RESOLUTION No. 36810

Authorize the City to sign the Declaration of Cooperation in support of the Portland Metro Region's Sustainable Communities Grant Application (Resolution)

WHEREAS, on February 4, 2010, Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Secretary Shaun Donovan visited Portland to announce HUD's new Office of Sustainable Communities; and

WHEREAS, in the 2010 Federal budget, Congress committed \$150 million to HUD for a Sustainable Communities Initiative to improve regional planning efforts that integrate housing and transportation decisions and improve land use and zoning decisions; and

WHEREAS, approximately \$100 million will be available for regional integrated planning initiatives through HUD's Sustainable Communities Planning Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, HUD Deputy Sectary Ron Sims visited Portland on Friday, April 23, 2010 to discuss the grant opportunity and to emphasize the importance of addressing issues of social justice and equity for underrepresented communities in the grant application; and

WHEREAS, the Portland Metro region is recognized as a national leader in developing and implementing innovative approaches to land use, transportation planning, responsible resource use, and climate protection; and.

WHEREAS, the exceptional quality of life our region is known for is not shared by all who live here, especially members of low-income communities and communities of color; and

WHEREAS, a regional consortium of public and non-profit organizations are collaborating to submit a grant application; and

WHEREAS, this grant will fund the development of a Housing Equity and Opportunity Strategy to coordinate and integrate access to affordable housing, jobs, workforce training, high-quality public transportation, and other critical public services and facilities for the Metro region; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland is in the process of developing the Portland Plan, a strategic and comprehensive plan for the future growth and development of the city over the next 30 years, which will help create the Housing Equity and Opportunity Strategy; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland's Comprehensive Plan update will benefit from the information and conclusions of this region-wide Strategy; and

WHEREAS, grant funding will support the involvement of community-based organizations, many of which lack the capacity to participate effectively in this collaborative effort, in specific tasks and decision-making related to the Strategy; and

WHEREAS, this engagement will increase the capacity of these organizations to support development and implementation of the Strategy; and

WHEREAS, the activities supported by this grant will help our residents access the vital services and amenities that the region is nationally known for; and

WHEREAS, a broad coalition of stakeholders from the public and private sector will be providing oversight and monitoring of the implementation plan to assure that all residents receive access to these services consistent with the social equity criteria contained in the grant application; and

WHEREAS, this framework will strengthen linkages between federal, state, regional, local nonprofit, and private investments in housing, transportation, education, and other service planning; and

WHEREAS, this linkage will promote greater equity and opportunity for all regional residents and provide increased opportunity to leverage public investment in the region;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Portland is committed to a regional partnership in HUD's Sustainable Communities Planning Grant Program and authorize Mayor Adams to sign the attached Declaration of Cooperation on behalf of the City of Portland, assuring that all Portland residents, particularly those in underrepresented communities, have access to jobs, work force training, transit, and affordable housing.

Adopted by the Council AUG 18 2010

Mayor Adams and Commissioner Fish Prepared by: Daniel Ledezma Date Prepared: 8/10/10

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