening to him as I was working my way through Portland state in the '70s as a janitor listening to the radio. So there were terms that bill used that still I use to this day, and one of my favorites was when bill would see a player go to dunk a ball. He would call it climbing the golden staircase. And what an image that paints of a person listening by radio to that kind of imagery. It is what made bill, more than anything, such an outstanding broadcaster. So, for an example, the 1977 world championship basketball team that of course bill was the broadcaster for, he had names that most of us will remember for some of the players. Bill walton was the chief. Lionel hollings the train. Maurice lucas was mighty mo or the enforcer. Larry steel was the bandit. Robin jones the rubber band man. And wally walker, my favorite, the who. So bill is not just revered. He is respected greatly by

those who have worked with him over the years, and I want to invite, before we have bill up, three individuals who, in their own right, are Portland treasures. We are very fortunate to have jerome kersey here. Jerome, if you wouldn't mind coming forward. Jerome was a member of the 1990 and 1992 western conference championship team for the trail blazers. We have harry glickman, the founder of the trail blazer here. Harry, could you come forward? And jay isaac, an executive with the current trail blazers. If you gentlemen could come forward? Thank you all for coming. Feel free to say what you'd like.

J. Isaac: First of all, good morning, mayor Potter and commissioners, and thank you, commissioner Leonard, for this petition. We are very excited today to have a chance to begin the process of an honor long overdue for a legendary broadcaster for Portland and the nba. And I think you've really painted a great picture, commissioner, but I think who should be doing the talking here is the original trail blazer, harry glickman, and one of the most beloved players that ever played the game for us, jerome kersey.

Harry Glickman: I've enjoyed not only today but recently on radio and all over town hearing this effort to get bill into the basketball hall of fame, and i've really enjoyed that, 'cause, after all, i'm the guy that hired him. [laughter] There are two broadcasters, friends of bill, friends of mine, who are in the hall of fame. Johnny mose of the celtics and -- senior moment. The guy with the lakers, chick kearns. And bill certainly deserves to join them, and i'm glad you're putting this resolution out today and will make every effort to see he is where he deserves in the hall of fame.

Jerome Kersey: Hi. Jerome kersey. When I met bill schonely in 1984, I think he was pretty much the first person and the most recognizable, except for harry. But bill is the voice. He was the voice of the city for me. And everywhere you go in this great state and other states that say they don't even turn the tv on. They listen to bill because he can bring the image of the game right to you. He's been a great friend as well as a coworker over the years I played for the trail blazers. Chick kern and johnny mose are in, and bill should definitely be the last amigo of that group, and he well deserves it. He does so many things for the community and the city. No matter where you go him, you recognize his voice, even in a crowd. Thank you.

Leonard: Before we have bill come up, we don't always read every resolution on the record, but this one I want to read on the record with your indulgence, mayor Potter and commissioner Saltzman. Resolution 679 to urge the naismith memorial basketball hall of fame to honor bill schonely with a curt gowdy award for his outstanding contribution to the game of basketball as a member of the broadcast media during his nearly 30 years as the voice of the Portland trail blazers. Whereas the naismith memorial basketball hall of fame honors athletes, coaches, media members and others who have made extra ordinary contributions to the game of basketball and whereas they honor members of the media who have made extraordinary contributions to basketball with the curt gowdy award and whereas bill schonely became the voice of the Portland trail blazers beginning with their first game in 1970 and served in that capacity for nearly 30 years afterwards and whereas bill schonely called 2522 trail blazer games during his broadcast career, including 84 playoff games and whereas measured in time 200522 trail blazers games is the equivalent of being outside for six years 332 days and whereas, when he stepped away from the mic, bill schonely's 30-year career was the second longest consecutive broadcast career in the history of the national basketball association and whereas he was named Oregon sportscaster of the year by the Oregon association of broadcasters on four separate occasions, whereas bill schonely as inducted into the Oregon sports hall of fame in 2002, whereas bill schonely was three times named Oregon sportscaster of the year by the national sportswriters and sportscasters association and whereas generations of trail blazer fans experienced the game of basketball to the wonderful imagery painted by bill schonely's words and whereas bill schonely coined the phrase "rip city" for Portland's fans and was national featured as the voice of the national basketball association's fantastic campaign and whereas bill schonely remains to this day a trailblazer ambassador and has served was a volunteer or board member for

several local nonprofit organizations and whereas bill schonely's 30 years of service is a link between the trail blazers and their fans created ad body of work that amounts to an immeasurable contribution to basketball, be it resolved that the city of Portland urges the naismith memorial basketball hall of fame to honor bill schonely with the curt gowdy award in recognition of this extraordinary contribution to basketball as a member of the media and be it further resolved that the office of government relations will prepare a letter and submit a copy of this resolution to the trail blazers and the naismith memorial basketball hall of fame. Ladies and gentlemen, bill schonely. Bill Schoenly: Wow. Thank you very, very much. Mr. Mayor, dan, randy, I don't know what to say. I'm normally not as a loss for words, but I am this morning. To be even considered to be in the hall of fame of basketball back in springfield, massachusetts, is a great honor. And if that comes to fruition, wow, I won't know what I will do. I tried to do everything I possibly could for this trail blazer franchise when harry glickman hired me, and around the state, in the northwest, I think I can say that I truthfully spent some time in every nook and cranny of the state over the years. Talking about our franchise and talking about the city of Portland and the state of Oregon for that matter, because I am one. I've loved my time here. I've tried to do what I could for the communities all over the state, and here we are today. Randy, mr. Mayor, dan, thank you very, very much for that proclamation.

Leonard: Thank you, bill, very much. You may be at a loss for words today, but fortunately, through the aid of technology, we have been able to recapture three different audio clips of you back in the '70s during the national basketball playoffs.

Schoenly: Ok.

Leonard: And they're short, and I hope -- what i'd like to do is play the first two, which are the final minute of the philadelphia game that you called, and then we have a third one but, if you wouldn't mind, can we listen to the first two and just comment on what it was like and just kind of that whole glorious moment?

Schoenly: I'll do what I can. All right.

Schoenly: 35 seconds to go. Bobby gross right in front of us. Bobby takes a look. They're going to play for a good shot, and hopefully they will get it. Lionel hollings. They're playing the clock down. 25, 24 seconds. They want a good shot, and hopefully it will go in. Nine, eight, jump from the circle. Hollister has made a great play. An easy play in basketball. He got about a 17-foot jump shot. Lionel hollings and rip city. That is the biggest rip city of the franchise.

Leonard: This next clip is the final five seconds of that game.

Schoenly: Leading 109-107. The inbound. Will they get it? Drive, plant, stop, shoot. No good. And the game is over. [cheering] The Portland trailblazers have won the world championship. They are number 1.

Leonard: Great.

Schoenly: What an afternoon. I'll never forget that day. Never forget that day. And from that moment on, for the entire weekend, this state went crazy, and all of us who were part of that, you folks as well, can remember. We got on a bus that took us down to the train station. We got in cars. We start to leave the train station, and you get to burnside, and that crosses and you go to the right a little bit and then you look up broadway. It was awesome. All you saw were people thousands and thousands of people going crazy. We were supposed to come up here to the park, and we all thought it wouldn't take too long. Took about two hours.

Leonard: Yeah.

Schoenly: That was a wonderful time. People are starved for that again.

Leonard: Yes.

Schoenly: And I like the way things are going right now. They have a new attitude over there. I'm still a part of it. I love it. Blazer red. That's my blood. They didn't make the playoffs last year, but the young team they have right now is very good. One or two acquisitions, they'll make the

playoffs. They won't have to worry about the lottery anymore, which is good. And nothing but good things can happen. And I want to hang around, if I possibly can, until they get one more of these, and it's that championship ring. And then i'll fade away.

Leonard: I doubt it. We have one more clip, and I put this on because most people think of you as doing play by play of basketball.

Schoenly: Yeah. Huh-oh.

Leonard: Most people didn't realize you've always done a play by play of physical fighting. So I want you to listen to this and tell us about that.

Schoenly: Put it up. Doesn't drop. Along with bob gross and now, oh, look at ramsey. Here we go. We've got a fight. Dock kins from behind. We've got a good one, dork kins and lucas. A right-handed punch by lucas. Ramsey is right after dockins. Ramsey has ahold of dockins. Away from that, we have a fight where everybody is standing in front of me. Ramsey is involved in this. Players are involved. Spectators are involved. That was a spectator that got out there. And it all started when bob gross and daryl dockins went up for a rebound. The blazers bench is completely empty. Julius irving is sitting on the floor by himself admit court, and bill walton is safe. Now dockins and maurice lucas are getting closer and closer to ochoa other. Look out, folks. Anything can happen.

Leonard: I was so wishing maurice lucas would be here today for that.

Schoenly: What a night that was. That brings back fond memories. There were so many things going on, you couldn't keep up with them.

Leonard: But you called that just like a broadcaster would call a boxing match.

Schoenly: It all happened right in front of me. I thought I was going to get involved in it for a while there. You start to describe one thing, and then something else would break out. It was great.

Leonard: Well, your city loves you, bill. Thank you very much for all you've done.

Schoenly: Thank you very, very much. I really appreciate that. And if I can ever do anything for you, just let me know. I'll be there.

Potter: Actually, there is a couple things you can do.

Schoenly: Huh-oh. What's that?

Potter: I haven't heard you say those words.

Leonard: I think he was just getting ready to.

Potter: That's the first thing.

Schoenly: That's one of the big things, of course that phrase. I might just tell that story for a moment. The first year of our franchise, I was trying to come up with a phrase that would be synonymous with my broadcasts as well as the team, so it was about the middle of the season, and I couldn't come up with anything that I thought was going to be ok. The los angeles lakers, the mighty los angeles lakers came to town for the first time over memorial coliseum. They had wilt chamberlin, all the rest of those guys. Typical trail blazer night down by 25 or 26 points, but the game changed, and all of a sudden we get to the point where the next basket would tie the mighty lakers. Jimmy barnett, now a broadcaster with the golden state warriors, was on our team then, and I was sitting at mid court. We didn't have as many people sitting down there. Nobody were in the end zones in those days. Not a lot. Barnny came across the mid court line. In this day and age, it would have been a three-point play. But for whatever reason, he let it fly just over the mid court line, and lo and behold it went in. Well, I went nuts. The crowd went nuts. We tied the lakers. The lakers immediately called for a time out. When I was describing the play, what ended was rip city: All right: I gave my commercial cue, sat back in my chair, and the few people that were to my left and right, they said, rip city? I said, yeah. They said, leave that in. So that's how rip city started, and it's a phrase that means something good. You go out on a golf course or you're playing

whatever sport or bowling or whatever it is. When something happens, rip city. So, to all of you, thank you very much. Rip city:

Leonard: Thanks, bill.

Potter: The second thing, being an unabashed admirer, would you mind autographing this piece of paper I have here?

Schoenly: Why, certainly.

Potter: If I could get mr. Kersey and mr. Glickman and jay to sign this as well, I would really appreciate it.

Schoenly: I got one right here.

Leonard: If I knew it was this easy to get to you through the blazers, I would have done it four years ago. Tremendous insight.

Potter: Thank you.

Moore-Love: Mayor, we have someone who wishes to testify on this item.

Potter: Please come forward.

Moore-Love: Ron calan.

Ron Callan: Good morning, gentlemen. My name is ron calan, and my job is the sports director at kpam 860, and i'm here representing bob miller. As you know, bob has worked with randy Leonard on this resolution. We have a likeness of bob. Bob's on an assignment this week in cabo trying to come up with some ideas for a show, so he's down in cabo, but he wanted to express his appreciation, his thanks, and it's kind of appropriate that I get to be here for a couple of minutes. As a sports director, in my entire adult life i've been a broadcaster in the northwest, I have worked with tremendous brought casters, including bob blackburn, j.b. House, who is going into the baseball hall of fame in july, the mariners announcer of course. Bill schonely is a hall of famer, and this is great that you've done this. In fact, when bob miller is gone, I felt to host the show this morning. We had royce pollard on, the mayor of vancouver, who is backing up you guys. He's going to follow your lead and enter his own resolution in vancouver supporting bill schonely getting into the hall of fame. Now, bob's not here, but this is dan clark, his producer that you probably many of you have talked to many times and know. He actually has recorded a very brief statement that bob left before he left for mexico. Take it away, dan.

Bob Miller: This is bob miller. Thank you for hearing my voice. And speaking of voice, if Portland, Oregon, has a voice, it is that of bill schonely. Now, you're going to hear a list of his accomplishments for sure, but I think it's really important to recognize that bill schonely has a heart as big as his voice. Yes, he involves himself in charity work. Lots of people know that. What you may not know about is how many things schon does away from the cameras and the microphones, things like visiting people in hospitals, visiting kids in schools, volunteers his valuable time. You know, they say character is doing the right thing when no one is watching. Well, schonely fits the bill. Thanks for hearing me. Rip city:

Callan: Congratulations. Thank you, guys.

Dan Clark: And if I may, mr. Mayor and commissioners, the city of Portland, we appreciate the fact that this resolution is passed and kpam's campaign is to request all cities in the state of Oregon and southwest Washington to follow your lead, because we know that bill schonely deserves it. Thank you, bill.

Potter: Thank you.

Moore-Love: That's all who signed up.

Potter: Please call the vote.

Leonard: This has been more fun than what I even envisioned, so thank you, bill, for being here. Thanks for sharing the memories. All of you thank you for being here. Aye.

Saltzman: I also want to thank bill for being here and jerome kersey and harry glickman. My family goes way back with the trail blazers. Harry glickman told my -- sold my dad one of the first

season passes, and I remember going. I was still in high school. I remember going to games. As randy said, I think basketball didn't come naturally to a lot of us here in Portland. We hadn't been around pro franchises of any sort. As bill acknowledged, the first couple years were pretty rough. So it used to be quite an effort to want to go to those a games with my dad. But then something magic happened around 1977, and it's never been the same. The games have been filled, and the fans have been loyal. And we actually now have four seats rather than two seats. It's been a family tradition for a long, long time. Appreciate all of you for what you've done to make this franchise so much a part of our city, and we're very proud of you. Aye.

Potter: Well, I think that the city council is deeply honored to recognize one of Portland and Oregon's legends, and we hope that, although our efforts and the efforts of the other mayors in this region, including vancouver, that we get enough folks to write and ensure that bill does make the hall of fame. He's been a wonderful role model and a person who's given from the heart, and we appreciate his work. Thank you, bill. I vote aye. Bill, the rest of the stuff is pretty boring. If you want to go, you can. [applause]

Potter: We're going to move on to the regular agenda. Please read 680. Item 680. Potter: Second reading. Call the vote. Leonard: Aye. Saltzman: Thank you for your great work, travel Portland. Aye. Potter: Same here. Thank you very much, jeff. Aye. Please read 681. Item 681. Potter: Second reading. Call the vote. Leonard: Aye. Saltzman: Aye. Potter: Aye. Please read 682. Item 682. Potter: Second reading. Call the vote. Leonard: Aye. Saltzman: Aye. Potter: Aye. Please read 683. Item 683. Potter: Second reading. Call the vote. Leonard: Aye. Saltzman: Aye. Potter: Ave. Please read item 684. Item 684. Potter: Second reading. Call the vote. Leonard: Aye. Saltzman: Aye. Potter: Aye. Please read item 685. Item 685. Potter: Second reading. Call the vote. Leonard: Aye. Saltzman: Aye. **Potter:** Aye. We're adjourned until next week. At 10:44 a.m., Council adjourned.