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A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS **17 DAY OF DECEMBER, 2008** AT 9:30 A.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Potter, Presiding; Commissioners Adams, Fish, and Leonard, 4.

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Commissioner Adams left at 10:20 a.m.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Susan Parsons, Acting Clerk of the Council; Ben Walters, Chief Deputy City Attorney; and Ron Willis, Sergeant at Arms.

On a Y-4 roll call, the Consent Agenda was adopted.

		Disposition:
	COMMUNICATIONS	
1721	Request of Donald Wear to address Council to thank Mayor Potter (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
1722	Request of Debbie Caselton to address Council regarding update on the Diverse and Empowered Employees of Portland and the LGBTQ & Friends Affinity Group (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
1723	Request of Susan Emmons, Northwest Pilot Project to address Council regarding appreciation for support of housing for low income seniors (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
1724	Request of David Morrison to address Council regarding unregulated microwave towers (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
	TIME CERTAINS	
1725	TIME CERTAIN: 9:30 AM – Accept amendments to the Mt Tabor Park Master Plan (Report introduced by Commissioner Saltzman)	
	Motion to accept the report: Moved by Commissioner Fish and seconded by Commissioner Leonard.	ACCEPTED
	(Y-3; Adams absent)	

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1726	Affirm the recommendation of the Mt Tabor Yard and Nursery Planning Group to support ongoing efforts to redevelop the Mt Tabor Central Yard, Nursery and Long Block (Resolution introduced by Commissioner Saltzman)	36657
	(Y-3; Adams absent)	
1727	Affirm management authority for certain City property in the vicinity of Mt Tabor, including the Mt Tabor Yard, Nursery and Long Block (Ordinance introduced by Commissioner Saltzman)	PASSED TO SECOND READING DECEMBER 24, 2008 AT 9:30 AM
1728	TIME CERTAIN: 10:15 AM – Create Portland Commission on Disabilities (Resolution introduced by Mayor Potter and Commissioners Adams, Fish, Leonard and Saltzman)	36658
	(Y-3; Adams absent)	
1729	Confirm appointments of Polly Livingston, Jan Campbell, Joe VanderVeer, D'Norgia Price, Veronica Valenzuela, Joan Hansen, Julie Bergstrom, Carrie Jo Stairs, Denise Spielman, Ann Balzell, Sara Beth Weiner and Jackie Mercer to the summary Portland Commission on Disabilities, terms to expire July 1, 2009 (Report introduced by Mayor Potter and Commissioners Adams, Fish, Leonard and Saltzman)	CONFIRMED AS AMENDED
	Motion to amend report to add Jackie Mercer as additional appointee: Moved by Commissioner Fish and seconded by Commissioner Leonard	
	(Y-3; Adams absent)	
	CONSENT AGENDA – NO DISCUSSION	
1730	Authorize School Funding Agreement with Parkrose School District for the Parkrose Teen Parent Daycare Center (Second Reading Agenda 1686; Ordinance introduced by Commissioners Leonard and Saltzman)	182414
	(Y-4)	
	Mayor Tom Potter	
1731	Appoint Kathryn Bash, Peter Dusicka, Aron Faegre, Ronald Hays, Joshua Klyber, Samir Mokashi and Edward Vranizan to the Alternative Technology Advisory Committee for a term to expire November 30, 2011 (Report)	CONFIRMED
	(Y-4)	
1732	Reappoint Gail Bauhs, Jon Putnam and Al Ochosa to the Private for Hire Transportation Board of Review for term to expire December 31, 2010 (Report)	CONFIRMED
	(Y-4)	
1733	Reappoint Justin Delaney to the Fire and Police Disability and Retirement Board of Trustees for a term to expire December 31, 2011 (Resolution)	36655
	(Y-4)	

182415	Amend Intergovernmental Agreement with Multnomah County for partial payment of Public Safety Plan (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 38033)	*1734
	(Y-4)	
	City Attorney	
36656	Authorize City Attorney Office to file an amicus brief and participate in court proceedings in <i>Vaughn v. First Transit, Inc.</i> (Resolution)	1735
	(Y-4)	
	Office of Management and Finance – Business Operations	
10341(Pay claim of Ronald Henson (Ordinance)	*1736
182416	(Y-4)	
	Office of Management and Finance – Financial Services	
PLACED ON FII	Statement of cash and investments October 16, 2008 through November 12, 2008 (Report; Treasurer)	1737
	(Y-4)	
	Office of Management and Finance – Human Resources	
182417	Create a new Nonrepresented classification of Human Resources Cost Analyst (Second Reading Agenda 1690)	1738
	(Y-4)	
	Office of Management and Finance – Purchases	
182418	Authorize a Competitive Invitation-to-Bid on the IBM hardware and operating system software for use in the Computer Aided Dispatch replacement system (Ordinance)	*1739
	(Y-4)	
182419	Revise the Information Technology Flexible Services contracts to expand the number of contracts awarded in Service Category One (Ordinance; amend Ordinance No. 182276)	*1740
	(Y-4)	
	Office of Neighborhood Involvement	
182420	Authorize a grant agreement with East Portland Neighbors, Inc. to support asset based community development activities (Ordinance)	*1741
102120	(Y-4)	
182421	Authorize grant agreement with Center for Intercultural Organizing and provide for payment of \$100,000 for the continued development and implementation of the Diversity and Civic Leadership Academy for the period December 17, 2008 through December 16, 2009 (Ordinance)	*1742
	(Y-4)	
182422	Amend grant agreement with Central Northeast Neighbors and provide for payment of \$20,000 to support outreach and engagement efforts with the Somali refugee community in neighborhoods involved with Inter-Bureau Task Force projects (Ordinance)	*1743
	(Y-4)	
	Somali refugee community in neighborhoods involved with Inter-Bure Task Force projects (Ordinance)	

December 17, 2008 *1744 Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement with Multnomah County to provide \$10,000 toward the development of an Early Childhood Trauma 182423 Response System (Ordinance) (Y-4)**Commissioner Sam Adams Bureau of Environmental Services** 1745 Approve a contract with ICF/Jones & Stokes to model the effectiveness of restoration actions in Johnson Creek to meet obligations under the Endangered Species Act and the Watershed Management Plan (Second 182424 Reading Agenda 1696) (Y-4)**Office of Transportation** *1746 Revise legal description and add exhibit map for the street vacation of N Dana Ave between N Trenton St and N Houghton St (Ordinance; amend 182425 Ordinance No. 180375) (Y-4)Amend contract with Oregon Department of Transportation for construction of 1747 PASSED TO the NE 47th Intersection and Roadway Improvements (Ordinance; SECOND READING amend Contract No. 52869) **DECEMBER 24, 2008** AT 9:30 AM 1748 Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement with Oregon Department of Transportation to define roles and responsibilities for real property to be obtained and used as part of right of way for road, street or construction 182426 of public improvements for the East Burnside/Couch Couplet project (Second Reading Agenda 1698) (Y-4) **Commissioner Randy Leonard** Water Bureau PASSED TO 1749 Authorize contract for construction of the Vacuum Relief Valve Project SECOND READING (Ordinance) **DECEMBER 24, 2008** AT 9:30 AM **Commissioner Dan Saltzman Parks and Recreation** PASSED TO 1750 Authorize Lease of City property on SW Sam Jackson Park Road to WSCO SECOND READING Petroleum Corporation (Ordinance) **DECEMBER 24, 2008** AT 9:30 AM

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KEGULAK AGENDA	
 1751 Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with Portland Public Schools and the Tri-County Metropolitan Transportation District of Oregon to expand a pilot program to offer fareless public transportation for students at three Portland high schools with the intention to measure results and expand the program as appropriate (Ordinance introduced by Mayor Potter and Commissioner Adams) Motion to remove emergency clause: Moved by Commissioner Leonard and seconded by Commissioner Fish (Y-3; Adams absent) Motion to accept amendment to offer the program at this time to Franklin, Jefferson and Roosevelt High Schools only, due to tightness of business energy tax credit market: Moved by Commissioner Fish and seconded by Commissioner Leonard. (Y-3; Adams absent) 	PASSED TO SECOND READING DECEMBER 24, 2008 AT 9:30 AM
1752 Amend the Business License Law to accelerate the timing of the First Year Adjustment Credit to one tax year, clarify special industry apportionment rules and clarify the effective date of the change to an after the fact tax (Second Reading Agenda 1706; Ordinance introduced by Mayor Potter and Commissioners Adams, Fish, Leonard and Saltzman; amend Code Sections 7.02.610 D and 7.02.860 C) (Y-3; Adams absent)	182427
Mayor Tom Potter	
Bureau of Planning	
1753 Improve land use regulations through the Regulatory Improvement Code Amendment Package 4 (Second Reading Agenda 1718; amend Title 33)	182429
(Y-3; Adams absent)	
1754 Revise Retail Sales and Service regulations for Division Main Street through the Regulatory Improvement Code Amendment Package 4 (Second Reading Agenda 1719; amend Title 33)	CONTINUED TO JANUARY 07, 2009
Motion to move this item to January 7, 2009 at 9:30 am Time Certain: Moved by Commissioner Leonard and seconded by Commissioner Fish (Y-3; Adams absent)	AT 9:30 AM TIME CERTAIN
Office of Emergency Management	
1755 Approve the City of Portland participation in the Regional Emergency Management Group Information Sharing and Policy Coordination Procedure (Resolution)	36659
(Y-3; Adams absent)	
*1756 Accept Emergency Management Performance Grant FY 2008 Final Report and authorize an agreement for annual funding with the State of Oregon to cooperate and implement the FY 2009 EMPG Work Plan (Ordinance)	CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 24, 2008 AT 9:30 AM

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1757	Further define the emergency management system of the City as managed by the Portland Office of Emergency Management (Second Reading Agenda 1708; amend Code Title 3 and Title 15)	182428
	(Y-3; Adams absent)	
	Office of Management and Finance – Human Resources	
*1758	Authorize a Letter of Agreement with the Bureau of Emergency Communication and AFSCME, Local 189-2 to pay Call Taker Certification Pay upon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training certification (Ordinance)	CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 24, 2008 AT 9:30 AM
*1759	Authorize and amend contracts to extend the health and welfare contracts administered by the Bureau of Human Resources, Benefits and Wellness Office (Ordinance; amend Contracts)	CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 24, 2008 AT 9:30 AM
	Office of Management and Finance – Purchases	
*1760	Amend contract with SAP Public Services, Inc. to provide additional consulting services to assist in the completion of City Human Capital Management work required for implementation for the Enterprise Business Solution Project (Ordinance)	CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 24, 2008 AT 9:30 AM
*1761	Authorize a contract for \$1,995,000 with ieSolutions for Phase III of the Computer Aided Dispatch Replacement Project (Ordinance)	CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 24, 2008 AT 9:30 AM
	Commissioner Sam Adams	
	Bureau of Environmental Services	
1762	Declare intent to initiate local improvement district formation proceedings to construct sanitary sewer improvements to serve properties located on NE Gertz Circle and NE Gertz Court in the Deltawood Phase II Local Improvement District (Resolution; C-10032)	36660
	(Y-3; Adams absent)	
	Office of Transportation	
1763	Vacate NE Junior St and a portion of NE Liberty St between NE 27th and 29th Ave, subject to certain conditions and reservations (Hearing; Ordinance; VAC-10044)	PASSED TO SECOND READING DECEMBER 24, 2008 AT 9:30 AM
1764	Assess benefited properties for improvements in the Portland Streetcar Lowell Extension Local Improvement District (Hearing; Ordinance; C-10018)	PASSED TO SECOND READING DECEMBER 24, 2008 AT 9:30 AM
1765	Vacate a portion of SE Knight St and SE 38th Ave subject to certain conditions and reservations (Second Reading Agenda 1710; VAC-10002) (Y-3; Adams absent)	182430

1766 Assess benefited properties for street improvements in the North Winchell Street Local Improvement District (Second Reading Agenda 1711; Ordinance; C-10019) 182431 (Y-3; Adams absent) Improvement District (Second Reading Agenda 1711; Ordinance; C-10019) 182431 *1767 Allow additional enforcement Randy Leonard Bureau of Development Services CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 24, 2008 AT 9:30 AM *1767 Allow additional enforcement remedies and specify responsible parties subject to enforcement for vehicles and traffic violations (Ordinance; amend Code Sections 3.30.050 and 16.20.160) CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 24, 2008 AT 9:30 AM 1768 Declare intent to initiate local improvement district formation proceedings to construct water main improvements to serve properties located on NE Gertz Circle and NE Gertz Court in the Deltawood Phase I Local Improvement District (Resolution; C-10031) 366661 (Y-3; Adams absent) Commissioner Dan Saltzman 386661 0ffice of Cable Communications and Franchise Management 1769 Update Public Utilities code policies and practices (Second Reading Agenda 1713; replace Code Chapter 7.14) 182432	December 17, 2008	
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At 1:02 p.m., Council adjourned.

GARY BLACKMER Auditor of the City of Portland

By Susan Parsons Acting Clerk of the Council

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	<u>WEDNESDAY, 6:30 PM, DECEMBER 17, 2008</u> Special Meeting Location LOCATION: <u>MIDLAND LIBRARY</u> 805 SE 122 ND AVENUE	
1770	TIME CERTAIN: 6:30 PM – Adopt the East Portland Action Plan as a touchstone and guide for work programs of City bureaus and other agencies, and as a participatory and advocacy tool for community stakeholders (Resolution introduced by Mayor Potter)	RESCHEDULED DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED
	THURSDAY, 2:00 PM, DECEMBER 18, 2008	
1771	TIME CERTAIN: 2:00 PM - Adopt and implement the Skidmore/Old Town code amendments and the Skidmore/Old Town Historic District Design Guidelines (Previous Agenda 1539; Ordinance introduced by Mayor Potter; amend Title 33)	RESCHEDULED TO FEBRUARY 4, 2009 AT 2:00 PM TIME CERTAIN
1772	Direct City bureaus to prioritize reuse of artifacts from the Eric Ladd and other cast-iron artifact collections in the Skidmore/Old Town Historic District (Previous Agenda 1540; Resolution introduced by Mayor Potter)	RESCHEDULED TO FEBRUARY 4, 2009 AT 2:00 PM TIME CERTAIN

Closed Caption File of Portland City Council Meeting

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Key: ***** means unidentified speaker.

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Potter: ... The east action planning has been canceled. Set for 6:30 this evening, and because of the weather, it's considered best to cancel. And also the 2:00 p.m. City council meeting tomorrow afternoon has also been canceled. One is that I want to read a proclamation and, secondly, commissioner fish is going to give us an update on the warming center. This is the proclamation and could rabbi fisher come forward? Thank you. Go ahead and have a seat, rabbi. I'm going to read the proclamation and then you can speak and we'll go from there. Whereas, the city of Portland is committed to promoting physical activity and walking for the continued liveability of the home and health of our citizens and encouraging walking and outdoor play for children, commits to the building of safe and friendly neighborhoods where neighbors interact with neighbors. And whereas, according to jewish tradition is the least use as denoted by natural and artificial boundaries by mutual agreement allowing many of the jewish faith to carry items outside of their home and certain holidays. And whereas, allows people to push baby strollers within the boundaries in which citizens walk more often and visit each other's homes and in which children are encouraged to play outdoors. Without an eruy, the disabled may be constrained to be within their homes. To lease according to jewish condition a portion of the communal areas who wish to use an eruv and will be located in southwest Portland in a communal area and bounded by natural and artificial boundaries that are invisible or nearly so. Now, therefore, i, tom Potter, do hereby agree to allow those of the jewish faith to freely exercise for a period of 99 years at a rental of one dollar. Signed in the city of Portland, the state of Oregon, the 17th day of december, 2008. Rabbi fisher. **Rabbi Tzvi Fischer:** [inaudible] Tradition or respect for the city and for the municipality is such that although the space is communal and we all have the right to use it, the word eruy, which in hebrew means mingling, allows us through a proclamation and through an actual transaction to use that specific space as a communal space for all of our community and we thank the mayor and commissioner for that.

Potter: Thank you. I have your proclamation.

*****: [inaudible] [laughter]

Fischer: In great appreciation which is [inaudible] [applause]

Potter: Thank you very much, folks. You can stay or you can leave as you so deem. Thank you. Next we're going to have a warming center update from commissioner fish.

Fish: Thank you, mayor Potter. If sally and ryan can come forward and i'll introduce them. First, I want to thank my colleague, in particular, commissioner Leonard who could sponsor an ordinance to get new dollars for the winter warming center and boy, was our timing fortuitous. In concert with our emergency systems have proven to be a wise investment and literally saved lives. I'd also like to arrange to have the council be updated on the city's response to the recent severe weather and what we expect in the upcoming week. We know that everyone deserves a safer, warm and stable place to call home and this is -- this is especially important during the winter holidays. Now, the severe winter weather we've been experiencing over the last week presents a direct threat to the health and safety of some of our community's vulnerable citizens, in particular those living on the street. Thanks to an unprecedented cooperation between our for-profit and nonprofit players, we

can report that we have saved lives and given people respite from the tough winter conditions and hoping to build on this success by creating more coordination and better communication. By way of summary, I should tell you our partners include bureau of department services, Portland office of emergency management, the bureau of housing and community development, the Portland police, fire and rescue, Multnomah county, 2-1-1 info, tri-met, red cross, which is one of our warming center contractors. Human solutions, join, and also a contractor, projects, salvation army, Portland rescue mission and union gospel and there are individuals within each of these entities that have gone above and beyond, frequently on their own dime to make sure that everyone has a place to escape the cold. A couple others, dennis lundberg, steve, with can we help, and the staff of join. They've gone above and beyond during this time. We're fortunate to have the dedication and compassion of public servants and nonpublic partners and i've invited sally and ryan to give us a quick update on our city's response.

Sally Erickson, Bureau of Housing and Community Development: Thank you, and now we have a few minutes, but we wanted to give you a briefing on what's going on in response to the severe weather. Thank you for the additional resources to be able to open up two warming centers for families and adults outside. The city and county worked together with human solutions, join, transition projects, the red cross and many others to get family focused and adults seasonable warming centers open. And we're working with the department of community justice to open an additional center which will open tomorrow night. We've had the most coordinated response to severe weather than we've ever had and able to get every person outside inside during the severe weather. We've never been able to say that and it has to do with very much, the work of lots of bureaucrats and great people at nonprofit organizations. We're doing our best to provide 24-hour places for people to go when the weather is like it's been and anticipated to be over the next couple of days. We have resource limitations and we've had bumps in the road but we're doing the best we can. We have an evolving response as the days go forward and we'll be coordinating with poem in the next day or two to continually improve our response. Since ryan has done the leg work, i'll let him give an update date.

Rvan Deibert, Bureau of Housing and Community Development: Thank you, sally. Mayor Potter and commissioners of the city and county has been working very diligently with our not-forprofit partners human solutions and join to open a family focused at 81st and halsey opened on december 8th and serving families nightly since. We're working urgently with community justice and to open at a downtown location in a county building that will open tomorrow night. Each of these centers will be open seven nights a week through the duration of the winter making it a predictable resource for people who need a place to come in throughout the winter months. That's due almost entirely to the foresight and -- of council providing the resources to be able to open that. We thank you for your work on that and your commitment. In addition to our city and county funded seasonable warming centers, we coordinate with the red cross to open warming centers when imminent weather conditions pose a threat. Mobilized the red cross to open at central city, north 3rd and couch and the Portland four square church. And continued operations nightly and we anticipate with the severe weather continuing, they'll be open during that time as well. During the daytime and essential network of day centers throughout our city are opening our doors through expanded hours. St. Francis, join, human solutions, the salvation army safe space center. New avenues for youth, sisters of the road and blanchet house. Those include the Portland rescue mission, city team ministries, day break, shelter network and union gospel mission. Others have suspended to expand their day center, those include the Portland rescue mission and salvation army harbor light as well as the union gospel mission. There have been outreach over the past week. Cascadia's project respond and can we help have been combing the streets in the early hours looking for individuals who are hunkered down making sure they have the gear they need to make it through the night and working with those who don't to get into our warming centers. There are

many agencies that i'd like to bring your attention to today who have gone far and beyond the call of duty in this situation. Particularly several of our partners. The first and foremost, we need to acknowledge the work that the red cross is doing. Not only their professionals coordinating this emergency response but the volunteer resources they've drawn on. The volunteers of the red cross are keeping these warming centers open every night and saving lives and we owe them a debt of gratitude and in addition, many agencies, particularly at central city concern, join and human solutions, can we help from father's house ministry. And as commissioner fish mentioned, dennis lundberg and janus youth. They've allowed -- tri-met has allowed shuttles to the warming centers and available to roll out buses as emergency overnight warming centers should we overflow our capacities. It's been a critical resource. The Portland office of emergency management, 2-1-1, the Portland business alliance and fire and police bureaus have stepped up their efforts and been helpful in coordinating this work. We have specific needs that we have identified immediately. Most important is the need for additional volunteer capacity. We'll be working closely with commissioner fish's office and partners at poem to put out the call for additional volunteers. People interested can work through the hands on greater Portland. Their website to sign up. We also have a strong need for blankets, sleeping bags, tarps and tents and we'll work together to make sure that people in the community know where those resources can be provided. This is an evolving response as with any emergency response. We're looking daily at the needs that are identified and working quickly to team to meet those needs and we look forward to any advice or counsel that you can offer and we look forward to your ongoing partnership. There are a few people in the audience, many more out on the streets now or serving people who are homeless, but there are people in the audience who would be willing to stand. Eric and kelly from red cross. And [inaudible] from can we help. Anything else here that's been working on the severe weather response. Northwest pilot project is here. Many of these people are literally on the streets right now doing the good work they've been doing throughout this emergency.

Potter: Thank you, folks very much for what you've been doing.

Leonard: I would like to make a couple of observations. I would like to thank you for doing this work. Commissioner fish is right when they says that this effort has saved lives. There's no doubt that the work you've done and particularly in coordination with the police and fire bureaus and volunteered to open up these centers earlier than what they would otherwise open and I want to acknowledge commissioner fish and mayor Potter for leading two bureaus where you have people who were empowered on the front lines to use their best judgment. That doesn't always happen and it's heartwarming but it's also important to acknowledge and observe that while we are providing these shelters at night for people, they have to leave in the morning. And as we know, the temperatures have hovered in the mid 20s during the day so I want to put in context this work that commissioner fish is leading to build a day access center for people to go to to keep warm, though they may be warm at night, what do they do during the day? None of us know the answer to that right now. So I think it's really important to have people understand why this effort is so important and why the work commissioner fish is doing needs to be supported by all of us. Thank you.

Fish: If I may, mayor, I think from this presentation you can tell why i'm so proud of the work that kelly is doing and ryan is doing. Ryan has been working 18-hour days to make sure this system is working for the benefit of our most vulnerable. But we would not have this system in place if we didn't have the support of this council and the leadership of all three of us. Including the mayorelect who was on tv this weekend. There's been an unprecedented mobilization of people trying to deal with this weather emergency. We would not be here celebrating progress, were it not for the new money, the new dollars that both the city and county have put into this system. We've not diverted one dollar away from existing programs. This is new money that the city and county have

put into this. I will tell you as proud as I am of our initial response, we know we can do better. In conversations with a number of my colleagues and the advocates we've got positive feedback how we can enhance the system. Commissioner Leonard, your idea of extending hours, is something we take seriously so we're grateful with the support of the mayor and the mayor-elect we'll be convening a meeting with carmen from poem who is skilled at using her good office to help convene the players we've identified who are working on the ground to make this happen and help us understand better ways of communicating and creating structure and meeting the additional needs going forward. We're appreciative of that collaboration. With these individuals playing a leadership role, I think the most vulnerable people in the community can know we're doing everything we can to address this.

Potter: Thank you, folks. [gavel pounded] council will come to order. Sue, please call the roll. [roll call] [gavel pounded]

Potter: I'd like to remind folks that prior to offering public testimony to city council, a lobbyist must declare which lobbying entity they're authorized to represent. Please read the first communication.

Item 1721.

Potter: Please come forward, sir. Please state your name for the record and you have three minutes.

Donald Wear: My name is donald wear. In march, jenny haves asked me if I would be a candidate -- after the interview she had a meeting with the other artists and they voted to dedicate a wall [inaudible] in 1986 I was in a coma for 14 days, followed by a month of amnesia in my family's care. I was unemployable [inaudible] I spent '86 and '87 learning how to read. I made a friend who was a traffic officer, terry barker. I got involved to stop the drug dealings and other crimes. The Portland police helped me recover from my head injury. One of the officers who helped me and I worked with on the community policing was tom. I have great memories of community policing. [inaudible] sure glad there's only one of you and I asked why is that. He replied, [inaudible] out of a job. Being asked by detective frank -- the time I was waiting for a verdict of a man I arrested, the prosecuting attorney said I would drive by your shop to see the joyful faces of the children. They took me to breakfast to hear how I arrested a street drug dealer who ran the drug business known as crack alley. They were the first to be federally -- helping children and the people in my neighborhood. There was the [inaudible] who walked in my shop and said you're respected by the drug folks and you are white. I want that. Will you help? The foundation was not finished and killed a man in anger on killingsworth. Another group I helped were the skinheads -- share the joys of life with a teenager -- needed help rebuilding her restaurant. She had never used a hammer. Sit down in the chair in the middle of the restaurant. I explained to the two and five-year-olds who helped me with the barn raising -- and it was her job to love her and let her know it was going to be ok. I walked in to get a cup of coffee and stopped to enjoy the scenery. There were two children leaning up against her. She looked up at me and a tear went down her cheek. But my favorite is don jalay, who -- i'll read that -- she was being punished for not going to potty and I gave her advice.

Potter: Don, you're going to have to wrap it up.

Wear: Ok. I'll give you this. At the end of the interview with jonathan nicholas, he wrote about me, he asked, do you ever think of moving and opening a quiet shop in tigard? I said i'm a marine. I don't know how to live in a peaceful environment. As a veteran marine, support battalion, I want to thank you, tom, for helping me be a better marine.

Potter: Thank you. I met don at north precinct when I was the captain and heard about this guy who was repairing all of the kids bikes in the neighborhood for free. And I thought this was strange and I met don and found he did it for the love of the community. So thanks, don. Please call the next.

Item 1722.

Potter: Good morning, debbie.

Debbie Caselton, Bureau of Environmental Services: Good morning, my name is debbie caselton. I work for the bureau of environmental services for the past six and a half years and volunteered my time for deep. For the last couple of years and as the chair of the friends affinity group. I'm here today not to give you a update on deep or the affinity group but to say thank you. I wanted to surprise you. I personally want to thank each of the commissioners and mayor-elect Adams for your support of the diversity in the workplace and support of deep and its affinity groups. I'm here to say a special thank you to mayor Potter, who I like to call dad. [laughter] myself personally and on behalf of deep. And the affinity group and the queer and questioning pride committee. When you were the police chief, as you well know, you were the first police chief to march in the Portland annual gay pride parade and it was deciding for me to march with you, and it was one of the first times I got to march in the parade and I got to march with you and I was impressed with everyone who was saying thank you as we were walking along. It was real exciting. In 2007, you worked closely with a group of employee volunteers to help support the formation of the employee-driven group, deep. And since then, deep has helped form almost 10 affinity groups. I don't know if you knew. And the last couple of years, you've initiated the development of the new human -- office of human relations dedicated to combating social issues such as race and hate crimes and human rights abuse through the establishment of the human rights commission and police racial profiling committee. You've had other accomplishments and I want to thank you for that. And i've called you dad because there's so many people in the lbgtg community who don't have the support of their parents and you've been supportive. One of your former employees even commented you attend more gay events than he does and he's a gay man. It's pretty close with him -- but anyway, i'm pleased to have you as an employer and I wish you the best of luck and I know that i'll see you again. But I will miss seeing you more often. So on behalf of the before mentioned groups and the city employees, please accept this token of our appreciation. I made you a little piece of art here. I want to thank you for your long time support and advocacy to us and creating a supportive environment, diverse workforce and inclusive workplace for city employees. [applause]

Potter: Very nice plaque, thank you, debbie, very much. The only scary part is there's eight pictures of me on there. But thank you very much. That's very touching. Please read the next. **Item 1723.**

Susan Emmons: Obviously, i'm really santa claus. This is my elf, cindy, who does outreach to homeless women. I'm here today to thank you. I would like to say i've been watching you all year. I know if you've been naughty and nice. And I would say you've been more nice than naughty. I think that often you see many of us in the community to come in to lambaste you and say what's not gone right and I thought it important to take this time to thank you, mayor Potter, for your support for homeless people and commitment and concern. To thank every one of you for doing public service. I certainly wouldn't have the stomach for it. I think it's difficult. I know people get you at the bus stop, get you at the grocery stores to talk about speed bumps and I want to thank you for loving Portland. I know there are things we don't agree with. Time to time, we quarrel. But I know that every one of you has an intense love of Portland and that means so much to me. I love Portland too. I think Portland is a good community. I think in the next year with the leadership we have on this council, it's going to be a great city and one that everyone in the country is going to look to. I wanted to particularly thank you. There's so many things i'd like thank you for but today, i'd like to thank you for the city funding that went into the morrison. It was a project we opened a year ago at this time. It's 140 units owned by the housing authority of Portland but wouldn't have been possible without \$4 million of city fund that's went into it. And it's 140 units building of mixed income but put 45 chronically homeless people, people who were outside on the street and have been in there

for a year. I've brought the profiles of two of the people we've put into the morrison so you could read their stories. It's a beautiful building. People were worried -- this is the building across from p.g.e. Stadium and the condo stadium was built by gerdy. The neighbors love it and again, there's so many projects you've made possible with your money that we're putting people into that is keeping them safe and warm and stable in their housing. So I really just want to say, I hope i'm representing the whole city of Portland in thanking you today and I wish I had a plaque -- goodies. these brownies are nationally famous.

Leonard: These aren't '60's era brownies, because if so, i'm going to wait until after work to have mine.

Potter: Thank you.

Emmons: Made by santa. Thank you for being the public servants you are.

Fish: That's sweet. If I could note that northwest pilot project is a core partner of the city and the work you do for seniors and homeless seniors is pioneering. But what some people probably don't know is that you are one of the key people who brought about the preservation movement in our city. You, from the get-go, have insisted when we lose affordable housing to market conditions that we have a moral obligation to replace them. It led to the no net loss policy the city adopted and led to an ambitious agenda to save and preserve affordable housing. It's at the cornerstone to keep all 11 expiring use properties between now and 2013 in nonprofit or for-profit ownership with the affordability maintained. And yesterday, we had two items that we have asked our lobbyists to pursue in Washington, in housing, both having to do with preservation, so I want to thank you for a career of holding us accountable for preserving affordable housing in the downtown core and all of the good work you do.

Emmons: Thank you. [applause]

Potter: Move to the consent agenda. Do any commissioners wish to pull any items? **Leonard:** I actually -- I don't know if I want to pull 1739 or if I can just speak to one item on the consent agenda.

Potter: Do what?

Leonard: I'd like to speak to one without actually pulling it and i'm going to ask lisa turley to come forward which is the director of boec for which we have put this on the calendar.

Lisa Turley, Bureau of Emergency Management: Good morning.

Leonard: Actually don't want to talk about this.

Turley: I -- ok.

Leonard: I intend to embarrass you.

Turley: Sweet.

Leonard: So as people -- lisa is the director of our 9-1-1 center, she oversees. The first person you talk to when your life is in crisis. And from my days at the fire bureau, I can tell you that there's no more stressful phone call to make than when you find a loved one sick or even worse or you're involved in a car accident or your house is on fire and you're trapped. At the 9-1-1 center, these people answer these calls and have to remain calm and get the equipment rolling right away. Lisa is the person involved in that. When I was assigned the bureau in 2002 when I was elected to council and learned yesterday along with lisa that I will no longer have the bureau as of january, but I just think it would be a tragic mistake not to publicly commend lisa for the leadership she's brought to by universal accounts was a dysfunctional bureau which was tragic, given their mission in life. Lisa has brought a approach and management style that I will tell you has created one of the best 9-1-1 emergency operation centers in the entire united states. And if you want a benchmark for that, the benchmark is -- which has been for me -- how fast do we pick up the phones when you call. We have historic low call holding times. Which means if you're trapped in your house and i've listened to phone calls on tape of people unable it get out of their house and you call 9-1-1, the last thing you want to hear is a recorded message asking you to please stand by. We now answer them almost

universally within 20 seconds which is an unheard of accomplishment and lisa is responsible for that. And not without some blood, sweat and tears. We've had, I would characterize lisa and my relationship as dynamic. And we -- and I don't know that I -- is that a good way to put it? [laughter] as always, you're spot on in your description.

Leonard: And there's nobody I know of that works out there or i've worked with before who could have risen to the challenge as lisa has, and as commissioner fish characterized the, I know you save lives and the people who are yet to be in peril that you will yet save and I think the entire city needs to know that.

Turley: I want to remind everyone that I don't answer the phones. I have a wonderful staff who have pimped in and risen to the challenges and I do appreciate you for challenging us.

Leonard: Thank you, and thank you for your work on behalf of all of Portland and I was heartened to hear your new commissioner, amanda fritz, acknowledge what a great job you've done.

Turley: Thank you very much. It's been a great pleasure. And you too, mayor. [applause] **Potter:** Any member of this audience who wishes to pull any particular item from the consent agenda? Please call the vote.

Adams: Aye. Fish: Aye. Leonard: Aye. Potter: Aye. [gavel pounded] please read the 9:30 time certain.

Item 1725.

Potter: Parks director, could you please come forward. Commissioner Saltzman is not here, so you can pick up the slack.

Zari Santner, Director, Portland Parks and Recreation: Good morning, mr. Mayor, commissioners. Director of parks and recreation and first is a report on the work of mount tabor central yard and nursery planning group amending the mount tabor to include the central yard nursery and long block and addition of the offleash dog area. Second is a resolution requesting council accept a proposed design for the mount tabor yard and nursery and long block and identify funding to continue work toward developing construction documents. Third, an ordinance clarifying management authority of the park and specifically the 1.8 acres within the yard currently under management authority of the water bureau. This ordinance transfers that management authority to Portland parks and recreation while working to identify a mutually acceptable accommodation to keep the water bureau funds whole. First, I would like to thank you, for your support of updating the mount tabor master plan and the redevelopment of the mount tabor yard and nursery and long block. As many of you know, all of parks maintenance facilities are in need of upgrading but today we're here to talk about improve the central facility of mount tabor. Because this site serves the entire park system, its renovation is a top priority for the bureau. Adopting this resolution is the first step in addressing the significant maintenance facilities needs of the bureau. As was directed by this council last year, the bureau undertook an extensive public involvement effort that included creating a 34-member advisory group consists of citizens, parks staff and management who met hundreds of hours to research the current condition of the facility and identify the best solutions for addressing the extensive safety and work flow issues at the vard. I am very, very proud of the work that this group has produced. Every single member of this group deserves recognition for their commitment to and passion for finding a workable solution for the bureau and the community. In particular, I would like to commend the work of maya spencer who has supported this over the past year and i'm also very, very gratified for the work of three principle players. Key players on this group. Namely john larson, karen trappen, and eileen argentina who played a key role in ensuring this project was brought back to you for your consideration within with the 12-month period as was promised to you. I would like to invite these three people to come and give you further information about the process and the proposed design. Eileen is the project service manager, john larson is a representative from the mount tabor association. And karen trappen is one of our capable carpenters working at mount tabor yard and joined by jim who is the

principle of architecture who helped this team translate this team's idea in a design that will be presented to you.

John Laursen: John laursen. Thank you for having us here today. While i'm talking, we'll be showing some pictures of the mount tabor yard and its current condition. We showed you these a year ago and I think to some extent you're familiar with them, but not necessarily everybody in the audience, necessarily. As you well know, this process was born in controversy. If two years ago, someone had told me that we would be here having worked shoulder to shoulder, the community and the parks bureau, I would have been skeptical that we would have arrived at this place. 15 months ago, after going through the mediation process that director santner initiated to repair the relationship between the bureau and neighborhood, we came to you that you approve a public process to determine the best future for the yard. We heard very clearly and explicitly that what you wanted us to deliver was not just a vague plan to make a plan for the yard, but an actual plan that could go forward, a clear road for the future of the yard. And we took that charge very seriously, we invoked it often in our work over the last year. And it guided our efforts through the entire process. Convened a group, including people from the neighborhood and wider community of Portland and members of the parks bureau and actual workers at the yard. During the mediation process, the community members had become conscious of the work that takes place at the tabor yard and the importance of that to Portland's beautiful system of parks and become aware of the seriously degraded structures and working conditions at the yard. For this reason, it was paramount to us that people working at the yard be active participant in our process. Like karen and her colleagues, many who are here today. And that all of the workers at the yard be consulted regularly to make sure that the plan we developed would be practical. Our group went through the city r.f.p. Process to choose a architectural firm to work with us and we were fortunate to choose opsis. They've been responsive and diligent and resourceful in coming up with a way to improve what is a difficult site. Qualifications for the project was the presence on their team of maintenance design group, which specializes in the design of maintenance facilities. They did extensive interviews with the workers to ensure that the redesign space would be practical and efficient. In the course of working with the yard staff over the past year and through the interviews conducted by maintenance design group all of us had become aware that the conditions at the yard were even worse than we thought last fall and tremendous inefficiencies and encumbrances and unsafe working conditions. And just great difficulties for the work that takes place there. Our planning group of 34 members as you'll see in the attached report met roughly twice a month over the last year and we also have eight subcommittees for transportation, land use and zoning and so on that met more or less frequently over the entire year. Altogether, I would estimate there were more than 2,000 volunteer hours in the process we've undertaken reflected from the report you see before you today. As you know, this was not the usual citizen's advisory committee process. i've served on those in which too often shares plans, gets feedback, makes adjustments and then proceeds to do more or less what it intended in the first place. This process for the mount tabor was a real partnership between the bureau and the community members and deep and intense and long and I would like to add it was not by any means easy. Given where we started, it was difficult for citizens to always trust the parks bureau and it was likewise difficult. I would say, for the bureau's administrative staff to seek control of the ultimate outcome to a truly open decision-making process. We struggled with the process and each other but I officially believe the end result is a design that is much stronger than parks would have arrived at without this tremendous degree from the community and we're delivering a process that has community support. A report comes to you including redevelopment of the mount tabor central yard, nursery and long block and updating the historic designation and offleash dog area. Giving us invaluable information about what changes were needed and reinforced for the community passion for workforce safety. We believe that the community and bureau working together have fixed the responsibility you gave to us. In passing the resolution on

september 26 of last year. The design is a stellar solution to what has been a nagging problem and this design was wholeheartedly adopted by the members of the planning group. We're grateful for the trust you placed in our process and funding it and we hope you'll fund the continuation of this design and engineering effort so that the redevelopment of the mount tabor yard is ready to be built as soon as a economic stimulus plan is available. Thank you again for your support and now i'll turn it over to eileen argentina from parks and rec.

Eileen Argentina, Portland Parks and Recreation: Good morning, mayor and commissioners. After a year of work, we're pleased to present -- the process was challenging and the parks bureau deeply appreciates the partnership with the community. Both of community members and parks management recognize early on how essential it was to have our line workers involved in this process and we've benefited from their participation. At key moments when we struggled with difficult choices, it was our collective commitment that gave us our bearings and kept us moving forward. This proposal addresses safety issues and works issues that have been a long standing concern. It will bring the site up to current standards and provide flexibility for future needs. Challenges and opportunity and make for an outstanding design. It's efficient, safe, sustainable and community oriented. First of all, it's efficient because the vision for the site optimizing traffic flow. Co-locates related work [inaudible] and logical configuration and utilize state of the art community garden as turf and irrigation and providing heavy equipment services. It addresses safety by removing conflicts between people and vehicles and providing public access to the park outside of the yard and updates electric systems to meet current standards and make the site a.d.a. Accessible. Third, it's a sustainable design. It will incorporate green building and site design techniques you'll hear about in a moment. The site program brings together the activities needs to take care of a world class and growing parks system. And create a hub for the care of our green infrastructure by bringing together sites from throughout the city. It addresses the need for the yard to be a good neighbor and honors our relationship to the beautiful mount tabor park and opens up direct access to the park. For all of these reasons, this represents a effective design which minimizing energy and water demands and meets our multiple demands for the city and community. I'd like to invite my colleague --

Potter: Could we get the mic over there too? *****: Yeah.

Jim Kavelage: The division for the central maintenance yard really builds on 1911 original plan by the olmsted brothers who felt the southwest corner was a important location for the nursery to serve the parks system and be a important part of the mount tabor experience. The site today has quite a few qualities of the original olmsted plan, as you can see the top part of the slide indicates the existing nursery but also the central nursery yard which is crowded into the south corner of the site. The existing plan has numerous compromises in terms of seismic non-compliance, as well as lack of a.d.a. accessibility. The poor vehicular circulation. Many of the staff, working in turn of the century facilities that are welding facilities. The proposed plan takes a look at how we can adequately size the program that's on-site as well as concentrating the city nature program here as well for gained efficiencies for delivery of services. It also provides proper vehicular circulation and clearances that are important for safety and efficiency. Integrates green design. And really works to integrate ed into mount tabor park as well as contributing a number of public amenities. The public zone faces division street where the administration center is. It's a welcoming facility. Includes public parking. As well as a secure parking garage to the east. I might add 25% of the parking requirement for staff we're assuming will be achieved through public transit as well as carpooling. That's been taken into consideration with sizing the public structure. As well as an area for fueling, wash stations that serve the general city fleet. There's also the warehouse and shop working zone. It's in the center part of the site. Most of the vehicles will not have to go into that area, so it creates a safer working condition. Very adaptable, flexible warehouses. The warehouse

to the top of the slide is actually carved into the hillside to actually create a site that doesn't exist currently to gain efficiencies for how the facility can maintain as much park space as possible. Above that warehouse is where we have the beginning of the horticulture zone. That will include a greenhouse that sitting on top. Container gardens that are terraced into the hillside of the park. As well as to the left, where the -- a more concentrated footprint for the in-ground nursery is located. The result of this is that there's a number of additional spaces that can be given back to the park and can become community amenities, including creating an entry address to the park from 60th street, paving what is now a dirt path so there's safer pedestrian access into the park, including a community garden area. A small shelter pavilion that can be used for environmental education. And creating a connection from 64th street intersection at division into the park that doesn't exist now. That will become a bike and pedestrian pathway allowing south tabor residents to have a safe connection to mount tabor park. As well as rain garden and demonstration areas that will teach the community about sustainability strategies. Some of those strategies include green roofs, rain gardens, looking at adequate daylighting for administrative areas and warehouses as well as provisions for geothermal radiant chill slabs. Photovoltaic so the system can generate its own energy and solar hot water collection. And at a minimum, this facility is designed to achieve a leed goal certification level. But what it will give back to the community is a civic identity. You can drive by now and know it's not there from this important address on division. This is where the administrative building where meeting rooms that will side effect staff will be a resource for the community. For meeting rooms, for environmental education as well as classes of community gardening. So it really becomes a civic resource for the greater community. In terms of realizing a vision for this, we've given a lot of consideration to how the facility construction can be staged or perhaps even phased construction, depending on resources and part of the strategy is to keep the staff on-site, to not have to incur costs for row location and the efficiencies of keeping everyone onsite versus separating various work units. And so this shows an incremental approach to construction, starting with building that north warehouse into the site. And then a series of other warehouses that will replace the very deficient ones currently there. Phase four would be a parking structure, and five, finishing the development with the new administrative building and the fueling wash stations and, of course, I think one of the attributes of this plan is that we've made provisions for future expansion. Which includes adding a third deck for the parking structure and additional warehouse space.

Potter: I had a couple of questions. One had to do with the geothermal. Are you talking about tapping into the possible geothermal sources there?

Kavelage: It's a possibility. We can run tubing through the ground and basically utilizing the 55-degrees of the ground, a form of geothermal. We haven't investigated enough to know if there's additional heat source or perhaps other geothermal attributes to the site. But it's certainly a form of heating that we would want to investigate further.

Potter: The second question had to do with -- I noticed one of the slides said the old structures and grounds were not a.d.a. Accessible. But you didn't say in the new whether they were or not. **Kavelage:** Absolutely they will be a.d.a. Accessible. 100 percent. The one thing I didn't mention in terms of older structures, there are a couple of historic buildings on-site and we're saving the historic -- it will be located in part of the green structure and much more visible and available as a community resource.

Karen Trappen: Good morning, i'm karen trappen. And I would like to thank the council for their support of this work. And their commitment to the men and women who are daily taking care of our extensive parks system. The condition of the mount tabor yard has come up many times over the years. This is the first time that the staff at the yard actually have hope that a real solution will address working conditions. Portland parks and recreation has prioritized taking care of the parks and buildings used by the public while neglecting the yard. Now we're coming to term with the

impacts of deferring maintenance of the yards. We must fix the yard. Mount tabor yard is operated with plastic tarps for roofs and repairing mowers outside in the rain and a carpenter shop too low to rotate a sheet of plywood. Like me working out of my basement. Some have materials stored in several different areas creating inefficiencies. This is a problem we cannot continue to ignore. We've worked in partnership with the community to develop a modern and flexible solution for the yard that will serve the city for the next 50 to 100 years. We wanted to bring a good plan and we've done that. What we're proposing will have to happen sooner or later. Waiting will increase costs and result in continued inefficiencies and safety issues and may expose the city to liabilities in the future. We're presenting you with the best opportunity to solve a problem that cannot be ignored. We're asking you to support the committee's work on this project. We need to take care of the people that are taking care of everybody else. Please support the blueprint for the mount tabor nursery and long block.

Potter: Thank you, very much, folks. Is that all of the invited testimony? I think it may be important prior to the testimony taking place to explain the ordinance 1727 and the management of the property. A lot of folks aren't familiar with that background in terms of the property ownership and the management of it.

Santner: Commissioners and mayor, a portion of the southern area of mount tabor yard is owned by the city, obviously, was paid by the ratepayers for water. And it was in a piece of property that was part of the -- a reservoir that was on that site. Many, many years ago. But for many, many years, I think maybe 30 to 50 years, that portion of the site has been used by parks. And there are other areas within mount tabor park, nearly 50 acres, that are part of the reservoirs, the three reservoirs that are there and are managed by water bureau. So we have been in discussions with water bureau to clarify first of all, the ownership and we've been there and knows who paid for what, and know what this ordinance does is clarifies the management responsibilities. And what we have worked out with water bureau that this 1.8 acres would remain in terms of management with parks bureau. And want to add anything?

*****: [inaudible]

Potter: I think there was some folks in the community who thought that may be a pretext for eventually selling the property. Could you just address that issue?

Santner: The agreement between water bureau and us --

Potter: This has nothing to do with -- this is a long-term commitment to this property.

Santner: This is a long-term commitment and as this plan shows, we actually need that piece of property to provide access from south, from division to the park. And as well as a portion of it would be occupied by future maintenance facilities within the park.

Argentina: Add one point. The process we went through, there was a lot of confusion about ownership issues and we thought it was important to settle that once and all and were advised that it could be accomplished through council action. The source of funds to purchase is significant and that management has already [inaudible]

Santner: Does that address your question?

Potter: That addressed my question. Thank you, folks. How many folks do we have signed up to testify?

*****: [inaudible]

Potter: Please call the first three.

Potter: Sue, is your microphone on?

*****: [inaudible]

Jeff Tryens: My name is jeff.

Potter: Ok please go ahead, folks. It was regarding another issue, so please state your name and you have three minutes.

Tryens: Ok. Thank you. My name is jeff tyrens. I'm here to speak about the plan that you saw this morning, that you heard about. I'm on the planning group as a member of the parks board. So my job was to make sure that as the planning group did its work that it kept a system-wide view about the way we were doing the work and also that we maintained a view for the whole city. I am happy to report to you that the parks board voted at its meeting earlier -- well, last month, that it unanimously supports the plan as it came out of the planning group. And we're quite pleased with the fact that it does maintain that broad view of the needs of the city over the long term. This has been -- i've been doing this work for probably 20 years, involving planning with community, and I probably never been through a more complex planning process than the one that we're just wrapping up now. It is an excellent plan. And I hope the council will be able to support it in full. I would also like to say that while everybody did their job and everybody was dedicated, that there is one person I would like to say who did an extraordinary job. Which is may a spencer. She got handed a tough job and handled it in a even handed way, so I would like to commend her for that work.

Potter: Thank you.

Nancy Norby: Commissioners and mayor, i'm nancy and live in the mount tabor area. I'm an officer of the neighborhood association and [inaudible]. I was on the original mount tabor master plan so i'm an active volunteer and my focus has to do with the mount tabor area and the dogs. There was a lot of interest and really no objection. I have made sure they were informed of the public meetings and any way they could participate. All in all, they support the plan. As I said, I also did the offleash area for the plan and it will make it easier for people and their dogs to get from to the area. This plan in no way changes the area. One of the things that you accepting the report will make the offleash area an sanctioned area of the park. It's been open for five years with few problems. Warner pacific is south of the area and they like having the dogs there. They think and I agree that it cuts down on vandalism. I would like to thank everybody who participated. Once again, especially maya spencer and jerry for following through and having a thorough discussion about the yard. I was at every meeting and many of the subcommittees and it was a huge time commitment but we came out with a workable plan that upgrades the working conditions and safety condition for everybody who goes to the yards which was our first charge.

Lora Price: My name is laura price and I live in the mount tabor neighborhood and was a member of the mount tabor planning group. As a landscape architect with a background in historic preservation and a 20 year career in parks and recreation plan, I want to voice my support that honors the 100 year legacy for the future. I want to speak to the open space portions of the proposed design for the long block and upper slope. I believe the architectural team has responded to olmsted's vision by preserving the functions of the yard and nursery while managing to preserve the green spaces in the long block and upper slope. And secondly, by strengthening the public entrance to the park from both 60th and division street and finally by continuing the horticultural legacy of this land by expanding public use benefits with the inclusion of the community gardens and open space. I believe the proximity of the community gardens in this design in relation to the public greens, covered shelter, nursery, administrative offices and the park create a value added benefit for future community programs and partnership. I strongly support the inclusion of the community gardens in the long blocks which were overwhelming supported. The gardens will provide much needed garden space of there's a backlog of 1,000 gardeners on the waiting list. With such a backlog and such a challenge to secure lands and develop new gardens, the long blocks seemed an appropriate resource to use for this purpose. In response to some arguments that the gardens do not fit olmsted's vision, would I argue they represent what olmsted stood for at his core. As a designer of new york central park, he was driven to create places for shared community and natural settings to, quote, restore the hearts and minds of urban dwellers. There's precedence. Boston emerald necklace has the largest community gardens in the country that was built in 1942 as

victory gardens. Inclusion of the community gardens in this redesign of the nursery long blocks and slope is appropriate to the sustainability goals of the city today. These features enhance public use of this public land and provide a framework that will support future vision, programs and opportunities, especially around food, health and liveability.

Potter: Thank you, folks. Thanks for being here. When you speak, please state your name for the record and you have three minutes.

Leslie Pohl-Kosbau: Leslie. I'm a member of the planning group and an employee of parks and recreation. Good morning, commissioners and mayor Potter. I serve Portland parks and recreation in the community gardens program with our office located at mount tabor yard and nursery. Gardeners and volunteers and other visitors come to our office at mount tabor site on a regular basis. The central location of 64th and division is ideal for our program and as a central point from which to support and maintain our 32 community garden sites throughout the city. Community gardens has been based out of mount tabor yard since 1975 when this first started and staff works with our colleagues, carpenters, heavy equipment, welders and horticulturists to build and maintain or neighbor gardens. These parks employees have had to patch and make do with poor and insufficient facilities for many, many years. And the current condition as you know of the yard and its configuration is a serious problem for staff and our visitors and it needs correction beyond simple repairs. I worked at the mount tabor maintenance yard for over 30 years and served as a horticulturist and a botanic specialist and supervisor and in the 1950s. I lived right across the street from this yard in my grandmother's house and little did I know I would spend most of my working years at mount tabor yard right across the street. The condition of the buildings when I first started was poor and today the facility is very dilapidated. But the good thing, the community gardens program is housed in a small shed and barn but leaks air and water and it lacks sufficient heating and cooling. The whole maintenance yard has deteriorated over the years and it does need replacement. A new energy-efficient facility could offer parks and recreation sturdy structure. meeting places, offices and better tool storage. Community gardens program staff and volunteers currently must rotate in and out of our cramped desks -- we have to travel one block to load and unload our tools up and downstairs. And our children's gardening program has no place to store materials, snacks and our equipment sits outside under tarps. Dust blows into the office through the boards leaving a layer of dirt on our computers and papers. This is a common condition for all of us who work at mount tabor yard and nursery. So you can imagine how excited I was to find out that a committee of leaders and park staff was forming to address this condition and possible rebuilding of the and mount tabor yard and nursery. I joined and volunteered to do the problem solving to arrive at a solution that will work for everyone and i'm grateful to have this opportunity to participate and to be a part of this planning group and various working committees. To gather information to help architects to shape new design that will prove to be safer, cleaner and more efficient over the years for workers and neighbors and our visitors. Park staff and neighbors have worked hard to find a good solution. I urge you to help make this a once in a century commitment to our parks operations staff, mount tabor neighbors and the city of Portland. Please accept the mount tabor yard and nursery resolution and ordinance and thank you.

Dawn Smallman: Good morning, i'm dawn. I'm a member of the planning group. I'm also a member of the mount tabor neighborhood association and a homeowner in the neighborhood. I wanted to thank city council and the parks bureau to speak about our plan. A year ago, we undertook a process that our mission had two goals. Ensuring a valued piece of mount tabor remained park plan as for our parks employees. Our group did in-depth study. Our plan includes consolidating parks bureaus to be helping run more efficiently and excludes consolidation that would have had a negative impact on the nearby neighborhood. Striking a balance between the park's bureau and the liveability was our guide. We made decisions about maintenance and transportation impacts and historic and zoning issuance, sustainability features and architectural

opportunities and educated the public about its importance to our parks system and we asked for public input at numerous outreach events and gathered studies about this parcel of land and its usage. These documents along with new resulting from our process are included in our master plan. We selected the firm, and thank you for your contributions to this project. We approached this opportunity as unique and looked for ways to optimize the space by adding a much needed southern entry way for pedestrians and cyclists and looked for ways to strengthen, the addition of community gardens which gives them a nearby demonstration site. None of these conclusions came easy. I'm sure that all of the members of the planning group, whether park staff, community members, found the meeting difficult and I wanted to aid a special thanks for getting us through the tougher moments. I want to thank the planning group and all of the members who continued to attend meetings and your commitment proves that community members and public policy can come together. Our proposal comes at a challenging time. In the past, the city has set other priorities ahead of fixing the facilities. The need for improvements is well documented and well known. All of the work, discoveries and now before you. A year ago, council asked us for a serious commitment. Our group now asks that back of council. Please work in favor of funding priorities to the maintenance yard and place it as the top priority in the upcoming parks bureau budget. Thank you for the opportunity.

Greg Snider: Good morning. My name is Greg Snider, I'm a member of the planning group, I'm a resident of mt. tabor neighborhood and a member of the mt. tabor neighborhood association. Today I'd like to comment on the role that community involvement played in the success of the process that resulted in the resolution and plans before you today. For several decades, the deteriorating conditions of the mt. tabor yard were problems that for whatever reason were not solvable. As the needs for parks proper maintenance continue to grow, working conditions and the structural integrity of buildings continue to decline. These problems eventually culminated in a decision to close or move the yard and sell the property it sits on. At this point the community became involved and partnered with parks and their employees to attempt to save the vard and improve the working conditions there. The result of that year-long-plus collaboration is before you today. I would like to emphasize that the solutions for the improvement of the mount tabor yard and the working conditions of its employees would not have been attainable had not community members, parks administration, and yard staff joined forces. At times the process was difficult one, as the community and government bureaus learned to communicate with, communicate and understand each other's viewpoints, concerns, and ideas. I think it speaks very highly of the process and those who participated in it that in the end the selected architectural plan, the drafted says rest laotian and the updated master plan presented today were approved by an overwhelming majority of the planning group. Thousands of unpaid hours were donated by all involved. It would be difficult to place a monetary value on this donated labor but I think it would be safe to say that in the end, the city of Portland got a great value for the dollars spent. I want to thank Portland parks and recreation and the staff at yard for their participation and perseverance in this project. I also want to thank opsis for their hard work and abilities to create a flan for the numerous voice that is gave their opinion and I would like to thank city council for willing the go ahead for this project. And the local government work together great results that make for a better city for everyone are attainable.

I hope the success of this collaboration encouraging more partnering between citizens of Portland and their government. Thank you.

Potter: Thank you very much.

Potter: Thank you for being here. When you speak, state your name for the record. You each have three minutes.

Kathryn Notson: My name is kathryn. I am a resident of south tabor and also a member of the mount tabor yard and central facilities planning committee. In addition to being a member of also of the transportation subcommittee, I also did some historical research on the site on my own

through the historical society, the taxation assessment office as well as the city archives. Mount tabor park was annexed to the city in june 4th, 1906. And at that particular point in time, it was then part of the -- within the boundary of the city. The mount tabor park central facilities yard was developed during the administration of charles paul kaiser who served as the superintendent of parks from 1917 to 1949. The first superintendent of this yard was john peter hepty who resided on site from 1922 to 1944. But as I looked at the building permit history, it began in 1928, and most of the buildings there were built after that point in time. There are three historic buildings on site. One of them is the head house. The second is the community gardens building that leslie works out of which I understand was a horse barn for Portland police bureau horse patrol at one point. And the third is the 1938 building which is now used as an administration building. Those right three historic sites. As far as the 1.8 acres that the water bureau owns, I went and did some research on that. I went to the city water committee records and found the transcript for the original deed, which the water committee had purchased the property for the reservoir 2 site in addition to some extra vard fromly 78 -- lee va and sapora white. I went to the record at the city archives to find the entire deed. Secondarily, I discovered to the west of southeast 64 avenue there used to be a building called the south mount tabor school. This building was constructed in 1886, and it maintained a school function there at least until 1914 or thereafter, and then at that point, franklin primary was built, or hoffman school was built. And the school children were transferred to those buildings. The water bureau purchased this building in november of 1922 and I found the deed for that. So that will explain the history behind the water bureau property. But basically, the remaining 1.8 acres is part of the old pipe storage vard associated with the mount tabor reservoir number 2. In addition to that, I would briefly say that southeast 64 avenue was a vision of the 1996 south tabor master plan which was part of the outer southeast community plan, which included one of 10 plans, south tabor's being one also. The 64th avenue access point would be appropriate finalize that vision for our desire to have access to mount tabor park. Thank you.

Potter: Thank you.

Scott Yelten: My name is sky. I am a resident of the richmond neighborhood, former resident of the mount tabor neighborhood, and then former neighbor of the south tabor neighborhood as well as the president of the south tabor neighborhood association. Currently a member of the planning group, and also a part of the original mediation team. And if that wasn't enough on my plate I just finish might master's degree at Portland state and my thesis project was studying this collaborative agreement between the community members and Portland parks and recreation and the city. You can actually read the details at three degrees word press.com. A little push for me. [laughter] i'm still advertising, too.

Potter: Did you get your master's through the college of urban and public affairs?

Yelten: It was in sustainable education. Really what I did and studied in this group the three e's of sustainable. What this process does for the environment, what it does for the economy, and what it does for equity. I highlighted equity because I think we have done an outstanding job of meeting with different perspectives. Again the details at three

degrees@wordpress.com. [laughter] if I could wrap it up in a nut shell, and three degrees does not do that, please take -- --

Leonard: Three degrees ?

Yelten: Three degrees --

Fish: We were wondering if you had a website you could share with us. Put it on the city's website. [laughter] put the links.

Yelten: But in a nut shell I would echo everything that's been said by the community members. I think it was an amazing process. It was a grueling process. We have dotted our i's and crossed our t's. A lot of hard work and hours. I think this adds a lot to the equity. We are hearing perspectives that weren't heard before, and I think from the south tabor perspective, we are getting some

connectivity to mount tabor that is really tough to get. I have traveled to mount tabor several times it's a lot easier from the mount tabor than from the richmond neighborhoods. Division is a very street and to bike up there is not an easy way. And I think this like I said it dots a lot of i's and crosses a lot of t's and I am proud of effort we put forward today.

Kathleen Murrin: Good morning, commissioners and mayor. I am kathleen. I am a zone manager with the city nature department of Portland parks and recreation. And I am here to highlight one of the benefits of this plan which is to bring many parts of this department, city nature, together, in one location. City nature was created in 2004 to integrate the stewardship of all aspects of the green infrastructure in Portland parks and recreation. And so it brought them together a diverse group of units and divisions, including horticultural services, urban forestry, environmental education, and natural areas and trails. Currently we have nine reporting sites. Which as you can imagine prevents -- presents a lot of challenges to efficiency and effectively delivering good and consistent services. One of the benefits of bringing together city nature and one of the potential benefits was to break down silos amongst the groups and integrate more fully these interrelated aspects of natural areas, trails, environmental education, trees. And that benefit has occurred to some degree. But with the numerous reporting sites, it's been difficult. With this project, most parts of city nature will be brought together in one location. This will increase efficiency. We will walk our talk with fuel savings instead of going to multiple locations to meet. We'll be more sustainable and we will improve our service delivery. As designed, this location also includes classrooms, and is -- it's got right there the living lab of mount tabor park itself. And so not only will we be able to improve our care of our own care, our staff care of our natural areas and trails, but we will also be better able through having these classrooms and through the proximity of mount tabor, to pass on our love of nature and our stewardship to the next generation of ecologists and tree climbers and horticulturists and gardeners through our environmental education programming that will occur at that site. And so we're really looking forward to that. Kimberly Randolph: Good morning. I'm kimberly randolph and I am a member of the planning committee and have been a horticulturist for Portland parks for a little over 24 years. I have been located at mount tabor green house and nursery as horticultural services for all of that time. Primarily or primarily as greenhouse manager and now as lead horticulturist. I had been work at the Oregon zoo at the time I was hired, which had brand-new crew quarters for staff and equipment which included the lunch room, men and women's restrooms and locker rooms with showers. To say the least it was a bit of a shock to see the condition of crew quarters at mount tabor vard. But I had confidence that Portland parks would take care of that relatively soon. 24 years later conditions at horticultural services have continued to deteriorate. There is inadequate office space and work space for 13 permanent employees and four to six seasonal workers. In a space the size of a cubicle in parks offices downtown we have three computer stations. Our heating system for the offices is radiant heated from the boil archer heats the greenhouse. Too hot in spring and fall, too cold in winter. The building has little or no insulation. It was 55 degrees as I sat at my desk on monday and actually as the last two days as well, even with the space heater at my feet. The plan being presented today would greatly improved working conditions at horticultural services. Adequate office space as well as being able to maintain connection was other city nature crews, and other crews in the yard will increase our efficiency particularly important is how the long block is addressed in the plan. Not only will it maintain the traditional use as an in-ground tree nursery but will provide a more formal entrance to the mount tabor park envisioned in the old homestead plan. It's very exciting to see how the plan address storm water runoff, containment and reuse. Horticultural services has been very involved with b.e.s. Projects throughout the city, both growing plant material and installing green street sites. Employees at mount tabor central yard have been working in dismal conditions for far too long. With this plan we can define how the yard can serve Portland parks system for generations as well as enhance the public's access to one of Portland's

oldest and most revered parks. I ask for your support for better working conditions for our yard employees. Thank you for your time.

Lon Holston: Mayor Potter, commissioners, my name is lon. I represent labors 483 here in town and we represent a good portion of those hard working folks you have up there at mount tabor yard and throughout parks here at the city of Portland. When I was first asked to speak here for richard beedle -- he is not here today and I apologize for that. He is in Washington, d.c. I sat down and got to thinking about this whole process. Originally I sat down and put together a whole dissertation on the history of the park system here in the city of Portland. Then I was informed I only had three minutes. [laughter] so with that, I had some written testimony from richard and I won't bother reading it. I will kind of summarize some of the things he has said in that testimony. The labor organization that we have and we represent fully supports the mount tabor master plan. We support the 34 members and the rest of the folks that sat down and went through this entire process during the last year to bring this report to you today. We felt that it was a very open, public process and that we certainly enjoyed our participation in it and was able to help in any way that we could or was asked to help. So we fully support the report. We also support the resolution that would continue the funding for developing the construction documents needed to fulfill that report. We felt that funding this was very, very important. When we talk about the economic crisis that we are in today, and I don't think that there's anybody here in the room that doesn't recognize that there is a crisis out there. And this project is almost a shovel-ready project as of this point. And it can be a shovel-ready project with your commitment, and making and having this process move forward. We also support the ordinance that would separate ownership of the mount tabor vard. We believe that that's an integral part of the process, and that we also would like to see the water bureau held whole. We understand that there is a long history up there with a lot of parties and a lot of interests up there and we support the ordinance to clarify ownership. When we talk about the city of Portland and the hard work that the folks do up there, we see it as a real vision and commitment for the quality of life here at the city of Portland. The parks are a regular green jewel, so to speak, in the crown of the city of Portland and that we see that in order to be able to maintain that jewel, that we need to have a centralized place for these folks can meet, organize, and set out the work flow for the day and for the future for this city. So with that, labor is local 483 supports not only the report, the resolution and the ordinance and if there's anything we can do to help you, we would certainly appreciate having you come forward and ask us and we will do everything we possibly can. So with that i'm here to add -- answer any questions you may have and if not I will get you the answers to those questions.

Potter: Thank you.

****: Thank you.

Potter: Ok. Is anyone here in the audience who wishes to address these specific issues? Then we need a motion, actually read item 1725. Need a motion and a second to accept. **Fish:** Motion.

Leonard: Second.

Potter: Please call the vote.

Fish: Mayor, I would like to begin by just stating publicly how proud I am and honored I am to have learned recently that I will have the chance to lead the Portland parks and rec bureau going forward. And I will also be the housing commissioner 6789 I think it's the first time in modern history someone has had housing and parks but I think they go together very nicely. I am sorry dan is not here because I would like to acknowledge commissioner Saltzman's leadership of the bureau.

And I note that a number of people who testified today have acknowledged his role in bringing us to this point and I think that's appropriate. I will just say personally for me, it feels like christmas and hannukah came early. And I have often thought of what it would be like to be the commissioner in charge of this great bureau and will be a reality as of january 1st, and I want to say

to zare and her team I am really challenged about this challenge. I know we have some difficult bunch times ahead and many challenges. But I believe we have a terrific team at the bureau, and it's an honor to be selected as your new leader. Second point I want to make is about process. I have now become accustomed as commissioner Leonard and the mayor has, that we have a series over the past few months of public reports of this kind where people, citizens have come forward and said we have been engaged in a process that was very meaningful and inclusive and our voices were heard. And I keep thinking that the bar keeps being raised. But at some point maybe we will reach a point where you can't, the ceiling doesn't go any higher. But I have been enormously impressed at the really conscientious effort by our bureaus to engage the public. And I think this is yet another example. And, you know, I wasn't here when this thing got slightly offtrack but that's old news. Today we are celebrating the fact that we reengaged the community and we came up with a plan that I think we can celebrate. And so I want to compliment the members of the community advisory committee as well as the staff who worked so hard to bring this vision forward. On the specifics of what has been shown us to, and I have had the benefit of a briefing in my office as well as this briefing, I have to say that I not only am incredibly impressed with the design, compliment opsis and the stakeholders, but I think it's visionary. I'm delighted that one of the people who came and testified today took us back on a history lesson because it's very who are. And I can't tell you how many times in our deliberations the name olmstead comes up. And this is like 100 years later we are still talking about what olmstead thought about and predicted for our community. Most recently before this debate olmstead was invoked in connection with colewood park in the cully-concordia area and one of the olmstead brothers 100 years ago had a vision and here we are today continuing to discuss. And it's interesting how the olmstead brothers have shaped the great park systems throughout our country in major metropolitan areas. And I have lived in boston and I have lived in Washington, d.c., and I have lived in new york city and now Portland. And olmstead, the olmsteads have shaped each of those cities for the better. A word to the employees. And I am delighted that our friends from the labor union were here and I know richard beedle is in Washington making the case for the biggest stimulus package possible and we wish him well. To the employees of our bureau, I want to first say thank you for all the work that you do. But please also know that we understand that you are working in deplorable conditions. And it's long overdue that we gave you a workplace that was safe and inviting, and was on par with the level of effort that you are giving to the bureau and the city. Now, the biggest challenge we are going to face is how to fund this. And as everyone in this room knows, we have been asked by the mayor-elect to prepare cut packages of 3 and 5%. And depending on the severity of the continuing unfolding economic calamity at the national level that may just be a preview of where we are headed. But that said, we have a plan over the next couple of years to make sure that our parks are maintained at a level that we have come to expect. There will be more about the long term planning later. But for now, I just want you to know that you have my commitment and the commitment of this council that we will do everything we can to park this plan into the stimulus pipeline. And there's lots of details we worked out in terms of how the stimulus package will be worked out. We learned yesterday there will be no ear marks. It will simply be in the nature of block grants. The president-elect has not yet in a position where he can put his plan into action. But it does seem to me that this is precisely the kind of plan being shovel-ready would qualify for stimulus dollars. So the council will work to see that it gets in the line. And finally, I just want to acknowledge that the gentleman who testified about the three e's, that guide so much of our work around sustainability where we focus on the environment and the economy and equity, and as the new parks commissioner, equity is at the front -- is the front of the line for me. I believe we live in a wonderful community, and those of us who weren't born here and moved here are particularly appreciative of what has been accomplished here in Portland. We don't take it for granted. We came here seeking a better life and we found it in places like Portland. But equity to me is the unfinished work of our community we cannot, we

cannot sincerely say that we live in a -- in a -- in a great community until everyone regardless of income and status and geography enjoys the benefits of a livable community. I believe equity is our great unfinished task. I appreciate that the three e's were introduced into our discussion. As your next parks commissioner, you have my commitment to see this project forward. I think it's terribly important for all the reasons that have been articulated in the testimony today. And, mayor, I am proud to vote aye.

Leonard: Aye.

Potter: Really?

Parsons: We are just voting on the amendment.

Potter: I'll vote aye as well.

Leonard: I almost forgot what we were voting on.

Potter: Please read item --

Leonard: We just voted on the amendment. We need to actually vote --

Potter: That's correct. [inaudible]

Fish: Aye.

Leonard: Commissioner fish was very enthusiastic about the amendment he just voted on. I am equally enthusiastic about the resolution we are voting on. Decided to speak to that. He really said a lot of what I think -- and nick and i, in addition to being colleagues, are good friends. And not in the sense that one normally hears politicians refer to as another as their good friend when they are not really sincere about it. We really are good friends and we kid around a lot and I kid with him a lot about being a transplant. But his words about really appreciating some of the things that Portland has were as some of us who were born and raised here take for grant ready really true. And I didn't know that until probably 20 years ago or so when I actually first began going to places like boston and east coast cities, and didn't really have the context honestly to understand what it is that Portland is. And it's really been transformational for me to have the opportunity to go and see other cities and appreciate more and more what we have here in Portland. So people that come here, actually, although I kid them a lot, people that come here to live here, it really says a lot about what Portland is that we are a magnet for people who appreciate the planning, good services, and good government. And this is really an example of that. And you know as nick said this was not born out of the most pleasant circumstances but often that's the way things that are really good do start. Is with a lot of anxiety and emotion and controversy. And from that came really this wonderful plan. And I want to acknowledge john larson's role in this. And it shouldn't be underestimated, the level and clear-headed advocacy he brings for the mount hood -- mount tabor neighborhood. Which I have always respected and I even respect more now and appreciate. Because without that, we wouldn't have the plan that we have today and be able to vote on it today as we are. So I want to acknowledge everybody's good work including zari. It was a good process. I am not surprised somebody wrote a master's thesis. I am anxious to read that because I can always learn something about good process as I have in the last six years. And I want to acknowledge everybody's excellent work. I am excitemented -- my part needs to be to implement this plan. This is the easy part, designing it and voting on it. Now we need to come up with the resources. And I have committed to all parties that I will do whatever is asked of me to help make that happen. Aye.

Potter: This has been an interesting process, to say the least. I remember four years ago, four and a half years ago when I was running, that's a really hot topic in the mount tabor neighborhood. And after taking several tours with the neighborhood, I realized some of the things they were talking about. I really got to hand it to zari and the folks at parks. They have put in a lot of hard work to try to create an environment where citizens do have a real role. And I think that kind of participatory democracy is really important to Portlanders and this is just one more result of that process. Rather than trying to do things quickly or bureaucratically, we have to slow down and

listen to what the community has to say and incorporate them, not only their listening but their decision-making as well. This is a great example, zari, great job. Thank you, mount tabor folks, for being patient with us. It only took four years. Perhaps next time we can do it faster. But I really appreciate all the good work and all of the collaboration that's involved in this scale of an event. So I vote aye. [gavel pounded] 1727. [inaudible]

Item 1727.

Potter: This is an ordinance and as such will move to a second reading next week.

Fish: Mayor, may I move one other item. Because commissioner Saltzman is not here, because we may not all be back together next week on the remaining piece, I would just like to acknowledge a few of the other people who made this day possible. Starting with maya spencer, david mcallister and elizabeth kennedy wong, karen loper and bob and kat reno, zari, for your work, the line staff, karen, gary johnson, kim randolph, john long, leslie, lance, and earl, and again all the community members who participated as randy mentioned, john larson, nancy, dawn smallman and all the members of the planning group. You have our gratitude.

Potter: Thank you, folks. We are going to move ahead to the 10:15 time certain. **Item 1728.**

Potter: When I ran for public office four years ago, four and a half, one of the things that the disabilities community told me very clearly is that, that the city could do much more to engage our communities with dicks in the decision-making process. In fact, their motto was, not for us but with us. I was very impressed with the tenacity of this group of people and their efforts to try to make the city more aware and inclusive of those kinds of issues. So before we begin, though, I would like ask commissioner fish would like to add jackie mercy to the commission. And in that regard I would ask for a motion and a second to amend this report.

Fish: A motion.

Leonard: A second.

Potter: Call the vote.

Fish: Thank you, mayor. Jackie mercies I the executive director of nara, the native american rehabilitation association. She has a passion for the issues around disability and disability rights and she has asked to serve on this commission. And I am pleased to move her nomination. Aye. **Leonard:** Aye.

Potter: Aye. [gavel pounded] please proceed, folks.

Jeremy Van Keuren, Mayor Potter's Office: Just by way of introduction, I'm jeremy van buren with mayor Potter's office.

Charles McGee, Mayor Potter's Office: I am charles mcgee.

Nicole Cheron, Office of Neighborhood Involvement: And I am nicole, the disability program coordinator and oni. I am going to start off. So in o.n.i., we have a saying we like to use and that is that we are not just bringing people to the table of government but we are resetting the table so that everyone has a seat. Three years ago, under mayor Potter the disability program endeavored to reopen the lines of engagement between the city and the persons with disability community. A 15-member advisory committee called the Portland citizens disability advisory committee, was established as one way to bring the voices of the community to the elected officials. Over the last two years, the pcvac has been very successful in its relationship to the city, instituting events like the rolling stroll which some of you participated in, the making a difference awards which I am happy to say everyone attended this year, and as well working with several of the bureaus, noteally the office of transportation, giving valuable insight on infrastructure projects. Yet some challenges arose over the last few years, and we began to question if there might be a way to expand on the good work that we were doing as well as, you know, tame some of those challenges. And so some of the things that were happening were the commutitee was very active and took a lot of the time of myself, being the disability program, and a lot of community members and community

organizations felt like they weren't able to engage with the city as much as they would like to. So that was one of the challenges. Another was that the committee was 15 people. And 15 people clearly could not represent the depth and breadth of cross disability as well as cross ethnic, racial or other social minorities. We really wanted to bring more people to the table. And finally, the bureaus, seeing the success that pdot had or the bureau of transportation now as it's called, wanted to engage with the committee and we questioned whether there was a better way for bureaus to engage. And so we came together and decided we needed to go out to the community and ask them what they thought. And that's where charles is going to take over.

McGee: In summary of the study and community engagement activities expand Portland citizens disabilities advisory committee. In keeping with the city of Portland's commitment to promote participatory governance, mayor tom Potter, directed a study be conducted to expand Portland citizens disability advisory committee in order to be more inclusive, provide equal opportunity, and give a stronger voice to the full range of all persons with disability who live, working worship, study, travel, and play within the city of Portland. To this end, the city wide survey was conducted by mail and online between october 1st and november 14th, 2008. Second, focus group meetings were held on november 19th and then on december 2nd, 2008. Participants of this study group included a cross section of the community, key stakeholders and ada title ii coordinators from various city bureaus. Third, we consulted with Portland citizens disability advisory committee, Multnomah disability services advisory council, elders in action, Oregon commission for the blind, office of county chair ted wheeler, Multnomah aging and disabilities services division, and Portland parks and recreation disability and accessibility advisory subcommittee, just to name a few. Fourth, a research of best practices was conducted on the state of hawaii's and other successful regional and national disabilities commissions. Today we are pleased to record to city council that 91% of respond dents who participated in the city wide survey, coupled with input from the focus group, overwhelmingly support and strongly recommend for consideration the expansion of Portland city disability advisory committee. At this juncture, jeremy will discuss outcome of the process aforementioned.

Van Keuren: Throughout the engagement process, charles described, our guiding question to the community was, how will commission leadership make things different? What needs would a commission serve? And we gathered three major themes from our interviews in surveying. The first that the city broaden its outreach to persons with disabilities through the commission. The latest census data indicate over 18% have a disability of some kind, a larger commission could reach out to these folks who frankly we rarely hear from. Second throughout council appointment process a commission can ensure a broader range of disabilities be represented. Current committee is representing the general interests of persons with disabilities but is doing so without input from a number of important perspectives. Through our surveying and interviews, we also know that mental disabilities are hugely important to the community and the per ception is that these interests are underrepresented in the city. That is something we are asking the commission to address through a partnership with Multnomah county. Finally, we heard an interest in greater collaboration between city bureaus and the community. We hear that both from the community and also from the bureaus themselves. So once we nail down the interests of community we built those abstractions into the framework of the resolution that you are voting on today. We also wanted to ensure that we are empowering the community to make recommendations to city council for full appointment to the commission. So to do that the resolution directed formation of a smaller summary commission that will last for six months. Their job will be to form bylaws and an action plan, make appointment recommendations and set up a merge wert county's disability committee. After their work is complete by july the full commission will be appointed. I wanted to take this opportunity now if there are any persons who are going to be appointed to that commission present if you wouldn't mind raise your hand or standing to be recognized. I think it's probably worth

mentioning that there were many persons in the community who wanted to be here today to support this, but because of the bad weather, the paratransit system sort of made it difficult for them to be here. And I think that's fits the illustration of some of the challenges of some persons with disabilities face. So are f-there are any questions about the process we went through or the way that we set this up, we would like to take the opportunity to answer those now. And if not, turn it over to mayor Potter.

Potter: Very good. Do we have folks signed -- we actually have some folks to bring up to testify. So I would like to invite up jan campbell, joan hansen, d'norgia price, and april berthleson.

Potter: Is jan here today?

*******:** I don't believe so.

Potter: Joan, would you like to introduce yourself.

Joan Hansen: I would like to say good morning, intrepid mayor tom Potter and the commissioners. And thank you very much for opening your time to this issue. My name is joan hansen, h-a-n-s-e-n, and I live in northeast Portland. I have a wish to tell you a little bit about how I have been involve would in the disability community and the volunteer work I have done. And why I support the development of a commission form of our previous Portland citizens disability advisory committee. About me, about 20 years ago, I was working as a school social worker when I became totally blind. And after some rehab, I became involved in volunteering for what was then the city-county disability advisory committee. And I served on that for about 10 years of my 20 of being blind. And that committee was reconstituted two years ago as I have been told into the Portland citizens disability advisory committee. When much of the same functions, some different membership, but the same cause of advocating for our fellow persons with disabilities. And what I liked about the inclusion in that group was, it was a place for persons to go who are concerned about what was happening for people who are disabled. Persons could come to this group as disabled persons or just persons with an interest. And we were able to either one to one or as a group pick up some issues and bring about positive change. I enjoyed being involved that way. I enjoyed the contact and I enjoyed the success, frankly. And I am looking forward to a continuation of my involvement into the future as long as I feel that I can function effectively and purposefully. So I am very, very happy that we are taking this issue under advisement. A couple of the structure issues there that I really approve of that will be different in its organization is the lee eight son from the bureau -- liaison of the bureaus of the city to our group. I think that this will formalize and enhance communication both ways, both the disability community to city government itself and vice versa. And I can see this is only a positive way to go. I also agree with the structure which presents an opportunity for more outreach to the larger community. There are many, many people as been mentioned earlier who don't know about the opportunity to be involved and to advocate for themselves and others. I am very much in favor of that being structured and formalized by this committee. I am a member of this summary committee for the next several months. As I said in a statement to the selection group, I am less interested in dealing with the semantics of bylaws. I think they have already been very well presented to you for what's probably existing. And I am also less concerned about our mission statement, although I know they are necessary. And our working together and I think maybe that could be, you have a copy of that I think in your material. That can be made a little bit briefer. You are listening to a long talker and you might wonder how I will make it. I am going to try. And I hope I have the opportunity to try. Historically, y'all have been open to hearing our voices. And to heeding them. I'm asking you this morning to continue in that good way, hear what we are saying, heed what we want, and we'll go ahead together. Thank you very much.

April Bertelsen, Bureau of Transportation: My name is april bertleson, representing the Portland purchase of transportation. Thank you, mayor tom Potter and commissioners for this opportunity. And I want to give special thanks to mayor tom Potter and his staff as well as staff of

o.n.i., and the current members of the Portland disabilities advisory committee and many others who have been involved. And first reformulating the disability advisory committee but now the movement to raise it to a commission status. So thank you for all the work. To continue pdot does support formation of the disability, Portland commission on disabilities. For the past couple of years, I have as the city's pedestrian coordinator, served as a liaison from the pdot or now bureau of transportation to the p.c. Transportation subcommittee. And as the committee becomes a commission, I will continue to serve as the bureau of transportation liaison to the full commission. And I just want to share with you that I have found much value in establishing the liaison relationship thus far with the pcvac. It has enabled our bureau to engage and seek feedback from members of the disability community on specific projects and reach better outcomes. An example where we were able to reach an agreeable solution was when we had some design issues where the contrast on the transit mall. The conduit relationship we had enabled a group of people from staff and from the commission to come, a committee to come together to work through a solution. Additionally, the sidewalk cafe program, we are currently updating the process to bring about some improvements and have been able to engage the committee. It is also enabled us to be proactive in increasing disability awareness. For example, coordinating working together to plan and execute the roll and stroll events, and with members of the pcvac. Many. You from the city council as well as staff from transportation and the chair of the design commission. It was very notable. When done well, giving leaders, managers, design engineers, technicians, architects and planners the opportunity to walk the street as a person with low vision or travel with a mobility device can be a transforming experience. I think you would agree. And commissioner Leonard, I look forward to the opportunity of sharing that. The bureau of transportation looks forward to continuing this beneficial relationship. Likewise I think it will be a benefit for other bureaus to have liaisons as well. Like any relationship, the communication and work goes both waste. We will seek their advice as well as share information and opportunities to participate in government. We will also look forward to hearing from the commission what their needs, issues, and areas of interest are. I personally look forward to continuing to work with members of the commission on disabilities. By working together we will help heal the streets of Portland and design for universal access, thus making it possible for everyone to travel safely with dignity and respect. Thank you. **Potter:** Thank you and thank you, joan, for being here. Full disclosure, joan is my mother-in-law.

Leonard: Oh:

Potter: She gave me some very good advice I shared with the commissioner of housing nick fish. She said when you talk about affordable housing, talk about access housing in the same breath. And I have shared that with nick. He wrote that information down. Just like diwhen you told me, joan. [laughter]

Fish: Has tom been a good son-in-law?

Leonard: That's not fair.

Potter: That's enough for now.

Potter: Thank you, joan. Herb, thank you for bringing your lovely wife down. Thank you, folks. Do we have folks signed up to testify? Thank you, april.

Potter: Thank you for being here, folks. When you speak, state your name for the record and you each have three minutes.

*****: Why don't you leads off.

*****: You got here first.

Lucy Baker: Mayor tom Potter and city commissioners, thank you so much for allowing us here to testify and support of the establishing a commission on disabilities. I am lucy baker. I am the executive director of the Oregon business leadership network. We're a consortium of Oregon's leading employers around inclusion of people with disabilities, both in the workplace and the market place. City of Portland has been an active member of the obln since it was established in

2004. Beverly from the e.e.o. Office serves on our board of directors. Nicole has presented at our presentations, and your recruiters from a number of different departments have been enthusiastic participants in our recruiting events and other diversity forums. We are here as business leaders to support the idea of having a strong inclusive voice of people with disabilities available to you. It's as important internally to business as it is to our governmental partners around making great decisions, bringing leadership alignment around inclusion down into the departments that we lead. And overseeing program development and implementation. This is a great move. And we applaud you for it. And are really honored to be able to support you in your work. We look forward as a collaboration of employers to working together, both with the mayor's office, the commissioners, and the new commission to help with inclusion around considerable talents and contributions of people with disabilities in our community. Thank you.

Potter: Thank you. State your name for the record.

Sheree Heppe: My name is sherry. Mr. Mayor and commissioners and ladies and gentlemen, I am probably going to be one of the 10% mentioned in the study who was not supporting the formation of the commission on disabilities. And the reason for that is, there are a number of reasons but initially I am a newcomer to Portland. And my experience with the disability and access systems here has not been especially favorable. So perhaps this colored my interest in seeing that a commission maybe not get formed. In the other cities where I have served on some of these sorts of commissions, when commissions become formalized from a committee, the changes that occur in government and in policies and so forth don't seem to be significant. But a lot of expenditure goes out supporting an administrative body that isn't giving attention to the difficulties that people are actually having who are people with disabilities. One of the solutions that some people have found to the gatekeeper issues around disabilities has been to establish an independent web-based contact resource. And this has been done in connecticut and new york. I don't know about new york. I learned about connecticut recently. The website is www.connect-ability.com. And this connects employers with people who are seeking employment. And it has videos of people who are disabled working and demonstrating how these tasks can be done. I am interested in this particular phase because we are -- impart time employed but could use full-time employment. I have had the experience of going through the Portland website, which is fairly inaccessible. It's not inaccessible if you are a brilliant tech-savvy person who actually knows various computer languages and whatever. But if you are an average person, it's a little inaccessible. And so these sorts of independent resources such as the website I have mentioned might be a way to do it. I understand that a commission has to be -- has to be in place, there has to be some kind of body to address, but my interest would be to find out who are the 10% who didn't support the founding of this commission and for what reasons. And perhaps that could be addressed as part of the remedy structure. Thank you for this opportunity to allow me to testify. Potter: Thank you very much. Is that all who were signed up to testify? Does anyone here in the audience who wishes to testify to this very specific issue? Please come forward. Please state your name for the record, and you have three minutes.

Ann Balzell: My name is ann. I have no prepared mental for you, just words from the heart and from the mind. I represent the national multiple sclerosis society and also the Portland disability advisory committee. Having been a part of both of those things. So i, as far as the national m.s. Society, our representatives in the greater Portland area number in the thousands. Almost 3,000 who have multiple sclerosis and many, many more family members who are affected by that disease. What we need who are advocates and to who have disabilities is a body that we can turn to to speak for us toly say son with the city. And we believe that a commission is the way to go with that. Also, looking at two of you, I recognize you at the roll and strolls. I am one of the ones participating in that event as well. And soon maybe another as well. So I really encourage you to consider making the committee into a commission, a commission that will speak for the entire

population of folks in this area who have disabilities. Whether they're of the 10% who question whether a commission would be successful or the 90% who say, yes, we're ready to try it. Let's have a body where all parties can come together, voice their reservations and their positive points, where we can work it out together with the city and the commission together. So that's my wish, and I hope that we can see that happen soon.

Potter: Thank you very much.

****: Thank you.

Potter: Please read item 1728.

Potter: We have to vote on 1728.

Parsons: Right.

Potter: Now we can. Please call the vote.

Fish: First I would like to thank nicole for her tireless advocacy in bringing this issue forward. Second, I would like to thank the mayor for dedicating the four years of his service to our community to removing barriers. I think that when the final review of your service is written, sir, I think it will be about removing barriers to participation, barriers that exist to people understanding barriers to dealing fully involved in our community. This is one area where you distinguish yourself. And it is true, I can say to your mother and father-in-law, that you have regularly corrected me when I use the term affordable housing. And I now regularly refer to it as affordable and accessible housing. I thank you for that. And finally, I would like to just acknowledge a person who had the greatest influence in my life on that issue which was my father who I lost in '96, but as a young man, growing up in his household, I watched as he led the effort at the federal level to craft americans with disabilities act. And he was the principal author of the a.d.a., and as his son, I am proud to follow in his foot steps and vote ave.

Leonard: Well, that's, those are great remarks. I won't try to top them other than to say I am really proud to be in a position to vote for this. Aye.

Potter: Well, this resolution was brought forward by all five council members. And so I think that even though two of them are gone they would be here to vote yes on this important issue. And I really want to thank nicole and charles mcgee and jeremy from my office for their work on this. And the community. This community is a wonderful community. I have got to know them. And be with them, party with them, and enjoy the time that we have spent together. I have a profound respect for this community and the work that they do. The obstacle that is they overcome in their daily lives. And I think that for most of us who don't have those obstacles, it's important to take a few minutes and stop and reflect about that. If you want to have a really good experience, try writing in -- riding in one of the mobility devices around Portland and find out what curb cuts really mean to people with disabilities particularly which they are not cut correctly. So you folks do a wonderful job. I am very proud of you and I am very proud to help be part of the process of creating this commission. I vote ave. [gavel pounded] please read item 1729.

Item 1729.

Potter: Did you add jackie mercer? Yes. Very good. Please call the vote on that.

Fish: Thank you all for agreeing to serve. Aye.

Leonard: Aye.

Potter: Aye. [gavel pounded] thank you very much, folks, for being here. We are going to now move to the regular agenda. Please read item 1751.

Item 1751.

Potter: Thank you very much. One of the things I notice is that this is an emergency ordinance, and we don't have the council to, enough members to vote on the emergency ordinance. Do you have any wonderful ideas? [inaudible]

Leonard: Then at that time we could continue?

Potter: But I do have a -- go ahead, sue. Nice try, nate. And I have a note saying that commissioner Adams is out for the remainder of the council.

Leonard: Shall we set it over?

Potter: Let's set that over until the 24th. I hope we will have four folks there because this does have to be passed as an emergency prior to the end of the year in order to continue the contract. Ok. We will move to second reading of item 1752.

Item 1752.

Potter: Please call the vote.

Fish: Aye. Leonard: Aye. Potter: Aye. [gavel pounded]

Potter: Commissioner Adams' office has asked to set over the second reading on 1753 and 1754. Any objections ?

Leonard: I have invited a guest here who has to leave. And I am a supporter of the recap four. **Potter:** For the two?

Leonard: For the one, 1753 and for -- and I had somebody here as a guest that has missed work and has waited this morning.

Potter: You want to have them heard?

Leonard: Yes.

Potter: Please come forward.

Leonard: I mean to watch the vote.

Potter: To watch the vote. We had debate last week.

Potter: Right. His office has asked to have these set over to vote on next week because we don't have enough votes to vote on 1754 to approve it.

Leonard: I already checked that.

Fish: I was not aware there was a request to set this over. I was prepared to vote on both. I think for the benefit of people watching, if we only have three commissioners present, and it's a nonemergency matter, it's a second reading, do you need all three votes for something to carry? And if we are unable to muster three votes in support of our position, it would just fail? And so my concern, of course, is that I would like to have this voted on in a way that we find some way to find agreement on some package. If it fails --

Leonard: As I said, that they're separate. 1753 is recap. I am prepared to support that. What I would ask to happen if 1754 did not pass we would sit down and talk about it and try to find a middle ground. I think there is. I think that gives us an opportunity to do that.

Fish: I guess I don't know what the protocol is when a colleague asks for something to be set over. I was not approached with that request. My normal inclination would be to agree to that request if a colleague made it.

Leonard: If I was wanting this to pass I would agree with you. [laughter] unfortunately I do not. **Potter:** So if you agree to set it over then that's the majority of this group.

Leonard: It takes three.

Fish: To set it over.

Leonard: Yes. Our votes have -- our precedent has been three votes on parliamentary matters through ordinances or resolutions.

Potter: Ok. Why don't we --

Fish: Why don't we go to 1755 and come right back to it.

Potter: Please read item 1755.

Item 1755.

Patty Rueter, Office of Emergency Management: Mayor, commissioners, carmen merlo want me to express this is a voluntary joining of people together that are of the regional level who share information. And what this resolution does is it outlines protocol for doing this. And if we were to activate as the need for -- if you wanted to talk to someone from another --

Potter: Can you state your name for the record.

Rueter: Oh, i'm sorry. Patti, Portland office of emergency management. This has been going on so long today. So I just wanted to let you know that this action is, we would help you get in touch with the other jurisdiction officials and so that information could be shared about a regional incident. That's what this is about.

Potter: Questions from the commissioners? Thank you, patti. You may want to stick around for the next one. Is there anyone sign upped to testify on this matter? Anyone here who wishes to testify to this specific issue? Please call the vote. Already asked that. Excuse me. Call the volt.

Fish: Aye. Leonard: Aye. Potter: Aye. [gavel pounded] please read -- oops. It's an emergency.

Leonard: 1757.

Potter: Let's go to 1757. Patti, thank you.

Item 1757.

Potter: Second reading. Call the vote.

Fish: Aye. Leonard: Aye. Potter: Aye. [gavel pounded]

*****: Thank you very much.

Potter: 1756. We voted on 57. 58. 59. 60, 61. Are all emergencies.

Leonard: We will set those over to next week's calendar.

Potter: Ok.

Potter: We vote on that because it's agreed to?

Leonard: No.

Potter: Set over. Please read item 1762 and 68 together. [inaudible]

Items 1762 and 1768.

Andrew Aebi, Bureau of Transportation: Good morning. With me is cindy from the water bureau and sun noble from the bureau of environmental services. We have a quick presentation ready to go.

Leonard: Is it really quick?

Aebi: Thank you, sue. I just passed out hard copies of this presentation as well. We are bringing forward two l.i.d.'s for the deltawood neighborhood that would be constructed on a parallel path to build new water and sanitary sewer facilities for the neighborhood. I wanted to give you an overview map. Unfortunately, and sadly delta is one of the forgotten neighborhoods in Portland. Thinks an overview map to give you an idea of where it is. It's north. Columbia slough, south of the columbia river and east of interstate 5. And deltawood has not been claimed by any of the neighborhood associations in Portland so it's a little bit of an orphan in an area all of its own. This is a closser up map of the properties located in deltawood. There are 42 properties that would are part of both l.i.d.s and they are shown on the map there. You can see that the area of improvement is just north of gertz road and again we would be constructing water and sewer improvements in that area. There's one vacant lot in the development, but all over properties are developed. Wanted to give aquick chronology of how we got here. Delta wood was built during world war ii. All the homes were built in 1941. The city of Portland annexed the area in 1971. And I know that from what b.e.s. Has told me that the delta wood residents have been working for probably the best part of 20 years trying to get their infrastructure problems addressed. Just to give you some of the recent history on delta wood, we held a property owner meeting in july of 2007 to discuss water and sewer improvements. We had a follow-up meeting last summer. We petitioned both l.i.d.'s this summer. We wound up with approximately 1/3 petition support for both l.i.d. The delta wood h.i.d. Asked if there were other options to move forward with infrastructure improvements need. They sent letters to commissioners Adams and Leonard asked for a council-initiated l.i.d. They entered into a repayment agreement for back utility bills in october which was a prewreck question sit with moving forward. We notified all the property owners that we were moving forward with the

council initiated l.i.d. Last month. And if you approve both of these resolutions we would have l.i.d. Formation hearings in february and anyone who couldn't be here today would have an opportunity to come back in february. So just a quick recap before I turn it over to additional staff comments and property owner testimony. Right now, the deltawood h.o.a. Collects douse from its members. The majority of the funds that they collect go to pay for utility bills because they have their residents all on a common meter for both water and sewer. They have to collect that individually. Of the \$165.10 a month they will be paying effective in january \$61.62 per month of that includes back utility bills. So added to that at the current utility bill so again most of the monthly douse for deltawood are going for their water and sewer bills. And after the l.i.d.es are completed everybody will be on individual meters and will have control over their own water usage and payment of their utility bill. So there will not be much that the h.o.a. Will need to collect funds for after the l.i.d.s are completed over doing periodic and ongoing maintenance of their private streets. So the b.e.s. L.i.d. Is being offered under auspices of the party line sewer plan. This would be the first party line sewer funded under the conversion rate program that council adopted. And b.e.s. Would be offering partial funding on that l.i.d. It would be the first sanitary sewer l.i.d. To my knowledge in 20 years. Most of the costs of the l.i.d.s are capped by Portland water bureau and by b.e.s. Which eliminates a significant amount of financial risk to the property owners. And I have broken out for you on a 20-year monthly payment plan what that would work out to per month waysed on the current estimate. So for the water l.i.d. That's just a little under \$92 per month. For the sewer l.i.d. It's about \$60 a moment you add them together it's about \$152 a month which is a little less than what they are paying now for their h.o.a. I would also add that there's not much of a cushion built into the h.o.a. Fees to pay for catastrophic maintenance. And you will hear in a moment or I should say repairs for catastrophic events. You will hear more about that in a moment from the deltawood h.o.a. Resident. Now, we estimated that based on conservation savings, once everybody goes over to individual meters, that property owners would save on average about \$9.10 a month. Welt expect net after savings cost to be about \$143 a month assuming they finance over 20 years. This does not include the cost of private plumbing work which would be paid separately by the property owners. Again you can see that the overall difference there is that the cost of the 1.i.d.s is about \$23 a month less than what they are paying for the h.o.a. Right now. Really in effect what happens is that the property owners would then bear the cost of having their individual water and sewer bill once the l.i.d. Is complete. But they would no longer have this stress of patching together their existing systems that are failing and that obligation would be taken off their hands because the city would then take over maintenance responsibility for the water and sewer. I am happy to turn it over to cindy and find out if they have anything to add. Otherwise go to the resident.

Cindy Dietz, Portland Water Bureau: I am cindy deitz with the Portland water bureau. Right now, the single water service serves deltawood and connects to their privately owned system. Deltawood's privately owned system leaks a lot. They have amassed a large utility bill. At their request Portland water bureau developed a phase one l.i.d. Package. This also includes deltawood's repayment plan to address their arears bill. The l.i.d. Package is going to replace their private water system and therefore the leaks will be eliminated. The l.i.d. Package also installs individual water meters at each property. And this provides homeowners with the ability to manage and control their own water use. Income-eligible customers will be able to qualify for bill discounts and other financial assistance. So I want to say that the creation of these l.i.d.s is going to joint efforts with the deltawood homeowners association, the b.e.s., the city l.i.d. Administrator and we are pleased to present this proposal for your consideration today.

Sun Nobel, Bureau of Environmental Services: I am sun noble with b.e.s. Mayor Potter, commissioners, all I want to do is reiterate what andrew mentioned that the adoption of the

conversion party sewer program. That makes the l.i.d. Possible. We haven't had a sanitary l.i.d. In 20 years. So we are happy with the program that we can do this.

Potter: Thank you, folks. We have some folks signed up to testify on this? **Parson:** We have four.

Potter: Please come forward, folks. Thank you for being here this morning. When you speak, state your name for the record. You each have three minutes and anyone can begin.

Lorna Baxter: My name is lorna baxter. I am the president of the deltawood homeowners association.

Potter: Go ahead.

Baxter: Hi. Thank you for listening to us today. I would like to speak just briefly on reiterating the h.o.a. Fees that we incurred and most of us are newer homeowners to the area. And with that, it was a surprise to us in regards to the deficit and the leakage. It's not something that is reported when you are purchasing the home through the title company. So once we moved in there, the current h.o.a. Said, oh, by the way. So we were pleased to work with the city in regards to having a reduction on such a huge defer if I sit to our water. We just recently repaired another leak in our area. Of course, the piping is old from the 1940s, and once an area of the piping is patched, another one leaks. So this is just ongoing and, of course, the cost for us to repair the area and lay new pipes as you all would know best would be just phenomenal and something that we just couldn't do without the city's help. I still have a minute? Ok.

Leonard: You doesn't have to use it, though. [laughter]

Baxter: Ok. Go ahead.

K. Jayann Sturtvant: Hi. My name is karen jan sturdevant. I bought in deltawood in june of 2005. I actually bought it from the previous president that at that point in time had been in the previous two years before that deltawood used to be a big drug neighborhood. There was no longer drugs down in the neighborhood. That has been eliminated in the last five years. We have made huge improvements trying to improve the neighborhood. But one of the things we can't do is improve the water system or the sewer system. There's just not funds for that. Previous to my becoming on the board, which was almost immediate because I had the contacts. Previous president, then and that was the only acting board member at that time. Everybody else had quit. So I was immediately put on to the board upon signing my title papers. At that point, then, we have gone ahead and hired a manage company. They are now taking over that which they have been able to then get people to at least pay their dues where they weren't paying them before which is one reason why we edgedded up with a huge water deficit. Water and sewer. But there's still remains the fact that this is a neighborhood that is a low-income neighborhood. There's not the funds there at all for being able to have our neighborhood association go out and get the funds to have a new water system or sewer system put in. Like lorna was saying, anything fix we do to the water pipes ends up being a band aid fix. A new pipe immediately almost breaks. And so at this point, you know, we just cannot continue to keep doing band aid fixes to this line. It's just going to run us even farther in debt. We want to do what we can to make this neighborhood a livable neighborhood. But with 42 homes, all working on one water meter, for all of those, any time anybody needs to repair their homes, they have to shut down that water meter, shut it off at the meter. That shuts down all the 42 homes at that time. So you are shutting down water to everybody. And whenever you turn on that water again, it just, it's that more likely because the pipes are from 1940s, that another pipe is going to break. So we're just asking for all the help that we can get and we would love to be able to join in on having this l.i.d. Situation. Potter: Thank you.

Neal E. Ruckman: My name is neill ruckman. Ism also a legal actively new homeowner in the community. We were aware of the situation to some extent but it's pretty obvious that the water and sewer system there is not repairable at all. And the only solution is to replace it with a new system.

The community I have found has really made a lot of strides in terms of cleaning it up so it is now a community instead of like a haven for people on addiction problems and party zones. I have heard that police presence there was pretty constant in the past. But I have only seen three or four policemen in the area since I have moved in in the last three years or so. So they have really done a lot of work to clean up the area. And the reason we're in the mess was that it was pretty much a rental area, and a no man zone. And all the water bills and everything were just shined on. So there's this big back log of bill that now this new first-time homeowners are saddled with. And most of us are living right there on the edge. There isn't the resources to bring in the funds needed to really replace this system. In the long run, I think this is like the only solution. It may be a little painful at first. But in the long run it's going to be better off for everyone. The lowest cost option for the homeowners and a chance to real build that community up to the pride that it aspires to at the moment. If you have been through it at all you will see the houses there are really being reworked and remodeled, taken care of and there's pride in this community. So I really encourage you to approve these l.i.d.s and I think in the long run it's the wisest investment that can be made. And again, I want to thank the homeowners association because it's only within the last four or five years that it actually reenacted itself and started addressing these issues rather than just ignoring them and letting them build and build. So we're not in a position to do anything but put band aids on right now and the catastrophe is just happen any time in terms of some real issues with the sewer and water system there. I guess that's all I have to say. Thank you.

Potter: Thank you, folks, for coming up.

*****: Thank you.

****: Thank you.

Potter: Please read item 1762.

Potter: Call the vote.

Fish: Aye.

Leonard: 1762? It's a resolution. Aye.

Potter: Aye. [gavel pounded] please read item 1768.

Item 1768.

Leonard: We have our city attorney back.

Potter: Let's finish the vote on this.

Leonard: Oh, i'm sorry. [inaudible]

Potter: Call the vote.

Fish: Aye. **Leonard:** Aye. **Potter:** Aye. [gavel pounded] congratulations, folks. Turn to items 1753 and 1754.

Items 1753 and 1754.

Leonard: So since we started discussion on this, my staff has met with tom miller, sam's chief of staff, and there must have been a misunderstanding because they have not asked for this be held over.

Potter: Ben, what's your -- [inaudible]

Leonard: Is your mic on? Not hearing you. [inaudible] [inaudible]

Leonard: Although as I said, commissioner Adams has not asked for this to be postponed.

Fish: So there's two, my understanding is there are, we are talking about two different matters. One is recap four.

Leonard: Right.

Fish: Which I understand to be fairly noncontroversial.

Leonard: Yes.

Fish: Why don't we take that issue up and then take the second issue and we can have a discussion.

Potter: Ok. Second reading. Caught vote on item 1753. -- call the vote on item 1753.

Potter: Call the vote.

Fish: Aye. Leonard: Aye. Potter: Aye. [gavel pounded] item 1754. [inaudible] **Fish:** So if I could kick off the council discussion on this.

Potter: Sure.

Fish: I have had the chance to follow an email exchange commissioner Leonard has had with some folks on an alternative to this approach.

Leonard: Yes.

Fish: And I thought the exchange was thoughtful and raised some interesting issues. I also have had a chance with hannah to go back and review the materials that were submitted in support of the particular package. My sense after following the discussion is that we would be well serveed on an issue of this importance, having a larger complement of our colleagues, whether or not commissioner Adams was requesting that we have this be set over or not. In part because I think that what commissioner Leonard has identified is an important policy question. And if I am -- I am not going to at great risk of trying to summarize I understand the difference is, I think it is very simply stated whether there is a surgical way to gift applicant the relief that he seeks versus a more global approach which would affect the whole of division.

Leonard: And I think that there is.

Fish: So I have not had a chance to talk other than commissioner Leonard, I did not know what the leanings of any of my colleagues are on this issue. We have not discussed it. What I would like to preserve is for an opportunity for the full council to vote on the merits of this. I would be prepared to follow whatever suggestion you have so that there would be at least a back stop for the full council to vote on this.

Leonard: I appreciate that. And it's unfortunate not everybody was here last week, mayor Potter, to listen to the debate because I thought it was a healthy and good debate but I need to summarize it for you so I understand the perspective I have. We as you recall back in 2006, or 25, passed the division street plan, which included what I felt at the time, and I think I acknowledged at the time, was really a visionary set of regulations to preserve the opportunity for local and small businesses to populate along division between southeast 12th and southeast 60th where this regulation applies.

I remember at the time thinking that it was really a -- it was really a template that we should be able to use in other districts. And then, of course, the then market which is not new seasons, new seasons, but --

Fish: Wild oats.

Leonard: Closed the building remained vacant and the owner of the property went and met with the neighborhood, and, you know, I think there are varying descriptions of what happened. But I don't think anybody could disagree that the vast majority of the neighbors potentially with the exception of those actually on the executive board. Neighborhood, what they heard and what they believe is that by making this amendment on the resolution before us, they were going to get an athletic facility and specifically a gold's gym. So when I saw that, my antenna went up. Because as you know, you cannot pass a zoning regulation that allows for a specific business to happen. So I knew that for whatever reason the neighbors thought that, it was in error. At least in assuming that they were going to get a gold's gym. And, in fact, during the testimony, mr. Eight me said I never promised a gold's gym. In fact, he said last week, because of the economy and a number of other factors I may have to sell the building. So I don't know that everybody heard everything he said. Maybe they did but I don't know that everybody appreciated what he was saying. But I did. And the conclusion I do and have drawn is that we are doing a rezoning between southeast 12th and southeast 60th to allow for what the neighborhood thinks is an athletic facility that's going to come in there. And even if that were to happen I would tell that you gold's gym has been in and out of a number of neighborhoods in Portland and currently has no facilities in Portland. So I feel an obligation to use my experience in these matters to respectfully disagree with the neighborhood,

because I foresee something happening on that site, if not immediately, at some point in the future, that they will be very, very unhappy with that they had the foresight to see as a potential issue when they lobbied for us in 2005 to adopt the zoning language that they did to allow small businesses. Now, having said that, the solution is clear to me for this issue. I mean, the what the zoning regulations did not say is, it didn't prohibit having a new gold's type of gym exist on a property. What it did was outline a process. And it was interesting to me that the developer called the appeal to luba an unintended consequence. And I reminded him that that was not an unintended consequence. The language was set up specifically to create an opportunity for those that didn't agree with the kind of business that was going to go there to appeal the decision. And so it wasn't an unintended consequence but a well thought out consequence of exactly what's happened. But interestingly when luba decide the indicates case they didn't deny gold's gym going into the space. What they did was they remanded it back to the city and said define for us, luba, what it means by a locally serving business, I think was the language, and what we simply need to do and what my argument was last week, let's define that and send it back to luba and they can have the gold's gym. In fact, the reconstituted plan for the gold's gym on the site went from a 33,000 square foot proposal down to a 20,000 square foot proposal now. So it's -- it is, I think, a proposal that should be approved. And I support -- in fact, I will tell you, my staff approved that at the bureau of development services and I support that. I think it is a huge mistake for us to throw out the entire zoning code from 12th to 60th to accomplish a gold's gym that people think they may get but they may not get at this site, when there is a more thoughtful way to accomplish the same thing, yet preserving the language for the entire stretch of between 12th and 60th. There are at least three or four other sites that if this zoning language changes, one specifically on the corner of southeast 39th and division, that is currently a walgreens I believe, or a rite aid, but I will tell you if we change the zoning code, I do not see why a big box developer wouldn't come in, taking advantage of this relaxed code requirement and put who knows what on that site. So I would ask that we go ahead and vote on this with direction to send it back to staff for us to come up with a more what I think would be a targeted solution for the site and not throw out whole zoning code on that stretch of the road.

Fish: So randy, let me -- I think the public should know the council has been preoccupied with some other matters the last two days. In fairness we have been planning -- **Potter:** Not all the council.

Fish: You have been running the city. We have been dealing with new bureau assignments, public announcements, some other things. And that I will tell you has taken a lot of staff capacity, a lot of time. You gentlemen know that on issues like this, I am often the one saying I would benefit from a council discussion. I have done it even regardless of my position on the issue. And I don't see any advantage in seeing this conversation. And other than having a better understanding, randy, of your position from the emails you have kindly copied me on, I frankly don't know where my other colleagues are on this and I would welcome their input. So I have two issues. One is, I would prefer we discuss this as a council of the whole.

Leonard: Ok.

Fish: And second, to the extent that you believe there is an alternative that has been outlined in the emails I would like to have a chance to bring planning, b.d.s., hannah keuen of my office who does my rethinking of the left brain and the right brain to have that conversation. And I would be more comfortable following that approach and bringing us back for a time certain for us to take up the issue.

Leonard: And I am happy to do that if we can agree that there be enough time for us to thoughtfully put those kinds of efforts into trying to look at what alternatives would be which would be sometime after the first of the year.

Fish: If we did that our first meeting is the 7th or something like that.

Leonard: Yeah.

Fish: I don't know that we are under any compelling time on that. I would be happy to do that. If you would join in a motion to set this over to the 7th.

Leonard: Yes.

Fish: Time certain. And then I would -- I hope that also means you will take me up on my offer to educate me on this position. I will prepared to vote for this today but out of respect I would like to know if there's another path that gets us there. Mayor, are you acceptable?

Potter: You immediate a compelling argument, randy. I think we can vote on that. Move to it january 7th. And you can resolve it.

Leonard: I appreciate it. Thank you.

Potter: Hear a motion?

Leonard: So moved.

Fish: Second.

Potter: Please call the vote.

Fish: Aye. Leonard: Aye. Potter: Aye. [gavel pounded] [inaudible]

Leonard: Great, thank you.

Fish: I guess for anyone who is here from the community on that issue, we ask for your forbearance but we want to get this thing right and I think that this council has demonstrated will go the extra mile to give colleagues a chance to understand each other's position.

Leonard: I appreciate that. Thank you.

Potter: Nate has asked united states on the tri-met youth pass issue if we could remove the emergency so we could vote on it today so they could proceed.

Leonard: I think it would go to a second reading if we remove the emergency. On the 24th. **Potter:** Yes. [inaudible]

Leonard: On the 24th.

Fish: So move.

Leonard: I just want to understand the implications of doing this. If we don't have an emergency on it it means it has to wait 30 days to go --

Potter: It could be added back on next week. But you want sort of the council's -- [inaudible] **Leonard:** So there's no problem if it doesn't go into effect until january 24th? Ok. [inaudible] ok. So moved to remove the emergency clause.

Fish: Second.

Potter: Call the vote. Ok.

Fish: Aye. Leonard: Aye. Potter: Aye. [gavel pounded] correct. Please come forward. Please read item 1751.

Item 1751.

Nate Wasshul, Mayor Potter's Office: And I believe you have an additional amendment in addition to removing the emergency.

Potter: I don't have that with me.

Wasshul: And all of the council officers have received it. The item have you in front of you for an expansion to five high schools plus 11 alternative schools, due to the tightness of the business energy tax credit market, we're not expanding as quickly and as largely as we had originally intended. So the one school to be added with this item in addition to jefferson and franklin high schools is roosevelt high school. And that amendment has been submitted to the clerk's office as well.

Potter: Motion to accept? Fish: Motion. Leonard: Second. Potter: Call the vote.

Fish: Aye. Leonard: Aye. Potter: Aye. [gavel pounded] Wasshul: Thank you for your patience on this item. We appreciate it. It is important that it gets through at this time as students are hoping to receive their passes by the start of january. So thanks for bearing with us procedurally on this one. You're familiar with this item, it's come to council, this is its third time as we bring the project up to scale. And just a brief overview of what this is. You heard from the Multnomah youth commission in june about a project that they had begun working on to request your support in the form of a resolution for division of creating fairless public transit for youth in the city. There are several youth commissioner who's would have liked to be here but were unable to due to the weather. At that time when the youth commission came to you, you responded with a resounding unanimous yes in support of the vision and the idea. And then in september you approved a pilot project to begin offering the passes to two schools, jefferson and franklin high schools. As a pilot project. The positive response these schools has been overwhelming. Coming from students who appreciated increased access to scoocialtion afterschool activities, and jobs, coming from families who no long her to choose between sending money to school with their kids for lunch or for bus fare, from principals who offered stories biennium proved attendance, from individual students because of their bus pass. Even from neighbors who have welcomed the reduced parking congestion on streets around the schools. We're here today with a midvear expansion of the program to include students at roosevelt high school. One of the city's strongest most vibrant and also neediest schools. We're thrilled to sthend program to roosevelt, but it's a bittersweet expansion, because we had originally intended to expand even more broadly. The funding for the tax credit market has tightened in today's economic climate. And so the size and quickness with which we're able to expand this program to more students is limited. Nonetheless, we're pleased and proud to be partnering with u.s. Banks for this effort, and in the coming months we will work aggressively to explore even broader options for the funding and preservation of this program. At this point i'd like to introduce a good friend of mine, ryan obenby, a sophomore at jefferson high school, who is here to share a little bit about the impact of the program on him and on his fellow students.

Ryan Oenby: I'm a sophomore at jefferson high school. I really love this bus pass, because now instead of the \$24 a month that I had to spend on a bus pass, I can spend it on warm clothes, it's getting really cold now. I have also noticed people, not just the students at my school, have had to overall positive outlook on the free bus passes. A favorite teacher said one day in class, he said that he had heard somebody talking about rowdy kids on the bus. And he gave the class a speech. He said tri-met had given us very big gift, and they could easily take that away. Since then I haven't seen a single outburst on the bus. I have friends at roosevelt high school that would really like a free bus pass because, like me, they can't really afford the 24 bucks a month. Thanks for your help.

Potter: Thank you, ryan.

Fish: I take the 10 and the 12 bus pretty regularly, and I frequently see adults misbehave, but not so much kids. I appreciate you held your fire on that.

Potter: Other questions? Anybody to testify on this issue? Is anybody here who wishes to testify to this specific issue?

Fish: I have one other question. Nate, are you growing a beard? [laughter]

Wasshul: I feel that's an irrelevant question.

Leonard: You don't have to answer that question.

Wasshul: The mayor and I traded beards.

Fish: He shaved, and now you're growing one.

Potter: Thank you, nate. Thanks Ryan. This moves to a second reading next week. Thank you. We're adjourned.

Leonard: We have other ordinances.

Potter: Which other items.

Leonard: 64, 65, 66, 69, we have all kinds of them.

Potter: 1763.

Item 1763.

*****: Good afternoon. This is a street vacation that is part of the concordia university master plan. City engineer and planning commission recommend approval and we are prepared to move forward if you don't have any questions. Or any objections.

Potter: Questions?

Fish: Have there been any objections from the community?

****: No.

Fish: Thank you.

Potter: Is anyone signed up to testify?

*****: [inaudible]

Potter: Nonemergency, moves to a second reading. Please read item 1764.

Item 1764.

Vicki Diede, Bureau of Transportation: Good morning or afternoon, wherever we are. For the record, my name is vicky dee dee, i'm with bureau of transportation, and i'm the city's project manager for Portland streetcar. What we have is the assessing ordinance for the laurel extension project. It was final completion was in april of this year. I think the salient factor probably the most important issue for the council to consider is that we have one remonstrance to the allocation of the assessment, and it comes from rick sato, a partner in one of the properties. The objection he raised is to the apportionment of the assessment against the property, and he points out that since the formation ordinance for the l.i.d., that much planning has advanced regarding street improvements in the south waterfront, specifically as it relates to the proposed project. The south portal project improvements have been identified in two future phases. The second face of which will extend bond southerly from bancroft and then it would then traverse a portion of mr. Sato's property. And he believes that this future right of way should be recognized in the l.i.d. Assessment calculation and that the assessment should be reduced. The findings are that the proposed projects were incorporated into the updated south waterfront district street plan in april of this year, but based on a conceptual level of design. There's a difference in the street plans for those streets north of bancroft and south of bancroft. North of bancroft, they're a part of the central district development plan. South of bancroft it is a part of the south portal plan. And again, the south portal plans are in the street plan as a proposal. The south portal transportation analysis -construction project for south portal improvements with phase one consisting of improvements to southwest moody south of bancroft, in such a way that moody can operate in two-way traffic until bond is built. Phase two then would extend on south of bancroft and provide for the conversion to a moody bond one-way cup let. The extension of bond avenue in phase two will run between the property mr. Sato owns and the property immediately to the east, but no dimensions or exact locations have been determined. The construction of phase one and phase two are dependent on funding. Availability of right of way, the actual streetcar alignment south of bancroft, anticipated as an extension to lake oswego, another policy issuance of transportation. Specific to phase two, the intent would be to purchase right of way for the full implementation of the phase two improvements. If, however, redevelopment occurs on any site adjacent to the probable bond avenue before full implementation, bond may need to be constructed as a local street for local access and circulation needs only. And I would point out too that the conceptual project cost estimates for both phase one and phase two include a cost from right of way acquisition. Those costs are \$7 million out of \$32 million for phase one, and \$11 million out of \$18 million for phase two because there is one parcel that just basically gets wiped out. The benefit to the subject property will add value to the subject property and increased value would be realized through a right of way acquisition

should the phase two project be constructed on the property. And it is the recommendation that council accept the findings, there are indicated in your exhibit g that I just reviewed, and that the final ordinance be passed including the directive to overrule any and all objections.

Potter: I have a question about the assessment. Will that occur before other funding sources are identified?

Diede: This is the final assessment, the formation has been taken care of. The project is done. What will go out now after council approval is the bill, at which point --

Potter: I thought I heard you say you had to identify other sources of funding.

Diede: That would be for the south portal work, which is the property that's involved that mr. Sato believes we should skinny up. And that whole funding package has to come together as whole before they believe able to build it. Does that answer your question, mayor?

Potter: I'm not sure. I'm just wondering in terms of when we assess these properties, will the other funding northbound place so after the assessment the total amount necessary to complete project -- **Diede:** I understand. By law we cannot do a final assessment on a project until it's complete. Such that there's assurances to the property owner that we're not going to take their money and then not build a project.

Potter: Ok. Questions from commissioners? Thank you. Is anyone signed up to testify? *****: [inaudible]

Potter: It's a nonemergency and moves to a second reading. Please read item 1765. **Item 1765.**

Potter: Second reading, call the vote.

Fish: Aye. Leonard: Aye. Potter: Aye. [gavel pounded] please read item 1766.

Item 1766.

Potter: Second reading, call the vote.

Fish: Aye. Leonard: Aye. Potter: Aye. [gavel pounded] I it this only remaining one is item 1769. Please call the vote. Excuse me, read it.

Item 1769.

Potter: Second reading, call the vote.

Fish: Aye. Leonard: Aye. Potter: Aye. [gavel pounded] recessed until next week.

At 1:02 p.m., Council adjourned.